

# THIRSTY THURSDAYS

NEXT GEN  
*Virtual*



HAPPY HOUR

MCAM's Next Gen Committee was thrilled to launch and host Thirsty Thursday's Virtual Happy Hour. Thirsty Thursdays take place on the last Thursday of each month and are a casual virtual Zoom Happy Hour to meet up, network and take part in conversations with the mechanical industry's future leaders.

The first one was held on October 29, sponsored by APEX Surety and the second on November 26, sponsored by Westland Construction LTD. Each happy hour had a special VIP guest speaker. Chris Derksen of Derksen Plumbing and Heating and Scott Hammond of SMS Engineering both took center stage and were fielded questions from Cory Ball of Mikkelsen-Coward and Next Gen Chair.

Signature Next Gen events such as the popular Scotch Night was cancelled this year due to the pandemic. The committee launched Thirsty Thursdays because there was an appetite to network and learn. This event provided an opportunity to share stories and have questions answered as they related to COVID-19 & BIM to name a few. Cole Ridd from Dynamic Building Controls said, "It is a great opportunity to network and get to know your peers in the industry!" and Cory Gray of Thermo Applicators says, "It's not everyday you get to speak with CEOs and decision makers in a casual setting!"

The most recent Thirsty Thursdays was December 17 via Zoom and sponsored by E.H Price. Tania Johnston, the first female CEO of MCA Canada was invited as the VIP guest and created a welcoming floor to those who had questions. The next Thirsty Thursday is scheduled for January 28, 2021 and the hour is growing in popularity by all.

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