



2011 OACA Fall Seminar
September 29th and 30th, 2011

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ OACA MEMBER: YES ___ NO ___

Title: _____ Municipality: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Special Dietary Requirements: _____

Will you be attending the Thursday evening poolside reception: YES _____ NO _____

Would you like the buffet breakfast on Friday morning: YES _____ NO _____

SEMINAR REGISTRATION FEE:

OACA Member \$125

Non-Member \$150

(Please make cheques payable to "OACA")

WORKSHOP SELECTIONS: (Please number all of the following workshops in the order of your interest)

	<p>Integrated Legal Land Surveys and the Positive Impact on Today's Communities and The Value of Accurate Sketches and Noted Inconsistencies Throughout the Municipalities Norman Sutherland, P. Eng., O.L.S., C.L.S., O.L.I.P. and Peter Moreton, O.L.S., C.L.S., O.L.I.P.</p>
	<p>Ontario Assessment of Severances in Agricultural Designations: 2000-2009 Arthur Churchyard and Dr. Wayne Caldwell</p>
	<p>Nuts and Bolts Louise Taschner, Secretary-Treasurer, Steve O'Melia, Lawyer, Dave Hanly, Planner and Trevor McNeil, Ontario Land Surveyor</p>
	<p>Source Water Protection: Implications for Committee Decisions Don Pearson, Conservation Ontario, Jeff Brick, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority, Martin Keller, Grand River Conservation Authority and Cathie Brown, Maitland Valley and Ausable-Bayfield Conservation Authorities</p>
	<p>Revitalizing Rural Ontario: Planning Considerations Serge Lavoie, President of Southwestern Ontario Economic Alliance, Shawna Stonehouse, OMAFRA, Bernia Wheaton, Perth County Economic Development Co-ordinator, Rob Brindley, CAO Town of St. Marys, Dr. Wayne Caldwell, Professor/Planner</p>
	<p>Healthy Communities: How the Design of Our Communities Influences Our Health Dr. Jason Gilliland, University of Western Ontario</p>
	<p>Committee Decisions: The Good, The Bad, and The Ugly Perth County Planning Staff</p>

Hotel Information:

The Festival Inn Stratford Ontario Hotel
1144 Ontario Street, Stratford ON N5A 6Z3
Phone: (519) 273-1150 Toll Free: 1-800-463-3581
www.festivalinnstratford.com
Rate \$139 plus taxes prior to August 29th

Return your registration form together with payment to:

OACA
c/o Linda Gavey, Secretary Treasurer
P.O. Box 568
Cayuga ON N0A 1E0

2011 OACA FALL SEMINAR

NOT EVERY THING IS BLACK & WHITE

The County of Perth is pleased to be your host for the 2011 OACA Fall Seminar and we look forward to welcoming each and every one of you to Perth County on September 29th and 30th.

This year's seminar will be held in the newly renovated Festival Inn Stratford, actually situated in the Township of Perth East, but literally steps away from the City limits of Stratford. Only a short five minute drive from the hotel is the Avon River and the award winning Stratford park system located beside the internationally renowned Stratford Shakespeare Festival that entertains from April through November. Stratford is the perfect place to stroll. Paths through the City's parks connect with regional trails that stretch for miles into the surrounding Perth County countryside. Take in all the beauty of the riverside with a walk around the river on the paved walkway, or just relax on one of the many riverside benches while enjoying Stratford's majestic swans. Few places in Ontario are lovelier or more alive with culture and character. Just minutes from the stages of Stratford you can wander off the beaten path to find the treasures of St. Marys, the "Stonetown", known for its unique limestone architecture. St. Marys is surrounded by the sheer beauty of the Township of Perth South where you'll discover many charming hamlets, rural communities and rustic forests where the Avon River flows into the mighty Thames. Located only a short 15 minutes west of Stratford you'll find Mitchell, the central urban hub in the middle of the Municipality of West Perth. West Perth is the perfect location to take in warm country charm and the vivid splendor of nature. Taking a scenic drive through the Township of Perth East is like travelling back in time. Past the historic Fryfogel Inn on Highway 7 & 8, you'll find the eclectic Hamlet of Shakespeare. This well-known antiques paradise has some of the most unique shops and cafés in the County. The friendly and knowledgeable staff at the Perth County Welcome Centre and Artisan Market in Shakespeare has all the information you'll need to plan your stay. The residents of Listowel and the Municipality of North Perth have proven time and time again that they know how to have a good time. They offer fun and excitement for people of all ages. They pride themselves on being a "Community of Character" that embraces everyone.

We hope you will have an opportunity to "Stay Awhile, Play Awhile" while exploring the unique charm of our local communities, and perhaps spend an afternoon wandering through a variety of quaint antique, furniture, clothing, gardening and specialty stores.

Plans are well underway to bring you an exciting fall seminar with interesting workshop presenters and a dynamic keynote speaker, Melissa Schenk. Melissa is a motivated, creative and successful entrepreneur, TV personality, and educator who speaks from experience. Thank you in advance to those who are able to provide a door prize. We will gladly accept them at the registration table.

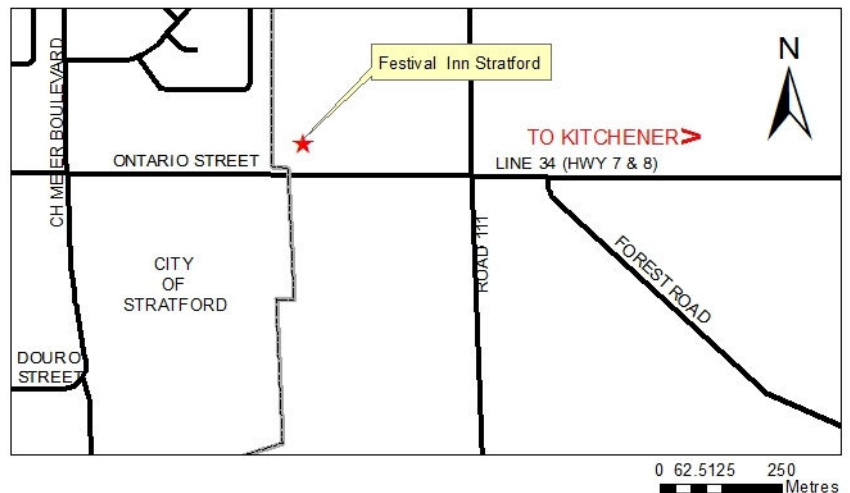
We look forward to seeing all of you in September. We hope you will be able to join us on Thursday evening, September 29th, for a poolside reception where you will receive a warm Perth County welcome.

Leslie Belland
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Please contact the Festival Inn Stratford directly to make your reservations and specify you are an OACA delegate. A block of 65 rooms has been held at a rate of \$139.00 per room, based on double occupancy, plus taxes per night. To reserve one of these rooms, you must contact the hotel no later than August 29th.



Melissa Schenk
Entrepreneur, TV Personality, Educator

You might remember her from Tourism Queensland's "Best Job in the World" Competition. She was in the TOP 50 out of more than 35,000 entries. Melissa Schenk is a motivated, creative and successful entrepreneur / TV personality who speaks from experience. Originally from Stratford, Melissa's career began in broadcasting at 1240 CJCS. A graduate of Fanshawe College's Television Broadcasting Program, Melissa interned with CNN in Uganda. A love of travel, lead her abroad working as a Port Lecturer on cruise ships. She later returned to Southwestern Ontario and began working as a Weather Announcer for CTV, as well as launching her own Production Company - MS2 Productions. Melissa continues to wear many hats currently as a Business Owner, Public Speaker, Educator at Conestoga College and Weather Anchor on /A\ News in London.

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Thursday, Sept. 29th and Friday, Sept. 30th, 2011

The Festival Inn - 1144 Ontario Street, Stratford, ON

AGENDA

Thursday, Sept. 29

4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Registration - Hotel Lobby

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Poolside Reception

Friday, Sept. 30

7:45 am - 8:45 am

Registration - Hotel Lobby

Breakfast Buffet - Guthrie Room

8:45 am - 9:00 am

Opening Remarks - Deb McCabe

OACA President

Seminar Convenor - Leslie Belland, Secretary-Treasurer

Perth County Land Division

9:00 am - 10:15 am

Workshops

10:15 am - 10:45 am

Refresher Break

10:45 am - 12:00 pm

Workshops

12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Lunch - Guthrie Room (Door Prizes)

1:00 pm - 1:45 pm

Greetings from Julie Behrns, Perth County Warden

Introduction/Announcement from the 2012 Conference Host

Key Note Speaker: Melissa Schenk

1:45 pm - 3:00 pm

Workshops

3:00 pm

Hope you enjoyed your visit to the County of Perth

Have a safe trip home!

(KEEP AN EYE ON THE OACA WEBSITE (www.oaca.info) FOR THE FINALIZED AGENDA!!)

DON'T FORGET TO BRING DOOR PRIZES FROM YOUR MUNICIPALITY!!!

(They are greatly appreciated & add a little fun to the day.)

Get to know your Seminar Workshop Speakers

Friday, September 30, 2011

Norman E. Sutherland, P.Eng., O.L.S., C.L.S., O.L.I.P. is a former principal in the firm Monteith & Sutherland Ltd., Sarnia, current director of Total Tech Surveys Inc., Essex and the current chair of the Integrated Surveys Committee, Association of Ontario Land Surveyors. He has held commissions as a Professional Engineer (Civil), Ontario Land Surveyor, and a Canada Land Surveyor for over 40 years.

Peter G. Moreton, O.L.S., C.L.S., O.L.I.P. is a director of NA Geomatics Inc. (Ontario Land Surveyors), Stratford with 26+ years of professional private practice experience as an Ontario Land Surveyor, 2 years at the Association of Ontario Land Surveyors and 10 years as an Assistant Examiner of Surveys with the Ministry of Government Services (Service Ontario) in the Policy and Regulatory Branch. Mr. Moreton has also held a commission as a Canada Land Surveyor since 1982.

Arthur Churchyard is a graduate student in the Masters of Science Rural Planning and Development program at the University of Guelph with a Bachelor of Science in Biology and Environmental Studies. He is an award winning research writer and speaker with four years of communications experience in the University of Guelph's office of research. Most recently, Arthur has worked on a "Land Division in Agricultural Designations of Ontario" research project where he was responsible for conducting 40 interviews, completing policy analysis, and collecting land division data in 34 Counties/Regions across Ontario.

Dr. Wayne J. Caldwell, Ph.D., R.P.P., M.C.I.P. is a Professor in Rural Planning and Development at the University of Guelph. He also has a career long affiliation with the County of Huron. Dr. Caldwell's primary focus has been on planning and change in rural and agricultural communities. He is an active researcher in the area of farmland preservation, rural conflict resolution, governance of nutrient management, and community based approaches to economic and environmental issues. His sixth book "Rediscovering Thomas Adams: Rural Planning and Development in Canada" was published in July, 2011. Dr. Caldwell is a founding member and past Chair of the Ontario Rural Council. He is also a founding member of the Huron Stewardship Council and the Lake Huron Centre for Coastal Conservation. He was appointed by the Ontario Government to Chair the Provinces Nutrient Management Advisory Committee and he served as President of the Ontario Professional Planners Institute from 2007-2009. He is currently President of the Association of Canadian University Planning Programs.

Louise Taschner, A.C.S.T., A.M.C.T. is the Secretary-Treasurer of the Land Division Committee for the County of Oxford and is a Director on the Ontario Association of Committees of Adjustment and Consent Authorities. In her capacity as Secretary-Treasurer, Louise has gained much experience on planning matters in general and specifically the consent process and the various issues and challenges it presents.

Steven J. O'Melia, LL.B. is a Partner with the Miller Thomson law firm in Kitchener-Waterloo. He is a Certified Specialist in Municipal Law (Local Government/Land Use Planning and Development) and was appointed to the Law Society's Municipal Law Specialty Committee. Mr. O'Melia focuses his practice on municipal, planning/development, environmental, and expropriation law, acting for both public and private sector clients. He has successfully represented several municipalities at Ontario Municipal Board hearings arising from appeals of zoning by-laws relating to wind energy projects, including what was at the time the largest project of its type in Ontario's history.

Dave Hanly, R.P.P., M.C.I.P. is the Director of the County of Perth Planning and Development Department. He was born and raised in Perth County and has worked with the County Planning Department since graduating from the University of Western Ontario in 1977 with a Hons. BA in Geography. He became the County's Planning Director in 1985 and has held that position since that time. Dave has an extensive knowledge of the Perth County area and the various past and current planning issues in the County.

Trevor McNeil, O.L.S. graduated from the University of Toronto with a B.Sc. and Minor in Geography in 1995 and was commissioned as an Ontario Land Surveyor in 2000, following which he owned and operated McNeil Surveying Limited in Stratford until 2008 when McNeil Surveying Limited merged with MTE Consultants. Trevor is now a shareholder and the Managing Ontario Land Surveyor of MTE Ontario Land Surveyor Ltd. in Stratford. Through his work as an OLS, Trevor has gained considerable knowledge of the planning process, including the processing of consent and variance applications through their respective approval processes.

Don Pearson has been the General Manager of Conservation Ontario since June 2005. From 2003 to 2005 he was Chief Administrative Officer of the County of Perth, following 22 years as General Manager of the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority. Under his leadership, the Upper Thames earned a reputation for excellence and innovation in environmental management with emphasis on water quality, soil conservation, and stewardship/community engagement. Don earned a Masters Degree in Public Administration from the University of Western Ontario in 1998 and holds an Honours Science Degree from the University of Waterloo (1975). He is currently a member of the Boards of the Canadian Water Network, Ontario Heritage Trust, and Trees Ontario, and represents Conservation Ontario on the Ontario Biodiversity Council.

Jeff Brick was raised on a dairy farm in the Walkerton area of Bruce County. He is a graduate of the University of Guelph. Jeff has been with the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority since 1990 and in his current position he is responsible for the Flood Control and Environmental Planning program areas. Jeff is a Registered Professional Planner and, in addition to his duties at UTRCA, he is also employed as a part time faculty member at Fanshawe College teaching in the GIS and Urban Planning Diploma Program and the Bachelor of Applied Arts in Integrated Land Planning Technology Program.

Martin Keller has an extensive and diverse background with 17 years of experience in the areas of resource management, risk management, project management, policy development and land use planning. He is currently with the Grand River Conservation Authority as the Source Protection Program Manager where he oversees the implementation of the Ontario Clean Water Act for the Lake Erie Source Protection Region. Martin holds a Master of Science degree in Resource Management from Lincoln University in Canterbury, New Zealand, a Master of Science degree in Hydrobiology/Limnology from the University of Zürich in Switzerland, and a postgraduate Diploma in Management Studies from McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario.

Cathie Brown has been managing the source water protection project for the Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley partnership since its inception six years ago. In the past, she worked for the County of Huron as a Department Head, was the Executive Director of the Ontario Rural Council, and worked for the Ministry of Municipal Affairs in London for some time. Cathie sits as a board member for the Walkerton Clean Water Centre and teaches courses about rural health for the University of Western Ontario, Faculty of Health Sciences. Recently, Cathie's community development approach with source protection planning working groups garnered national recognition.

Serge Lavoie, President, Southwest Economic Alliance (SWEA) has a 30 year background managing trade and professional associations. SWEA was formed in 2006 as an alliance of 15 counties and their municipalities ranging from Windsor-Essex in the west to Waterloo in the east, essentially the "519" zone. Its mandate is to build the economy of Southwestern Ontario through strong regional leadership and cooperation. He has been SWEA President since August 2009. Most recently, he was the President and CEO of the Canadian Plastics Industry Association, representing the entire \$50 billion plastics value chain. Prior to that position, he was chief executive of seven other national organizations in fields as diverse as newspaper publishing, book retailing, information services, and computer networking.

Shawna Stonehouse has been an Economic Development Consultant with the Rural Community Development Branch of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs for over two years and works out of OMAFRA's Woodstock office. In this position, Shawna supports rural economic development interests in Huron County, Oxford County, and Perth County.

Bernia Wheaton is the Economic Development Coordinator for Perth County and has been in this position since 2008. Prior to this, Bernia served for two years as the Business Retention + Expansion Coordinator for the County. As the principal consultant at her own firm, Bernia has also carried out numerous assignments in both the public and private sectors, specializing in Community Economic Development. In her current position, she works with Council and the four Member Municipalities to implement strategies for mitigating economic barriers. During the past two years, she has established an Economic Development office, rebranded Perth County, implemented programs supporting Joint Marketing, Social Media, Local Food, Shop Local, Youth Retention, and more. These initiatives have earned Perth County International acclaim with the recent 2010 BREI Award of Excellence for Program Impact. Bernia has also delivered training in BR+E Best Practices on behalf of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs, who uses Bernia's work at Perth County in client success stories to market OMAFRA programs. Bernia sits on the Board of the Stratford Perth County Community Foundation and is the Chair for the Annual Mayor's Gala.

Bernia was raised on a farm north of Listowel.

Robert Brindley is the Chief Administrative Officer for the Town of St. Marys. He has held a number of different positions in both the public and private sectors. Robert's specialties include public sector administration, strategic planning, performance management, economic development, marketing, branding, and urban planning. He is a graduate of the University of Waterloo's Bachelor of Environmental Studies program. Robert currently holds the role of First President of the Economic Developers Council of Ontario.

Dr. Jason Gilliland is Director of the Urban Development Program, Associate Professor of Geography, and Associate Professor of Health Sciences at the University of Western Ontario. He is also a Scientist with both the Children's Health Research Institute and the Lawson Health Research Institute based in London, Ontario. He holds a BA from McMaster University, as well as a Master of Arts, Master of Architecture, and Doctorate in Geography from McGill University. He is a regular consultant for municipal and provincial departments of planning, transportation, housing, children's services, food & agriculture, and public health, as well as an active volunteer, currently serving on nearly two dozen boards and committees of non-profit organizations.