

ASHRAE Ottawa Valley Chapter

Chapter Meeting #1, September 19th, 2006 (5:30 p.m.)



Meeting Date: Tuesday, September 19th, 2006
Location: Prescott Hotel, ---- Preston St., Ottawa, ON
Presiding Officer: President: Glenn MacLean, M. Eng.
Attendance: Total: 80 Guests: 9 Students: 0
Theme Night: Membership/Back to Basics
Table Top: Square Pizza
Program: Professional Development
Speaker(s): Mark Davidson

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Social (5:30 – 6:30)

Business Session (6:30 –6:45)

- GM opened the meeting and welcomed members, guests and students
- GM introduced the Board of Governors
- IB introduced the guests and students

Dinner (6:45 – 7:20)

Business Session-Continued (7:20 – 7:40)

- Jason Alexander, program chair for 2006-2007 is invited to the podium to discuss the coming year
- JA discusses career fair set for January and invites all members with companies looking for young talent to set-up booths and attends.
- Christine Kemp, membership chair asks all those in attendance to support the OVC by joining the local chapter.
- Joel Primeau, history chair discusses why the meetings venue (Prescott Hotel) is wrought in tradition as it has been the site of hundreds of ASHRAE meetings dating back to the 1970s.

Evening Program (8:10 - 9:45)

Program: Communication in the workplace
Speaker: Mark Davidson

Glen MacLean introduced the evening speaker.

The speaker Mr. Mark Davidson a former V.P. of Bell Canada turned life coach, spoke of life skills we all require whether in the office or at home. The basics of communication, reading, writing and listening all determine our success in life and in the office place. Some facts presented by Mark:

- ❖ 70 % of our days are spent communicating with listening comprising 40% of our day.
- ❖ 80% of people who fail at work are the direct result of communication issues.

Given these facts, the audience was challenged to focus on some thing engineers may not be strongest at doing; listening. The message was simple, we as individuals all have room for improvement but generally need the most help in the listening department. After a brief technical session, we broke into group activities at our respective tables and were asked to interact with those around us and listen rather than hear.

- GM thanked our guest speaker for his presentation and presented him with a gift.
- With no other business at hand, Glen adjourned the meeting at 9:42pm.

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