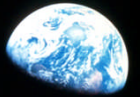




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MOPIA Ready to Share and Listen to YOU!



Each year, MOPIA hosts complimentary breakfast or lunch sessions to hear and engage with our stakeholders, bring forth emerging industry trends and potential regulatory issues. Environment Officers from the Department of Sustainable Development, Education and Training, Transport Canada and other guests have participated to help answer questions and we look forward to their possible involvement again this year.

If you can't make a session, we would alternatively meet at your workplace to discuss issues with your staff or co-workers to ensure they are working in compliance with Manitoba's ODS Regulation.

The sessions are usually about 1 hour in length so as not to cut into your work day schedule much and include a light meal and snacks. Send us an email if you have some ideas for locations and topics you'd like discussed. Mark your calendar for:

- Winnipeg June 8 (morning session)
- Steinbach June 13
- Winkler / Morden June
- Portage la Prairie June 15
- Dauphin June 19
- Brandon June 20
- Neepawa June
- Selkirk June 22
- Russell June 27
- Winnipeg June 29 (noon session)
- Gimli July 6
- Thompson July 25
- Flin Flon July 26

Other locations may be added, so visit our website and register on-line or with the form in your personal 2017-18 certification renewal package coming in early May.

Next Training Dates for Brandon and Winnipeg Regions



Botho Kramer, perhaps Manitoba's most experienced HVAC/R instructors, seen training students for MOPIA in March.

The next one-day MOPIA certification classes will be held in **Brandon May 11** and in **Winnipeg May 13**. More dates will be added upon need/applicants.

Anyone working on A/C or HVACR systems handling regulated products and refrigerants must have this certification or they risk penalties of up to \$50,000 and/or imprisonment not exceeding six months on a first offence.

MOPIA's 23rd Annual General Meeting Held



Bill Grywinski, MOPIA Treasurer

MOPIA's 23rd Annual General Meeting (AGM) was held in Winnipeg on April 12. Members heard reports from our Chair, Treasurer and Executive Director. These included highlights about our previous fiscal years' activities and our solid financial position. Bill Grywinski (Treasurer) seen at left, noted due to this, members will be pleased that there is no discussion or motivation to seek additional revenue from increased certification fees.

MOPIA's Annual Report was presented to our members and is available to the public via our website. We encourage people to learn about MOPIA, our history, success and unique role in Manitoba and around the world.



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Profile on MOPIA

MOPIA is a unique, non-partisan, inclusive and not for profit organization which began in 1993/94 when the world was faced with the global threat and challenges of ozone depletion. This condition was an imminent threat to human kind and all species on earth. Perhaps the most significant environmental threat the world ever faced besides the nuclear dilemma. Climate change was a secondary issue at the time.

MOPIA was first appointed by the Hon. J. Glenn Cummings, Minister of Environment at the time under Manitoba's Premier Gary Filmon. Successive governments continue to see the value of our stakeholder led initiative. There is significant value to the provincial government as MOPIA is not dependent on any government funding.

MOPIA is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors. Our purpose is to assist industry in the phase-out of ozone depleting substances and provide specialized administrative assistance to government. Below are some of the names and faces you may have seen in your industry sector who sit on MOPIA's Board. For a full profile, visit our website at www.mopia.ca



From top: George Kurowski, Michael Blackey, Laverne Dalgleish, Kirk Esau, Jeff Hillock, John Kub, Kent Cielen, Meghan Skorodenski and Don Thomson.

Watch for your 2017-18 Certification Renewal in May



MOPIA will be issuing certification renewals for 2017-18 at the beginning of May. Watch for yours via personal mail or via your workplace mail.

The renewal fee remains unchanged at \$25 for the period June 1, 2017 – May 31, 2018. You may opt to pay for 2 years (2017-2018 and 2018-2019) at \$50. Payment may be made by cheque, debit, credit card or even via PayPal or cash (at the office).

Everyone who renews will be issued a new wallet certification card for 2017-18, as shown above. Penalties of non-compliance including working with a regulated substance are significant and may result in financial penalties of up to **\$50,000 and/or 6 months jail** on a first offence. Don't get caught without it and don't risk the consequences!!

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<http://ozone.unep.org/30th-anniversary-montreal-protocol-and-international-ozone-day-2017>

