



**OACFP**

ONTARIO ASSOCIATION OF CEMETERY  
AND FUNERAL PROFESSIONALS

# ANNOUNCEMENT

**08/14/2020**

## Weekly Update

## Career Notices

**None at this time.**

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## UPDATES

### Recent Updates

**COVID-19 Updates**

**All regions in the Province are now in Stage 3 of the Government's reopening plan, we remind our members of the following updates and guidance from the BAO.**

**[Aug 12 Registrar's Directive](#)**

**The Registrar's Guidance issued on June 15th is also available below.**

**[BAO Guidance on Increasing Attendance at Funeral and Cemetery Services \(English\)](#)**

**[BAO Guidance on Increasing Attendance at Funeral and Cemetery Services \(French\)](#)**

**NEW - Understanding COVID-19 Testing**  
**[Government of Canada - Understanding COVID-19 Testing](#)**

**COVID-19 Going out Safely Guide**  
**[Government of Canada Going Out Safely Guide](#)**

**COVID Alert App**  
**[Covid Alert App Now Available in Ontario](#)**

**Ontario Government Resource Template**  
**[Develop Your COVID-19 Workplace Safety Plan](#)**

**Other OACFP Updates**

**Annual General Meeting - VIRTUAL**

The next Annual General Meeting of the Ontario Association of Cemetery and Funeral Professionals will be held VIRTUALLY on October 6th starting at 2:00 PM. Details on how to access the meeting will be forwarded to the primary contact for each of our members at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting and posted in the member's area of our website under membership resources. The financial statements for the past year and the AGM package will also be sent to the primary contact prior to the meeting and posted in the same area of the website.

For those members who will be unable to join the AGM we request that you sign and return the proxy form below (see attachment). Only members in good standing are entitled to vote.

The proxy can be returned to the OACFP via regular mail, facsimile or email at: [info@oacfp.com](mailto:info@oacfp.com)

### **2020 AGM Proxy Form**

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## **Proposed Slate of Directors**

In accordance with the bylaws of the Ontario Association of Cemetery and Funeral Professionals, the Awards, Nominating and Board Development Committee, chaired by Jimmy Cardinal, with Frank Pinelli, Ron Hendrix, Matt Wren, and Melanie Turner is pleased to present to you the proposed slate of Directors for 2021 as presented to, and approved by, the present Board of Directors on July 31, 2020. Unless there are further nominations from the membership, the incoming Board is to be ratified at the Annual General Meeting to be held virtually on Tuesday, October 6, 2020.

### **PROPOSED SLATE FOR 2021**

President Steven Reynolds, Oakview Funeral Home (Arbor)

Past President Jimmy Cardinal, Cardinal Funeral Homes

1st Vice President Frank Pinelli, Service Corporation International Canada

2nd Vice President Meghan Henning, Lakefield Cemetery and Crematorium

### **THE FOLLOWING DIRECTORS ARE NOMINATED FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM**

Mike DiNova, Mount Pleasant Group (2nd Term)

Allan Job, Mount Royal Commemorative Services (2nd Term)

Justin Des Roches, Wholesale Lettering and Carving (2nd Term)

Charles Goldman, YMHA & Mount Sinai Cemetery, Toronto (1st Term)

John Perrotta, City of Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries, Hamilton (1st Term)

Mark Richardson, City of Niagara Falls Cemeteries, Niagara Falls (1st Term)

For further information please see below:

## **Slate of Directors Information & Nomination Form**

NB - The proxy and the slate of directors' information forms are available for members only via your member portal. If you are a member and do not have login credentials, please contact the office at [info@oacfp.com](mailto:info@oacfp.com).

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## **BAO Updates**

### **COVID-19 Update Quick Links**

#### **Directives**

\*COVID-19 Registrar's Directives

Aug. 10 – [\\*Windsor-Essex Stage 3 gathering limits](#)

July 30 – [\\*Stage 3 gathering limits / food & beverages](#)

July 28 – [Add link to BAO consumer guide and acknowledgement to funeral and transfer service contracts](#)

July 20 – [\\*Additions to Stage 3 Attendance Limits](#)

#### **Notices**

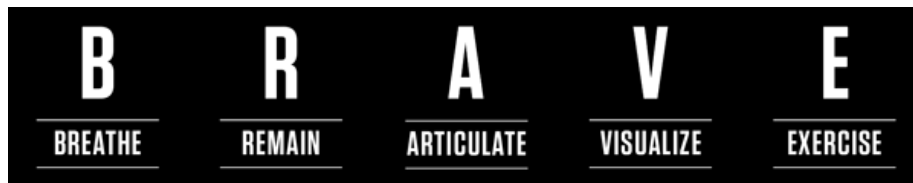
July 24 – [Education opportunity:](#)

[Cemetery Governance and Administration Overview for Small Cemeteries](#)

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## **Mental Health Resources**

### **OACFP Action for Mental Health**



Welcome to the OACFP Be Brave Campaign

Come learn the core principles and skills of stress and anxiety management in action. Designed to help bereavement professionals manage the challenges of serving client families during the COVID-19 pandemic, BRAVE is a 5 step program of experiential learning modules. Go through each video and its related poster then apply your new knowledge and skills throughout your day. It is hoped that the BRAVE toolkit will help you and your family during COVID- 19 and beyond. And remember, as an OACFP [member.you](#) are not alone...

[BRAVE Campaign Introductory Video](#)

[OACFP Mental Health Resources](#)

## **Other Recent Mental Health Resources**

**NEW** - Playlist of videos for mental health & wellness in the workplace.

[Psych Hub Mental Health and Workplace Wellness Playlist](#)

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## **Other Articles of Interest**

COVID-19 May Lead to an Increase in Prolonged Grief Disorder

[Psychnews Article](#)

Communication in the era of COVID-19 & Active Listening

[Adapting Communication in Response to COVID-19](#)

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# Event Updates

# REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR THIS YEAR'S VIRTUAL CONFERENCE!

Inspiration, networking, skill-development and peer support. Join us Virtually to learn and share as we continue to support our members and the Bereavement Sector with our usual high-quality program, only delivered virtually.

Please join us as we explore the new possibilities of virtual engagement made necessary due to COVID-19. We have utilized a new virtual platform that will give our attendees a unique conference and trade show experience, only delivered online to your home or office.

**This year's program will contain over 6 hours of quality speakers and education that will qualify and can be used as your required CE for license renewal.**

Visit our dedicated conference website at [www.oacfpconference.com](http://www.oacfpconference.com) for more details.

**And, as an added bonus, the first 125 people to register prior to September 6th will receive an OACFP Conference Kit delivered directly to their door.**

## CONFERENCE FEE SUMMARY

### REGISTRATION RATES - Attendees (all rates are + 13% HST)

| Rate Type | Before<br>September 6 | After<br>September 6 |
|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Member    | \$149.00              | \$199.00             |

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| Non-Member | \$249.00 | \$299.00 |
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**REGISTRATION RATES - Exhibitors** (all rates are + 13% HST)

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| Virtual Booth* - Member          | \$345.00 |
| Virtual Booth* - Non-Member      | \$495.00 |
| Additional Sales Representatives | \$149.00 |

**\* Virtual Booth Space includes access for 2 sales representatives. Please register any additional sales representatives separately.**

**[Conference Registration](#)**

**Sponsorship and Exhibitor Information can be downloaded here:**

**[Sponsorship and Exhibitor Prospectus](#)**

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## **2020 Crematorium Operators Training - Now Virtual! Last Chance to Register**

**For operators and all bereavement professionals now offered from the comfort of your home or office!**

This is the only recognized course for the certification of crematorium operators in the province of Ontario. This program will ensure you have the necessary training required

under the *FBCSA*. Participants will gain a thorough understanding of the cremation process, consumer protection for cremation clients, and best service practices and standards. This program is open to anyone involved with any aspect of the cremation process including counsellors, funeral directors, full and part-time operators and owners.

This program is the first phase towards operator certification. Full certification will be granted upon successful completion of the self-administered exam AND verification that the participant has completed fifty (50) cremation cases (second phase), for which participants have one full year from the date of the program to complete. The OACFP recommends that anyone who has not attended a crematorium training program within the last five years should attend.

[Click Here for Fees and Registration](#)

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## Join Us For Our Next Regularly Scheduled Webinar

**Cyber Security Awareness Session:**

**Threats and Best Practices**

**Presenter, Dima Vainer, CPA Manitoba**

**September 17, 2020 at 11:00 AM**

**PLEASE NOTE:** The time for this webinar is 11:00 AM to 12:00 PM. We are working to address the discrepancy in the time listed on the website.

This webinar is the fifth in our series of six regular OACFP webinars. As such it is available without charge to all OACFP members. Non-Members can still access the webinar for a minimal fee.

**Cyber Security Awareness Session for Associations: Threats and Best Practices - Presenter, Dima Vainer, CPA Manitoba**

No matter the size of your organization, you can be at risk. At this session, participants will:



- Understand the latest global threat landscape.
- Discuss the most common types of cyberattacks
- Learn what YOU can do to make your organization a harder target for cybercrime.

**This webinar will feature Dima Vainer, CPA, CPA Manitoba**



Dima Vanier is a Trusted business & technology leader with more than 17 years of experience in the Information Technology (IT) field. He has a proven track of leading information systems and IT projects for international Med-Devices companies, Educational institutions, and more.

He applies his experience and his Certified Ethical Hacker training to lead CPA Manitoba's IT department.

The BAO has approved the OACFP webinar series as qualifying continuing education. Don't miss this opportunity to complete 1 hour of your

requirement.

**Please Note: Anyone seeking to use the webinars as continuing education credits should register individually so that we are able to track and record their participation.**

**[Click Here to Register](#)**

The 2020 webinar series is brought to you by the following sponsors:

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## **COVID-19 Facebook Discussion Group**

**We have created a Facebook discussion group for those in the sector to seek support and advice, or just bring issues to our attention, during the current COVID-19 situation. You can request to join the group by clicking the link below.**

**[OACFP COVID-19 Discussion](#)**

Please note that any advice, opinions, or statements made in the forums are those of the

author of the comment. and not of the OACFP. The fact that a particular message is posted on or transmitted using this forum does not mean that the OACFP has endorsed that message in any way or verified the accuracy, completeness, or usefulness of any message. We encourage members using the forum to report any objectionable message immediately to [info@oacfp.com](mailto:info@oacfp.com). The forums will not be monitored 24/7.

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## Sector Events and Information

- **OACFP Announcements**

- **Member Benefits!**

A reminder that the OACFP offers many benefits of membership through our affiliated programs. A complete list of available benefits is available in the members' area at: [Affiliation Programs](#)

- **Help us help you – “Like” us on Facebook**



Social media can be a very effective way for us to communicate with current and prospective members.

The link to our Facebook page is: <http://facebook.com/OACFP>

If you have already liked our page why not invite your friends to like us as well!

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**Other Sector Announcements and Information**

**None at this time.**

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