

2012 Convention Re-Cap

PMA held its 40th Annual Convention and Exhibition at the Pepsi Centre, Corner Brook, from April 18-20, and what a success it was! Special thanks go out to everyone who made it possible!

To the municipalities who made monetary donations, put card ads in the convention guide, donated prizes...a big thank you for all your support. To our corporate sponsors who provided funding towards the event...we could not possibly do this without your ongoing financial support. A special mention to Mayor Neville Greeley and the City of Corner Brook for the welcoming reception and tour of the new City Hall. Your generosity was greatly appreciated.

Plans are already underway for the 41st Annual Convention to be held in St. John's from April 17-19, 2013. Mark your calendars!

The AGM held on April 20 saw a new addition to the PMA Board of Directors. Curtis Richards, Town Manager, Town of St. Anthony, is PMA's newest Western Director. We welcome Curtis to our Board and are confident that Curtis will work hard on behalf of his members. As well, by acclamation, executive members Derrick Bragg, Rodney Cumby, and Marie Pretty will serve in their respective positions for the next two years. Congratulations to all of you!

As of now, our Board structure is as follows:

Derrick Bragg, President – Town Clerk/Manager, Town of Greenspond
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Marie Pretty, Vice President – Executive Assistant, Town of Paradise
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Blanche Bennett, Central Director – Town Clerk, Town of Fogo Island
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Curtis Richards, Western Director – Town Manager, Town of St. Anthony
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Diane Gear, Northern Director – Town Clerk, Town of Labrador City
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Please contact your regional representative on any issues or suggestions you would like to put forward. They are there to work on your behalf. The first meeting of the new Board of Directors is tentatively scheduled for Cow Head on June 15.

Another special mention is the addition of three Honorary Members to the PMA Association. John Moore, Keith Warren, and Gerard Lewis were nominated prior to convention, and ratified at the AGM. Congratulations to all three as they played a large role in municipal government throughout their careers.

Finally, this year's appreciation banquet included the proclamation signing for Municipal Awareness Day, May 9, 2012. PMA President Derrick Bragg, MNL Vice President Neville Greeley, and Minister Kevin O'Brien signed the official proclamation during the ceremony. We encourage all municipal administrators to acknowledge this day and promote awareness within your community.

Please check our website www.pmanl.ca for copies of presentations that were covered during the convention. It is expected that they will be available online by May 1st. Again, a sincere thank you to the PMA membership who support the activities of our association. If you have any comments or suggestions for convention 2013, we welcome you to put them forward.

For further information on the activities of PMA, please contact Krista Planke at 726-6405 or email at nlama@nlama.ca.



PMA President Derrick Bragg, MNL VP Neville Greeley, and Minister Kevin O'Brien sign the Municipal Awareness Day Proclamation, April 20, Glynmill Inn, Corner Brook.