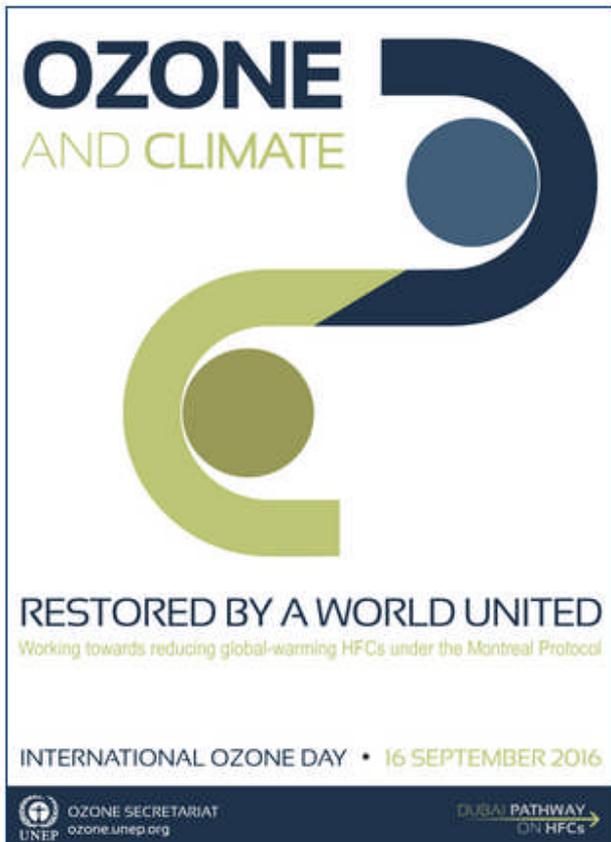


### International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer



September 16 is International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer, as declared by the United Nations.

See: <http://ozone.unep.org/en/information-material>



### Challenges and Opportunities with White Goods in Manitoba

“White goods” is the broader term that includes fridges, freezers, water coolers and dehumidifiers. They all contain some type of refrigerant -- and nearly the entire unit can be recycled. This includes the metals (wire, electronic parts), glass (shelves), plastics (shelves, liners), and even the foam (insulation).



The refrigerant must be recovered prior to scrapping or crushing. Not recovering the refrigerant is a violation of the Regulation and persons are liable for penalties and fines including up to \$50,000 on a first offense.

In Winnipeg and many other larger urban centres, the waste disposal ground (dumps) hires a contractor to recover the refrigerant from all units prior to sending to a scrap recycler.

Manitoba Hydro's Retire Your Fridge program ([www.hydro.mb.ca/your\\_home/appliances\\_electronics/refrigerator\\_retirement/index.shtml](http://www.hydro.mb.ca/your_home/appliances_electronics/refrigerator_retirement/index.shtml)) has a contract with a company that recycles the units in a Winnipeg based plant. The scrap from these units is then recycled and the refrigerant is safely recovered and sent for disposal.

In rural locations, units are stored at waste disposal grounds and the same rules apply. Some challenges have been identified at some First Nations communities and other rural locations where the infrastructure or access to services are not readily available. MOPIA is concerned about this and is hoping to find practical solutions to ensure our environment is better protected. As such, we plan to continue to meet with government, the private sector and the various key associations (i.e. Association of Manitoba Municipalities and Canadian Appliance Manufacturers) to discover a better solution to this important stewardship challenge.

**Picture Above:** Mark Miller recently met with Gerald Pantel and Francois Catellier (Provencher Appliances) discussing options and solutions for better white goods stewardship across Manitoba. Wire, glass, plastic, etc. are recycled from white goods collected.



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Nominate an employer, journeyman or instructor who has made an outstanding contribution to Manitoba's Apprenticeship training system.

NOMINATION DEADLINE:  
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You may nominate an employer, journeyman or instructor through their dedicated website:

[www.gov.mb.ca/wdis/apprenticeship/generalinfo/events/index.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/wdis/apprenticeship/generalinfo/events/index.html)



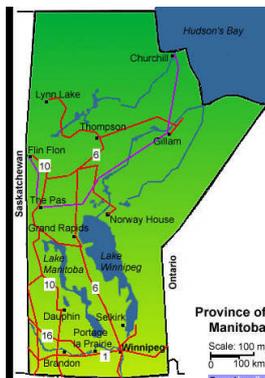
Last year, Mitchell Bergmann from Bergmann Plumbing and Heating Ltd. was the Journeyman of the Year, a Commercial Refrigeration & Air Conditioning Mechanic, congratulations!!

## 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol



The 28<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol is scheduled to take place 8-14 October in Kilgali, Rwanda. High on the Agenda will be a focus on controlling HFCs going forward. HFCs are potent greenhouse gases that will lead to intensified climate change and environmental concern if left uncontrolled. The World has an opportunity to significantly address climate change at this meeting.

## MOPIA Hosts Awareness Session in Thompson, Manitoba



MOPIA held our latest program awareness session in Thompson, Manitoba on Tuesday, August 23 at the Best Western Hotel meeting room. Stakeholders from local businesses attended and heard the latest on trends, anticipated international controls and shared concerns. The local Environment Officer for the region also attended.

While in Thompson, MOPIA's Executive Director also took the opportunity to drop-in to several local companies to distribute our 2016 Compliance Guide for their technicians who could not make it to the session.

During this summer, MOPIA held program awareness sessions across Manitoba in Winkler, Steinbach, Portage la Prairie, Brandon, Winnipeg, Selkirk and Dauphin.

These sessions were free and included a complimentary light meal and refreshments. Participants heard the latest on international, national and local initiatives including emerging HVAC/R and A/C technologies and trends. MOPIA's new 2016 Compliance Guide was also made available. Many questions and concerns were shared including the use of retail sold top-up (hydrocarbon) refrigerants, white goods management, end use of HFCs, new refrigerants and visible enforcement of The Manitoba ODS and Other Halocarbons Regulation.

## Certification Training On-going



MOPIA's next one-day certification class is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 15 in Winnipeg if there is enough interest. Register by email ([mopia@mymts.net](mailto:mopia@mymts.net)) or calling MOPIA at 204.338.2222 / toll free 1.888.667.4203.

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