

The RoundUp

February

2023



Election of Officers

Every year, Region 2 elects about half of its Board Members. By electing only half each year, your Board is able to maintain continuity in governance. In 2023, the positions of President, 2nd Vice President and Recording Secretary were to be elected.

Election of Officers (cont.)

The Sergeant at Arms acts as our Returning Officer when his position is not up for election. Ninety days prior to the election date (April 5), he sends out the Notice of Election/ Nomination forms to all members in good standing. These nomination forms must be returned to him no later than the 1st day of February, once a nominee has confirmed his or her willingness to accept the nomination. Voting then takes place at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in April, if voting is required. In cases where there is only one person nominated for a position, that person is “Acclaimed” and no election is required for that position. In this particular case, only one person was nominated for each of the three positions available. Those three persons have now been acclaimed as follows:

President—Farhan Kever

2nd Vice President—Les Bodrogi

Recording Secretary—Art Lowe

These three positions have been elected for a two year term. Their terms begin after a declaration to be made on April 5 at R2’s AGM. Congratulations to each of them .



Your Region 2 needs you! Our organization runs on volunteerism. Every position on your Board and on your committees is occupied by a volunteer. Without volunteers, all of the great benefits you receive from being an IPA member would disappear.

We are currently seeking someone to fill the position of Treasurer, a position vacated only because our current Treasurer will now become our President.

Volunteers are always needed in many positions. A volunteer does not necessarily have to live in the GTA as there are other jobs, such as recruiting, which can be done, everywhere.





Every year, IPA Canada, Region 2, either attends, assists or organizes various events around our Region. Whether the event is a breakfast social, a fundraiser for charity, a golf tournament or any other kind of event, we need volunteers to make these events a success.

R2 receives many foreign visitors from various IPA Sections and Regions every year. Many of these visitors do not speak English or speak English at a very rudimentary level. If you speak a language other than English, perhaps you would consider acting as an interpreter for some of these visitors. Let me know.

R2 receives many requests each year to “host” foreign visitors to some degree or another. It may involve housing a visitor or simply showing the visitor around our Region. This is what is done for our members when they visit some other Sections and we must do it in return.



National Police Memorial Day—May 7, 2023



Volunteers are needed to join in the Memorial march held in Toronto. We would love to get 50 members out to this event. Please contact Joe Rizzuti by email at Joe@Rizzuti.com for more details and to sign up



The Blue Line Show is back on May 9, 2023



The Blue Line show is an annual event being held this year at the Paramount Event Space, located at 222 Roundtree Dairy Rd., Vaughan, Ontario.

Your IPA Canada Region 2 attends this event each year, setting up a recruitment table. Our Events Co-ordinate, Joe Rizzuti may be contacted if you are interested in volunteering to help out or if you want more information on this event. Contact Joe at Joe@Rizzuti.com for details.





As your outgoing President, I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank each and every Member who has sacrificed his or her time over the last few years in order to make this friendship organization as good as it could be.

As has often been said, without volunteers, there is no IPA Canada Region 2. Our Region is huge! It encompasses almost 800,000 square kilometers stretching from the Manitoba border in the west to the Quebec border in the north east, south to the GTA (Toronto) and east again to Kingston. Our Region has only about 300 members in good standing. Our Region has about 15,000 police officers (26,000 in all of Ontario) which means we represent less than 2% of active duty officers. A large percentage of our membership consists of retired officers. We need every member of this organization to get out and recruit members. Please volunteer to recruit others in your departments.

In friendship

David Lowe

