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Season's Greetings

Visit Our Website!

CAM's holiday hours

The Canadian Association of Movers' office will be closed during the holidays, from noon on Friday, December 23 and until 9 AM on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 (Eastern time). During that time we will have limited access to voicemail and email.

CAM ANNUAL CONFERENCE IN MONTREAL IN 2017!



2016 CAM Executive, Directors and Award Recipients

Our annual conference in Toronto was another great success, based on the feedback we've received so far. We had about 100 attendees at the sessions, 21 trade show booths and 150 attendees at our annual awards dinner - our most ever! Thanks to our sponsors and exhibitors for supporting the event and to all the attendees who helped

to make it a very rewarding experience. The presentations can be viewed on CAM's website. Our Conference Committee will now begin planning our 2017 conference to be held in Montreal. Watch for details.

Presentations

CAM's Annual General Meeting

CAM's Board of Directors will be reviewing the minutes of the Annual General Meeting that was held on November 21, 2016 at their next meeting. Once approved, the draft version of the minutes will be circulated to the principal contacts for all member companies. They will then be on the agenda for approval by members at the next Annual General Meeting in the fall of 2017.

Move for Hunger honours CAM member

Move for Hunger made a special presentation to one of CAM's members, **Armstrong Moving & Storage** (Mississauga, ON), at our recent annual awards dinner. Armstrong Moving joined Move For Hunger in November 2011. Since then, they have rescued and delivered 31,134 pounds of food and delivered to their local food bank, the Mississauga Food Bank. This is enough food to provide nearly 26,000 meals for those in need. The Armstrong Moving Team was awarded the Move For Hunger Mover of the Month in January 2016. [Click here](#) to read the article and see picture. In August 2015, they challenged their staff in their [Pan ARM Games Food Drive](#), where they collected 560 lbs of food for the food bank! The Armstrong Moving Team in Toronto is truly passionate about helping the community they serve and Move For Hunger is honored to assist them with their hunger relief efforts. The award was accepted by **Rod Speers**. Congratulations to everyone at Armstrong for a job well done.



New regulatory amendments in Québec

New regulatory amendments to road vehicle safety standards came into force on November 20, 2016 in Québec. The circle check is a sight and sound inspection of the accessible components of a vehicle that makes it possible to detect defects, quickly notify the operator/owner and prevent the vehicle from being operated when its condition poses a risk of an accident or a breakdown. You can access the relevant information directly on the [SAAQ](#) (Québec's Société de l'assurance automobile) website.

New process for customs clearance into the UK

The British Association of Movers just informed CAM that a new process for clearing household goods and personal effects into the UK will take effect from January 1st, 2017. We recommend that you read their [letter](#) to help prepare for the changes.

Welcome new members

CAM welcomes these new members to the Association.

INTERNATIONAL

Premiere Van Lines - Winnipeg, MB

SUPPLIER

Omnitracs Canada - Oakville, ON

[View member directory](#)

Mover's Equipment & Supplies 20 years a CAM member

Mover's Equipment & Supplies has all your moving needs. They have been catering to the moving industry for the past 26 years! Mover's Equipment closed their Ottawa location in November and relocated **Blake Ward**, who was running the day-to-day out there, back to their Mississauga office where he will be heading up their NEW Rental Division of Dollies, Screen Carts, Opens Bins and Terminal Carts. "We are looking forward to our new venture in renting commercial equipment in the GTA," said **Tracy Ward**. "Mover's Equipment would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New. All the best for 2017."



McLean Hallmark Insurance Group Ltd.

Moore-McLean Insurance Group Ltd. recently announced that they acquired Hallmark Insurance and are now operating as **McLean Hallmark Insurance Group Ltd.** Look for their new brand on our [Suppliers](#) web page. Contact Vice President [Glenn Meyer](#) for details. Congratulations to McLean Hallmark on this acquisition and to CAM Affiliate Member **Limor Friedman** of **Vancouver in the Box** who won an iPad Mini at Glenn's trade show booth.



Moving company for sale

Mike's Moving & Storage is a well-established, profitable moving company for sale. It's in a prime location in South Western Ontario and within one hour of three major cities. Serious inquiries only please. Interested parties please contact [Tammy](#).

Myth vs. fact about safety belts

Laws in Canada and the US require you to use a seat belt. Here are some facts from **Penske Truck Leasing** to help keep you safe. [Safety Bulletin: Myth vs. Fact About Safety Belts](#).

Did You Know?

As we continue to grow, awareness of CAM as a competent and viable association is continuing to spread within Government bodies across Canada. More and more, consumer agencies are advocating to clients and consumers that they ensure any mover they might require for their up-coming relocation be a member of CAM. Just recently a rather large mortgage company added CAM as a primary resource to their website. The principles and code of ethics under which CAM members operate speak volumes for consumer protection. Should you know of moving company that meets our standards, encourage them to become involved with CAM.

Send us your news

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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