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FROM THE *Executive Director*

A Successful Year

By Amanda Curtis, CAE

THE RECORD attendance at ACMO's annual meeting held in April was a culmination of another successful year, the highlights of which are included in committee reports posted on the Association's website. There can be no doubt that this momentum will continue as we look forward to



popular summer events including the ACMO Cruise and Golf Tournament. On November 5 and 6 the Annual ACMO/CCI-Toronto Condominium Conference will be held at the Hilton Markham Suites Hotel & Conference Centre. I encourage *CM* readers to visit www.condoconference.ca for program details and inform others with whom they work about this educational event.

ACMO is indeed fortunate to have such a strong board of directors. These members meet monthly and also take responsibility for leading a number of very active working committees. Chris Antipas, RCM, will be serving his second year as president of our Association and his message on page 5 includes a brief retrospective look at accomplishments over the past year.

When reviewing his annual report, Chris noted that while the economy came to a grinding halt in the last quarter of 2008, it is abundantly evident that the recession had only a marginal affect on the growth and popularity of condominiums as a choice of lifestyle. ACMO has therefore remained committed to offering educational resources for managers, creating a greater awareness of the importance of sound and sustainable management systems, the development of future professional managers, and building cooperative relationships with other associations and government leaders.

A recent article in *The Toronto Star* was entitled "Condominium Property Managers – The Unsung Heroes," referring to the extensive knowledge professional managers bring to their positions. In a more general sense, it conveys a growing understanding of the need for professional management. The article also states that "having a competent property manager is beneficial for everyone" thereby supporting ACMO's mandate to *enhance the condominium management profession in Ontario by advancing the quality performance of condominium property managers and management companies.*

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