



# Plan to Attend MOPIA's 25<sup>th</sup> AGM on May 9



MOPIAs 25<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday, May 9 in Winnipeg and you are encouraged to participate. There is no cost to attend and it will include a complimentary light lunch and refreshments.

If you are interested to become a voting association member, completion of the membership application and payment of \$20 is required. This would entitle you to qualify as a Board of Director candidate (upon nomination). Nominations for candidates for MOPIA's Board of Directors is open now by completing a nomination paper. See our website for details or contact MOPIA's office.

All MOPIA stakeholders are welcome to attend the AGM to hear our latest accomplishments and challenges including financial and other important reports.

MOPIA's 25<sup>th</sup> AGM will be held:

Date:	Thursday, <b>May 9</b> , 2019	
Location:	Cindy Klassen Recreation Center	
	999 Sargent Avenue in Winnipeg	
Time:	12 noon – 1:15 pm	

#### UV Data at your Fingertips...

UV radiation can burn and cause skin cancer and cataracts. Ever wonder what your local UV levels are daily, check out The Weather Network at:

www.theweathernetwork.com/ca/forecasts/uv/manitoba/winnipeg https://weather.gc.ca/forecast/public\_bulletins\_e.html?Bulletin=fp cn49.cwao

# Next One-day Certification Class is in Winnipeg on March 30



MOPIA will be hosting our next one-day certification class in Winnipeg on Saturday, March 30 at Red River College. Anyone working on the gas side of an air conditioning, and/or HVAC/R system requires this provincial certification under Manitoba Regulation 103/94.

Persons interested should register in advance by contacting MOPIA by email (mopia@mymts.net) or phone (see above). The cost of participating is \$185 per student.

The one-day class typically runs from 8 am - 6 pm with the exam. For those unable to attend an onsite/in-class setting, living in remote rural communities or other circumstances, you may be eligible to do the class via correspondence. MOPIA also hopes to offer future classes in Brandon, The Pas, Dauphin and Winkler if there is interest.

## Check out OzoNews with info from Around the World...



Perhaps the best source for a round-up of news from around the world on the topics related to ozone and climate protection and the Montreal Protocol is OzoNews issued twice every month by The United Nations Environment Programme OzonAction Branch.

Topics include enforcement and compliance, HVACR refrigerant and equipment technology innovations and everything in-between from regulatory information to foam blowing technology. Check out their lasted edition – March 15, 2019 – at: www.unenvironment.org/ozonaction/



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**MOPIA Hosting Consultation/Awareness Sessions** across Manitoba



Genoa deBruin (MOPIA Climate Change Specialist) and Mark Miller (Executive Director) will host the MOPIA program awareness sessions.

This year we encourage you to participate in any one of our free program awareness consultation sessions being held across Manitoba beginning in June.

MOPIA will be seeking your input in strengthening and updating Manitoba's current ODS and Other Halocarbons Regulation along with sharing the latest industry and environment related news. A light meal will be provided in appreciation of your participation. The sessions are usually about an hour in length, as we know our stakeholders are busy and have little time to be away from work.

We just ask that you to let us know a few days in advance (mopia@mymts.net via email or by calling 204.338.2222/1.888.667.4203) if you and how many others will be attending so we order enough food and refreshments.

Watch our website for any changes or additions. We can also visit your workplace, if you'd prefer, to update your staff - just let us know. Plan to partake and be part of the solution!

Dauphin	June 3 at 12 noon	Super 8
Flin Flon	June 5 at 8 am	Victoria Inn
The Pas	June 5 at noon	Andersen Inn
Thompson	June 6 at noon	Best Western
Steinbach	June 11 at noon	Days Inn
Winkler/Morden	June 12 at noon	Days Inn
Winnipeg	June 13 at 7:45 am	Cindy Klass RC
Selkirk	June 18 at noon	Canalta Inn
Portage la Prairie	June 19 at noon	Super 8
Brandon	June 20 at noon	ACC Len Evan
Winnipeg	June 27 at noon	Cindy Klass RC

### **UN Assembly Highlights World Pledge to Protect Degraded/Polluted Planet**

At the 4<sup>th</sup> UN Environment Assembly held in Nairobi on March 15, 2019, some 170 nations supported a new blueprint for change. Mounting evidence shows our planet is on a rapid path of depletion of resources and biodiversity including intensified pollution and warming. See details of this hot of the press plan at:

http://web.unep.org/environmentassembly/documents/fourt h-session-un-environment-assembly

www.unenvironment.org/news-and-stories/pressrelease/world-pledges-protect-polluted-degraded-planet-itadopts-blueprint

### **Companies Buying/Importing Regulated Products need a 2019 SD** Permit

MOPIA continues to issue 2019 SD Permits to companies across Manitoba. If your company purchases and/or imports into the province regulated products (i.e. any parts attached to the closed refrigerant loop) or any regulated refrigerants (i.e. HCFCs, HFCs), your company should have a Secondary Distributor (SD) Permit. The SD Permit allows your company to purchase, import and have in possession regulated products. The company should be acquiring the products for which any of their technicians are handling. The 2019 SD Permit application is available on our website and the cost is \$50.

#### **Key Contact Websites**

#### Government of Manitoba

Manitoba Sustainable Development ODS Act/Regulation http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/regs/annual/2005/178.pdf https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/envprograms/index.html

NASA Ozone Watch & Ozone Home Page https://ozonewatch.gsfc.nasa.gov/ https://www.nasa.gov/ozone

International Institute of Sustainable Development www.iisd.org

United Nations Environment Programme "OzoNews" http://web.unep.org/ozonaction/

#### **Kigali Amendment of The Montreal Protocol**

www.unenvironment.org/news-and-stories/press-release/worldtakes-stand-against-powerful-greenhouse-gases-implementation www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ttv-OcvnsaY

Environment & Climate Change Canada - Enforcement Notes www.ec.gc.ca/alef-ewe/default.asp?lang=En&n=8F711F37-1

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