



## *March 2021 Newsletter*

### From the President's Perspective:

I know I am late in publishing the March Newsletter. With the springing of spring, sunny days, some nice and warm, some not, life gets busy doing all the work outside and inside the house that the renewal of nature brings about. Winter may not have completely left the house, but it certainly is on it's way out the door.

It also brings about a topic I was discussing with board members and general members of another organization I belong to. That is of stepping up to help make the organization a successful one that serves the membership. The Niagara Frontier Chapter, at our local level makes an attempt to do so. Those of us on the Board try to determine what:

- You, the Members of the Chapter are interested in as Technical Meeting Topics
- You, the Members of the Chapter are interested in regarding professional development opportunities
- You, the Members of the Chapter are interested in regarding Community Outreach to the general public
- You, the Members of the Chapter are interested in regarding participation in Chapter operations

We truly value the feedback that our Members give us. We try to implement suggestions that are within our ability to make happen. Some suggestions are duly noted for future implementation efforts. One of these is going back to in-person meetings; as COVID restrictions in NY begin to be relaxed, we may be able to do that again. The virtual format using Zoom is not optimal, but it has some advantages, namely being able to practically extend our reach to any Member with IT equipment and good broadband connections. To that end, some people are taking advantage of the opportunity, some not.

Another example is the upcoming Meeting on Monday. It is a topic suggested by one of our Members and will be delivered by other Members who have experience with Worker's Compensation Insurance in NYS. So far, it seems to be shaping up to be an awesome meeting.

That's the current state of affairs. We are trying to be responsive to you, the Members. What we could use is help. If we could get more of our Members to participate in Chapter Operations, it would be a really great thing as well as help us improve not only the quality, but the quantity of services offered. I know I have made this pleading before; we really value YOUR participation! Let us know what you want, let us know if you could spare a few hours per month. We will help you become successful as Chapter Leaders!

Anyone want to take up the challenge?