



# 2017 Spring Cool News

## 2017 ORAC AGM HAWAII 5-OH!



ORAC's Special 50th Annual General Meeting was held April 29th to May 6th. This two-island event was hosted at the Moana Surfrider in Honolulu and then at the Hyatt Regency in Maui. In Honolulu, attendees experienced the "city" life side of Hawaii with many shops and busy streets, yet Waikiki Beach was right there to enjoy and just a short distance away was Diamond Head (Lē'ahi), a volcanic tuff cone (crater). Delegates enjoyed a much more relaxed atmosphere where the sunsets and sunrises can't be beat and if you were lucky, got to see a turtle!

The 50th Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency. Many thanks to President David Sinclair, who spearheaded the meeting along with our Treasurer Gregg Little, Vice-President Ron Abernethy and Managing Director, Mike Verge. Jim McCaughey provided delegates with an Apprentice Intake update and Phil Taggart reported on behalf of the Labour Committee.

At the President's Gala, David Sinclair was Master of Ceremonies for the evening where it was held at Fleetwood's on Front Street in Lahaina. The evening included bagpipes, blowing of the conch, lighting of the torches and a live band including the great Rick Vito from Fleetwood Mac! Glenn Kilmer gave a wonderful speech honoring his father, Tom Kilmer, the 2017 Honorary Member, who will be officially awarded at the Industry Golf Tournament this year in July. Congratulations Tom and thank you Glenn!

Larry Smith of Kathbern Management and all of our other Silver and General sponsors were acknowledged! Our success is definitely attributed to our sponsors!

Our delegates are invited to meet again next year to celebrate the 51st Annual General Meeting at Blue Mountain!













# 2017 SPRING FORUM

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## ORAC'S HELPING SMALLER COMPANIES

At this year's Spring Forum, the objective was to focus on the ever evolving technology which is not just for the bigger companies. Topics covered were wireless connections to your pumps and other equipment, the "cloud", and new wireless platforms that shape the future of fleet management through efficient GPS software.

Our line up of speakers helped to shed some light and educate everyone on technology that is already here and what's to come!



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ORAC's 2017 Spring Forum was again held at Richmond Hill Golf Club on May 24, 2017.

Our lineup of educational speakers included:

- Mark Gallagher, Armstrong Fluid Technology
- Michael Der Kaloussain, LVM Tech
- Ed Gordon, IHSA
- William Shilson, Connected Gear
- Dan Pittman, Lifting Gear Hire

Thank you to all who participated in this year's event! See you next year!

## WINNERS!



CLOSEST TO THE PIN WINNER ABOVE: CONGRATULATIONS **GREGG LITTLE!**

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MOST HONEST WINNERS ABOVE: CONGRATULATIONS **BOB SHEPHERD, ANDREW KOLBIN, KIM GORDON AND COURTNEY NICKEL!**



BEST TEAM WINNER ABOVE: CONGRATULATIONS **MICHAEL DICARLO, KRIS LANDON & RICK LAMANNA!!**



# THANK YOU ORAC MEMBERS!



Did you know that Dog Guides are trained to assist with more than blindness and visual impairments? There are six type of Dog Guides and they include deafness, hearing impairments, autism spectrum disorder, type 1 diabetes with hypoglycemic unawareness, epilepsy as well as physical and medical disabilities.



Last year ORAC's member donations have made a difference in 2 people's lives. One was for an Autism Assistance dog guide and one was for a Hearing and Ear dog guide (see Alyssa and Peggy to the left).

Again this year, Gregg Little (ORAC Treasurer) represented ORAC at the graduation ceremony on February 2, 2017, where he had the honor of meeting Alyssa and Peggy, ORAC's donation recipient.

Alyssa presented Gregg with a very special note to thank ORAC for changing her life in such a positive way. What an amazing feeling!

Thank you ORAC for all of your generous support! With your help, I have been blessed with my hearing ear dog guide Peggy. Thanks to you, my life has changed and I will never have to walk alone!



With love,  
Alyssa & Peggy 🐾

To date, ORAC members have donated \$99,350 to Li-ions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides which includes 8 completed sponsoships to individuals throughout our 6 programs with physical or medical disabilities.

Wow! Lets continue giving and promoting this incredible Charity by registering today!

## 2017 HVAC INDUSTRY GOLF TOURNAMENT (FORMERLY CHARITY GOLF) GLEN EAGLE GOLF CLUB JULY 6, 2017



Registration has gone out for this very popular and life changing event!

Registration closes June 30, 2017 so get your registrations in to Jessica at [jessica.atcheson@orac.ca](mailto:jessica.atcheson@orac.ca).

Visit our EVENTS page at [www.orac.ca/events](http://www.orac.ca/events) for details!

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# Left-Hand-Turn Elimination

By JOEL LOVELLDEC. 9, 2007

Idling, waiting for oncoming traffic to clear so you can make a left-hand turn, is minutely wasteful — of time and peace of mind, for sure, but also of gas and therefore money. Not a ton of gas and money if we're talking about just you and your Windstar, say, but immensely wasteful if we're talking about more than 95,000 big square brown trucks delivering packages every day. And this realization — that when you operate a gigantic fleet of vehicles, tiny improvements in the efficiency of each one will translate to huge savings overall — is what led U.P.S. to limit further the number of left-hand turns its drivers make.

The company employs what it calls a “package flow” software program, which among other hyperefficient practices involving the packing and sorting of its cargo, maps out routes for every one of its drivers, drastically reducing the number of left-hand turns they make (taking into consideration, of course, those instances where not to make the left-hand turn would result in a ridiculously circuitous route).

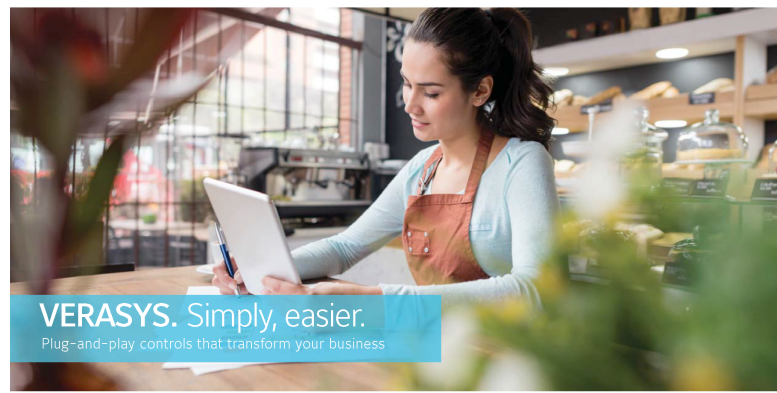
Last year, according to Heather Robinson, a U.P.S. spokeswoman, the software helped the company shave 28.5 million miles off its delivery routes, which has resulted in savings of roughly three million gallons of gas and has reduced CO2 emissions by 31,000 metric tons. So what can Brown do for you? We can't speak to how good or bad they are in the parcel-delivery world, but they won't be clogging up the left-hand lane while they do their business.

*Article submitted by Stan Swartz, Sloan Partners*



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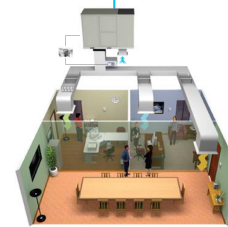


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## 2017 APPRENTICE INTAKE 2

### Accepting Applications until June 30

Our first intake is now complete and there are first year apprentices **available for hire** on the [orac.ca](http://orac.ca) website. Just log into the contractor dashboard with your username and password (available to ORAC provincial members) and select the “hire an apprentice” tab.

Intake 2 has been open since May 1 and will run through to the end of June. Interested candidates who meet the minimum mandatory requirements can apply through our website [apprenticehvacr.ca](http://apprenticehvacr.ca).

Feel free to contact Alison at 905-670-0010 or email [alison@apprenticehvacr.ca](mailto:alison@apprenticehvacr.ca) if you have any questions!



## SUMMER SCHEDULE

### BRAZING



Just a friendly reminder that the final brazing course before summer holidays at the JTAC will be offered on Thursday, June 15th.

The JTAC will resume monthly certifications in September.

For those interested in attending in June, please contact Jessica **immediately** at [Jessica.atcheson@orac.ca](mailto:Jessica.atcheson@orac.ca) to reserve your spot. Space is limited, and available on a first come, first serve basis.

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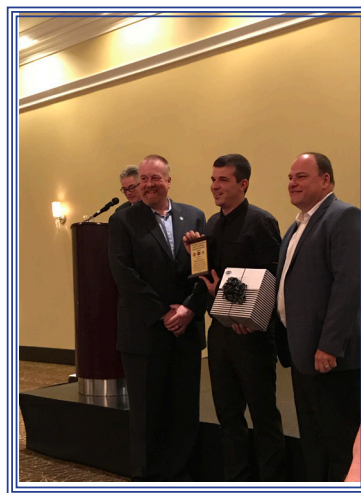


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## JTAC GRADUATION NIGHT



The JTAC held its annual apprentice graduation and awards ceremony on Friday, May 12, 2017 at the Pearson Convention Center where approximately 55 apprentices graduated.

ORAC was represented by Board of Directors Tony Mammoliti, Ron Abernethy and David Steel. Josh Bell was also in attendance representing the JTAC committee.

The ORAC Award was presented to Michael Arenovich for attaining a high academic achievement upon completion of the 4 year JTAC Home Study program. Congratulations Michael!

Thanks again to the JTAC and UA Local 787 for organizing this event and congratulations to all the graduates!





# SAVE THE DATE!



To: All ORAC Members

You are invited to our ORAC Open House! Please come by and enjoy a lunch and mingle with your favorite ORAC members and staff.

Where: 133 Milani Boulevard, Unit 104  
Vaughan, ON  
L4H 4M4

When: Thursday, July 20, 2017

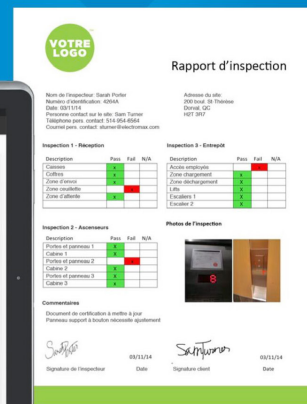
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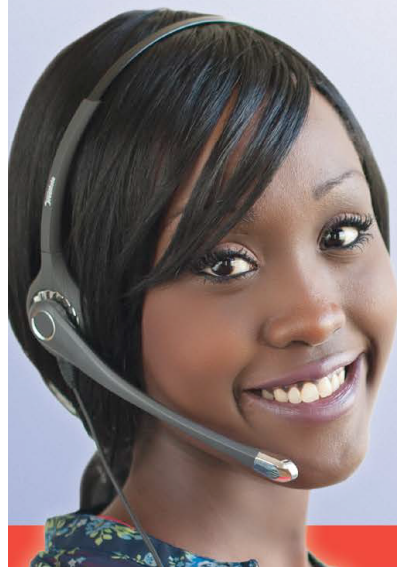
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## Compliance and Enforcement Policy

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Following the passage of legislative amendments to the Ontario College of Trades and Apprenticeship Act, 2009 on December 8, 2016, the Ontario College of Trades (College) was required to develop a compliance and enforcement policy.

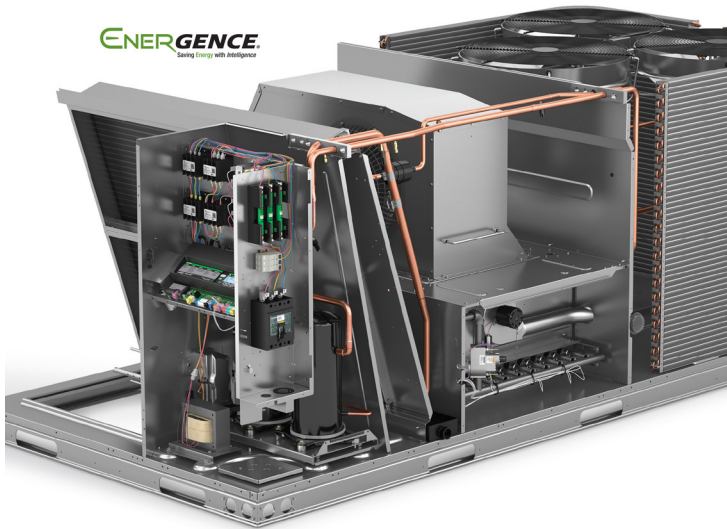
To create this policy, the Board of Governors appointed nine individuals to the Compliance and Enforcement Committee.

Throughout January and February 2017, the Committee conducted broad-based consultations across Ontario with a wide cross-section of tradespeople and stakeholders from both voluntary and compulsory trades in the construction, industrial, motive power and service sectors as well as reviewed similar policies and best practices of other relevant Ontario regulators.

During the consultations, several themes emerged and formed the focus for the compliance and enforcement policy, including addressing the underground economy, enforcing journeyman-to-apprentice ratios and safeguarding vulnerable workers.

To read the compliance and enforcement policy in its entirety, visit [www.collegeoftrades.ca](http://www.collegeoftrades.ca).

Thank you to those who engaged with the Compliance and Enforcement Committee and the College over the last few months. Together, through this new enforcement policy, we will better protect the public interest and ensure that when you hire someone to fix your brakes or wire your home that the work is done by qualified and certified skilled trades professionals.



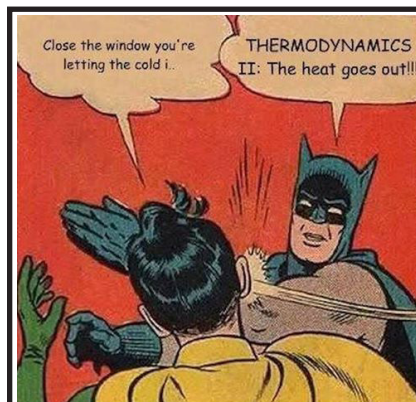
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The purpose of the association is to represent and serve HVACR contractors in Ontario with programs and services that promote responsible solutions.

**GOVERNMENT LIAISON**

Legislators and government policy advisors often fail to properly consult key players within an industry to which the legislation could and may have adverse and damaging effects.

ORAC recognizes the importance of actively representing the HVACR industry in Ontario on matters of direct impact, and participates with other industries in making representation on common concerns. It is important that legislators understand the capabilities of our industry in adjusting to sometimes unrealistic laws and standards, and at the same time, act on legislation that allows less responsible parties to operate and weaken the industry's position.

ORAC has formed a standing Technical Safety and Standards Committee (TSSC) to represent its members' interests with the TSSA and the Electrical Safety Authority (ESA).



**To: All ORAC Members**  
**Re: 2017 UPCOMING EVENTS**



- 1. Industry Golf Tournament: Glen Eagle Golf Club**  
*Thursday, July 6, 2017*
- 2. Open House: ORAC Office**  
*Thursday, July 20, 2017*
- 3. Women's Day: TBD**  
*Wednesday, September 27, 2017*
- 4. Fall Forum: Woodbine Racetrack**  
*Thursday, November 9, 2017*

Visit the link below to access our events page. You have the option to automatically upload any, or all, of the above mentioned events directly to your calendar.  
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