

Message from the Chair

Time flies when you are having fun!

t is hard to believe it has been a full year since I took over at the helm of the BCRFA board. 2010/11 has been one of the most tumultuous years in BC's hospitality industry in decades, and the BCRFA was right in the thick of all the issues representing you and your industry. From the HST referendum and minimum wage increase, to new tougher drinking and driving legislation, the BCRFA fought on your behalf. As an association our mandate is to work hard to ensure we have business conditions that are favorable for a vibrant and growing restaurant industry in British Columbia. Your membership fee allows us to work to this end and I thank you for renewing your membership and allowing us to represent you and your business.

I would also like to take the opportunity to thank our Provincial and regional board members for all of their hard work and dedication. Without your leadership and guidance it wouldn't be possible to accomplish what we do.

And finally I would like to welcome Heidi Romich of Heidi's restaurant in Cranbrook as the new Vice-President and incoming Chair of the association. Heidi has been a member of the Provincial board for a number of years, and will bring an independent operators viewpoint with her to the post.

Happy holidays to all of you, and best wishes for a prosperous New Year.

Regards,

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