

YEAR OF THE REPUTABLE MOVER

CAM has announced that 2014 will be the *Year of the Reputable Mover*. In order to make this successful, we are engaging all members and partners in our efforts. This includes movers, van lines, suppliers to our industry, government and non-government agencies, the Better Business Bureau and the media. We are distributing press releases, updating our website, working with government, seeking advice from and sharing information with moving associations around the world, and doing whatever we can to help consumers find reputable moving services and remove the disreputable element from our industry. You are an integral part of this program. Continue to provide excellent service to your customers and express your concern to government and consumer agencies about this plague upon our industry.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S RFP HAS BEEN RELEASED

IT'S FINALLY HERE! The Federal Government's RFP for the movement of household goods and effects and private motor vehicles was released on Friday, March 28 with the response date of May 8. So far, this has been a two-year process with multiple solicitations, meetings, consultations, revisions, promises and deadlines by the government. Copies of the RFP have been distributed by our van line members. If you have any comments on the document, please refer them to your van line office.

MOVING CHRIS HADFIELD

It wasn't the kind of long distance move that retired Astronaut/Colonel Chris Hadfield is used to making but it was still a long one from Houston, Texas to Toronto, Ontario. Director Jim Carney and his company, Rawlinson Moving & Storage Ltd., had the pleasure of moving Chris and his family back to Canada, after 26 years abroad. Ever the gentleman, Chris sent a letter of thanks to Jim and his crew saying "you and the folks at Rawlinson unquestionably made this [move] the best we've ever had."



INDUSTRY NEWS

AMSA HONOURS JOHN LEVI

At its 95th Annual Education Conference & Expo in February, AMSA wished CAM's President, John Levi, a happy retirement and posted this photo among those of several other honorees. AMSA graciously followed up by sending John a copy of the photo with many handwritten wishes on it. John will be retiring from CAM at the end of 2014.



OTHER INDUSTRY EVENTS

CAM extends its best wishes to SIRVA Canada on its 2014 Operations Conference in Ottawa on April 3-6 and to United Van Lines/Mayflower on its Convention 2014 in Fort Myers on April 8-12. CAM is excited to attend both of these conferences.

NEW MEMBERS

We would like to welcome two new members to the Association!

Mover

El Cheapo Movers Ltd. - Toronto, Ontario

Supplier

CMS Shipping - Lachine, Québec

CROWN RELOCATIONS CANADA JOINS ATLAS VAN LINES (CANADA) LTD

Atlas Van Lines (Canada) Ltd. announced on March 19, 2014 that Crown Relocations, with moving offices in Ottawa, Toronto and Calgary, will now be operating under the Atlas banner. They will continue to provide overseas moving services through their over 200 locations in almost 60 countries, while building their infrastructure to offer moving and storage services throughout Canada and the USA. Best wishes to both on this new business partnership!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Once again, we have new job postings on our website. You may wish to check them out.

WILL YOU BE INCLUDED IN CAM'S DIRECTORY?

The spring issue of CAM's magazine and directory - *The Canadian Mover* - will be going to press on April 14. Make sure your membership is up-to-date to ensure you are included. Please review your listing in the previous issue (fall 2013) or online and let us know of any changes that need to be made - a new lead contact, a new address or any new information about your company.

IF YOU HAVE NEWS OR AN ANNOUNCEMENT THAT CANADA'S MOVING INDUSTRY SHOULD KNOW ABOUT, please let us know and we will include it in an upcoming issue of this newsletter. CAM reserves the right to include and/or edit news and announcements.

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