Message From The President

I trust that everyone had an enjoyable summer. This summer I attended the 117th IMSA Annual Conference. All I can say is “Wow,” the Florida Section and IMSA International put together a very impressive conference in Orlando, Florida. The conference was held at the Omni Orlando Resort at ChampionsGate, from July 28 to August 1, 2012. There were nearly 1,000 people attending this year. The Conference had three main areas of focus;

- Certification courses – 26 certifications courses were offered, with many students in attendance.
- Technical Sessions – 55 Tech Sessions were available for conference attendees to attend and gain new information. Topics ranged from The ABC's of Solar Power Systems for Traffic Systems, Bicycle Detection, Effective Signal Coordination Quick and Cheap, to Proper Battery Backup System Maintenance, and many others.
- Vendor Displays at the Exhibition Hall – there were 104 vendors displaying their products. The vendor displays at the Exhibition Hall were well attended by manufacturers, distributors, consultants and installers. I had a chance to talk to many of the vendors regarding new products and trends. They have been invited to attend our Fall Technical Session at the Coquitlam Executive Inn on October 30 to showcase their latest and greatest to our membership. Several suppliers have given me verbal confirmation and I am looking forward to working with them to bring them out to the West Coast.

This fall promises to be very busy for our Executive Committee to organize the Certification schools and Fall Technical Sessions in October. The organizing committee is working hard to bring you some exciting and interesting topics. I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to our Fall Tech Sessions and Trade Show at the Executive Inn in Coquitlam, B.C. on October 30, 2012. There will be Certification courses, Technical Sessions and Vendor Displays at the Exhibition Hall. Hopefully everyone will be able to take the time to join us for a day of interactive and informative Technical Sessions as well as our Trade Show which showcases the latest products and innovations in the traffic industry.

Ed Jantzen, President
IMSA B.C. Section

Join us for the
IMSA B.C. Section
Fall Technical Sessions and Trade Show
at the
Executive Plaza Hotel
Coquitlam, B.C.

October 30, 2012
See page 5 for Registration Form
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Upcoming Events

IMSA B.C. Section Fall Technical Sessions at the Executive Plaza Hotel, Coquitlam, B.C. on October 30, 2012.
IMSA Annual Conference Breakfast Awards

The following excerpts were from notes taken during the award announcements. The awards were announced by IMSA Executive Director Marilyn Lawrence.

Outstanding Certification Award

This award is given to an individual who has been involved in organizing, teaching and prompting the IMSA certification programs. This year's recipient has been a member of IMSA since 1996 and has consistently worked to promote the IMSA certification programs both at the Section level and the International level. As certification chair for his Section for over five years, he has been outstanding in his record keeping and communication with Section Members and International staff. I am very pleased to present this award to GRAEME KRAFT, BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION.

Outstanding Section Secretary Award

When selecting the recipient for the Outstanding Section Secretary award, several areas of involvement both at the Section and International levels were considered. This year's Outstanding Secretary award recipient has been a member of IMSA since 1989 and his Section's Secretary/Treasurer since 1998. In addition, he has been consistent in his endeavors to promote Certification and Membership in his Section as well as at the International level. His dedication to IMSA as whole is immeasurable. We are pleased to present this award to LARRY PARKS, BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION.

Special Education Award

The IMSA Educational Foundation presents an annual award to a person who has shown outstanding dedication to the promotion of education, training or certification. This year's award is presented to LARRY PARKS OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION.

Special Service Award

The next recipient has been a member since 1998. He served on the Board of Directors from 2002 to 2009 and has always been willing to share his ideas and work with new directors. He has served on the IMSA Executive Committee now IMSA Board of Directors since 2006. He has been a huge asset to IMSA at the International level and Section level and has taken on many projects. IMSA is honored to present this award to CRAIG MACKENZIE OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA SECTION.
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IMSA B.C. SECTION 2012 FALL TECHNICAL SESSIONS

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Location: Executive Plaza Hotel Conference Centre - Coquitlam
405 North Road
Coquitlam, B.C. V3K 3V9

08:00 - 09:00   Registration, Coffee (Sponsored)
09:00 - 10:00  Tech Sessions - Traffic Signals / Signs & Markings / Lighting
10:00 - 10:30  Coffee Break (Sponsored)
10:30 - 11:30  Tech Sessions - Traffic Signals / Signs & Markings / Lighting
11:30 - 13:00  Lunch (Sponsored by IMSA B.C. & )
13:00 - 14:00  Tech Sessions - Traffic Signals / Signs & Markings / Lighting
14:00 - 14:30  Coffee Break (Sponsored)
14:30 - 15:30  Tech Sessions - Traffic Signals / Signs & Markings / Lighting
15:30 - 16:30  Vendor Display

Vendor booths on display throughout the day

Registration is free. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please register online at the IMSA B.C. Section website by clicking the REGISTER HERE box.

If you have no internet access, you can still register by faxing this form to Joseph Quan, IMSA B.C., toll-free fax: 1(866) 266-0369 by October 26, 2012 so we can confirm the number of participants with the caterers. Please print legibly as name tags will be produced.

Fax Registration Form

Name: ____________________________________________

Agency / Company: ____________________________________________

Address: ____________________________________________

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Phone: ___________________ Fax: ___________________ email: ___________________

Names of others to Register from this Agency: ____________________________________________

Note: Please give us your email address so we can inform you of any changes or updates.

Some of the Proposed Presentations include:

- Bicycle Rider Signal Actuation Discussion
- Preformed Thermoplastic Markings
- BC Hydro Service Connection Fees and Direct Billing to Developers
- 3M Presentation
- Port Mann / Hwy 1 Construction Project
- LED Street Lighting
- Wireless Deployment Success: Design Criteria
- MMCD Platinum Ed. User Feedback Discussion

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Description

☐ Work Zone Traffic Control Safety
  Pre-requisite to most other Certification Schools.  * Please Note: *This course is not* B.C. Traffic Control Person (TCP) Training

☐ Signs & Markings Level I
  Pre-requisite: Work Zone Traffic Control Safety** and 1 Year Experience

☐ Signs & Markings Level II
  Pre-requisite: Signs & Markings Level I and 2 Yrs. Experience

☐ Roadway Lighting Level I
  Pre-requisite: Work Zone Traffic Control Safety** and 2 Years Experience

☐ Traffic Signals Level I
  Pre-requisite: Work Zone Traffic Control Safety**

☐ Traffic Signals Level II
  Pre-requisite: Traffic Signals Level I and 2 Years Experience
  Choice of Field Technician, Bench Technician, Design Certification and Construction Certification exams. Additional fees to write additional exams.

☐ Traffic Signals Level III
  Pre-requisite: Traffic Signals Level II and 5 Years Experience

☐ Traffic Signal Inspection
  Pre-requisite: None

** Or approved equivalent course.

Contact Graeme Kraft, Certification Chair at (604) 871-6210, or email: graeme.kraft@vancouver.ca for approved equivalent courses.

Please respond by accessing the IMSA B.C. On-line registration system at: http://www.imsa.bc.ca/Registration/register.html To contact us, please email: certification@imsa.bc.ca

If you have no access to our website, please fax this completed sheet to Larry Parks, AScT (Section Secretary) toll-free at 1 (866) 266-0369. If you have any questions, please call Graeme Kraft at (604) 871-6210.

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