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## Report from the President

*I am pleased to report that membership in OAAAS has increased 25 percent since last July, because technologists can see that their path to certification as a Licensed Technologist OAA is more direct. The OAAAS Board believes we are in a very strong position and expects to see continued growth.*

The OAAAS will be present at the OAA annual conference being held in Ottawa in early May. If you plan to attend, please drop by our table and say hello. I will be at the conference and look forward to meeting with all the technologists at the event.

It is important to the future of the OAAAS that its members become more engaged in the association. At the Board level, we have established

working committees on finance, admissions, examination, promotion and awards, and we are considering expanding the membership of the committees to include OAAAS members who are not on the Board.

Also, we continue to have opportunities to meet with college students and to serve on college advisory committees. If you have an interest in volunteering some time to make the OAAAS more successful, please contact [RommyR@oaaas.ca](mailto:RommyR@oaaas.ca).

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Licensed Technologist OAA  
Senior Associate

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## 2012 OAA Conference

This year's OAA Annual Conference will take place in our nation's capital, at the Westin Convention Centre, from Wednesday, May 9 to Saturday, May 12, 2012.



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

[www.oaaconferenceregistration.com](http://www.oaaconferenceregistration.com)

Remember that the OAA Conference is an excellent opportunity to learn about the latest developments in the profession and meet your Continuing Education requirements.

## Report from the Executive Director

At a recent meeting, the Board discussed two issues that have been raised by some members. I am delighted to let you know that the OAA Council has approved important steps.

## New OAAAS Policy

The OAAAS program guide will be changed to permit a Licensed Technologist OAA, who is working for an architect and supervising the work of a technologist, to sign the work experience record forms. This change recognizes that the Licensed Technologist OAA has equivalent professional responsibilities to an architect who is certifying work experience hours.



## RAIC Membership

The OAA Council has also agreed to support an approach from the OAAAS to the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada (RAIC) to permit Licensed Technologists OAA to be admitted as full members. RAIC qualifications require that an applicant be a member "of a Canadian provincial architectural licensing organization."

## Marketing

We have just embarked on a new round of visits to the province's community college technology programs, with recent visits to Confederation College in Thunder Bay and Centennial College in Scarborough. In the next few months, we may be asking members to join me at one of these sessions since it is useful for students to hear the personal experience of a working technologist (particularly a graduate of that college). If you would like to volunteer for such a session, please contact Rommy.

We also continue to look for opportunities to meet with technologists in architectural practices. If you want OAAAS to come to your firm, please let us know.

## New OAAAS Committees

OAAAS committees have been created in the areas of marketing, awards, admissions and examination to address membership needs and implement new projects. We are currently looking for member volunteers for both the marketing and awards committee.

The **marketing committee** focuses on raising the profile of OAAAS in both the architectural practices as well as to students enrolled in college architectural programs throughout the province. Having a member who is a graduate of the college speak personally of their experiences makes for a more engaging presentation to students.

The **awards committee** is launching a *Student Awards Program*, to be implemented in September 2012.



**Garry Neil**  
Executive Director | Registrar

## Licensed Technologist OAA Members

Congratulations to fellow members who have recently achieved Licensed Technologist OAA certification:

Pasquale Aiello	Ryan Patrick Hicks
Matthew. J. Barton	Steven Lajeunesse
David B. Bennett	Zofia Lesisz
William Edward Boudreau	Christian Côté Ménard
Danny Carreiro	Dawn E. Morrison
Patrick Champoux	John MacKenzie Page
Christian Côté Ménard	Tony Ranalli
P. Andrew Dietrich	Larry Silva
David O. Falkanger	Mitch Sauder
Christine Lee Feaver	Charles S. Tonin
Samuel Hakemi	Michael Vincent John Vetere

## In Appreciation

OAAAS would like to thank the following firms which supported their employees as they worked to achieve OAA Licensure as Licensed Technologist OAA:

AECOM Canada Architects Ltd.	J.H. Rust Architect	Turner Fleischer Architects
architects Tillman Ruth Mocellin	Mayhew and Associates	V.B. Cook Co. Limited, Engineers and Architect
David Johnston Architects Ltd.	RG Consulting Inc.	Venerino V.P. Ponici Architect Inc.
Duncan Ross Architects	Sfera Architectural Associates Inc.	Yallowega Bélanger Architecture
Douglas Vallee Limited	Scott Morris Architects Inc.	Zen Design Build Ltd.
Farrow Architects Inc.	Shore Tilbe Perkins + Will	
Glos Associates	SRM Architects	

## Continuing Education Program

### 2012 - 2014 ConEd Cycle

Major changes have been made to the ConEd program.

These changes are being implemented to harmonize the rules between provincial architectural associations for the period January 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014.

The end of a two-year cycle will move from December 31 to June 30.

To implement the transition, the next cycle will run from January 1, 2012 to June 30, 2014. The following ConEd Cycle will run for two years beginning July 1, 2014.

The existing two learning categories, CORE and Self-Directed, will be eliminated and the program will simply require learning hours. To ensure the continued integrity and credibility of the program there will be a minimum requirement for “structured learning”.

Visit the website for updates on the revised Continuing Education Program.

### New continuing education requirements:

Qualification for 2 year Cycle	Current ConEd requirements	New ConEd requirements
Technologists OAAAS	4 CORE + 11 SD learning hours	15 hours of learning (minimum of 5 hours of structured learning)
Licensed Technologist OAA	7 CORE + 28 SD learning hours	35 hours of learning (minimum of 12 hours of structured learning)

### New carryover provision:

Qualification for 2 year Cycle	Current carry over to the next Cycle	New carry over to the next Cycle
Technologist OAA	No carry forward allowed	No carry over allowed
Licensed Technologist OAA	4 CORE + 7 SD learning hours	15 hours of learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 structured learning hours</li> <li>• 10 unstructured learning hours</li> </ul>

## Interested in becoming a Licensed Technologist OAA by August 2013??

If this is your goal and you are currently an Associate OAAAS member, then you must submit sufficient work experience hours to reclassify your membership to Technologist OAAAS by November 1, 2012. This will ensure that you are eligible to attend the 2013 OAA Admissions Course to be held in Toronto. This is the final pre-requisite to writing the Licensed Technologist OAA exam. Contact us to discuss your possibilities.

New Members can take advantage of a limited time opportunity to submit retroactive work experience hours accumulated prior to joining OAAAS. This must be done within the first three months from the date you become an OAAAS member and can potentially give you a head start in reaching Technologist OAAAS membership. We highly recommend that you respect your submission deadline once you begin logging hours, since it makes it easier for you and OAAAS. If you cannot, please let us know.

## OAAAS Welcomes New Members

Gregory Balfoort	Christopher Gibson	Jacek Przygodzki
Mathew Bell	Jeta Haxhimanka	Thomas Ritchie
Salvatore Birritteri	Stephen Houston	Derek Ruddy
Rebecca Bonham	Julia Isnar	Blair Saj
Jeremy Boyd	James Janzer	Katherine Sendrowicz
Darren Brunne	Alexander Josic	Phillip Sharron
Derick Choo Mang	Mazhar Kakar	Jennifer Sutherland
Michael Condoyannis	Bradley Keys	Daniel Tessier
Dave Crevier	Jamie Kuhl	Rosa Umana-Rosales
Juan Yi Dai	Sylvan Lafond	Roslyn Verwey
Marc-Andre Demers	Andrew Laurie	Benoit Viau
Paul Di Martino	Pawel Miczan	Brad Vokey
Andrew Fernandes	James Middaugh	Santy Yeh
Marita Fernando	Kirk Nicholson	Jonathan Young
Dave Finley	Joshua Oelkuch	Mark Buffone
Peter Furnell	Emmanuel Olatoye	Jay Plato



### OAAAS Certificate Frames Available

Just imagine, showcasing your OAAAS certificates in a sleekly designed gold metal frame with an acid free olive green coloured mat featuring an embossed OAAAS logo. It will look great on your office wall!

## OAAAS Reception

The reception took place on December 14, 2011, at Toronto's Spoke Club. It was a celebration of the holiday season and the accomplishments of our members. Attendees toasted the success of OAAAS. It was a wonderful evening which provided members with the opportunity to meet new colleagues and discuss the current issues of the industry. We wish to thank all of our members who were able to join us in the celebratory event and ensure its success.



We would also like to extend a special thank you to Domenico Serravite and Christopher Aceto for organizing and making the beautiful reception venue possible. Your participation and assistance was instrumental. We would also like to thank our members who submitted their information for the visual presentation. We very much appreciate your ongoing support.



The Ontario Association for Applied Architectural Sciences is an association for technologists working in the architectural field. Through OAAAS, a qualified professional can become a **Licensed Technologist OAA** and member of the Ontario Association of Architects.

The OAAAS establishes the education, experience and examination requirements for three categories of building designers: **Associate OAAAS, Technologist OAAAS and Licensed Technologist OAA**. The OAA Council has established the scope of practice and the terms of the limited licence.



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