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HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Message from AAPG Chair Terry Coleman

Greetings from your Chair and the AAPG's Board of Directors. Since our last newsletter, your Board has been very busy on a variety of issues important to our members:

- we have been actively involved in the Alberta government's consultations concerning the review of our *Police Act*. Of note is that it has not been thoroughly reviewed and amended for our current environment since 1988. When these consultations are complete, your Board will consult with our members and prepare a position paper which will include the AAPG's recommendations for the 'new' *Police Act*. AAPG strongly recommends that you directly participate in the consultations hosted by the Alberta government;
- we thank all those who applied to be considered for a position on the ALERT's new Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). At the time of writing, the process is not yet complete. We will provide the results by email when all decisions have been made;
- the Board offered the position of Executive Director to Victoria Chester, member of the Lethbridge Police Commission and previous AAPG Treasurer. On behalf of the Board, our new ED has been busy coordinating the planning for our 2019 conference in Medicine Hat. We look forward to seeing you there;
- alas, our Vice-Chair John Liu is no longer a member of the Calgary Police Commission and, thus, is no longer a Board member of the AAPG. As Chair, I thank John for his dedication to police governance and oversight as well as his expertise and wisdom that he generously contributed to the AAPG. We wish him well for the future;
- Nick Servos, the Chair of the Canmore Policing Committee, is our new Vice-Chair and John McDougall, of the Edmonton Police Commission, is our new Treasurer. I thank Nick and John for stepping forward and look forward to working with them both.

Finally, on behalf of the AAPG Board, our best wishes for the New Year.

Terry G. Coleman, MOM, PhD



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AAPG 2019 ANNUAL CONFERENCE & AGM REGISTRATION OPEN NOW!!!

Hosted in Medicine Hat, Alberta
Friday April 5th & Saturday April 6th

Supporting excellence in civilian governance and oversight of police services in Alberta by providing our members, and potential members, with an enjoyable opportunity to learn, network, and connect.

We invite all those participating in community policing oversight to attend.

This year our venue at the [Medicine Hat Lodge](#) includes on-site Casino, enclosed pool with 3-story waterslide, VR game room, and award-winning Spa, so your spouse and family can join you! (Be sure to add-on your significant other as a Banquet guest during registration.) *Must call 800-661-8095 and reference #826470 to book AAPG discounted rooms. Block of reserved rooms is limited - book early!!*

Standard-Basic Double or King Room \$141
Superior-Updated King + Sleeper Sofa Room \$159
Sauna or Jacuzzi King + Sleeper Sofa Suite \$169

Along with a schedule filled with Educational Presentations, Networking and Round-table sessions, we are offering the following **NEW for 2019**:

Thursday Evening Private access to [The Esplanade](#); includes shuttle to/from hotel and downtown stop (Optional \$29 add-on)

Friday Evening Banquet Extraordinaire located at the Historic [Medalta](#)! Shuttle to *Private Tour & Networking Reception*, prior to Roast Beef & Salmon supper with wine. (Included in registration fee!)

Saturday Evening Private [3-Brewery Tasting Tour](#) includes shuttle to/from hotel, beer tasting flights, distillery visit and pub snacks (Optional \$49 add-on)

REGISTER NOW at www.aapg.ca and click on the Conference tab.

Early Bird Registration discount of \$25 pp valid until January 31st!

Purchase 3, get the 4th registration for \$175!

On-line payment of registration fees, e-transfer and invoicing available.

WestJet discount code for conference attendee's:

We are happy to provide attendees for the upcoming **2019 AAPG Conference a 5% off Econo and 10% off EconoFlex and Premium fares for travel** into and out of **Medicine Hat or Calgary**. To take advantage of this offer, you will need the coupon code listed.

Travel from: March 28, 2019 to April 14, 2019

Coupon code:	OR4X5UF
Promo code:	WCC35
*Travel Agent use only	

*Travel Agents – if booking in GDS please use Promo Code

Conference Program Highlights

PUBLIC COMPLAINT DIRECTOR ROLE; What are the procedures of the PCD and how should grievances be handled?

CANNABIS UPDATE; Last year's speaker returns!

PUBLIC RELATIONS 101 & IMPACTS OF SOCIAL MEDIA; Avoid reactionary & pursue proactive service promotion with open discussion on how social media has changed public perceptions.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE INTERNAL ORGANIZATION; Policy Manual process/procedure development, succession planning, continuing education, board performance evaluation, more!

COMMISSION ONLY: STRATEGIC PLANNING AND BUDGET OVERSIGHT; Who is driving the boat?

COMMITTEE ONLY: ESTABLISHMENT OF OVERSIGHT IN RCMP JURISDICTIONS; Helpful Bylaw amendments, benefits of community-driven standards & policing goals collaboration.

FIRST NATIONS BOARD COLLABORATION; Understanding First Nations Policing and how we can support each other.

POLICE ACT ENGAGEMENT UPDATE; SolGen update on consultations.

MEDICINE HAT K-9 UNIT DEMONSTRATION & UPCLOSE WITH THEIR ARMORED VEHICLE

NEW COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE MEMBER TRAINING; Our popular annual training on the basics of Police Oversight.

COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE INDIVIDUAL ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS; Question, answer and discussion session for all members.

NETWORKING RECEPTION; All members enjoy a drink and time to socialize before dinner is served.

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AAPG Website Re-Design

The revamping of our website has been an exciting challenge! We currently have the Main page and our Conference page up and running.

Website Pages Coming Soon:

AAPG BOARD (Members, Positions, Bios)
 AAPG GOVERNANCE DOCS (Bylaws, Policy Manual, Police Act, AGM Minutes)
 OUR MEMBERSHIP
 HOT TOPICS
 NEWSLETTERS (Current & Past)
 ASK THE MEMBERSHIP (Member Question Submittal & Answer History)
 BOARD MEMBER PORTAL (Board Member Only)
 POLICY & PROCESS SHARING (Downloadable samples for member use)
 EDUCATIONAL & POWER POINT SHARING
 STAKEHOLDER LINKS
 CURRENT CONFERENCE PORTAL (Program, Registration & AGM documents)
 CONFERENCE ARCHIVES (Prior programs & photos)
 RESOLUTIONS (History of AAPG Resolutions)
 UPCOMING AFFILIATE CONFERENCES
 JOIN AAPG (Becoming a Member & becoming a Sponsor)
 ALERT CAC (List of current CAC members and application portal)

Check it out at www.aapg.ca

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



2019 Membership Renewal and Contact Update

Members make it possible for AAPG to be an effective community of police governance organizations who together build capacity and strength through a common voice for the provision of effective and accountable policing services across Alberta.

Your membership fee ensures AAPG can provide personal assistance to our members (when needed), access to sample procedures, advocacy with stakeholders, and an affordable provincial conference. Without your community support there would be no AAPG.

The first week of January we will email renewal invoices for 2019 membership along with a Contact Update form. This past year we noticed changes to some of our members contact information and ask that you *please complete and return the update form!*

If you are not currently a member, but would like to join – please email:

Admin@aapg.ca

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IMPORTANT UPCOMING CONFERENCES

Alberta Community Crime Prevention Association (ACCPA)

2019 Conference May 6th – 9th, Canmore AB

www.albertacrimeprevention.com/2019-conference/

SAVE THE DATE:

Canadian Association of Police Governance (CAPG) Conference, August 9th – 11th

First Nations Police Governance Council (FNPGC) Conference, August 8th & 9th

Calgary, Alberta

Alberta Association of Police Governance

The AAPG supports excellence in civilian governance and oversight of policing services in Alberta. Through AAPG, members are provided with educational opportunities, access to best practices, forums for liaison with other members and related agencies, and proactive representation in order that police oversight in Alberta speaks with one voice when advocating for change to law or policy.

Contact us about becoming a member. With membership cost starting at just \$100, it is affordable to join and collaborate.

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