

LAST DINNER MEETING

If you weren't there you missed a good one! Over 40 were in attendance to enjoy the great meal and the usual shenanigans, including our 50/50 draw, which was won by Daryl Parisien.

Our "table top" presentation featured Colin Pape of Axiom Digital Services, who was there to enhance your business by making sure you are listed correctly on our web site. Colin also explained how you can have your own website template linked to our site (mpdbuilders.com). This is another way your Builders' Association assists in the promotion of your business. Maximize your membership and advertising dollars - get the most out of our website. Call Colin at 528-0783 for further details.

Our "feature presentation" was on home entertainment systems, by Panasonic; organized by local entrepreneur Alvin Clarke of Radio Shack. Many issues were raised and many questions answered, particularly with respect to planning room sizes, speaker placement, etc.

President Jurgen Pape extended a warm welcome on behalf of the membership to the following who were in attendance and have expressed an interest in joining:

Jason Vanderkooy - Interior Trim Specialist
Peter Santos - Mortgage Specialist - RBC
Ed Middlebrook - Northern Roofing and Renovations

WELCOME GENTLEMEN!

THE WORLD'S FASTEST AGM

At our last meeting we also conducted our annual reporting to our membership with respect to the associations financial activities and accomplishments over the past 12 months. In addition, the following people have agreed to serve as your Board of Directors for the next 12 months:

Don Bryant	President	Huronian Alarms	526-9311
Charles Wenneker	Vice President	Wenneker Woodworks	527-6081
Jurgen Pape	Past President	Topline Paints	526-7563
Dave Giffin		JD Do it All	526-4607
Dave Templeton		Templeton Windows	527-4012
Cindy Blair		Blair Window Fashions	526-0500
Geoff Myers		Stone Tree Inc.	527-3009

We salute the above volunteers for their willingness to join our working board and to set policies and make decisions, which will guide your Association in 2002. We also appreciate and acknowledge the spouses of all of our board members who are very supportive of the extra efforts and time required to be an effective member of our Board of Directors.

Austin Matthews has agreed to continue to serve as the Board's appointed Executive Officer for the same term.

Outgoing President (now immediate Past President)- Jurgen Pape deserves our special thanks for his leadership in steering your association during the year just completed. Jurgen's quiet confidence and caring diligence has propelled us forward and will continue to inspire us through the months ahead. Sincere accolades to Betty-Lou Pape whose interest in our association is very evident and most appreciated.

FALL ARREST TRAINING

Dave McDonald of Ontario Construction Safety Association gave us a "heads up pep talk" in January about the fall arrest legislation and penalties for failure to comply. If any one is interested in participating in a special training program for employees, please call Austin at 526-6907 and perhaps the numbers interested will allow us to proceed with planning this event.

HOME AND LEISURE SHOW - APRIL 26, 27 AND 28

Last year's show, sponsored by the local Shriners' Club proved to be a worthwhile venture for our association. We reserved one booth and were able to hand out business cards and promotional literature for many of our members. This year, your Board has authorized the purchase of a double booth to better promote the businesses of our members.

Dave Templeton (Templeton Windows) will be providing some welcome input for us on display content and presentation. Don't miss this great opportunity for us to tell your story! More information will be available from Austin at 526-6907. Space will not allow us to accommodate all members on the displays so act quickly. Your help to cover the booth for a two-hour block of time would be most appreciated.

LOOKING AHEAD

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27TH FROM 6:00 P.M.: Regular Dinner Meeting (see front page for Guest Speaker). Please come with your comments and questions. We are important stakeholders in the future of the construction and building industry.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24TH FROM 6:00 P.M.: Regular Dinner Meeting featuring Garfield Dunlop, MPP.

FRI. APRIL 26TH THROUGH SUN. APRIL 28TH: Shriners' Home and Leisure Show. Plan now to get involved in this excellent chance to tell your business story without great costs.

1. You can purchase (approx. cost - \$20) display space on our freestanding presentation boards (approx. space 2' x 2.5'). This affords you an "up front and center" area to display your pamphlets, photos, special offers, etc. Call 526-6907 to reserve space. We'll then follow up with specific details.
2. We will give out your business cards to anyone who asks for the type of service you provide. There is no charge for this.

Of course, we are looking for volunteers to staff the booth. Call 526-6907 to select your two hour block(s) of time.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH: Regular Dinner Meeting. Speaker and Program to be announced.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH: Our World Famous Builders BBQ. Reserve the date now. Details will be forthcoming.

FRIDAY, JULY 5TH: 13th ANNUAL MPDBA GOLF CLASSIC. Sign up now! Sponsor early to get free advertising coverage from our media sponsors - The Midland Mirror, and KICX 104 FM.

SAT/SUN, SEPT 7&8: Camp Kitchikewana Work Weekend. Details to be announced by Charles Weneker

OUR 13TH ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC

Brooklea Golf and Country Club

Friday, July 5th

Register by foursome only - \$480 (\$120 x 4) includes:

- BBQ lunch
- 18 holes of golf
- Carts provided - two per foursome
- After golf cash bar
- Golfers' dinner
- YukYuk's comedian
- Silent Auction
- Contests, Prizes, Contests, Prizes, Contests, Prizes!!!

For members only, we will accept your foursome reservations by phone (526-6907) and invoice will follow.

Non-members must remit payment with registration.

SPONSORSHIP: We have a new sponsorship program. We are in partnership with the Midland Mirror and KICX FM radio, both of who will provide continuing promotion for our sponsors. So, sponsor BIG and sponsor EARLY! Contact any Board Member for details.