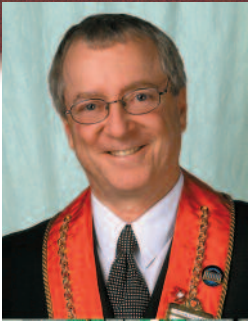


Note from the Bailli Délégué



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As we exit that period of the year when Chapître dinners and inductions are a priority with many regional Bailliages, I am very pleased with the number of inductions we had this year. Coming out of 2008 and into 2009, we had a large drop in members, almost 12%. Over the past two months, I was very pleased to induct and promote over 50 members. I had the pleasure of visiting Victoria for the Grand Chapître du Canada, Vancouver, Kelowna, Edmonton, Calgary and Winnipeg. In Montreal, Mr. Samir Hanna, Membre Honoraire du Conseil Magistral, inducted 7 new members, including the Trade Commissioner for Canada. In Ottawa Dr. Pierre Charbonnier, Membre Honoraire du Conseil Magistral, inducted many new Ottawa members.

Many of the inductions were professional members, including hotel managers, executive chefs, chefs and rôtisseur chefs. To see this support from our professionals is very encouraging. Professionals are an integral part of our organization, and we must strive to support them as much as we can. I have attended many Chaîne dinners, a good number outside of Canada, and I am proud to say that our professionals are an exceptional group — creative, dedicated, and true to the philosophy of la Chaîne des Rôtisseurs.

As we approach the 2009 holiday season, I reflect on the one Chaîne ideal which for me, rises above all others and that is friendship. It is amazing that a group of people from all different lifestyles, many from various countries with diverse backgrounds, can get together and focus on our common goal of gastronomy. Since joining the Chaîne in 1983, Joan and I have made many, many friends. We have met many of our closest friends in the Chaîne. I hope the same experience is true for you.

We wish you a very happy holiday season in 2009, and a healthy and successful 2010.

Vive la Chaîne!