

# ASHRAE Ottawa Valley Chapter

## Chapter Meeting #8 May 16th, 2006 (5:30 p.m.)



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Meeting Date: Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2006  
Location: La Contessa Banquet Hall, 156 Cleopatra Dr., Nepean, ON  
Presiding Officer: President: Jay Doshi  
Attendance: Total:           Guests:           Students:  
Theme Night: Past presidents / History  
Technical Program: Tour of the Canadian War Museum  
Table Top: None  
Program: CIDA's Engagement in Afghanistan  
Speaker(s): Jamie Graves, Assistant Director CIDA Afghanistan

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### **Technical:** (3:30 – 4:30)

Prior to the evening meeting, there was a tour of the recently completed Canadian War Museum. Along with the amazing collection pieces, memorabilia and displays, the students, members and companions were shown the significance and nuances of the building itself. For example, all the walls are built at an 11 degree angle to commemorate the 11<sup>th</sup> hour, of the 11<sup>th</sup> day, of the 11<sup>th</sup> month for Remembrance Day. Richard Albert summarized the tour for those who could not attend.

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### **Social** (5:30 – 6:40)

### **Business Session** (6:40 – 6:55)

- Jay Doshi opened the meeting and welcomed members, guests and students
- Jay introduced the Board of Governors
- Francois Belair introduced the guests and students
- David Eastwood (Nominating Committee) presented nominations for the 2006-2007 chapter Executive and Board of Governors. The nominees were as follows:
  - President: Glenn MacLean
  - President Elect: Robert Lefebvre
  - Secretary: Francois Belair
  - Treasurer: Imtee Bashk
  - Board of Governors: Frank Bann, Gary Hartmann, Rod Potter and Patric St.Onge
- Bill McKinnon presented a motion to accept.

### **Dinner** (6:55 – 7:25)

### **Business Session-Continued** (7:25 – 8:00)

- Cathy Godin noted that Research donations are at 89% of the chapter's goal.
  - Cathy Godin presented the Al Oakes award to Imtee Bashk
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- Joel Primeau welcomed and introduced the past presidents and their companions. The attendees were as follows:
    - 69-70: George Carscallen and Carole
    - 70-71: David H. Minshall and Barbara
    - 78-79: Bob McKee and Eleane
    - 82-83: Dalton McIntyre and Edith
    - 85-86: Gabriel Lazlo and Shirley
    - 86-87: John Dugan
    - 87-88: Simon Jol and Hilka
    - 88-89: Paul Baker
    - 89-90: Bill McKinnon
    - 91-92: Christopher Frauley
    - 92-93: Neil Armstrong and Jean
    - 93-94: Ross McIntyre
    - 95-96: David Eastwood
    - 99-00: Joel Primeau
    - 00-01: Mike Swayne and Elaine
    - 04-05: Cathy Godin
  - Jay Doshi presented an engraved candy bowl for use at the greeters table in memory of Ray Young.
  - Student scholarship awards were presented as follows:
    - University of Ottawa: Nicolas Legault presented by Patrick St.Onge
    - Carleton University: Humayoon Abassi presented by Imtee Bashk
    - Algonquin College: Stephen Coglan presented by Glenn MacLean
  - Canadian ASHRAE Life Members Bursaries were presented by George Carscallen to the following:
    - Hui Wang, Carleton University - \$1500.00
    - Nicolas Legault, University of Ottawa - \$500.00
  - Life Member certificates were presented by Jay Doshi to Winston Heatherington and James Ford.
  - 50 Year Member Certificates were presented by Jay Doshi to Hyman Yanofski, Ted Digel and Noel Kirby
  - Jay Doshi thanked the membership for his term as Chapter President.
  - David Eastwood installed the new Executive and Board of Governors. They are as follows:
    - President: Glenn MacLean
    - President Elect: Robert Lefebvre
    - Secretary: Francois Belair
    - Treasurer: Imtee Bashk
    - Board of Governors: Frank Bann, Gary Hartmann, Rod Potter and Patric St.Onge
  - Glenn MacLean presented Jay Doshi with his Past President's pin
  - Glenn expressed a special thanks to all the spouses for their support.
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**Evening Program** (8:20 - 9:25)

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Program: CIDA's Engagement in Afghanistan  
Speaker: Jamie Graves, Assistant Director CIDA Afghanistan

Rod Potter introduced the evening speaker.

Mr. Graves discussed the government of Canada's overall military and diplomatic strategy for Afghanistan. An overview of the political history over the past 50 years was presented. Under recent Taliban rule, life for the Afghan people was very socially restrictive and in particular with respect to the treatment of women.

With the removal of the Taliban regime, the Bonn Process allowed for a full election of a parliament of which Canada played a leading role. Outstanding challenges for the future include security, lack of institutional and human capacity (e.g. educational facilities, professionals, etc...) and poverty (Afghanistan is the fifth poorest nation in the world).

In Afghanistan, people are killed every day by abandoned mines and 90% of the world's poppy flowers (used to produce heroin) are grown there. To stabilize Afghanistan, the country needs to be demilitarized and the drug trade needs to be controlled. This is currently being addressed by a NATO initiative called the International Security Assistance Force (ISAF). The ISAF is currently being led by Canada and is in command of over 17,000 multinational troops. On the diplomatic front, Canada Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) is working with the locals on many levels (e.g. community outreach programs). The PRT is unique to Canada and is becoming a model for other nations.

- Joel Primeau thanked our guest speaker for his presentation and presented him with a gift.
- Glenn thanked all for attending and announced that the golf tournament would be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> this year.
- With no other business at hand, Glenn adjourned the meeting at 9:30pm.

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