

MCA Ontario Newsletter

May 2023



2022 - 2025 Collective Agreement

The Collective Agreement is now accessible on our website. Please visit mcao.org.

Just a reminder, the effective payroll change over date shall be the closest Sunday to the Wage Schedule effective date.

April 30th was the start date of the traditional "May 1st" increase for all UA members in the province. This was intentionally added to the Collective Agreement in the last round of bargaining to align the May 1st increase effective date with most companies' start of their payroll week, thereby eliminating the need to do two labour rates for each member during the same payroll week.

9-8-8 number for mental health and suicide prevention

A new three-digit number, 9-8-8, will be implemented on November 30th, 2023 for mental health and suicide prevention services. You will be able to call or text 9-8-8 from anywhere in Canada for free. You will be directed to the appropriate mental health crisis or suicide prevention service in your area. Until November 30, anyone, anywhere in Canada can call 1-833-456-4566 or text 741741.



TSSA Fee Changes

TSSA has implemented a 4% fee increase in the following two Boilers & Pressure and Fuels Safety effective May 1, 2023.

Effective May 1, 2022 - April 30, 2023 -\$137.00

Effective May 1, 2023 -\$ 142.50

For more information visit [TSSA Fees](#).

MCA Ontario's Standard Provincial Welding Procedures

MCA Ontario's Standard Provincial Welding Procedures Program

The program currently includes 19 welding procedures. MCA Ontario **covers all costs for tests in relation to MCAO's Standard Provincial Carbon Steel Procedure (MCAO F3F4-07)** (ie TSSA Fee, Test Facility & Materials Fees; Welder's time in completing the Test).

If you have any questions or would like to participate in our welding program, please contact Pat Bianco at 905-629-0344 or email pat@mcao.org

Student Chapter Competition

Congratulations to McMaster who once again this year placed in the top four of all the schools in North American that competed in the MCAA Student Chapter Competition. While they didn't end up winning for the second year in a row, placing in the top and being invited to attend the conference and present their project in front of a large audience is a significant accomplishment in and of itself. Well done!!!



CBTU's In The Trades Apprenticeship Program

Your company could be eligible to receive up to \$10,000 in federal funding through CBTU's In the Trades program for onboarding a first-year Red Seal apprentice. Call the office today if you would like more information, we would love to make this easy for you to obtain and grow the number of our member companies, like Alberici who accept cheques for this in the future.

[Register Now](#)




Learn more at
buildingtrades.ca/inthetrades

TALKING IN THE TRADES

Alberici Constructors Ltd
Nuwallen Cyrus, first-year concrete finisher apprentice with
LIUNA Local Union 506, Burlington, Ontario





"Alberici is committed to investing in the future generation of workers. Through CBTU's In The Trades program, we are able to provide opportunities for the next generation of skilled workers, building their skills and careers in the industry."

GRAEME LANGDON,
OPERATIONS DIRECTOR, ALBERICI CONSTRUCTORS LTD



LEFT TO RIGHT: Graeme Langdon, Operations Director with Alberici Constructors Ltd, and John McCollum,

Upcoming Training

Great news! MCAO is expanding our reach to assist member companies with training beyond that which only TSSA provides. During our AGM and conference at the end of April we had great dialogue with the MCAA President and CEO and are pleased to announce that we have been invited to register members for their virtual PIPM course. We expect this to be the first of many courses available through MCAA. Further, MCA Toronto has invited MCAO members to attend their courses as well and we're looking at others as well.

TSSA Courses

MCAO helped facilitate the following TSSA training this past spring:

ASME B31.1 Power Piping Seminar & ASME B31.3 Process Piping Seminar
Ontario Boiler and Pressure Vessel Regulations and TSSA Requirements Course.
ASME Section IX Welding Qualifications Seminar
Ontario Repairs & Alterations Seminar

Please contact our office if you are interested in hosting any of these or other TSSA courses in the fall. We want to fill our schedule!

Apprenticeship Grants

Year one of the program is over; however, year two allows businesses to apply for another apprenticeship grant. You can enroll/apply for another new apprentice between April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024.

If you have not yet signed up, please visit <https://buildingtrades.ca/inthetrades/> - all the information is there, or call the MCAO office. We will be happy to forward you more details about this valuable incentive.

- In The Trades - FAQs
- How to Access Grant Funding
- In The Trades Presentation

MCAO's new Operations Manager

We are excited to announce that our office is growing. We are looking to add a member to our team who's principle focus will be on membership engagement and the pursuit of opportunities where MCAO can bring value to our members. Over the course of the last two months we have worked through over a hundred applicants, conducted phone interviews with those that stood out and interviewed five.

Mr. Dylan Knight was offered the position this week and pending the positive outcome of final administrative items will be offered the job, starting on May 23. Expect to hear from him directly within a month. His first major task will be to reach out to each company that resides within a Zone that isn't already supported with a full-time manager.

Look to see an e-mail from Dylan as early as June!

2024 AGM

Be on the lookout..... MCA Ontario's next AGM will be held in London, England. More information to follow in late September!



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