

Renfrew Chair Updates 2023:

Greetings from your Renfrew county OACETT chair for 2023. Our team is so glad we are well past the COVID emergency days and several events have been attended in the last year in support of the OACETT goals. These included attendance at our sister Chapters event in February at Algonquin College Ottawa, our social events Ski day Calabogie in March and our women in technology Brewery tour at White-water Codden in April. In addition Laurence Robitaille and I attended the 2022 OACETT AGM and convention in Ottawa last summer. OACETT’s head Office has been actively engaged in our chapter with employer outreach via 360 program to bring back lapsed members or attract new. We also helped host the OACETT east region chapter chairs PABS meeting last September at CNL labs where all the chapter east reps toured the . CNL is a hotbed of technical growth and science in the county and a local chapter focus.

Also many thanks to our team for attending the Renfrew county science fair this April and our award and judging team was well received and this will be an annual sponsorship. I intend to reach out to several local employers to co-sponsor a larger award in 2024.

May thanks to OACETT executive team in this regard through Renfrew County. A special shout out to Michael Behm our treasurer and Jack Van Gemeran college representative for many years of continued OACETT volunteerism!

**CNL Outreach:**

On Feb 28th Cheryl Farrow OACETT CAO was pleased to advise that she met with Christina Anderson, CNL’s Human Resources lead.  She was very receptive and was shared information on the 360 program, certification, and the CTEN job board.  CNL is coming up to their year-end at the end of March, so she has a heavy reporting burden, but we will follow back up with her in late April to move the discussion forward. In addition OACETT registrar is meeting with other contacts within CNL and he can provide an update directly.

Also, we thank Cheryl for the outreach to the Haley Magellan site a huge aerospace operation in Renfrew County. Our principle need in Renfrew County Chapter is an ongoing presence at CNL labs in Deep river. And these larger technical employers as there are dozens of techs and technologists at CNL, Haley Magellan and Arnprior Aerospace as well as several others and we need these member back in the fold.

A routine cadence of OACETT presence and assistance with this company is core to this chapter’s success.

Haley Magellan Outreach:

“I am following up on some recent outreach from Larry McHenry, Chair of OACETT’s Renfrew Chapter (and, I understand, a former employee), who is also copied here.  Currently Haley/Magellan has 9 OACETT members across the Renfrew County and Mississauga locations, but we have a sense that there may be the potential for more, and perhaps some interest in OACETT’s 360 Partnership Program for employers, which is designed to help position our partners as “employers of choice” within the OACETT network.  Here is a link to information about the program::” Cheryl’s communications.

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Larry has also offered to host an info session about OACETT certification at your Renfrew location, if that would be of interest?

We held our AGM as well in Early April with Rosanna Baggs OACETT president attending virtually due to the last minute ice storm we had to pivot same day and go from a planned Pettawa live venue and go virtual zoom. Many thanks to Kathryn Boire OACETT Chapter Liaison for coordinating outreach emails and communications and setting up the emergency pivot to virtual.

New Executive Team:

Chapter Chair – Larry McHenry

Chapter Vice-Chair – Richard Bolduc

Chapter Past- Chair Laurence Robitaille

Secretary – Janet Porter

Treasurer – Michael Behm

College Liaison – Jack VanGemeren

Women in Technology (WIT) Chapter Representative – Justine Loader

Chapter Executive Director’s at large- Craig Eady, Mark Behm

We will probably take the summer off as the next events we will attend are the OACETT virtual AGM and the annual conference early June in Niagra falls. Look for this fall for new events schedule.

Many thanks your local chapter executive Team 2023

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