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About VMPC

The organization now known as Volunteer Management Professionals of Canada (VMPC) was founded in 1980 and is the champion in the field of Volunteer Management. Dedicated to advocacy, capacity building and networking, it connects and empowers a network of professionals and passionately elevates the quality of volunteerism in Canada.

President's Word

By: Charles Allain

President, Volunteer Management Professionals of Canada



Summer is in full swing (finally!) and I hope that everyone is taking advantage of this time to recharge and relax! The board had the opportunity to meet in person in Edmonton prior to the National Forum in June for a very productive two-day meeting. It's always a wonderful opportunity to be able meet face-to-face as the rest of the year we mostly connect by teleconference and by e-mail. A strategic planning session will be organized this fall in order to define our directions for the next few years and to decide how to best allocate resources to pursue this strategy.

We are quite excited to be participating in a Master's Degree Action Research Project, led by VMPC member Charlene Dishaw. The project will focus on VMPC's relationship with volunteer management professionals throughout the country and should be a mutually beneficial project.

The National Forum, in conjunction with the Vitalize conference, was a great success! Thank you once again to VMG-Edmonton and their conference committee for hosting. We heard international speakers presenting insightful topics. We also made history, being the first hybrid conference of its kind, allowing remote locations to join us by live streaming.

I'm looking forward to my second term and I'm so pleased that all board members will be continuing this year. It's a pleasure to work with these professionals throughout the year, and it's a very humbling honour to continue to represent our membership.

Charles Allain

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Board members Linda Foster, Leona Conrick and Charles Allain chat with Vitalize closing keynote speaker and Olympic Gold Medalist Jon Montgomery. We now have the urge to try out for The Amazing Race Canada, what do you think?



Selfie with the National Forum Co-Chairs Donna Woodford and Heather Dunn-Kinsman. Thanks again for all your hard work!

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Director’s Forum

Are you a Director? Would you be interested in participating in a teleconference to discuss issues and topics such as HR, program development, professional awareness, etc.? We want to hear from you! We are currently exploring the interest from members in the creation of a Director’s forum.

If this could interest you, please send an e-mail to membership@vmpc.ca.



“Doing Good” – The place for recognition gifts

Doing Good, a Canadian company for recognition gifts for the non-profit, private and public sectors has cooperated with VMPC and is offering all VMPC members a 10% discount. The site features office gifts, edible items, jewellery, pins, bags, lanyards, notebooks and more. Shipping is free for purchases over \$150.

“If you don’t find a specific item on our site, chances are, we can get just about anything.” The site only features the most common recognition gifts, but many other items such as pins, cards will be custom designed upon request. We strive for quality, best prices and practical items. Please contact us if you need a large number of items, as these prices are upon request.

We are also trying to showcase Canadian artisans, who make fresh roasted coffee and organic chocolate as well as handmade soap dishes. We welcome any feedback and questions you may have and are looking to help you to recognize the people that go “above and beyond” or get ready for your next trade show.

Please check out www.doinggood.ca. Feedback is always welcomed, info@doinggood.ca

OUR GOALS

To provide national leadership for administrators of volunteer resources

To maintain a professional Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice in the administration of volunteer resources

To promote professional development in the administration of volunteer resources

To collaborate with provincial, national and international organizations

OUR VISION

To unite Managers of Volunteer Resources in a professional association that promotes best practice, supports education, facilitates networking and advocates for the profession

Queen's Volunteer Resource Bank



Maryanne Wainman and Sarah Indewey are members of the Volunteer Relations Unit in the Department of Alumni Relations & Annual Giving at Queen's University. Both Maryanne and Sarah are certified in Volunteer Resource Management (CVRM). Congratulations to both Sarah and Maryanne who recently received their Certification in Volunteer Administration (CVA) designations in 2015. The VMPC Chair of Professional Development discovered Maryanne and Sarah's excellent online resources while researching PD opportunities for VMPC members.

The Volunteer Relations Unit at Queen's University was created in 2012 with the goal of creating a framework for volunteer engagement.

For *all* volunteer management professionals, the Queen's Alumni Volunteer Resource Bank is first class! It offers a complete list of *free online resources that are essential additions to any volunteer manager's toolkit.*

<http://www.queensu.ca/alumni/volunteer/resourcecentre/managers.html>

VMPC wishes to thank Maryanne and Sarah for sharing their resources so generously with VMPC members and congratulations again on receiving your CVA designations!

Past Conference Summary 2015

The 2015 National Conference made history by featuring live streaming of the presentations and the Annual General Meeting, courtesy of Better Impact.



Presentations included:

Tony Goodrow

"What Can We Learn about Volunteer Leadership from Zappo?"

Andy Fryar

"So just what is 'advanced' anyway?"

Rob Jackson

"Understanding and Engaging 21st Century Volunteers"

Andy Fryar

"Positioning the Profession"

Please visit http://www.vmpc.ca/cgi/page.cgi/past_conference.html to download the presentation slides and videos, courtesy of Better Impact.

Attendees also requested the link to the Human Resources Council's National Occupational Standards for Managers of Volunteers and the Canadian Journal for Volunteer Resources Management, a non-profit publication highlighting the management of volunteer services in Canada.

Consider becoming a member of Volunteer Management Professionals of Canada and attending the Annual National Conference 2016 Beyond the Waves www.vmpc.ca

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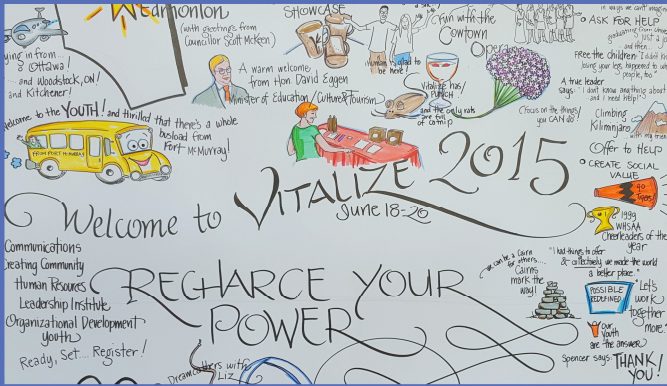
Fall is Back to School Time!

Professional development, no matter how long you have been a Volunteer Manager, helps inspire you to keep growing as a professional and as an individual. Whether you are brand new to the voluntary sector or are a seasoned professional—there's a course for you.

Please visit http://www.vmpc.ca/About_Professional_Development.html for an extensive list of professional development courses available in Canada at all levels: post-secondary, certificate programs and webinars.

Don't wait—registration is open now!

Photos of the Conference
2015 in Edmonton



National Conference 2016



Save the date!
May 25-28, 2016

The 2016 National Conference is hosted by the
Association of Volunteer Management Professionals Nova Scotia
in association with the
Volunteer Management Professionals of Canada

At the Delta Halifax in the heart of Downtown Halifax, Nova Scotia

More information will be posted as it is available at www.vmpns.com

The conference committee would love to have your
input by completing this short survey.

http://www.vmpc.ca/Annual_Conference.html