



Let's join and work together

This Newsletter is to basically report on the reception and evening that was held on November 21, 2008 at the Delta Inn in Regina. An invitation to this event was mailed out to all housing co-ops, so you already have some knowledge of the its purpose.

The following will be the re-cap of the evening. As you may recall one of the reasons for hosting this occasion was to give the CHAS Board, housing co-op Board Chairs, or interested Members an opportunity to meet with the CHF Canada Board of Directors, who represent our country well.

The following is a list of CHF directors who attended and the region they represent.

British Columbia./Yukon: Yaana Dancer, Reg. Dir..

Saskatchewan: James Gilliard, Reg. Dir.

Manitoba: Linda Ferguson, Reg. Dir.

Ontario: Patrick Newman, Reg. Dir.

Quebec: Claude Turcot, Reg. Dir.

Nova Scotia: Bridget McConnell, Reg. Dir.

Prince Edward Island: Jim Clow, Reg. Dir.

Newfoundland: David Boyde, Reg. Dir.

Aboriginal.: Dorothy Eisen, Dir.

Ontario: Ivy Tait, Dir. at large

British Columbia: Isabel Evans, Dir. at large

British Columbia: Wes Hosler, Dir. at large

Ontario: Julie Campbell, Dir. at large ON.

Ontario: Adan Jemmott, Dir. at large.

Keith Harding Federations Chair

Amanda Yetman Ontario Council President

CHF Canada Staff: Nick Sidor - Corporate Secretary; Karla Skoutajan - Director, Sector Development; Dale Reagan - Managing Director

Ontario Region; Christine Seguin - Manager, Finance and Administration

Also attending were representatives from other Co-op sectors: From the SCA (Saskatchewan

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Co-operative Association - Beryl Bauer President  
of the Board of Directors

Co-operators Insurance: Conor Quinn, Jackie  
Mathieson, Kevin Daniel

Sherwood Co-op - Lori Sanders President of the  
Board of Directors

Co-operators Board of Directors - Andre Perras  
Former CHF Reg. Dir. of Saskatchewan - Lane  
Braiden and Bruce Lotts

Sask Housing - Tressa Antoine and Myrna  
Mikkonen

Also attending were members Norwest, Stewart  
Court, Argyle Park, Lakewood Manor, Rainbow,  
Terra, Villa Bonheur, and Crestview Manor. (If a  
representative was there from a co-op that was not  
named, it is an error on the part of the editor, and I  
apologize.) and all but two of the CHAS Board  
members were there.

Speeches were given by:

Henry Schellenberg - CHAS President

Julie Campbell - CHF Canada Vice President

Beryl Bauer - SCA President

James Gilliard - CHAS Vice President

Logo and Mission Statement:

It was unveiled by the Vice President of CHAS,  
James Gilliard. Both were displayed nicely on  
framing paper, with copies made for all those in  
attendance. James spoke about each item  
separately, the Logo, how it had been produced  
with agreement from both the CHAS Board and  
the Members who attended the AGM last spring,  
also the final drafting of the Mission Statement  
which is- **“CHAS: AS ONE VOICE WILL HAVE A  
STRONG POSITIVE INFLUENCE WHILE  
WORKING ON COLLECTIVE INTERESTS  
THAT STRENGTHEN ALL SASKATCHEWAN  
CO-OPERATIVES .”**

The Reception was sponsored by CHAS, CHF and SCA, with food supplied by the Delta.

A variety of Finger Food was chosen for the event that was served very attractive, and consisted of a selection of hot hoerduves, vegetable, cheese, and fruit trays. Along with an assortment of dessert items. There was coffee served, and a cash bar.

To sum up the evening these were some of the many positive comments received - I quote-  
“What an opportunity presented for all like minded co-ops to be together”  
“I have learned a great deal about, CHF, CHAS and SHC and how they all work together that I never knew before, thanks”  
“I found the CHF board very friendly and appreciated how they talked individually to me and others”  
“It is encouraging to see the role that CHAS is undertaking, keep up the good work”  
“Enjoyed being able to meet and visit with other co-op housing members in sharing ideas”  
“This has been a wonderful evening” (unquote)

On Saturday November 22<sup>nd</sup>, Lorraine from Argyle Park organized a bus tour for the CHF delegates to have an opportunity to visit some of the Regina housing co-ops, which by the report received was an enjoyable time for them, we should keep in mind that most of these delegates also live in housing co-op's, only in different provinces.

Lakewood Manor hosted a very delightful and delicious coffee and dainties to the tour guests, Most of their board and several other members were there to greet them.

The President of Lakewood Manor took them on a tour of their complex, and were very impressed. He also on behalf of Lakewood's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary, presented the CHF Vice President with a book of the building and their history. He then introduced their oldest member (95 years young) who was a founding member of Lakewood. She enjoyed being able to tell the CHF Board several co-op stories.

To help make the tour meaningful Stewart Court graciously loaned their photo albums along with

the history of their co-op so Lorraine could share that with the CHF Board on the bus tour.

On behalf of CHAS we want to thank Lakewood Manor and Stewart Court for their part in helping to make the bus tour a success.

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After many months of delays that so often happen when snags and sometimes unforeseen obstacles get in the way. We are once again predicting that CHAS web-site is well on its way to be up and running. We would appreciate having information from your co-op that could be added to the site. You can send your information as an attachment by e-mail to [aphc@accessomm.ca](mailto:aphc@accessomm.ca) or it can be faxed to (306) 949 9616.