

FLASH Communiqué

The Canadian Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement

Special Conference Edition – May 2004

President's Message

The Canadian Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (CACOLE) is a national non-profit organization of agencies involved in the oversight of police officers in Canada. CACOLE is dedicated to advancing the concept, principles and application of civilian oversight of law enforcement throughout Canada.

Our membership is comprised of individuals, community agencies and police oversight organizations from Canada, Great Britain, the United States and the Caribbean such as municipal and provincial police Commissions, police Professional Standards Bureaus, the Office of the Police Complaint Commissioner of British Columbia, the federal Military Police Complaints Commission and Commission for Complaints Against the RCMP, Manitoba's Law Enforcement Review Agency, the Special Investigations Unit, Commissaire déontologie policière, the Six Nations Police Commission and the Office of the Complaints Investigator of Saskatchewan.

Each year we hold a professional development conference in a different part of Canada. This year's event is scheduled from June 24-27th at the University of Toronto, 89 Chestnut Street, in downtown Toronto, from 1:30 pm Thursday afternoon June 24th to Saturday afternoon, June 26th. On Friday and Saturday, proceedings will begin at 8:30 am and conclude at about 5:15 pm. There will be ample opportunity for networking with colleagues, as well as with panel members.

The theme is **Many Voices: Communities and Civilian Oversight**. I invite you to register for the

2004 professional development conference as a full delegate for the 2 ½ days of sessions and the Annual General Meeting on Sunday (\$450.00) or as a Community Day delegate (\$100.00 for Friday only). The summary agenda, conference registration and venue information are included on the following pages.

The agenda has been structured with topics of specific interest to members of community organizations and citizens' groups: Relationship between Civilian Oversight and Community Interests, from the Perspectives of Investigation, Prosecution, Defence Advocacy; The Role of the Media and Citizen's Groups in Civilian Oversight, Policy Development and Police Accountability; Being Heard: Community Organizations in Civilian Oversight and Police Leaders' Perspectives on Decision-Making, Accountability and Civilian Oversight.

As in years past, we are very fortunate to have attracted a list of excellent speakers, renowned for their experience and views on a broad range of topics related to oversight.

The Honourable Justice Wally Oppal from British Columbia will be our keynote speaker on Thursday afternoon, speaking on "The Meaning of Justice". The learning sessions follow, with a discussion of Mistaken Assumptions, Unlawful Profiling and Wrongful Convictions: Lessons Learned. We are privileged to have the Honourable Monte Kwinter, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services attend the conference on Thursday afternoon, to bring greetings from the Ontario government and deliver remarks.

Thursday evening is our opening reception, to be held in the Central Ballroom West at 89 Chestnut Street.

This year, the Board of Directors has implemented something new. Friday, June 25th has been designated as **Community Day**.

To make this Community Day more accessible to local attendees, there will be a special <u>day</u> rate of \$100.00 for members of non-profit <u>organizations</u>. This includes a buffet lunch, where delegates and speakers have an opportunity to share a meal and their views on issues raised during the panel presentations. However, <u>space is on a first-come</u>, <u>first seated basis</u>, so we ask that interested community representatives complete their registrations and send them along with a cheque or money order to our Executive Director, at the address listed on the registration form.

Mr. A. M. Heisey, QC, Chair of the Toronto Police Services Board and Vice Chair Pam McConnell will be opening the proceedings on Friday. Confirmed speakers include Julian Falconer, T. Sher Singh, Fo Nieme, Executive Director, Centre for Research Action on Race Relations, Gary Clewley, Sandra Wilson, Community Relations Coordinator, Hamilton Police Service, Marlene Jennings, MP, Alan Borovoy, Satya Das, Cambridge Strategies, John Duncanson, Toronto Star, David Seglins, CBC Radio, Alexandre Dumas, CBC TV (Montreal), Paul Battershill, Chief of Police, Victoria, BC, Deputy Commissioner Gerry Braun, RCMP, Gwen Boniface, Commissioner of the Ontario Provincial Police.

On Saturday, we will hear from Andre Marin, Military Ombudsman, Murray Mollard, British Columbia Civil Liberties Association, David Sunahara, Canadian Police College, Cal Johnston, Chief of Police, Regina, Michael Gennaco, Special Counsel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office, Howard Sapers, Office of the Correctional Investigator, Pierce Murphy, Community Ombudsman, Boise, Idaho, Sonya Ferrara, Field Officer, Children's Ombudsman for Nova Scotia, Karen Mackenzie, Independent Complaints Directorate, South Africa, Antonio Maximiano, Director General of Policing, Portugal. They will speak on topics such as Doing The Right Thing – Police Training, "Bad Apples" and Ethical Frameworks, Legislation and Policy – The Impact of Law-Makers on Effective Oversight, Innovative Approaches - Oversight Agencies in Other Jurisdictions, The Challenges of Oversight, Independence and Community Involvement for First Nations and An overview of oversight initiatives in Portugal, South Africa, the United States and Great Britain.

Toronto, the capital of Ontario, is a vibrant city renowned for its diversity of cultures, neighbourhoods and attractions. While we have a full agenda for professional development, we have deliberately left the evenings open for delegates and speakers to explore the cultural venues, network or take in a theatre production or sporting event after the formal agenda is finished for the day. And don't forget the St. Lawrence and Kensington Markets, the Eaton Centre, Harbourfront, Yorkville and the myriad ethnic and cultural locations around town.

For our out-of-town visitors, a block of rooms has been reserved for your group at a rate of \$79.00 Single Occupancy with limited service, and \$89.00 Double Occupancy with limited service (plus applicable taxes). Delegates and speakers are responsible for making their own travel and accommodation arrangements. All reservations must be received at the University by Sunday, May 23, 2004. Room reservations should be made directly with the University of Toronto residence by calling 416-977-0707 between business hours or by fax at (416) 585-3157. All rates are available 3 days before and after the official dates of the conference, based on availability. The booking code with the University of Toronto is CACOLE.

<u>Please register early</u> to confirm your attendance! Why not take a moment to complete your 2004 Conference registration form and send your payment to our Executive Director at the address listed on the document? Delegates wishing to stay at the University of Toronto are urged to make their reservations now.

Visit the CACOLE web site at www.cacole.ca for information on past conferences, 2004 conference speakers, links and conference-related updates.

We're looking forward to seeing you in Toronto in June 2004!

Paul Monty
President, CACOLE
Commissaire à la déontologie policière



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Conference 2004 Many Voices: Communities and Civilian Oversight

Professional Development: Thursday, June 24 to Saturday, June 26, 2004 Annual General Meeting & Election of Officers: Sunday, June 27, 2004

Location: University of Toronto, 89 Chestnut Residence, Toronto, Ontario M5G 1R1 DELEGATES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR OWN TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS ARRANGEMENTS

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Room Reservation Fax (416) 585-3164

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Agenda Summary

Thursday, June 24th 1:30 - 5:15 pm

The Meaning of Justice

Moderator: Shirley Heafey, Chair, Commission for Public Complaints Against the RCMP

Speaker: The Honourable Wally Oppal, BC Court of Appeal

Mistaken Assumptions, Unlawful Profiling and Wrongful Convictions: Lessons Learned

Moderator: Johanne Gauthier, Acting Executive Director, Director of Legal Services and General

Counsel, Military Police Complaints Commission

Presenters: David McNairn, Counsel Department of Justice, Criminal Conviction Review Group

The Honourable Monte Kwinter, Minister of Community Safety and Correctional Services

Opening Reception – 6 – 8:30 pm

Friday, June 25th

8:30 am - 5:15 pm

The Relationship between Civilian Oversight and Community Interests, from the Perspectives of Investigation, Prosecution, Defence and Advocacy

Moderator: Joseph Martino, Counsel,. Special Investigations Unit Presenters: Ian Scott, Senior Crown Counsel, Ministry of the Attorney General (Ontario), Gareth Jones, Director, Special Ombudsman Response Team, Gary Clewley, LLB, Julian Falconer, LLB,

Falconer Macklin

The Role of the Media and Citizen's Groups in Civilian Oversight, Policy Development and Accountability

Moderator: David G. Finlay, QC, Parlee McLaws LLP Presenters: Satya Das, Cambridge Strategies; John Duncanson, Staff Writer, Toronto Star; David Seglins, CBC Radio; Alexandre Dumas, CBC TV (Montreal)

Being Heard: The Role of Community Organizations in Shaping Civilian Oversight (What do diverse communities expect? How can oversight agencies and law-makers adapt? Balancing the public interest in the context of fiscal and legislative constraints)

Moderator: Peter Tinsley, Chair, Kosovo Judicial and Prosecutorial Council
Presenters: T. Sher Singh, LLB; Sandra Wilson, Community Relations Coordinator, Hamilton
Police Service; Fo Niemi, Executive Director, Centre for Research-Action on Race Relations; Alan
Borovoy, General Counsel, Canadian Civil Liberties Association; Marlene Jennings, MP

Police Leaders' Perspectives on Accountability, Building Ethical Frameworks and Civilian Oversight

Moderator: Robert Lunney, Police Executive Research Forum (PERF), Washington, DC Presenters: Paul Battershill, Chief of Police, Victoria, BC; Assistant Commissioner Gerry Braun, RCMP, Northwest Region; Gwen Boniface, LLB, Commissioner OPP

Saturday, June 26th 8:30 am - 5:15 pm

Doing the Right Thing - Police Training, Bad Apples and Ethical Frameworks

Moderator: Elton Gritzfeld, QC, Office of the Complaints Investigator, Saskatchewan Presenters: David Sunahara, PhD, Research Program, Canadian Police College; Cal Johnston, Chief of Police, Regina; Michael Gennaco, Special Counsel, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Office

Legislation and Policy – The Impact of Law-Makers on Effective Oversight

Moderator: Dirk Ryneveld, Police Complaint Commissioner, BC Presenters: Andre Marin, Military Ombudsma; Murray Mollard, British Columbia Civil Liberties Association

Innovative Approaches – Oversight Agencies in Other Jurisdictions

Moderator: George Wright, Commissioner, Law Enforcement Review Agency, Manitoba Presenters: Howard Sapers, Office of the Correctional Investigator; Pierce Murphy, Community Ombudsman, Boise, Idaho; Sonya Ferrara, Field Officer, Children's Ombudsman for Nova Scotia

First Nations - Balancing Oversight, Independence and Community Involvement

Global Perspectives on Civilian Oversight: An overview of oversight initiatives

Moderator: Malvina Monteiro, President, National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement

Presenters: Karen Mackenzie, Executive Director, Independent Complaints Directorate, South Africa; Independent Complaints Commission, Great Britain; António Henrique Rodrigues Maximiano, Inspector General of Internal Administration, Portugal

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CACOLE Conference 2004 - Registration Form			
Would you like to receive Membership info? Yes: □ No: □	☐ Full registration: \$ 450.00 ☐ Community Day only: \$100.00		Payment enclosed: Cheque
Title (Ms., S/Sgt., Dr.): Name of delegate/presenter:			
Position:			
Agency/Organization/Unit:			
Organization web site:			
Full Mailing Address:			
PO Box:			
	Postal Code:		
Telephone number:		Fax number:	
Email address:			
Administrative contact, telephone number and email:			
Invoice required: Yes: No:			

Complete one (1) Registration Form for each delegate. Email <u>cacoleadmin@rogers.com</u> if you require an invoice to expedite cheque requisition and payment.

Please send your CONFERENCE registration forms in by June 15th along with a cheque or money order for \$450.00 in Canadian Funds for each delegate, payable to: CACOLE CONFERENCE 2004. Mail to: CACOLE Conference 2004, c/o Hyacinthe Miller, CACOLE Executive Director, Box 52, Sharon, Ontario, L0G 1V0

Note: Official receipts will be provided when delegates register in Toronto, Ontario. <u>Requests for cancellations</u> should be submitted in writing (email or fax). Refunds will NOT be issued for cancellations received later than May 18, 2004; however, the registration fee will be credited to 2005. Delegates are responsible for making their own travel and accommodation arrangements.



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Note: The conference venue is in the heart of downtown Toronto, just north of City Hall. This was a hotel that has been converted to a university residence. It is clean, bright and modern but there are no televisions or coffeemakers in the rooms. There is no daily maid service.

<u>CHECK IN & CHECKOUT TIMES</u> - check-in time is 3 pm; check out is prior to 11 am. Guests arriving before 3 pm will be accommodated as soon as rooms become available.

METHOD OF RESERVATIONS: All reservations must be received by Sunday, May 23, 2004.

Reservations must be accompanied by a first night's room deposit, guaranteed with a Visa or MasterCard. Reservations can be made directly with the residence by calling 416-977-0707 between business hours or by fax at (416) 585-3157. Cancellations received less than 72 hours prior to arrival will be charged first night's room and tax.

PARKING

The University of Toronto 89 Chestnut offers on site parking based on availability. The parking rate for overnight guests is \$23.00 for a 24-hour period and \$7.00 for evening parking after 5 pm.