## Trent Society of Architects



2019 Annual Report Highlights Summary | Trent Society of Architects (TRENT)

Key activities of 2019 and initiatives of the Trent Society of Architects include:

We have had a few lunch n learns that accompanied various members of the society. One lunch n learn included a 3-hour session with the Canadian Wood Council that included a brief introduction to WoodWORKS, light wood frame (LWF) midrise construction and OBC requirements (1-6 storeys), mass and tall timber construction. Also, 2018 award winning projects from Ontario, etc. Presentation material included many project images (under construction and completed) from Europe, US and local Canadian jurisdictions.

In the past year, we have had four new members join our Society, one of which is most recent. Two of our long-standing members, Ken Trevelyan and Chris Tworkowski are (still) transitioning into retirement. Our society engagement has grown slightly over the year, mainly with constant communication via email involving new ideas, future society engagement, learning opportunities, and RFP alerts.

Our Society held the annual President's Dinner in Peterborough, having members from the Northumberland Durham Society of Architects. During this dinner, the society elected a new Chair as the current chair decided to step down. The new chair has various ideas to help branch out the Trent Society by introducing Trent's own Facebook page (in the draft stages), and soon to be its own LinkedIn page. This will help the community engage the society and vice-versa in the hopes the community will join and introduce different ideas to the world of architecture in their eyes.

Lastly, the Trent Society provided a letter voting against the transformation of the Ontario Building code services held in November 2019. The society was strongly opposed on this matter and felt it was necessary to make our voices heard.

We will continue to provide our members with learning opportunities, we will be working together to discuss new community involved ideas, potentially organize a few community events, design a new TRENT logo, and finalize the Facebook and LinkedIn pages.

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