UNITING THE CANADIAN ACCOUNTING PROFESSION

LATEST NEWS

- Please note the upcoming Nova Scotia Town Hall meetings:
  
  Bridgewater: August 17, 12 to 2 pm, Best Western Hotel - to register, click on: http://www.icans.ns.ca/media/documents/TownHall-Bridgewater.pdf
  Yarmouth: August 18, 12 to 2 pm, Rodd Grand Hotel - to register, click on: http://www.icans.ns.ca/media/documents/TownHall-Yarmouth.pdf
  Wolfville: August 30, 12 to 2 pm, Old Orchard Inn - to register, click on: http://www.icans.ns.ca/media/documents/TownHall-Wolfville.pdf
  Truro: August 31, 2 to 4 pm, Best Western Glengarry - to register, click on: http://www.icans.ns.ca/media/documents/TownHall-Truro.pdf

- Consultation Update: the second consultation update newsletter was distributed to members this week and includes a commentary from both Kevin Dancey, FCA, President & CEO, CICA and Joy Thomas, FCMA, President & CEO, CMA Canada, about the progress on consultation initiatives by both bodies and some preliminary thoughts about the evolution toward a common qualification program. To read commentaries from the respective CEOs, click on: http://cpacanada.ca/article/click-on-ceo-commentary-to-see-the-latest-commentary-from-the-ceos-of-the-canadian-institute-of-chartered-accountants-and-cma-canada. In addition, both commentaries are posted on the public portion of www.CPACanada.ca with a link to a forum discussion topic in the members only section of the site so that members, candidates and registered students can leave their comments.

POSITION PAPER HIGHLIGHTS

Canada’s Chartered Accountants (CAs) and Certified Management Accountants (CMAs) are exploring the merits of uniting our national, provincial and regional organizations.

Why change needed now?
The leaders of the CA and CMA organizations overwhelming agree that there is a pressing need to evolve the Canadian accounting profession to advance the interests of members, reflect the changing nature of accounting and continue to support the growth of Canadian enterprise.

- The accounting profession is being redefined nationally and internationally by the convergence of accounting and auditing standards, greater international mobility, and the emergence of global designations and alliances.
- In Canada there has been significant convergence in a number of practice areas - with CMAs and CGAs expanding into the assurance field and CAs increasingly working, and now training, outside of public practice.
- The structure of Canadian accountancy continues to be fragmented, with multiple designations operating within a complex and costly system of numerous regulatory frameworks.

What are the benefits?
A united Canadian accounting profession would be more efficient and effective than the status quo; more relevant, both at home and abroad; better able to enhance the support and services it provides to all members, candidates and registered students; and, better able to protect and serve the public interest.

- At a time when accounting and auditing standards are increasingly set by international bodies, the combined organization would become one of the largest accounting bodies in the world and have the influence needed to protect our professional interests and those of our employers and clients.

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A cohesive accounting profession would provide all segments of our membership with enhanced support to help them better manage their careers, businesses and practices and increase their profile in the marketplace. This includes the eventual development of new education and professional development programs, post-qualification specialties and member networks.

Uniting the organizations would also lead to efficiencies, economies of scale and cost savings in a number of areas, including advertising, branding, knowledge creation, member programs, products and services.

More importantly, a more unified profession would better serve the public interest by establishing consistent codes of professional conduct, disciplinary systems and licensing regimes.

How will it work?
To come together, the CA and CMA organizations are considering the creation of a new Canadian professional designation — Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA) — which would emerge as a global leader in both financial and management accounting, as well as evolve into an internationally-recognized business credential.

- The concept being considered does not require either accounting organization to issue its designation to members of the other organization; nor would any member be required to give up their current designation. A CA would still be a CA and a CMA would still be a CMA.
- The complete evolution to the single designation will take a significant amount of time, which is expected to be approximately 10 years. During that transition period, it is envisioned that the CPA would be used in conjunction with the existing designations. After this transition period, the new CPA designation could be used on its own.
- A priority of both organizations would be the development of a new high-quality certification program, drawing upon the strengths of the two existing programs.
- As the nature of our profession grows increasingly international, it only makes sense to prepare to align ourselves with the global accounting designation of choice, should one emerge. Today, the CPA is the most used accounting designation in the world, with some form of the designation (“Certified Public Accountant” or “Certified Practising Accountant”) in existence in 30 countries, including the United States, China, Hong Kong, Japan and Australia.
- Other prominent accounting bodies around the world are considering the Chartered Professional Accountant designation. The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants have both recently filed European Union trademark applications for the CPA initials and the name Chartered Professional Accountant.

What are the next steps?
At this very early stage of the exploratory discussions, CA and CMA members, candidates and registered students are being engaged in an extensive consultation process to inform the way forward.

- The consultation process is underway and will continue until September 2011. Members, candidates and registered students are encouraged to participate online at www.CPACanada.ca, by attending town hall meetings hosted by their provincial organizations or by contacting their provincial office.
- We are also engaging other stakeholders, such as provincial and federal governments, regulators, employers, the business community, academic institutions and students who aspire to a career in our profession, to hear their perspectives.
- Should we proceed, following this period of discussion, we would present a concrete proposal for further consideration.

To read the complete position paper and take part in the discussion, visit: www.CPACanada.ca.

CA-CMA TOPIC OF INTEREST: EVOLUTION TOWARD A COMMON QUALIFICATION PROGRAM
Canada’s CA and CMA organizations are internationally recognized for their rigorous qualification programs, each of which prepares its members to practice at the highest levels of the profession. That is why a critical element of bringing the organizations together would be the creation of a new high-quality certification program that draws and builds upon the respective strengths of the existing programs.

The quality of any professional certification program is ultimately reflected in the outcomes of its graduates. The CA and CMA programs consistently produce high-caliber professionals, many of whom have risen to senior management roles in professional accounting firms, industry and government across Canada and around the world.

To maintain their distinguished reputations and prepare their new graduates, both programs continuously evolve to meet the changing needs of the marketplace. While the CMA program places more emphasis on management accounting and the CA program on financial accounting and
CA-CMA TOPIC OF INTEREST: EVOLUTION TOWARD A COMMON QUALIFICATION PROGRAM (continued from page #2)

assurance, they share a number of important features – in education, in evaluation and in experience. In addition, both programs require a university degree as a minimum entry requirement, practical work experience and the completion of a national examination.

In terms of education, today there is a significant amount of shared underlying technical knowledge between the programs, which is demonstrated by the significant overlap in the competency maps of the two organizations. Each program augments that underlying technical knowledge with additional in-depth knowledge in its particular area of expertise – whether related to management accounting or financial accounting and assurance.

To evaluate their respective candidates, both programs administer assessments and examinations throughout their professional programs. While these assessments are different and occur at different points in the education process, both require individual demonstration of a defined set of competencies at some point. CMAs have an entrance exam, assessments throughout their professional program and a case-based uniform evaluation at the end of both years of their program. CAs have assessments throughout their professional program, culminating with a case-based uniform evaluation (“the UFE”).

With regard to practical experience, both professions require significant relevant and progressive training. To meet the needs of a changing marketplace, an expansion of experience opportunities is underway in both professions. CAs are now able to train in industry, government and non-assurance roles in public practice. CMAs now have the legislated right to audit in nearly every province across Canada and are in the final stages of obtaining full rights across the country. CMA Canada has adopted a national standard for public accounting which every CMA must complete before practicing in that area.

Ultimately, both qualification processes are challenging and rigorous. They build on competency maps that have much in common, are executed using sound education best practices, and are supplemented with demanding experience criteria.

Should the organizations proceed with a merger, the creation of a new common qualification program would represent the next stage of evolution for our profession. To support the establishment of a new, pre-eminent designation for professional accountants working across all sectors of the economy, the new program would be designed to equip the next generation of Canadian accountants with broader scopes of expertise and experience, and to enable Mutual Recognition Agreements with other important accounting bodies around the globe.

For more information about the current CA and CMA qualification programs, please visit:
http://www.cica.ca/become-a-ca/how-to-become-a-ca/index.aspx
http://www.cma-canada.org/Program Information

CHANGE TO CRA INCOME TAX RULINGS PHONE SERVICES
It is anticipated that by mid-July 2011, the CRA will be temporarily replacing the Income Tax Rulings ‘Hot Line’ phone service (613-957-8953) with an email service up until October 2011. Currently, CRA hosts an electronic mail box service for comments on their technical publications at: itrulingsdirectorate@cra-arc.gc.ca.

During the summer months, this process will enable Rulings Officers to efficiently batch the queries and provide a turnaround electronically within five working days. This turnaround period is limited to the types of questions normally handled by telephone and which offers to provide the caller with information on current published positions. Note that complex topics may require more than five days. For questions that would normally be considered a technical opinion request, callers will be advised that it will be handled as a technical opinion request and an officer will contact them should more information be required.

Callers will be greeted with the following message:

Hello, you have reached the CRA’s Income Tax Rulings Directorate. For service in English, press 1.

Please note that the Income Tax Rulings’ telephone service has been temporarily replaced by an email service up until October. We ask that your telephone query be submitted to the IT Rulings email service at itrulingsdirectorate@cra-arc.gc.ca. Please do not send confidential taxpayer information in the email query. Rulings Officers will respond to routine email questions within five working days. Once again, the email address is itrulingsdirectorate@cra-arc.gc.ca. Thank you.
ICANS’ ANNUAL MEETING, GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BBQ

Under sunny, albeit windy, skies, ICANS held its 2011 Annual Meeting and 15th Annual Golf Tournament on June 20th at the Chester Golf & Country Club. The day began with the Annual Meeting, where ICANS 2010-2011 President Greg Simpson, CA, CPA, provided an overview of the Institute’s past year’s activities and introduced the 2011-2012 Council, which includes: Diane Cameron (Secretary), CA, Sobeys Inc., Stellarton; Bruce Denismore, FCA, Denismore Consulting Services Inc., Halifax Region; Ted Doane (Vice President), CA, Province of Nova Scotia, Halifax Region; Mark DuPlessis, CA, Grant Thornton LLP, Halifax Region; Sonya Fraser, CA, Ernst & Young LLP, Halifax Region; Grant Galbraith (Treasurer), FCA, Collins Barrow Nova Scotia Inc., Halifax Region; Kelly Nelson (President), FCA, High Liner Foods Inc., Lunenburg; and Colin MacKinnon (Lay Member).

In addition to thanking out-going President Greg Simpson, CA, CPA, for his dedicated service and leadership, Council welcomed its newest members: Jacklyn Mercer, CA, Deloitte & Touche LLP, Halifax Region and Doug Reid, FCA, KPMG LLP, Halifax Region.

Following the Annual Meeting, members participating in the golf tournament headed out on the course. The day then concluded with a steak barbeque and prizes were awarded for the following:

**Golfing Results**

1st Low Gross: Brian Black, Ryan Butcher, Andy MacDougall and Matt Sullivan.
1st Low Net: Carey Blair, Scott Ellison, James Foran and Darren Stillman.
2nd Low Gross: Jack Gorrill, Jerry Inman, Craig Maloney and Greg Simpson.
2nd Low Net: John Maxwell, Mike McCormick, Lauchie McKenzie and Mark Parkhill.
3rd Low Gross: Steve McLaughlin, Brian Shupe, David Steele and Brennan Stewart.
3rd Low Net: Jared Doyle, Adam Peters, Brad Scott and Matt Totten.
Putting Contest: Ken Giffin
Closest to the Pins: Don Flinn, Ed Lapointe, Mike MacCormick, Mike McFeters, Darrell Rooney and Heather Stanhope.
Longest Drive: James Foran and Heather Stanhope.
Most Honest Teams: Laura Donnelly, Greg MacDonald, Jen MacNeil and Heather Stanhope.

In addition to a fun day of golf, members and our generous sponsors (Accountant Staffing, Boyne Clarke, Johnson Inc. and Scotia Bank) raised $3,523 for the Boys and Girls Clubs of Nova Scotia, bringing the event’s 15-year grand total to approximately $87,800. Thanks also to graphic designer Mike Hanlon for donating the sponsorship sign. And, of course, we can’t forget to thank the members of our ICANS Golf Committee for their continued efforts in organizing this enjoyable annual event: Robert Bourgeois, CA; Marc Furlotte, CA; Phil Gaunce, CA; Jack Gorrill (Chair), CA, CFP; Lauchie McKenzie, FCA; Greg Simpson, CA, CPA; Heather Stanhope, CA; Louie Velocci Jr., CA-CISA; Troy Yeo, CA; and Cindy Mombourquette (ICANS staff representative).

To see more photos of ICANS’ 2011 Golf Tournament, turn to page #5.
CANDID MOMENTS FROM ICANS’ 2011 GOLF TOURNAMENT

Matthew Primeau and Rachel Murphy, volunteers with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Nova Scotia, supervise the putting contest during ICANS’ 2011 Golf Tournament.

While many tried, no one was successful in sinking a hole-in-one at the 12th hole to win the $25,000 offered by O’Regan’s towards the lease or purchase of any new or used vehicle at any of its dealerships.

Pictured above — at the 11th green, near the Chester Club House — is the team of Mark Marshall, CA, CFP, TEP; David Jones, CA; David Mullen, CA, CFP; and Peter Nash, CA.

Brad Langille, FCA and Kirk Higgins, FCA, watch as Bruce Phinney, CA, lines up to sink a putt. Missing from the photo is teammate Mike Williamson, CA.

CAMAGAZINE CELEBRATES 100 YEARS

CICA issued a media release on June 24, 2011 to announce that its award-winning flagship publication is marking its centennial. Spanning a century of informed reporting, CAMagazine, has more than kept pace with business changes in areas such as taxation, demographics, computerization and globalization.

“The magazine has endured by serving a vital conduit of information for members of Canada’s CA profession,” said CICA President & CEO Kevin Dancey, FCA. “Times and issues may change, but the magazine remains a trusted resource for our members.”

The media release also quoted Cairine Wilson, Publisher and Vice-President, Member Services, CICA, as saying: “The magazine has been the profession’s historian, advisor, referee and its conscience. It has given Chartered Accountants a voice and helped them connect with peers from coast-to-coast.”

CAMagazine was launched 100 years ago in July 1911. The first edition was for the Dominion Association of Chartered Accountants and its 246 members. It was a modest, black and white, 32-page magazine called, The Canadian Chartered Accountant. It promised to keep members united and informed by stating: “Our pages will be open for discussions, for news and any other purposes tending to bring the members more closely in touch with one another.”

As stressed by current editor Okey Chigbo: “Proudly, we can say the magazine remains committed to that mission. Reader input and feedback will continue to play large roles in helping us develop stories that educate, engage and entertain. We can draw upon 100 years of experience to provide relevant information and help members meet the challenges of tomorrow.”

The Canadian Chartered Accountant became CAMagazine in 1973. Today, it is a magazine that is published 10 times a year with a circulation of 90,000 per issue. The periodical can also be found online at www.camagazine.com. It is the second oldest continually published Canadian magazine behind Maclean’s.

The milestone anniversary is being celebrated several ways. A gala event was held in Toronto on June 23rd. The centennial edition (June/July 2011) features a section entitled, “A Century of CAMagazine,” and moves from decade-to-decade by highlighting the big issues along with interesting statistics and stories. As well, a special reprint of the first-ever edition of The Canadian Chartered Accountant is included with the June/July CAMagazine.
**TIME FOR CEOs TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL?**

~ by Dr. Jim Murray, a noted architect of executive development programs and presenter of the highly acclaimed and unique program, “Becoming a CEO (and staying there)”. Open to senior executives and current CEOs, this course will be offered by ICANS, October 24 - 26, 2011.

One of the redeeming consequences arising from the Great Depression is that the mental models of business leaders worldwide were shaken to the core.

The most recent IBM global survey of over 1,500 CEOs reveals that leader attitudes about the future have shifted dramatically. The primary business threat noted by 90 per cent of CEOs today is “complexity” — how to operate in a more volatile, unpredictable, structurally different world. Not surprisingly, fully 98 per cent of CEOs are purposefully “modifying” their business models and half say their organizations are “not effective” in the areas of strategy, information integration and risk/opportunity management.

Reflecting these troubling concerns, CEOs now believe new leadership skills will be paramount in addressing today’s external and internal challenges, especially as tenure in the corner office becomes shorter and shorter. In fact, almost half of new CEOs flame out within the first 18 months and, on average, organizations replace their CEOs every five years, primarily for reasons of under-performance.

Corporate boards are also becoming increasingly aware of the need for their senior executives to develop the leadership qualities and strengths required to keep pace with the dictates of the innovation economy. Despite this knowledge, only 19 per cent of organizations believe they have the leadership capacity and bench strength to ensure a sustainable competitive advantage.

As for CFOs who aspire to the top job, according to Robert Half Management Resources, 80 per cent say it is, “much more difficult to be a company leader than it was pre-recession.” As CEO, they will need to know how to foster an environment where the debate is about what is right, not who is right. They need to know what questions to ask, how to utilize experts and when to prudently risk assets to ensure a brighter future.

A staggering number of CEOs describe their companies as data rich, but insight poor. And, the “luxury of protracted study before making tough choices” is no longer affordable. A key recommendation in the IBM report is this: “New threats and emerging opportunities require an ability to see around corners, obliterate blind spots, act despite uncertainty and then start all over again.”

CEOs now say they must shed out-dated beliefs and practices that are simply incapable of working in times of vicious uncertainty. And, they have come to this realization despite a major cognitive impairment of higher office - that people tend to believe in their own infallibility in a ratio consistent with their power. The higher they get, the more those around them say, “you’re right” and the less they’re contradicted. So, CEOs must now learn how to cultivate a culture of robust dissent in decision-making.

If learning begins with doubt, the prognosis is surely optimistic. Knowing what you don’t know is the beginning of wisdom. Embracing your fallibility helps you to think more creatively. The cure for complexity is simplicity, from whence comes understanding and focus. Learning how to consistently achieve this critically important focus in business today constitutes “the new rule” for changing the game and ultimate success.

CEOs dealing first-hand with these new realities and unknowns don’t need the IBM study to tell them what they already know - that it’s time to “go back to school” to develop the insights and tools needed to create a different blueprint for smarter, more resilient enterprises.

*For information on how to register for this course, keep watch for ICANS’ 2011/2012 Fall & Winter PD Brochure, being mailed in August, and look for updates on the ICANS website (www.icans.ns.ca) and in future issues of E-SCAN.*

**JOIN CA CONNECT AND NETWORK WITH OTHER CAs**

An exciting new service from the CICA is now being offered to members. Officially launched in early June 2011, CA Connect is a business networking site strictly for Canadian CAs. The site allows you to discuss matters in a forum with other CAs, read blogs relevant to CAs and access information on newsletters, upcoming webinars and other events.

To register for the site, click on: www.caconnect.com. And, if you have any questions regarding the site, please contact Paul Long, CMRP, Manager, CICA Marketing and Market Research, at (416) 204-3267 or at Paul.Long@cica.ca.
ADOPTION OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL REPORTING STANDARDS 
BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND BASIS FOR CONCLUSIONS DOCUMENT

Canada’s recent adoption of International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs) has changed the country’s accounting landscape. To discover why the Accounting Standards Board (AcSB) decided to adopt IFRSs and how it went about incorporating them into the January 2010 edition of the CICA Handbook - Accounting, read, Adoption of IFRSs: Background Information and Basis for Conclusions (http://www.acsbcanada.org/basis-for-conclusions/item50748.pdf). This document explains the AcSB’s rationale and process for adopting these standards for publicly accountable enterprises, including:

- Why the AcSB decided it was time for a change;
- Why IFRSs were selected over US Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP); and
- How convergence with IFRSs was achieved.

To access the complete document and for additional information on the AcSB, visit: www.acsbcanada.org.

CANADA’S CAs LAUNCH WEBSITE FOR INTERNATIONALLY TRAINED ACCOUNTANTS

As highlighted in the June/July 2011 issue of CA Magazine (page 25), April 2011 saw the launch of the CA profession’s website to help internationally trained accountants understand the process of becoming a Canadian Chartered Accountant. The website was created with the input of qualification experts form Provincial Institutes across the country and was funded by the foreign credential review program of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

The site, www.BecomeaCAinCanada.ca, answers many questions faced by internationally trained professionals in Canada and abroad. It includes a growing collection of materials for internationally trained professionals, links to government websites and a downloadable application form that can be submitted to the Provincial Institute/Ordre where an applicant wishes to become a member. We also encourage Canadian employers to visit the site to find out how they can help internationally trained employees become Canadian CAs.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS RE: THE CANADIAN INNOVATION COMMERCIALIZATION PROGRAM

The second Call for Proposals (CFP) for the Canadian Innovation Commercialization Program (CICP) has been posted on MERX - the Government of Canada’s electronic tendering service. To download the CFP, please visit: www.MERX.com.

The CICP is a Government of Canada initiative, launched as part of the Government of Canada’s Budget 2010 commitment to promote Canada’s Economic Growth. The overarching goal of the CICP is to promote innovation and support the development of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Canada (see the May 2011 E-SCAN, page 10, for more info).

To support this second CFP, a National Web Bidders Conference was held on July 19th. The conference provided participants with an update on the status of the CICP, details of the second CFP and an opportunity to ask the contracting authority and program personnel specific questions. This was the only planned bidders conference; however, if you were unable to attend, a written transcript can be made available. Questions? Please contact the CICP team at: innovation@pwgsc-tpsc.gc.ca or visit: www.buyandsell.gc.ca/innovation.

THE FAMILY TRUST GUIDE (updated)

An updated version of the CICA publication, The Family Trust Guide (fourth edition), is now available. This guide is designed to introduce your clients to an important vehicle that can help them achieve their financial goals in both tax and estate planning.

To order this publication, please visit: www.castore.ca.

COMMUNITY CORNER

It’s no secret that CAs are extremely community-minded. In fact, many of our members are involved in local/national charities and non-profit organizations, and help to coordinate important events.

If you are a CA involved with a non-profit organization that’s planning an event and you’d like to share this info with other ICANS members, let us know! Send your info (title, date, location, NPO/charity name, contact) to communication@icans.ns.ca and ICANS will promote it in E-SCAN’s ‘Community Corner.’

Space is limited, so submit your info early and remember, the contact person for the event must be a CA!
EVENTS OF INTEREST

ICANS’ 2011 PRACTITIONERS’ FORUM
Please take note . . . this year’s Practitioners’ Forum will be held on October 27th at the Glengarry Inn in Truro; agenda and registration details to follow.

ATLANTIC PROVINCES TAX CONFERENCE
Mark your calendar for the 2011 Atlantic Provinces Tax Conference. Being held November 4 - 5 at Saint Mary’s University, this year’s conference is entitled, “Keeping Tax Practitioners Informed.” To keep tabs on details, visit: http://www.ctf.ca/ctfweb/EN/Conferences_Events/Conferences_and_Events.aspx.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - PD & EXCHANGE OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG PROFESSIONALS
Rotarians in Nova Scotia are inviting applications from young professionals to participate in a professional exchange to Taiwan for the month of March 2012. The purpose of the exchange is to promote international understanding and good will. While in Taiwan, you will have the opportunity to meet your professional counterparts. You will also give presentations to Rotary clubs and other groups about our region and country. The Rotary Foundation provides a round-trip air ticket, and local Rotarians in the host country provide meals, lodging and travel in their district. Team members pay only for personal and incidental expenses. People interested in applying must be: employed full-time in a recognized business or profession; a young professional within the age range of 25 to 40; a resident of Rotary District 7820 (NL and Labrador, NS, PEI, St. Pierre et Miquelon); and endorsed by a Rotary Club of District 7820. For more info and/or a copy of the team member application, contact Doug Logan at 755-4583 or at dlogan@impactgrp.ca.

CICA CONTINUING EDUCATION 2011
The gateway to your continuing education is just a click away! Click through CICA's web communities and what you'll find is a rich, diverse range of online and class-based options that combine academic rigour and the application of new ideas and knowledge to real life business contrasts. Check out the following:

- Sept. 7 - 9 in Toronto, ON — In-depth Brokers and Investment Dealers Course — http://www.cpd.cica.ca/Brokers/about.cfm
- Oct. 5 - 6 in Ottawa, ON — Public Sector and Not-for-Profit Financial Reporting Conference — http://www.cpd.cica.ca/PublicSector/about.cfm
- Oct. 17 - 20 in Calgary, AB — IFRS Immersion 1 Course — http://www.cpd.cica.ca/IFRSlmersion/about.cfm
- Nov. 3 - 4 in Toronto, ON — Cross-border Transactions Course — http://cpd.cica.ca/cbtc/
- Nov. 5 - 9 in Whistler, BC — Corporate Reorganizations — http://cpd.cica.ca/CR/
- NEW Nov. 16 - 19 in Niagara Falls, ON — Foundations in International Tax — http://www.cpd.cica.ca/InternationalTax/about.cfm
- Nov. 19 - 23 in Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON — Advanced Tax Issues for the Owner-Managed Business Tax Course — http://cpd.cica.ca/ATI/
- Nov. 19 - 25 in Collingwood, ON — Income Tax Practice Course — http://cpd.cica.ca/ITP/
- Nov. 21 - 22 in Toronto, ON — Conference for Audit Committees — http://cpd.cica.ca/CFAC/

For information on all CICA Continuing Education courses and products, visit: www.cpd.cica.ca.
HERE AND THERE WITH MEMBERS

Dan Gibson, CA, has been named President of Clayton Developments Limited.
Jackie Naish, CA, was recently named a partner at the Halifax office of Deloitte & Touche LLP.

MEMBERS IN THE NEWS

Mike Kennedy, CA, Audit Manager, Province of Nova Scotia, was profiled in the Acadia Bulletin (Spring 2011, page 16) as an ambassador for Acadia University. Included among his list of achievements was his 2010 Ross L. Towler CA of the Year Award and comments from ICANS about his infectious spirit of community volunteerism.

CONGRATULATIONS TO . . .

Doug Clarke, CA, CEO, Doctors Nova Scotia (retired) and Shannon MacDonald, CA, Managing Partner, Deloitte & Touche LLP, who were among Atlantic Business Magazine’s Top 50 CEOs of 2011.

NEW MEMBERS

The following individual was admitted to membership through affiliation:

Mario LaFlamme, CA

CAREER OPPORTUNITES ON THE WEB

Employment and volunteer opportunities can be found at http://www.icans.ns.ca/events.asp?cmPageID=192. Check out the following:

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On June 27, 2011, Cape Breton University officially launched the George Unsworth, FCA (pictured on the right), Chair in Accounting and introduced John MacKinnon (pictured on the left), FCA, Dean of the Shannon School of Business, as the Chair’s first holder. The event was a great success with many members of the university, business and political communities present to show their support.

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2011 CA of the Year and FCA Nomination Forms will be distributed in early September

REMINDERS AND IMPORTANT DATES

◆ ICANS Town Halls
   Aug. 17 - Best Western, Bridgewater
   Aug. 18 - Rodd Grand, Yarmouth
   Aug. 25 - Halifax Club, Halifax
   Aug. 30 - Old Orchard Inn, Wolfville
   Aug. 31 - Best Western Glengarry, Truro

◆ 2011 UFE
   Sept. 13, 14 & 15 - Greek Orthodox Church, Halifax & Christ Church Hall, Sydney

◆ Practitioners’ Forum
   Oct. 27 - Glengarry Inn, Truro

◆ PD Week - Halifax
   Nov. 14 - 18

◆ PD Week - Sydney
   Nov. 21 - 25

◆ 2011 UFE Results Release Date
   Dec. 2

◆ 2011 Members’ Luncheon
   Dec. 16 - Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, Halifax

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