

President's Ball **RECAP**

Masquerade Extravaganza



After 2 long years, MCAM was pleased to host the Annual President's Ball on April 22 at the Victoria Inn. This year's theme was a Masquerade Party and many those who attended showcased their unique masks as they were greeted at the door with champagne by MCAM's Social Committee and President Julien Lafleche.

Randy Parker, host of QX104 Country was this year's Emcee and welcomed everyone and special guests; Hon. Heather Stefanson, Premier of Manitoba and Hon. Minister Reg Helwer, Minister of Labour, who provided opening remarks on the Premier's behalf. Other special guests included, Dave McCutcheon, Executive Director Apprenticeship MB., Tania Johnston, CEO MCA Canada, Ellowyn Nadeau, Chair of the Board of Directors WCA, Ron Hambley, President WCA Peter Wightman, Executive Director CLRAM, Sudhir Sandhu, CEO Manitoba Building Trades and Mason Kujanpaa, MCAM Student Chapter President.

Ilona Rondeau (EMCO Corporation), Board of Director and Social Committee Chair, provided grace prior to the 5-course dinner that included, Grilled Tenderloin with herbed compound butter served with enormous Prawns.

Following dinner, Dave Hemstad, a three-time Canadian Comedy Award nominee and a regular on CBC's smash hit The Debaters for both television and radio provided this year's entertainment.

There was plenty of action happening around room for guests to enjoy such as a Virtual Reality Station, AX Throwing, Casino Tables and a Photobooth station. Guests that participated were given raffle tickets to enter in a draw to win prizes at the end of the night.

Julien Lafleche and Ramona Coey, MCAM Executive Director shared the stage for closing remarks and introduced the 2022-23 MCAM Board of Directors:



- WAYNE MCKENZIE (Randall Plumbing & Heating)
- ANDY TAYLOR (Cobbe's Plumbing & Heating)
- JAMES KOPEC (Bornhorst Mechanical)
- BRUCE MCWHIRTER (A&B Mechanical Ltd)
- JEFF JACOB (Great West Ventilation)
- RICK LEVESQUE (Eastside Ventilation)
- CHRIS DERKSEN (Derksen Plumbing & Heating 1984)
- BRAD MASON (ServcoCanada)
- DAN OLSON (ABCO Supply and Service)
- ERIC HENSTRIDGE (Comco Pipe and Supply)
- ILONA RONDEAU (EMCO Corporation)
- LARRY STEFANEC (Parson's Plumbing & Heating)
- ROGER PHANEUF (Wes-man Mechanical)
- SHAWN HENRY (Wescan Construction Services)
- VERN WALL (Trotter & Morton)
- TRAVIS CLARKE (BPL Sales)
- ROBERT GRAY (MICA)
- TONY MOHAMMED (TAB)
- NOLAN SHORTRIDGE (CIPH)
- CURTIS VAN DAMME (CASA)
- SEAN BALDWIN (MAHSMAC)
- MISTY KLASSEN (ACEC)



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They announced, John Warnica's (Lowe Mechanical) retirement and acknowledged his contributions as past MCAM Board Member from 2013 to 2019.

Julien and Ramona thanked the MCAM Social Committee for their hard work in organizing the evening. Members are, Ilona Rondeau (Chair) (EMCO Corporation), Eric Henstridge (Comco Pipe and Supply) Ryan Baker (Equipco Ltd.) Trent Pestrak (Midwest Engineering), Adam Douglas (Lowe Mechanical) Cale David (EH Price), Wayne Mckenzie (Randall Plumbing & Heating) & Illyssa Dzama (MCAM).

Mason Kujanpaa, MCAM Student Chapter President said, "The evening was so much fun and MCAM always puts together the most awesome networking events, we are so grateful to have been part of the evening!"

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