

# Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers

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## NEWSLETTER

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Bruce Shackleton, Jim Reith and Rick De Brabandere form the Executive Committee for 2006.

### **2006 OFPA EXECUTIVE**

The Ontario Food Processors Association have announced their Executive for 2006.

<b>PRESIDENT:</b>	Scott Makey, H.J.Heinz Company of Canada Ltd.
<b>FIRST VICE PRESIDENT:</b>	Roger Sterling, Omstead Foods Ltd.
<b>SECOND VICE PRESIDENT:</b>	Dave Hoyles, CanGro Foods, Inc.
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<b>IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT:</b>	Rob Anderson, Carriere Foods (Ontario) Ltd.

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## ONTARIO PROCESSING VEGETABLE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

The 12<sup>th</sup> joint annual conference of the Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers and the Ontario Food Processors Association was held January 24<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> at the Hilton Hotel and Convention Centre in London. We welcome this opportunity to give special recognition to the following *Gold Sponsors who each contributed \$3,500 towards the conference:*



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and to the following *Bronze Sponsors who contributed \$1,500 each.*



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- ❖ Vincent Farm Equipment
- ❖ Wheels Inn

**ONTARIO PROCESSING VEGETABLE INDUSTRY CONFERENCE (CONTINUED)**

Featured in the photograph below are four of the six 2005 bursary recipients who were introduced at the Wednesday evening Banquet. Each recipient received a \$2,000 bursary. Our appreciation is extended to sponsors for their generous donations to the Silent Auction and all who attended to make this event a continued success.



From left to right: Dave Marshall, (Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers, Bursary Committee), Matthew Pinsonneault, Joe Vink, Michael Holzworth, Tory Marr (recipient of the first Jim Whitson Memorial Bursary), Scott Makey, (President, Ontario Food Processors Association) and Rick De Brabandere, (Chairman, Ontario Processing Vegetable Growers).  
(not present - Adam Pogorzelski and Laura Jones)

**OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY ON FARMS**

Occupational Health and Safety Act Public Information Sessions – open to farm employers & farm employees

Wednesday, February 22, 2006 – Roma Club, 19 Seacliff Drive East, Leamington – 1:00 – 3:30 pm

For more information and to register for one of the sessions, please call the Agricultural Information Contact Centre at 1-877-424-1300. To assist with numbers attendees are requested to pre-register.

**Background Information:**

Since late 2003, the Ministry of Labour (MOL) and the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) have been working with the agricultural industry, through the Labour Issues Co-ordinating Committee, a coalition of about 20 agricultural commodity and farm organizations, to develop occupational health and safety standards appropriate for farming operations.

To help enhance health and safety on farms, the Ontario government has made a regulation to bring farming operations with paid employees under the Occupational Health and Safety Act (OHSA). The regulation will come into effect on June 30, 2006

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