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ODC Convention - June 7 to 9, 2023

The Annual Convention will take place June 7-9, 2023 at the Marriott Fallsview in Niagara Falls, ON. The Opening Reception will take place on June 7 from 7-9 p.m. Dig out your stetson and cowboy boots for fun in the Wild West. Thursday, June 8 and Friday June 9 will include business sessions with speaker topics on current issues affecting the dairy processing sector. The June 8th gala dinner will be a casual denim and diamond theme. Program details and registration information will be shared soon.

Thank you Sponsors

Thank you very much to the companies that have already made commitments in support of ODC's 2023 Convention. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please contact [Mary Beth Holmes](#) for more information.

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Member and Associate Fees

The ODC Board has approved a fee increase for the 2023-2024 fiscal period. The methodology for the increase is based on the 12-month rolling average of CPI as at December 31, 2022 (which is 6.3%). However, the Board capped the fee increase at 3.4%. The Board also agreed to increase the non-bovine flat fee from \$750 to \$900. ODC will email renewal notices to all Members and Associates in the last week of March. Please contact [Christina Lewis](#) with any questions.

The ODC Office is moving!



ODC's office is under new management and scheduled for demolition. Effective March 1, 2023, ODC will have a temporary new home while a permanent new location is considered. The new location is close to the current office and can be found at 7111 Syntex Drive, Suite 300, Mississauga, ON L5N 8C3. ODC staff can continue to be contacted by phone at 905.542.3620 or email at info@ontariodairies.ca.

PMCG Refresher Sessions

If you or one of your employees' Plant Milk Grader (PMG) certification is up for renewal on March 31, 2023, you should book one of the following refresher courses as soon as possible. This will be the last opportunity to renew prior to the March 31, 2023 expiry date. There will be 2 sessions per day.

- March 21
- March 22
- March 23

Those holding a PMG certificate expiring on March 31, 2023 who do not attend a Refresher Session may have to complete the full PMG program again if they still want to be certified.

Please contact the office at info@ontariodairies.ca for more information.

Congratulations to Scholarship Winner

On February 2, 2023, the *Yves Leroux Advancing Excellence in Cheesemaking Scholarship* was presented for the second time. This year's winner is Ms. Mahala Johnson. Mahala recently decided to make a career change and signed up for the Professional Cheesemaker Training Program at Conestoga College. With her passion for food and the knowledge that she is gaining from this program, Mahala is excited for her future in this industry. Congratulations Mahala!



Yves Leroux



Mahala Johnson

Exhibit space available - Hire Canada Job Fair

Hire Canada has exhibit space available for the in-person Job Fair & Training Expo scheduled for Wednesday, March 22, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm. at the Mississauga Convention Centre. More information is available at [HireCanada.ca](https://www.hirecanada.ca)

Youth Employment and Skills Program

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada is now accepting applications for the 2023-2024 program year through to March 27, 2023. this program offers wage subsidies to food processors who hire youth (between the age of 15 and 30) for agricultural jobs. The projects can begin as early as April 1, 2023 and end no later than March 31, 2024. More information can be found [here](#).

Upcoming Events

- [The Future of Food Conference](#) - February 15, 2023
- [Food Safety Summit](#) - April 18 and 19, 2023 -Toronto
- Ontario Milk Transport Association (OMTA) Golf Tournament - June 15, 2023 (Beaverdale Golf Club Cambridge, ON)

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