

## **House of Delegates Report - April 10, 2016**

### **Re: Standing Ovation Program**

**To the Ontario District Board of Directors  
To the Ontario District Management Team  
To the Ontario District House of Delegates**

Gentlemen:

During the Christmas holidays, District President Frank Knoll contacted me asking if I would consider assuming the position of SOP Chairman as the program had been dormant for several years. After much thought, I agreed to accept the position but before plunging into the task, I suggested that he do a quick survey of the chapters to find out if they knew of the program and wanted it to be revitalized.

Those chapters that responded did so on a very positive basis but what caught us off guard was the numerous requests for SOPs for annual chapter shows that are about to take place in the next couple of weeks.

During the last active year of the SOP in Ontario District, we had between 10 to 12 active certified reviewers all across the province. Some have passed on and others are unable to participate as they are now active in other aspects of our hobby.

A certification class for SOP reviewers must first take place so that we have representatives in all of our districts. In the meantime, I will do my best to meet the requests now at hand.

Be patient. It will take time to build up the number of reviewers in Ontario District. Those who responded to the survey spoke of the good it did for their chapter. It is truly a great program. As one who taught and certified reviewers for the Society at International and Mid-Winter Conventions for many years, I heard similar testimonies to its value.

Chuck Alexander  
Ontario District SOP Chairman