Value in Sharing Knowledge

I always consider the coming of spring to be a "fresh start" opportunity.



This year, more than any other, I'm thinking of how I can keep all the best parts of the past as we chart new possibilities. Perhaps

this thinking was launched in part as a response to the reopening of amenities spaces. As we emerged from emergency orders and restrictions were lifted (even partially), communities started to wonder if they might prefer a "new normal" instead of simply reverting policies they might have had in place BC (Before COVID-19). When we have the opportunity, looking at all elements of our community with fresh eyes is a best practice. We want to ensure that how we do things remains the best way, or the most appropriate balance, in the face of competing needs.

In this "How To" issue, industry peers will share tips and best practices for managing your community and attending to its changing needs. I have always valued this kind of sharing; something

ACMO does exceptionally well. I am forever grateful for every new trick I was able to add to my toolbox, and I'm always excited to share a little advice if I think there's a workaround that will be more efficient or effective. As I always say, I'll steal a good idea from anyone! I say it tongue in cheek, of course, because in addition to sharing knowledge, I'm a huge believer in sharing the accolades. Condominiums are only successful when we take an all-hands-on-deck approach. It's necessary to share information, communicate well, rely upon our trusted partners and professionals, and modify plans as needed when new information becomes available.

I have always appreciated the opportunity to discuss burning issues of the moment with colleagues and professionals at ACMO events. It is why I am so thrilled to ask you to save the dates September 30 – October 1, 2022. I'm looking forward to a good old-fashioned, in-person ACMO/CCI Condominium Conference in the GTA at the Enercare and Beanfield Centre.

For many of you long-time attendees, you are as excited about this announce-

ment as I am. Anyone who hasn't had the privilege to attend, believe me, you will want to be there. The Condominium Conference is the premier conference for Ontario's condominium industry. This is our best opportunity to network, exchange ideas and information, and connect with colleagues, decision-makers, and industry movers & shakers. I always find a new trusted professional, a new product and a new friend through the weekend.

There is a tonne of hard-hitting education, innovation and information; this is also an opportunity to celebrate our successes and let our hair down a little. The conference committee is planning some fun social events connected to the conference.

You and I have a date: The Condominium Conference, September 30 – October 1. I can't wait to see you there. ■

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