



President's Message – January 2014

Bernard Jordaan

Here we are on the threshold of another year. On behalf of our executive and staff, I wish all our members a very healthy and happy 2014.

Many of us travel south (snow birds) to warmer climates, this time of year, so please be reminded, do not travel without or insufficient travel insurance. I meet people all the time that claim they cannot afford the insurance so they go south with no coverage. This is a sure recipe for disaster.

We have good relations with Johnson Insurance, as I mentioned before, this is the only Insurance Corporation that gives something back to the U.S.C.O. Give them a call (1-866- 606-3362) for all your insurance needs, you will be supporting your organization at the same time. Support those that support us.

Some of our clubs are registered as a not-for-profit corporation. The new Ontario Not-For-Profit Corporations Act, we are informed, will be proclaimed in July 2014.

All not-for profit registered corporations, or incorporated groups, will have to comply with the Act, by having our by-laws and constitution reviewed, preferably by a legal firm, to comply with the new Act.

The U.S.C.O. will also have to follow these requirements, another financial cost which we should not be burdened with. Changes as recommended will have to be approved by the general membership.

Visit www.charitylaw.ca or www.carters.ca for further information.

To all our members, clubs and Zones thank you for your continued support, and our hope is, we can grow further, 2014.

WE CAN BE THE CHANGE WE WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD

Bernard