## **CANADIAN ASSOCIATION of FLEET SUPERVISORS**



## **CONFIDENTIAL REPORT**

**CAFS Member Newsletter** 

**APRIL 2024** 



## **CAFS 75th Anniversary and AGM**

On January 31st, it was with great pleasure, that we acknowledged the achievements and history of CAFS 75 years of fleet safety.

We were very honored to have seven Past Presidents join us for this 75th year celebration. In this issue we will highlight each Past President's speech on events of their term and what CAFS meant to them personally.



(L to R) Lori Hendy, Phil Blanchette (2016-18), Robin Egdell (1991-92), Jim MacMillan (1999-2000), Chris Swanston (2019), Randy Twiss (2007-09), Brian Haugen (2020-22), Kelley Crozier (2014-15) and CAFS current president TJ Bumby (2023-24)

76 Years

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**Coquitlam Meeting Attendance** 



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Tues, 14:

Mon, 3-7: ABI Course - Port Coquitlam
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 Tues 11-13: AIP Course - Port Coquitlam
 Wed. 19: CAFS Golf Tournament
 Mon, 17: FOP Course - Port Coquitlam

**Iuly - August:** 

No Meetings - summer break

**Abbotsford General Meeting** 



## **MEMBER or CONTACT CHANGES?**

We will soon be preparing 2024 Membership Directory NOW is the time... to forward address or contact changes

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## Welcome New Members

#### **New Active Member**

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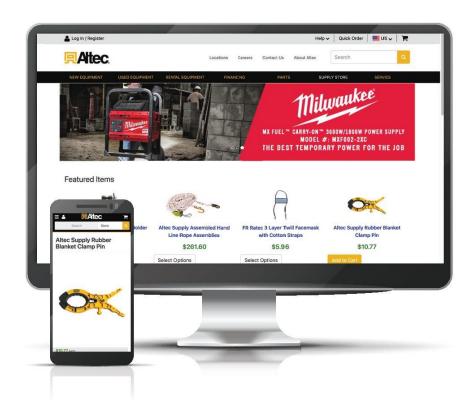
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## GENERAL MEETING DATES & SPEAKERS



Cancellation deadline: 24 hours prior Sorry: "No-shows" will be invoiced.

## COQUITLAM

The Executive Plaza Hotel 405 North Road, Coquitlam

Meetings are held the <u>First Wednesday</u> of each month (not July & August)

**Registration:** 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$70 members

\$80 non-member

#### NEW START TIME

### **ABBOTSFORD**

Ricky's Meeting Room, Best Western 32080 Marshall Road, Abbotsford, BC

Meetings are held the **Third Tuesday** of each month (not July & August)

**Registration:** 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$70 members

\$80 non-members

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#### **MEETING FOLLOW-UP**

#### Diesel Performance Was The Topic Of The April General Meeting

#### **Guest Speaker:**

Remo Guizzo, Chevron Canada

#### Date:

Coquitlam Wed. April 3rd, 2024



#### **Topic:**

Ash impact on Diesel engine Performance

the role of engine oil on DPF Systems maintenance. reviewing used oil analysis and what to look for.







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Each student is given a "Driving Commercial Vehicles" handbook, a course manual which includes technical information and Provincial And Federal air brake regulations.

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To confirm the two years of air brake experience, the applicant will need to obtain a customized Driver's Abstract with a note added to their driving record which displays the date they received their (endorsement 15) air brake endorsement.

The applicant must phone ICBC to get this customized driving record emailed or mailed to them.

Regular online driving records or those produced at a Driver Licensing Office will not have this information.

Once copy is obtained, you may proceed to register.

#### PORT COQUITLAM, BC

June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Time: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm daily

Cost: Member: \$1150 / Non-Member: \$1300

\* Maximum 8 students per class \* Course fee includes course material

\* The following manuals are optional, and will be available for purchase at the course;

\$35 - Air Brake Connection manual & \$35 - Inside Air Brake Valves + Devices



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This course will cover the following content:

- · Classes of motor vehicles,
- Motor Vehicle Act and Regulations,
- · Designated Inspection Facility Program,
- · Preventative Maintenance Program,
- · Inspector Qualifications and Responsibilities,
- Responsibilities of Facility Operators and Inspectors,
- · Commercial Vehicle Inspection manual,
- Procedures for forms completion and decal application,
- Vehicle Inspection e-forms general procedures and how to sign up,
- Preparation and administration of Authorized Inspectors examination,

#### **NOTE student requirements:**

A mobile BC Services Card registered for use to access online government application https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/ governments/government-id/bc-services-card/log-inwith-card

Student are required to bring to class a laptop computer, tablet or mobile device to take the examination and apply for their inspector certificate.

CSA approved safety glasses and footwear is required during the practical portion of the course. Footwear must be steel-toed leather, ankle covering boots.

#### **PORT COQUITLAM**

June 11<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

(days 1 & 2) AND Practical: (day 3) Theory:

Time: 8:00 am - 4:30 pm, each day

Cost: Member: \$450 / Non-Member: \$550

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In-House training.

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The Facility Operator Course provides a consistent platform of instruction to ensure business operations are complying with all applicable regulations, legislation, program requirements, and standards.

#### PORT COQUITLAM, BC

Monday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Cost: Member: \$220 Member / Non-Member: \$275

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## CAFS 75TH ANNIVERSARY & AGM

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On January 31st, it was with great pleasure, that we acknowledged the achievements and history of CAFS 75 years of fleet safety.

In upcoming issues of CAFS Newsletter, we will be re-visiting and sharing with you CAFS journey. We will be presenting historical information and archive pictures along with the 75th anniversary celebration speeches.

As the topic of CAFS Past Presidents is vast, and to ensure that we include as much archival information as possible, we have broken down the 'Historical Review of Past Presidents' into two newsletter issues.

In this issue, we will cover presidents from 1991-2024. Continuing with Lori's 'Presidents in Attendance' speech, as well as historical information.

The history of CAFS Presidents from 1949-1990, as well as part 1 of Lori's speech, can be viewed in the March '24 issue.

This excerpt is part 2 of Lori Hendy's speech introducing CAFS Past Presidents in attendance with a brief highlight of their contributions.

Follow the introductions, each of the Past Presidents approached the podium where they addressed the attendees and were presented a gift by CAFS current President, TJ Bumby.

#### Lori's speech part 2:

"Building lasting friendships while working towards common goals is a special aspect of such experiences.

It is a night worth celebrating and recognizing the individuals who have played a crucial role in shaping the Association.

May CAFS continue to thrive under the guidance of its current leaders, maintaining the legacy set by those who came before them."



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#### **Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech** (Continued from page 17)

"For me personally, Al Wright, Peg MacMillan, and Jim MacMillan played crucial roles in supporting and guiding me during my initial years with CAFS. I will always be grateful for their mentorship and the lasting impact they have had on my career.

The foundation laid by these mentors has been instrumental in my long and successful tenure.

It has now been about 10 years since the passing of Al and I still think of him fondly with his pocket protector and his calculator and his extremely sharp mind. Thank you to both Peg and Jim. I am very grateful for you both."

#### I'd like to introduce the Past Presidents we have in attendance tonight:



**Robin Egdell** 1991 - 1992

It's truly commendable when individuals like Robin step up to leadership roles during challenging times. Assuming the role of President when no one else is willing to do so demonstrates a strong sense of commitment and dedication to the organization.

Robin not only accepted the responsibility but also invested a significant amount of personal time and effort to revive CAFS during a difficult period.

Robin was known as CAFS historian as he brought valuable insights and a deep understanding of the organization's history. Historical perspective is often crucial in making informed decisions and maintaining continuity within an organization.

Individuals like Robin, whose selfless efforts and passion, have contributed to the resilience and strength of CAFS.

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#### **Highlights of Robin's Presidency**

Robin and directors worked hard to build CAFS financially

Board members outnumbered members in attendance at meetings

\$100 one-time contribution by members to go towards past debts



Robin Egdell addresses 75th anniversary guests



President TJ Bumby presents honorary gift

#### Robin Egdell's 75th Year Celebration Speech (January 21, 2024)

I want to thank Lori and TJ for their kind invitation to join you on this exciting occasion of your 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and giving Geraldine and I a chance to catch up with old friends.

You can tell that Lori knows me very well after spending her first three years at CAFS with me on the Board serving as the immediate Past President and sitting through my speeches at the 60<sup>th</sup> and 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary events.

The invitation this time includes the words "brief response" in regard to time spent at the mike, proving the old adage that there are some people who simply can't be trusted too close to an open microphone. It asked specifically for a story about the most memorable event during your term as President. With this in mind, I reviewed my presentations at the last two anniversary events (I have left copies with Lori if you are actually interested) and discovered that I have already told you all my dirty little secrets, so I decided to tell an important story that happened shortly after I was rescued from having to serve a third term by Peg McMillan, who then served three years herself.

At a regular monthly dinner meeting I noticed a very attractive young lady seated at one of the other tables. Outside of Peg, there were seldom any good-looking ladies at our meetings, and I was looking

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#### Robin Egdell's 75th year speech (Continued from page 20)

forward to finding out who she was during the self-introduction stage. As we went around the room, the man sitting next to her rose and introduced her as Lori Steele, his wife. Sorry, but I don't remember his first name. I didn't realize at that time that this was the most important introduction that would ever occur at a meeting and would profoundly affect the future of our Association.

Shortly after that meeting, Lori was hired to replace our interim Secretary, Leanne Kazakoff, who we hired to help us get through the transition after parting with Susan Bishop.

Susan and her husband Hector, a two time, 1979 and 1985, Past President, had been the backbones of our operation until her luck ran out and her unbacked up computer crashed, taking with it all our records. The Board decided that we should fire her.

Leanne had just graduated from high school and was the niece of the late Dick Chrobak, himself a Past President from 1996. Dick was serving on my Board as Treasurer and he talked her into accepting the position with the promise of helping her get through the experience, which he did with diligence, but in the end, she decided she wanted to move on with her education.

In the 30, yes 30, years that have passed since that memorable moment Lori has more than exceeded expectations and truly become the "backbone" of the CAFS in her own right. Please rise and join me in appreciative applause for the outstanding performance that Executive Director Lori, now Hendy, has brought to her job and facilitated the overall success of this hard-working group of volunteers.

In closing I want also to congratulate all of you CAFS members who are dedicated to serving our community by promoting the safe operation of our massive fleet of commercial vehicles. I feel safer on our highways and byways knowing that you are doing this important work. Without this large fleet of safe vehicles, Jeff Bezos would still be selling Washington Post newspapers, eh?

I am honored to be able to tell people that I was once your President, even if my term was more chaotic than the current situation in the US Congress.

Thank you all.

There Lori, kept it to one page, smiley face emoji!

## CAFS HISTORICAL REVIEWAFS HISTORICAL REVIEW

Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 19)



Peg Macmillan 1993 - 1995

Although Peg is unable to attend tonight, Peg's willingness to step into the President position when there were challenges demonstrates a strong commitment to CAFS and its continuity.

Her unique position as the only female President in CAFS history adds an extra layer of significance to her leadership role, breaking barriers and contributing to the diversity of perspectives within the organization.

It's notable that Peg played a pivotal role in my professional journey by hiring me. Peg's immediate focus was for me to address the organizational health by prompting the very overdue filing with the Society Act before the Association got dissolved.

Peg brought not only leadership qualities but also a keen awareness of the operational and legal aspects necessary for the Association's stability.

It's clear that Peg's leadership left a significant impact on CAFS and her legacy contributes to the rich history and resilience of the association.

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#### **Highlights of Peg's Presidency**

CAFS 1st Female President First to do a 3-year term





#### Peg Macmillan's 70th Year Celebration Speech (February 7th, 2018)

My name is Peg Macmillan from Pride Truck Delivery.

I was President of Fleets for 3 years ... 1st & only female President (maybe says something).

Thanks to the Board of Directors & Lori for the invitation to join in the celebration of 70 years ... CONGRATULATIONS.

When I assumed the position in 1993 the Fleet Supervisors were in trouble ... the only way we could survive was to ask the membership for donations. The membership stepped up & gave us enough dollar support to get back on our feet. It is due to those Company's support that the Fleets were able to continue & become the flourishing organization that it is today.

When we hired Lori, who would have thought that she would still be here as the "glue" that keeps everything held together & going smoothly. At this time I would like to say how proud I am to have been part of such an amazing group.

Good luck to the new Board of Directors & the Membership in continuing with the Fleet Supervisors path of success.

Thank You

CAFS' own royalty, Truck Roadeo Beauty Queen contestant, Peq Macmillan



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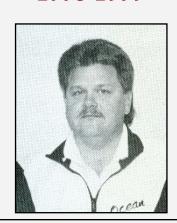
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#### **Highlights of Rick's Presidency**

Proposal from BCTA to join under their umbrella strongly voted against by members once again.

**Rick Boyd** 1996-1999



## Rick Boyd's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary speech (April 11, 2008)

I joined CAFS while working in the Transportation Industry selling Highway Trailers.

On the Board of Directors I was responsible for booking guest speakers for the monthly meetings and providing industry related topics. Meeting attendance started to increase, and the interest in the association increased.

While on the Board I held the positions of Meeting Coordinator (4 years), Vice President (2 years) and President (3 years).

As a Board we made changes in order to keep the association financially healthy. We started by the hiring of a full time employee. We increased the courses offered and improved on all

the things we did for the membership.

It was a mile stone when we celebrated our 50th year anniversary.

Members continued to get involved making CAFS what it is today.

Now CAFS is celebrating it's 60th YEAR ANNIVERSARY as a non profit association! This is the sign of a group of people who believe in giving back to the industry they are a part of. Keep it going for those that are to follow.



Rick Boyd, CAFS 2009 Golf Tournament

#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 22)



#### **Jim Macmillan** 1999 - 2000

Jim's upbeat and positive leadership style, clearly made a positive impact on CAFS and those who worked with him.

Jim was committed to teaching, especially in areas like CVIP (now Authorized Inspection Course) sharing his knowledge and contributing to the professional development of others within the industry.

The description of Jim as a "get 'er done kind of guy" indicates a proactive and results-oriented approach, which was valuable in CAFS.

Expressing gratitude for Jim's devoted time, both in the past and ongoing, highlights the lasting impact he has had on CAFS. The dedication of individuals like Jim contributes to the continuity and success of the organization, fostering a sense of community and shared purpose among its members.

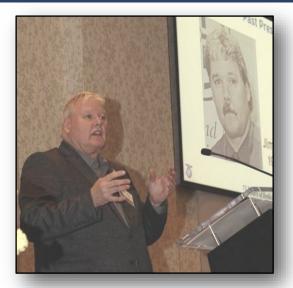
Jim's positive attitude, commitment to education, and proactive leadership style have left a positive mark on CAFS, and me personally, as well as those who have had the pleasure of working with him.

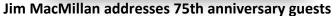
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#### **Highlights of Jim's Presidency**

Coined the slogan "Safety through Education"









Jim MacMillan & Fergus Savage - 60th anniversary

### Jim MacMillan's 60th Anniversary speech (April 11, 2008)

Three distinct memories come to mind: First, the discussions that were held at CAFS's Board room, in the old BCTA office in Port Coguitlam, and the memories of the board members... some seasoned (Robin Egdell), and some new (me). In a heated debate on amalgamation with BCTA, the issue was brought to all members and directors, and soundly defeated.

The second was the change in CAFS to promote educational courses, and to use our meetings as an opportunity to provide technical information and up-dated information on regulatory issues. There was great potential for members and associates to promote a wealth of experiences and knowledge to all other members.

Soon CAFS was well on its way to becoming a proud and well respected educator in the trucking industry. We even developed a slogan "Safety through Education".

And finally, I was Vice-President when then President Rick Boyd hired Lori Steele... what a jewel to CAFS... we are very fortunate to get such a dedicated individual.

Great Job by all! Jim MacMillan

**Tom Sparling** 2001 - 2002



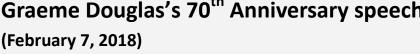
#### **Highlights of Tom's Presidency**

Instrumental in stabilizing CAFS record keeping

#### **Highlights of Graeme's Presidency**

Created added value for Membership

### Graeme Douglas's 70th Anniversary speech (February 7, 2018)



I am still very fond of the time I enjoyed with CAFS and am proud to tell Aussies of my however it generally leads to mass communication in explanation. Very easy to give them the website and let them do it themselves.

It was more the camaraderie and friendship from people that I enjoyed. Going to meetings in both Coquitlam and Abbotsford was never a chore, but something I looked forward to each month. One regret I have is not seeing my second term out and fulfilling several objectives that had been set.

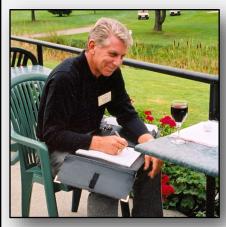
Hopefully, in some small way I was able to assist others in CAFS in improving their personal lives, business objectives, both or just realizing that an association like CAFS is an outlet for networking. Nothing wrong with the latter.

Monthly meeting speakers/attractions were always a challenge and at times a frustration. I still have no solution to the successful scheduling of monthly meeting "attractions".

The golf tournament was a success. I had visions of expanding it into a trade/golf day, maybe over

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### Graeme Douglas's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary speech

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one or two days.

I looked at the Truck Show at Abbotsford and thought they could have had a social occasion for the trade/exhibitors also. In reverse, CAFS could have made the social event a business event also, combining the two in an informal atmosphere. The balance was the key to success.

Congratulations on your 70th year.

#### **Highlights of Mike's Presidency**

## Raised CAFS profile & strengthened industry presence







I was asked to step up and take over as interim president from Graeme Douglas as he had moved to Australia prior to the end of his term.

The transition was easy as I slipped into the leadership position of an organization that is well established and has a solid foundation with a great board, a superior and dedicated administrator and a very respectable bank account.

I thoroughly enjoyed my time as president. We were challenged to improve our educational division which we accomplished and it has continued to improve.

We continued to hold our annual golf tournament which has become so successful, that it fills within days of being put out to the memberships attention. It is successful with both sponsors and participants.

Our bi-annual exposure at Truxpo in Abbotsford has seen improvement in our visibility in our industry.

We continue to bring in dinner speakers that help keep the knowledge flowing to our membership.

I was sad to step down, but my commitments at my place of employment, required a lot more of my time. I felt at that time that I could not dedicate the time required to do a proper job as president. It was fun and the time went so quickly.

Congratulations on 60 years!



#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 26)



**Randy Twiss** 2007 - 2009

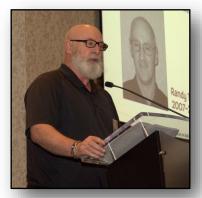
Randy is a man of few words but his strong work ethics speak volumes about his character and contributions. Individuals like Randy, who demonstrate commitment, loyalty, and a strong work ethic, are pillars of reliability within an organization.

Randy is always present for the task at hand showing his dedication and reliability. Consistency and a steadfast approach to responsibilities are crucial qualities, and it's clear that Randy embodies these traits.

Even though Randy may be a man of few words, his actions and work ethics have left a lasting and positive impact on those around him.

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## **Highlights of Randy's Presidency** President in 1st year of **Transportation Award**







Randy was always a great help to Lori Hendy at general meetings

#### Randy Twiss addresses 75th anniversary guests and receives a gift from CAFS

It was a very enjoyable evening with all you at CAFS 75th anniversary. An evening of warmth, history, good food and cheer. Mary Jane and I would like to thank all of you for the accolades and fun conversations. Great memories made. Hope to see you again at the next celebration.

Best regards to all. Lori, your the best!

Randy

#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 30)



#### **Kevin Last** 2010-2013

Kevin brought a wonderful mix of humor and professionalism to his role as President of CAFS. Holding the position for an impressive 4 years is a testament to his dedication and the impact he had on the organization.

The ability to bring laughter and joy to meetings is a special quality, and it's evident that Kevin created a lively and positive atmosphere. Sharing a good laugh during draws and lightening the mood at meetings contributed significantly to team dynamics and morale.

Expressing gratitude to Kevin for his role as President highlights the positive impact he had on the board and the organization as a whole. Kevin's leadership left a lasting impression.

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## **Highlights of Kevin's Presidency** Only President to do 4 year term



Kevin Last at CAFS 60th celebration

60th Year Kevin Last & **Event Organizer, Jim Coyle** 





#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 31)



**Kelley Crozier** 2014-2015

Kelley's showed professionalism, efficiency, and outstanding leadership qualities. Leaders like Kelley, who act promptly and effectively in addressing tasks, contribute significantly to the smooth functioning and success of an organization.

Kelley is a quiet and soft-spoken leader who led with quiet strength and professionalism.

I have sincere appreciation for Kelley's efforts and the positive working relationship I had with him. It's clear that his leadership style, marked by professionalism and authenticity, has left a positive mark on the organization and the people he worked with.

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### **Highlights of Kelley's Presidency**

## **Implemented** The Fleet Manager Program



The Sherif and the Mayor 2015 Golf Tournament





2019 General Meeting Lori Hendy & Chairman, Kelley Crozier

**President TJ Bumby presents** CAFS gift to Kelley at the 75th vear celebration



### Kelley Crozier's 75th Anniversary speech (January 31, 2024)

Hello everyone.

Not everyone here knows me. My name is Kelley Crozier, and I was CAFS President from 2014 to mid 2016.

When I was asked to speak to the highlights, lowlights and accomplishments during my time as President I briefly thought of some of the industry challenges and the initiatives that were part of my tenure.

I said briefly, because there was one momentous challenge to the survival of CAFS which never leaves my mind... In August 2015 Lori Hendy was diagnosed with cancer. The Board of Directors was promptly notified, and Lori underwent surgery in October 2015. This was the lowest point possible during my tenure.

Lori had been the Director of CAFS since 1997 – the year that I joined. She was the only Director I knew. As good as Lori was for CAFS, she had terrible hearing...

I directed her to take time off and she snuck around behind my back doing all the work that no one else even knew had to be done. Then she tried to come back to meetings within a month of her surgery. I told you; poor listening skills!

Throughout her battle all the Board Members pitched in and backfilled Lori's work in an exceptional display of support and camaraderie. As well, all of the members of CAFS (Gesture) also showed remarkable patience with my bumbling efforts at meeting administration after Lori's hearing had improved, because she didn't attend a meeting - as part of her recovery.

This total membership support was a high point...... Fortunately, Lori is with us here today and in good health.

Please stand and give Lori a loud round of applause in appreciation of her indomitable spirit and her dedication to CAFS.

But wait... There is more... As Paul Harvey once said... And now the rest of the story...

As with most CAFS presentations, Lori had the chance to review part one of my talks. I wouldn't let her review this part.

The back story behind Lori's battle was her personal life. Most of us know that Lori is married to Fred Hendy. No shame if you don't know.

The hero Merryll Frost once said "Behind every great man is a strong woman".

Well... this quote is not only often misunderstood, but it is reversed in this situation. The eve of the day Lori was to be married; she received the news of her cancer diagnosis. Lori did not need to ask Fred if he wanted to continue down the matrimonial path - From Fred's perspective the direction was not negotiable. During her fight and recovery Fred was there for Lori. Many personal acts of care and kindness may never be shared with all of us, but Fred was not lacking.

Let it be known that CAFS would not be as vibrant as it is today without Lori and Fred.

CAFS is Lori Hendy... Wait... Lori and Fred, would you please come up here and give each other a hug?

Ladies and gentlemen, please put your hands together for the team of Lori and Fred.

Thank you for having me here tonight and listening to my story.

#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 32)



**Phil Blanchette** 2016-2018

Phil's dedication, accessibility, and positive impact during his time as President contributed significantly to the smooth functioning and cohesion of CAFS.

Phil's regular attendance at both general meetings each month is a great practice, as it allows members to interact with and know their president personally.

The fact that Phil continued to contribute in the role of Past President for several years speaks to his ongoing commitment and loyalty to the organization. Past Presidents often play a crucial role in providing continuity and sharing knowledge, and for that we are grateful.

Being an enjoyable person to work with and very loyal and dedicated reflects positively on Phil's character and his impact on the Association

Phil's leadership left a positive mark on those he worked with, and his ongoing dedication as a Past President further contributed to CAFS's success.

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#### **Highlights of Phil's Presidency**

Held Position of **Executive Director Past President** for 4 Years



**Phil Winer of Member Draw** at General Meeting



#### Phil Blanchette's 2016 **Membership Directory Presidents Letter**

Greetings to all our members and future members.

I joined the Canadian Association of Fleet Supervisors with the hopes of making new contacts to aid in the growth of my company. What I have found instead was a new group of friends and industry contacts that I look forward to connecting with at the monthly meetings. It is also a nice bonus that in addition to networking possibilities, I find the guest speakers attending these

meetings are very informative and the topics presented are relevant to my business operations.

I very much look forward to my term as President and am honored to hold this position.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Kelley Crozier for all his hard work during his term as President. His knowledge and professionalism provided strong leadership which translated to positive growth for the association. Thanks to Kelley for his leadership in implementing a Fleet Manager Program, which CAFS will be able to offer in the near future. We will benefit from Kelley's experience as he assumes the role of Past President.

Thank-you Jake Nesbitt for taking on the role of Vice-President this year. Jake's business experience and continued dedication is appreciated. Welcome Chris Swanston to our Executive as Secretary/ Treasurer. Chris's eagerness to contribute these past years as a board member will aid the executive in getting tasks completed. Not to be excluded, the balance of the board members are to be commended for renewing their terms. They are a strong team who provide an important balance of knowledge and experience, both of which are necessary in keeping our Association's leadership strong.

Thank you Lori, for your dedication and hard work in keeping us organized. It has been paramount

in the positive growth of our association throughout the years.

Wishing all my friends and their families a prosperous year.

Phil Blanchette



2019 Phil Blanchette received Past president gift, presented by President, Chris Swanston

Phil received a CAFS gift at the 75th year celebration



#### Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 34)



Chris Swanston 2019

It's commendable when individuals like Chris step up to take on leadership roles during critical times, and Chris did so with dedication and commitment. His willingness to fill an empty spot and assume the role of President reflects a sense of responsibility

and loyalty to the CAFS.

Chris as a very kind person whom anyone would be proud to be associated with. He has a positive and approachable demeanor. Leaders who are not only effective in their roles but also bring a sense of warmth and congeniality can have a profound impact on team dynamics.

Chris led the board of directors with his vision and direction playing a crucial role in shaping the organization's path forward.

It's evident that Chris's contribution as President was valued and that he left a positive impression on those around him. Leaders like Chris, who step in when needed and lead with dedication and kindness, contribute significantly to the overall success and positive culture of an organization.

Chris brought a creative and innovative approach to his role as President by thinking outside the box. Chris's innovative thinking contributed positively to the dynamics of the board and the Association as a whole.

Chris's willingness to explore new avenues enhanced the overall vision and direction of the organization.

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2019 Golf Tournament **Lori Hendy & Chris Swanston** 

### **Highlights of Chris's Presidency**

## Creative and Innovative Approach

**President TJ Bumby** presents CAFS gift to Chris at the 75th year celebration





### Chris Swanston's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary speech (January 31st, 2024)

Good evening. My name is Chris Swanston, past president of CAFS from 2019.

I've been in the transportation industry in one way or another, since I moved to BC from Winnipeg nearly 24 years ago.

I currently work at Seven Generation Capital, where we are a one stop shop to help commercial fleets with the transition from ICE vehicles to fully electric commercial vehicles. This includes, infrastructure, chargers, hardware, software, charger and

vehicle selection, carbon credits, application and collection of government incentives.

During my time with CAFS, I was nearly always either on the Board of Directors or the Executive committee. At the somewhat consistent recommendation of Mr. Chris Dodman, I joined CAFS and was immediately impressed with the easy connections you can make with people that you know are like minded. It's a place to be open minded, collaborate, share your experiences, ask questions and leave "competition" or "business rivalry" behind in the name of Safety, and the healthy advancement of the transportation industry as a whole.

The learning opportunities are endless as well as the benefits of networking with great, professional people who leave their ego's at the door and are always sincere.

Outside of the walls of CAFS and the meetings, I have personally benefited from the time spent, in learnings, as well as employment opportunities, and great topic discussion with employers. And as we all know, CAFS has the very BEST annual Golf Tournament! Always the event of the year. Had to be mentioned...

Now... It's important that we acknowledge that said golf event, as well as basically everything that happens in CAFS has a wizard behind the curtain pulling the strings and levers. We are all fortunate to know this wizard. Her name is Lori Hendy.

Lori is an overachiever in every sense, and a great person in general. She would always go above and beyond, even if she didn't necessarily want to... For instance, while our board of directors was very esteemed and accomplished, we would always have Lori on her toes, trying to keep us on track at board meetings. Most of the time, it was a conversation topic, or decision we had to make that would morph into something much bigger, and she would have to play Mother Hen and bring us back to the original topic.

In fact, at times, she also had to impose her mighty force and whip us back into shape. For instance, after some time, it was decided that Brian and I were no longer allowed to sit next to each other at board meetings. Although I was diligently trying to pay attention and participate, he was constantly attempting to pull me into his silly behaviour. Ugh... He was so disruptive! And of course... We had Phil always in there trying to "Start Something"!

All jokes aside, we got a LOT done (thanks to Lori) as an Executive Committee, an esteemed Board of Directors, and as an association of dedicated and passionate members as a whole.

I'm very proud of my tenure on the Board, on the Executive and as President of the Canadian Association of Fleet Supervisors.

Thank you all for your contributions to the advancement of fleet safety in British Columbia and beyond!

75 years is a long time, and something to be proud of! 75 Years... I don't even think Phil was alive yet.. Love ya Phil...

I'm honored to be a part of CAFS history, and to be able to address so many of my peers today. The work that CAFS does is important, and here's to the next 75 years! Cheers.

Lori Hendy's 75th year Past President Speech (Continued from page 36)



**Brian Haugen** 2020 to current

Brian's high energy, enthusiasm, and creative thinking was a great contribution to the board.

Brian's ability to infuse high energy into the board and his creative thinking indicated a proactive and dynamic leadership style.

Motivating those around him is a hallmark of effective leadership, and it's clear that Brian excels in this aspect. Leaders like Brian who inspire and motivate their team, foster a positive and productive work environment, contributing to the overall success of the organization.

The description of Brian having the ability to see what needs to be done and then act on it, highlights a key aspect of effective leadership - the combination of strategic vision and decisive action. This quality can be instrumental in driving initiatives forward and achieving organizational goals.

It sounds like Brian's leadership style, marked by high energy, enthusiasm, and a proactive approach, had a significant and positive impact on the board. Leaders like Brian contribute not only to the accomplishment of tasks but also to the overall spirit and culture of the organization.

Thank you, and please join me in welcoming each Past President as they approach the podium to give a speech on their tenures as President of CAFS.

#### **Highlights of Brian's Presidency**

Piloted CAFs Through the Challenges of the Covid Era



2018 Lori Hendy & Brian Haugen

#### Brian Haugen's Presidents Message for the **2022 Membership Directory**

Dear CAFS members,

Welcome to 2022!

First off, I want to thank those of you who have been connecting with us over the last number of months, your input has been valuable. Also, this is our Executive Directors' 25th year of steering CAFS. Congratulations to you Lori, and thanks for your commitment to this organization. Another milestone is that CAFS was founded in 1948 and will be celebrating its 75th anniversary next year, 2023.

What we heard loud and clear is that many of you want to 'get together again....somehow'. To that end, we have the Abbotsford and Coquitlam meetings back in full swing, and the golf tournament is on (as of printing). The Christmas events were very popular, so we are planning on doing them again.

Our training numbers are up still, Stu Imre is doing a great job of ensuring that the students are getting industry-leading, high-quality training as Air Brake Instructors and Commercial Vehicle Inspectors. Thanks Stu!

Your executive board along with Lori and Deanne are very engaged and I want to thank them for the dedication and care they are showing to our organization. WELL DONE!!

I will say this again, the board is proud of CAFS members; the fleet managers and suppliers, who shared critical health and safety information and practices with each other, competitors or not, pulling together to keep our industries working during the challenging COVID times. You are walking the walk, stepping up as role models. It is heartening to see how we act in a crisis.

Thank you and stay safe,

Brian Haugen, President



**President TJ Bumby and Brian share** a moment at CAFS 75th anniversary



2021 Golf Tournament Russell Oye & Brian Haugen

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#### **CAFS** General Meeting

Wednesday, April 03, 2024 Executive Inn, Coquitlam

Guest Speaker:

Remo Guizzo, Chevron Canada

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