

## PRESIDENT AND CHAPTER REPORT



**T**ime flies when you're having fun and being involved with CCI, Manitoba Chapter is rewarding and fun. It is hard to believe that we are once again concluding our fiscal year, which ended on June 30, 2019.

Our summer edition includes all of our 2018-2019 year end reports and helps us to celebrate another successful year. A year of providing education, awareness and access to expertise by and for our members.

The CCI Board of Directors are to be commended for their commitment to our organization. The Board consists of volunteers who give countless hours to CCI throughout the year. They attend monthly Board meetings, respond to members, attend and chair CCI committee meetings, participate in monthly lunch and learns, CCI National conferences and other CCI events. Thank you so much for all of your time and the skills, talents and passion you bring to CCI.

Thanks also to the Executive Committee, Delaney Vun, Vice President, Lori Ricard, Treasurer and Krista Corley, Secretary. As per the CCI bylaws, the Executive Committee meet regularly to assist the President with the general management and supervision of the affairs and operations of the Chapter. The Executive Committee also acts as the Finance Committee.

Deniz Frass is now contracted directly with CCI, Manitoba Chapter in the role of Chapter Administrator. Deniz was previously with Ethern Events and Management who contracted their services to us. Many thanks to Deniz for her commitment to CCI, Manitoba Chapter.

The Board of Directors meet monthly from September to June. This past year we welcomed Sue Gagne and Debbie Buckingham to our Board and they have both brought a wealth of experience, expertise and knowledge to our Board of Directors.

Brenda Brydges and Paul Therrien resigned from the Board of Directors this past year and many thanks to both of them for sharing their skills and talents with CCI.

The CCI Manitoba Chapter bylaws allow for fifteen directors of which every year, five terms expire. This results in five positions being available for election every year. The term for a Board Director is three years. Condominium owners are always welcome and encouraged to run for election, as are those who work as business partners and professionals in the condominium industry. Elections are held yearly at our Annual General Meeting. Board orientation takes place before the October Board meeting and this year, we plan on having a Board of Directors team building and planning session in November in order to assist the newly elected CCI Board members to transition into their Board of Directors role. Board members are strongly encouraged to sit on at least one CCI Committee. The President is included in all of the CCI committees as ex officio.

The Education Program led by Susan Champagne Shapiro and her team of committee members continue to bring informative, fun and interesting topics to our members at monthly Lunch and Learns. Education sessions are open to all members and if you are receiving this newsletter, you are a member. While many Condominium Directors attend, it is not necessary to be a Director to attend these events. We also encourage our Business Partners and Professional Members to attend. One of the other benefits of attending the Lunch and Learns is the opportunity to network with other condominium owners.

The Newsletter Committee led by Sue Gagne and her team continues to provide an excellent resource to all of our members. The newsletter is sent to all unit owners that are members of CCI, Manitoba Chapter. For many, it is the only point of contact with CCI. The feedback is that it is one of the best benefits of membership in our organization. If you have ideas for articles, please let us know or perhaps you might want to contribute an article. I Love my Condo is always looking for submissions.

President's Forums are held biannually and are well attended. The forums are open to all Condominium Corporation Presidents or their designate. Presidents find the forums extremely helpful as they discuss common condominium issues and share creative solutions and ideas. Attendees

leave the sessions with some great new suggestions to assist them in their role as a condominium corporation President and director.

Rob Giesbrecht and the Government Relations teamwork on issues related to the Condominium Act, issues arising around the changing of bylaws and declarations, Human Rights legislation and other government related issues brought forward by members and the CCI Board of Directors.

Delaney Vun chairs the Communication and Membership Committee. This committee was previously two separate committees, which had similar mandates. The newly formed committee is responsible for approving all communications and marketing and promoting CCI to members and non-members. This year they planned a member appreciation and outreach event, "Condos & Cold Ones."

Another new committee this year is the AGM and Sponsorship Committee led by Krista Corley. The committee has done some outstanding work this past year and are still in the midst of planning for an exciting AGM. It will be held on Thursday, September 26th at the Assiniboine Park Zoo. I encourage all of you to attend. You won't be disappointed. Not only is the location a huge draw but there will be lots of refreshments, appetizers and great prizes. Go to our website and register today, as space is limited. The committee is also looking at sponsorship in general. Sponsors are invaluable in assisting CCI to hold our events for little or no cost to members and we want to ensure that sponsors are appreciated and are getting good value for their contributions to our organization.

CCI National events are held twice yearly in different locations across Canada. There are 17 Chapters from across Canada and over 4000 National members. The Fall Leaders Forum was held November 7-10, 2018 in London, Ontario and included the CCI National Awards Banquet, The CCI National Annual General Meeting and the 1st Annual National Trade Show.

The Spring Leaders Forum was held in St. Johns, Newfoundland May 29-June 1, 2019, and it too included informative sessions and a National Trade Show. The Chapter President attends on behalf of CCI Manitoba and other Chapter Board members often attend as well. It is an opportunity to network with chapters from across Canada, take part in discussions on National issues and attend educational panels, forums and presentations.

Jane Lecours serves the Manitoba Chapter as the National representative on the National Council. The role of National Council has grown a lot in the past two years under Doug Forbes leadership. The National Council and the National Executive meet frequently at National events and by teleconference. Doug continues to serve on the National Executive in the role of chairperson. Thanks to Jane and Doug for giving so much of their valuable time to both our provincial Chapter and the National organization.

Nonboard Member Volunteers who currently participate on CCI Committees are Alan Forbes, Pamela Pyke, Lou Anna Roberts, Brenda Scoular and Carla Steidl. They are strong supporters of CCI Manitoba Chapter and we thank them for their time and commitment. CCI committees are elected at the October CCI Board meeting and if anyone is interested in participating on a committee, please let us know.

Thanks to all our presenters, donators of prizes, sponsors of events and CCI members who regularly attend most of our sessions and events. You are all so appreciated and we are successful because of you.

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*Gold Sponsor, WSP*

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And last but not least, thanks to all of our members for another successful year.

Hope to see many of you at the Annual General Meeting. 🍁

MAUREEN HANCHARYK, President  
Manitoba Chapter