

## President's Message by Charles Henaire, CA

### Informed choice - Your future is in your hands

Let me begin my first President's Message by saying what a privilege it is to have been elected Institute President and having the opportunity to continue to serve the members of our profession in Manitoba. The upcoming year presents our profession with tremendous opportunities and your Council members and the Institute's management team is committed to ensuring that your profession continues to grow and maintain its pre-eminent position.

Council has unanimously endorsed the Strategic Planning report prepared by the CSE Strategic Planning Task Force. This report is the culmination of some excellent research and consultation with members and the business community and ultimately with PICA Councils and the CICA Board. This plan develops the strategic direction for your profession for many years to come.

It is critical that all members take the time to understand the strategic direction of the profession. An Executive Summary of the CSE Strategic Planning Task Force report is included in this mailing for your reference. In addition to this insert, please refer to the Institute's website for a copy of the detailed report and a web cast by Steve Glover, FCA.

We have a number of issues to deal with as we look to implement the report in the years ahead. One of the more important initiatives to consider is the opportunity of the proposed merger with the CMAs, which is definitely top-of-mind for many members. It is very gratifying that so many members have become engaged in this discussion.

At the time of writing this, we have held seven Town Hall meetings and made presentations to nearly 450 members on the Strategic Plan. As well, we have explained how the merger opportunity is one possible initiative to help the profession address the strategic direction laid out in the plan.

While it is encouraging that so many members have attended these meetings (no doubt more than what we would have expected if we were merely discussing the Strategic Plan by itself), it represents less than a quarter of resident members. Additional Town Hall meetings will be scheduled in September/October to provide more specific information as details are finalized.

I believe it is incumbent upon all members to become fully informed about the strategic direction of the profession. Our members are known for their strategic leadership and vision. We have a tremendous opportunity to influence the future direction of the accounting profession in Manitoba and Canada and, therefore, we must ensure that we are fully informed about the future we want to create.

And when the opportunity comes to vote on the proposed merger opportunity later this fall, please exercise your right and responsibility.



## We Are Not Alone

On July 14, the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales (ICAEW) announced that it had entered into merger discussions with the Certified Institute of Management Accountants and the Certified Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy, with the goal of creating a UK accounting body representing 200,000 professional accountants and more than 85,000 students.

In announcing the proposed merger, Paul Druckman, President of the ICAEW, indicated that the "consolidation would ensure unrivalled expertise, member representation and support. It would also mean a more powerful and influential voice in national and international discussions with governments, regulatory bodies and standard setters."

Druckman added that the merger discussions arose as part of the ICAEW's strategic review and there remains much detail to be worked through between the three accounting bodies but any final decision will rest with the ICAEW membership.

This demonstrates that the same market forces and economic trends that have given rise to the proposed CA-CMA merger in Canada are not unique, but rather the product of an international trend toward the strengthening and rationalization of the accounting profession.

**The 2004 PD Catalogue is now on-line at [www.icam.mb.ca](http://www.icam.mb.ca)!  
See the insert in this mailing for a listing of seminars by date.**

## Fall 2004-2005 PD Program

The seminar outlines and registration forms for the Fall PD program are on our website at [www.icam.mb.ca](http://www.icam.mb.ca). Printed copies of the PD Catalogue are available to those who request them directly from the Institute. Some of the new seminars to be held this fall are:

- PSAB Update
- Excel-Beyond The Basics
- Target Costing
- Score Points Within Your Organization
- Accounting for Derivatives
- Dealing With Difficult People
- Effective Negotiation
- Enhancing the Value Components of a Public Practice

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- **The Personal Passport** - offers the convenience and flexibility of five (5) full seminar days. *Buy on or before October 15, 2004 and save.*
  - Member Passport - \$800 plus GST (\$850 plus GST after October 15, 2004)
  - Non-Member Passport - \$945 plus GST (\$995 plus GST after October 15, 2004)
- **The Corporate Passport** - \$1,890 plus GST - allows you or others in your organization to attend nine (9) full seminar days.

### Looking for Free PD?

#### Check Out the Business Connections Conference!

As an initiative to expanding the continuous learning and networking opportunities available to our membership, the Institute will be participating in the second annual joint conference with CMA Manitoba. The 2004 Business Connections Conference will be held on October 29 and 30, 2004, at the Winnipeg Convention Centre.

- **Volunteer for Free PD:** We are currently seeking a limited number of CA volunteers for various positions. Those who volunteer for two and one-half hours or more will receive one complimentary conference registration (**FREE PD!**), which includes the Friday evening and Saturday events. Positions will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.
- **Door Prize Requests:** If you would like to donate a door prize with a value in the range of \$40.00, we will be happy to give your company recognition in the program. Please include your business card with the item.

For more information relating to door prizes and volunteer positions, please contact Andrea Czinkota at [aczinkota@cma-canada.org](mailto:aczinkota@cma-canada.org) or (204) 987-4563.

See the separately mailed brochure for full conference details.

### ICAM Office Hours

As of September 7, 2004 the Institute will return to the regular office hours of 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## Coming Events 2004 - 2005

**Uniform Evaluation**  
September 21 - 23

**TMAC Conference**  
Quebec City  
September 26 - 28

**2004 Business Connections  
Conference**  
Winnipeg Convention Centre  
October 29 & 30

**Member Recognition Dinner**  
The Fairmont Winnipeg  
Thursday, November 4

**Annual Volleyball Tournament**  
St. Boniface College - East Gym  
Saturday, November 6

**UFE Results Release**  
Friday, December 3

**Annual Convocation  
Dinner & Dance**  
The Fairmont Winnipeg  
Saturday, February 5, 2005  
Convocation Ceremony 1 p.m.  
Reception 6 p.m.  
Dinner 6:45 p.m.

### Next CFP Exam Date

The next scheduled CFP Examination is on Saturday, November 20, 2004. Registration closes on October 20, 2004. The examination application package may be obtained by calling the Institute at 942-8248 and asking for Marie Kostiuk.

Examination information and applications are also available at [www.cfp-ca.org](http://www.cfp-ca.org).

### Specialty Register

The following member was entered in the Institute's specialty register and is entitled to use her specialist designation.

Jo-Anne Marie Gregoire Ross,  
CA•CIA

## We Need Your Financial Support

CAs are very generous in supporting worthwhile causes. Many members give to medical research, the underprivileged, their church, the arts, educational institutions, the United Way, the Winnipeg Foundation, etc. As you plan your charitable giving for this year, why not consider giving something to the Manitoba Chartered Accountants Foundation!

All donations to the Foundation are tax receipted and go a long way to helping the Foundation's Board in achieving its mission of supporting quality accounting education in Manitoba.

The Foundation's capital base has now grown to nearly \$800,000, which is still more than \$200,000 short of the target set by the Foundation's Board. Income earned on the funds in the Foundation is used to support many worthwhile programs including the following:

- Student awards and support (scholarships, bursaries, etc.);
- University and faculty support;
- Support of the CA School of Business;
- Aboriginal business education support;
- Distance delivery of education; and
- A fund for learning excellence.

If you wish to make a multi-year pledge to the Foundation or would like to simply make a one-time donation, please complete the enclosed donation form. If you require additional information please contact Gary Hannaford at 942-8248 or by email at [ghannaford@icam.mb.ca](mailto:ghannaford@icam.mb.ca).

## Dr. Jerry Gray Appointed Public Rep on Institute Council

Institute President Charles Henaire is pleased to announce that Dr. Jerry Gray was recently appointed to Council for a two-year term. Dr. Gray joins Irene Merie as a public representative on Council.

As required under the provisions of *The Chartered Accountants Act*, Dr. Gray's appointment was made by Dr. Emöke Szathmáry, President of the University of Manitoba. He replaces Dr. Terry Hogan who served as a public representative on Council from 2002 - 2004.

Dr. Gray is the former Dean of the



Dr. Jerry Gray, Hon. CA

I.H. Asper School of Business and is now on leave from the University. Appointed as Dean of the then Faculty of Management in the mid-1990's, he worked hard over the year's to strengthen relationships between the Faculty and the profession. In November 2004, his support of the profession was recognized when he was elected an Honorary CA.

Dr. Gray was named the first CA Manitoba Chair in Business Leadership in 2002 and carried that title with pride while serving as Dean of the Asper School.

## In Memoriam

We record with regret the passing of:

Frederick Stacey ANDERSON  
(Member 1957)  
Passed Away July 18, 2004

Francois Joseph BOCKSTAEL  
(Member 1959)  
Passed Away July 23, 2004

Robyn Irwin Cairns HULL  
(Member 1960)  
Passed Away July 6, 2004

David Allan REID  
(Member 1952)  
Passed Away August 20, 2004

Duncan Donald ROSS  
(Member 1980)  
Passed Away July 23, 2004

Edward John SEIFRED  
(Member 1972)  
Passed Away May 16, 2004

Dennis Wayne WARD  
(Member 1971)  
Passed Away August 1, 2004

## Firm Changes

H. Kapitoler (1968) deregistered his practice **Hart Kapitoler, Chartered Accountant**.

Day & Wotherspoon Chartered Accountants Inc. request to change the firm name to **OnBusiness Chartered Accountants Inc.** was approved.

Notice has been provided that the Companies Office accepted the Limited Liability Partnership (LLP) of the recently approved practice PPW Chartered Accountants. Accordingly, the name **PPW Chartered Accountants LLP** was registered with the Manitoba Institute and the former practice **Pearson Peterson Watt, Chartered Accountants**, was deregistered.

L.J. Miyazawa (1992) and V.E. Runchey (1998) had the practising firm name **Runchey and Miyazawa, Chartered Accountants**, approved. Consequently, the firm name **Vince Runchey, Chartered Accountant**, was deregistered.

# Here and There With Members

(Unless otherwise noted, members are resident in Winnipeg.)

ALKIER, Michael A. (1970) is now with Victoria Star Motors in Kitchener, ON.

BARKER, Byron P. (1996) formerly with Plastipak Industries is now Manager, Transaction Advisory Services, with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in Toronto.

BAXTED, Steven R. (2000) has been promoted to the position of partner with KPMG in Warsaw, Poland.

BEAUDRY, Allan G. (1992) was promoted to Chief Financial Officer with Ducks Unlimited Canada.

COOK, Hansine M.M. (1996) is the Director of Finance with the Calgary Flames Hockey Club/National Hockey League.

DUYNISVELD, Janice M. (1996) previously with The Exchange is now Director of Finance and Administration with Stonehaven Group of Companies Inc.

DYCK, Bethany L. (2004) formerly with Ernst & Young LLP is now Senior Auditor of the Internal Audit Department with Investors Group.

GRENIER, Gilbert M.J. (1996) is now Vice-President, Finance, with Loring Ward International Ltd. in Los Angeles, California.

FRASER, James C. (2003) of Bermuda has left Deloitte & Touche to accept the position of Assistant Vice-President, Risk Management and Compliance, with the reinsurance segment of the Hamilton based XL Capital Ltd.

JAKUBEK, Stanley G. (1995) previously with KPMG Ceska republika, s.r.o. in Prague, Czech Republic, is now with Ernst & Young in Zagreb, Croatia.

MAW, Elizabeth A. (1998) is now Controller with Unicity Integrated Logistics Inc.

MERNETT, Laurie E. (2003) has transferred with Deloitte & Touche LLP to Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands as Senior Accountant, Assurance & Advisory Services.

PATTIE, Tanis A. (2000) formerly with Craig & Ross is now with The City of Winnipeg.

ROSS, Andrew D. (2004) previously with Grant Thornton LLP is now with Advance Electronics.

SCHANDEL, Melony D. (2001) formerly with the Office of the Auditor General is now with the Civil Service Superannuation Board.

SEMOTIUK, Oksana (1999) is now Assistant Vice-President at BDO Corporate Finance Inc.

SIDHU, Pavangeet K. (2001) previously with PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP is now Senior Consultant with Protiviti in Toronto.

SOBKOWICH, Samantha J. (2002) has accepted the position of Financial Controller and Director of European Marketing with Tennyson Capital Advisors in London, England.

VLAMING, Kathleen H.E. (2003) formerly with KPMG LLP is now Assistant Manager, Accounting, with the St. Boniface General Hospital.

VOVCHUK, Kevin N. (1991) previously with Winpak Ltd. is now Vice-President, Finance, with WG McMahon Canada Ltd.

YARECHEWSKI, Shawn M. (2001) has accepted the position of Corporate Controller with Ducks Unlimited Canada.

## NEWS of MEMBERS

### Welcome to New Members

#### ■ Admitted by Affiliation

ShirLynn Jennie PELTON

#### ■ Admitted by Examination

Kristen Marie BAZYLO  
Jeffrey Scott BLAKESTON  
Cindy Lee DESROCHERS  
Navdeep Kaur GILL  
Tanya Louise HOLLISTER  
Shannon Patricia McDOUGALL  
Andrew D. ROSS  
Erin Allyn SHARPE  
Marco Augusto STANGHERLIN

### Resigned in Good Standing

*In most cases, members who resign no longer reside in Manitoba and hold membership in another provincial institute.*

David Paul McNUTT  
(Member 1989, residing in Calgary, AB)

Alan Daniel MOSHER  
(Member 1980, residing in Calgary, AB)

Barry Martin PERLES  
(Member 1965, residing in Vancouver, BC)

Bruce David PLAXTON  
(Member 1998, residing in Kelowna, BC)



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