



American Welding Society

Alberta Section



AWS Annual Welder's Night – May 26, 2011

From Welder to Inspector – Career Opportunities in the Welding Industry by John Bringas, P.Eng.

2011-2012 Executive

Chris Vrolyk, Chairman

chris.vrolyk@tdwilliamson.com

Wanda Griesheimer, 1st Vice-Chair

wanda@qualimetinc.com

Patrick Belanger, 2nd Vice-Chair

p.belanger@shell.com

Dale Lesik, Treasurer

dale.lesik@atcopipelines.com

Rick Witzke, Secretary

rick.witzke@amec.com

Joel Pepin, Program Co-Chair

joel.pepin@albertainnovates.ca

Ken Nelson, Program Co-Chair

ken.nelson@gov.ab.ca

Matthew Yarmuch, Special Events Chair

matthew.yarmuch@albertainnovates.ca

Kioumars Poorhaydari, Awards Chair

kpoorhaydari@acuren.com

Luke Balderson, Sponsorship Chair

luke.balderson@linde.com

Kurtis Bell, Publicity Chair

bell.kurtis@gmail.com

Shawn Wylie, Technical Chair

swylie@masterflo.com

Kimberley Meszaros, Facility Coordinator

kmesaros@masterflo.com

Adrian Gerlich, Education Co-Chair

gerlich@ualberta.ca

Patricio Mendez, Education Co-Chair

pmendez@ualberta.ca

Brett Berger, Student Rep (U of A)

bberger@ualberta.ca

Christopher Lantos, Student Rep (NAIT)

chrislantos@gmail.com

Sheri Acheson, Fort McMurray Rep

acheson.sheri@syncrude.com

Jim Mitchell, Calgary Rep

jmitchell@suncor.com

Jacek Mielczarek, CATS Rep

jacek.mielczarek@huskyenergy.com

Bruce Cormier, CWA Rep

bruce@grbwelding.com

Darcy Yantz, Member-at-Large

darcy.yantz@cwbgroupp.org

James Lambert, Member-at-Large

jamesl@ludwigassociatesltd.com

Rachel Duncan, Member-at-Large

duncan.rachel@syncrude.com

Visit Our Website at:

<http://awssection.org/alberta>

Abstract

A welding inspector certification requires considerable study and job responsibilities, but also offers a rewarding career. Certified Welding Inspectors are widely recognized, both nationally (CSA W178.2) and internationally (AWS QC-1), and successful companies have come to rely on these certifications to ensure the highest level of weld quality to meet the demands of specified codes, standards, company practices, and jurisdictional regulations. For the welder considering a career change from tradesperson to inspector, this challenge can seem to be daunting, particularly when they have a lack of experience with codes, regulations, and using inspection tools. The good news is that this challenge can be successfully accomplished with the right approach that will be detailed in this presentation.

About our Speaker

John E. Bringas, P.Eng., Codes and Standards Training Institute (CASTI)

John Bringas is a professional engineer who has practiced materials and metallurgical engineering for over 30 years. He is a certified API 510, 570 and 653 inspector and an AWS Certified Welding Inspector. He is a member of various ASTM, NACE, SAE and ISO specification committees, and is the author of ASTM Handbook of Comparative World Steel Standards, as well as four CASTI Metals Data Books. Mr. Bringas is the founder of Codes and Standards Training Inc. and CASTI Publishing Inc.

WHEN: Thursday, May 26, 2011

WHERE: NAIT Souch Campus, 7110 Gateway Boulevard (see attached map). Free parking available in the North and East lots after 5pm.

TIMES: 6:00 pm Reception, Cash Bar
6:30 pm BBQ Dinner (Sirloin and Veggie Burgers, Bratwurst and Coleslaw)
7:30 pm Presentation

COST: Members \$30.00; Non-Members \$35.00; Student Members \$10.00; Student Non-Members \$15.00. All members of AWS, CWA, ASM, NACE, SME, ASQ, STLE and CSCHE will be charged as members. Cash or cheque only please.

NOTES: Welder Apprentices and Journey Persons holding a valid Journeyman Certificate or Apprentice ID Card will be given one complimentary bar beverage voucher.

Application booklets for this year's AIT Welder Scholarships will be available at the reception desk.

**An AWS Welding Handbook will be given away as a door prize to one lucky student!
Student non-members can sign up for a one-year free AWS membership.**

(Students who have received free AWS membership in the past are ineligible)

REGISTRATION:

Please confirm your attendance before May 24, 2011 by contacting Ken Nelson at (780) 422-4757 or ken.nelson@gov.ab.ca

Please state name(s), company, phone number and member affiliation when registering.

Thank You to Our Platinum Sponsor



Thank You to Our Gold Sponsors



Thank You to Our Silver Sponsors



Thank You to Our Bronze Sponsor



Please Ask Us About Sponsorship Opportunities