



Canadian Propane Association Honours Jack Anderson with 2014 Lifetime Achievement Award

The Canadian Propane Association (CPA) is pleased to announce that it has selected Jack Anderson as the recipient of the 2014 CPA Lifetime Achievement Award.

The CPA Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes individuals who have made significant or consistent outstanding contributions to the betterment of the Canadian Propane Association and its membership. This award recognizes an individual who is regarded as possessing integrity, honesty and the respect of their peers. The award is for lifetime achievement rather than for a single contribution.

About Jack Anderson

As a young sales representative for a grocery company in the 1950's, Jack Anderson became interested in acquiring construction equipment to build roads into gas and oil drilling sites that were appearing throughout the countryside of Alberta.

Jack moved further into the equipment business by establishing Allied Equipment Rentals in the 1960's. Through Allied Equipment, Jack became involved with a propane company, operating under the name of Cal-Gas Propane and Equipment Rentals Ltd. A long-term partnership ensued shortly thereafter.

By 1970, Jack had become Chairman of Cal-Gas's Board of Directors and by 1975, Allied Equipment became the significant owner of Cal-Gas, with propane operations in Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge, Alberta.

By the early 2000's, Cal-Gas had acquired a number of independent propane companies in B.C., Alberta and Ontario, including the B.C. West Kootenay operations of Autogas Propane, and has since become the largest privately-owned propane company in Canada.

Outside of the propane industry, Jack contributes to charities and other organizations, and in 2007 gave the "largest individual gift in the 94-year history of Olds College". This was followed by a donation of 100 classic vehicles from Jack's collection for the College's 2013 centennial year auction, "100 Cars and Trucks for 100 Years".

Jack's support for industry associations is best summed up by a comment he made to a former employee, who was debating whether or not to get involved in the association:

"At some point in time, a person has to give something back to the industry or profession that has provided them employment and opportunity, through becoming involved and actively participating in that industry's association."

The Canadian Propane Association thanks Jack Anderson for his years of dedicated service and contribution to the betterment of the propane industry in Canada.