



## ***RVDA of Alberta Monthly E-Newsletter***

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### **November 2018 RVDA of Alberta E-Newsletter**

Please enjoy this edition of the RVDA of Alberta's Monthly E-Newsletter. If you have any information that you would like the Association to share with its members, please email [Carrie Nelson](mailto:Carrie.Nelson@rvda-alberta.org).

The RVDA of Alberta is on Facebook and Twitter so please feel free to follow us on Facebook and tweet events and pictures as we will retweet to support our members.



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## **Upcoming Industry Events:**

### **RVDA of Alberta Annual General Meeting:**

**This year's theme is "Time To Pull Up Your Socks!"**

RVDA of Alberta Annual General Meeting will be in Las Vegas, NV on November 5<sup>th</sup> and a day of golf will be at the [Royal Links Golf Club](#) on November 4<sup>th</sup>.



We are pleased to announce that our keynote speaker this year is **Ron Rosenberg** with his presentation on "**The Inner Secrets to Double Your Memory**". He is an award-winning speaker, author and coach of [QualityTalk, Inc.](#) Pictures will be added onto the website and in the next monthly newsletter.

Click Here for the RVDA of Alberta AGM - [Schedule at a Glance](#)

Click Here for the RVDA of Alberta AGM - [Paris Hotel Map](#) *(Click the Circles on the Map for Information)*

Click Here to watch the [Video of Ron Rosenberg](#)

## ***RVDA RV Dealers Convention/EXPO:***

Click on the photo for the schedule of events



RV Dealers International Convention/EXPO will be in Las Vegas from November 5<sup>th</sup>–9<sup>th</sup>. Keynote speaker, Jason Dorsey will be "**Crossing the Generational Divide**" during open general session and for a complete list of speakers at the event [Click Here](#).

### ***Small Booth Registration for the 2019 RV Shows:***

Small booth registration for our RVDA of Alberta members is currently open. Booth space will be first come first served and small booth space is almost sold out! If you'd like to purchase booth space for the upcoming 2019 RV Shows, please call [Carrie Nelson](#) in the office at (780) 455-8562 or 1-888-858-8787.

### ***Education & Training:***

#### ***SAIT Apprenticeship Training Schedule:***



The SAIT 2018-2019 Recreation Vehicle Service Technician Apprentice Training Schedule is available. Click here for the [registration link](#).

For employer and apprenticeship financial assistance programs [Click Here](#).

## **Dometic Training Schedule:**

Dometic will have a class held in Edmonton on November 7 & 8, 2018 and in Lethbridge on February 5 & 6, 2019. Please find attached a copy of the [Dometic Program Schedule of Events](#) and the [Registration Form](#). For more information and to register please contact Dometic Training School directly at (574) 294-2511 or by email at [training.school@dometicusa.com](mailto:training.school@dometicusa.com).

## **CAREERS: The Next Generation/RAP Student Showcase:**

The RVDA of Alberta would like to announce that we will be engaging with [CAREERS: The Next Generation](#) in coordinating a RAP student showcase this fall for the Recreation Vehicle Service Technician trade. CAREERS: The Next Generation is a non-profit organization that raises youth awareness of career options and helps students earn while they learn through internship. If there are any employees or management that can volunteer their time, that would be greatly appreciated. The hours are from 6:00pm - 8:00pm on November 20<sup>th</sup> at Woody's RV World located on St. Albert Trail. Please contact [Carrie Nelson](#) at (780) 455-8562 or 1-888-858-8787 as soon as possible if you can assist with the event. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

# CAREERshowcase



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Join CAREERS: The Next Generation and the Recreational Vehicle Dealers Association of Alberta to explore a career path as a **Recreational Vehicle Service Technician (RVDA)**

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**SO MUCH MORE!**

From bumper to bumper, an RV Tech is trained to do it all, getting the greatest variety of exposure to different trades.

**Tuesday, November 20th, 2018**  
**6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**  
**Woody's RV**  
14510 Mark Messier Trail NW

An uncommon trade with **HUGE** opportunities and **HIGH DEMAND** for both males and females.

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**EARN CREDITS** towards Graduation  
**EARN HOURS** towards 1st Year Apprentice  
**EARN A WAGE**

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

The **Registered Apprenticeship Program (RAP)** provides the opportunity to explore career options in Trades while you are in High School.

Please register with your RAP or Off-Campus Coordinator or contact **Scott Northfield**  
Phone 780.930.2510 Email [snorthfield@nextgen.org](mailto:snorthfield@nextgen.org)

Call us at 1.888.757.7172 or visit [www.careersnextgen.ca](http://www.careersnextgen.ca)

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## **Association Information:**

### **Stolen RV Report:**

If you were a victim of a stolen RV, [RVDA of Canada](#) and [RVDA of Alberta](#) are required to get this information out to the members as soon as possible in case the perpetrator(s) are trying to sell/trade the unit or have it serviced. A copy of the 2018 [Stolen RV's List](#) is attached for our members (as they are reported) to use in their offices at their discretion monthly. If you have become a victim of theft and require a copy of the Stolen RV Report Form, please contact [Carrie Nelson](#) or (780) 455-8562/1-888-858-8787 as soon as possible. All members must fill out the form, so we have the correct information to notify the members and RVDA of Canada.

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## Alarm systems: what you should know

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**Protecting your business against break-ins and theft is a top concern for any business owner. In fact, organized retail crime costs Canadians over \$4.6 billion a year, according to statistics from Calgary police. Their stats also say that 87.5 per cent of independent stores fall victim to this kind of crime.**

And while Hollywood movies may portray alarm systems as useless against thieves who can dodge laser beams and rappel down air ducts, security measures are actually very effective tools in the real world. Alarms can be helpful in discouraging thieves from committing a crime and promptly warning security teams about attempted break-ins or intruders on the premises. That's why it's important for any business owner to know the basics about alarm systems, so they're aware of the options available to them, and able to make an informed decision on the best alarm system for their business.

### **The basics**

All systems include some form of sensor, control unit, and reporting device. Once a sensor detects an intruder, it feeds data to a control unit. The control unit then communicates with a reporting device such as a siren or bell, or it reaches out to a receiving unit in a remote location.

### **How do sensors work?**

Intruders can be detected by sensors in many different ways. For instance, area protection devices use photoelectric, sound, or motion detectors to spot an intruder's movements. Meanwhile, perimeter protection devices watch over a perimeter defined by a fence or a building's walls. Ultrasonic motion detectors monitor sound frequencies, while passive infrared designs watch for the infrared energy that radiates off an intruder's body. Movements can also be tracked using microwave motion detectors.

Alarms can also be triggered when someone crosses a photoelectric detector's beam of invisible light, when someone creates a disturbance in an area with a vibration system, or even when they make a noise picked up by the microphones in a sound-based system.

For those looking to secure a safe or metal vault, a capacitance detection system might be the right choice, as it sounds an alarm if someone touches the metal surface. For particularly valuable items, you might opt for an object protection device, which can monitor the surrounding space using pressure mats, contact switches, or detectors that track vibrations, sound, smoke, or heat.

The weakest points in any perimeter will include doors, windows, or other natural openings. These areas can be monitored by magnetic contact switches, which have two main components that must stay in contact or close proximity to each other when the sensor is armed. When the door or window is opened, the two parts of the mechanism are separated, and the alarm signal is sent.

Glass breakage sensors are used to detect the sound of breaking glass. They can also detect sudden shock waves of a breaking object, such as glass or a door being kicked in. In this case, it is the shock wave of the breaking glass, not the sound itself that is being detected. And even if a burglar manages to step through an opening like a door or window, they might trigger the electromechanical switch in a pressure mat or pass across the wired electrical barrier of a burglar "screen." Normally, the most common detection devices used are motion sensors, door contact, and glass breakage sensors.

Systems that rely on at least two different technologies are the least likely to trigger a false alarm, according to our internal risk services specialists.

### **Monitored vs. unmonitored alarm systems**

Ultimately, the level of protection your business has will vary depending on how much is being watched.

It will also vary depending on whether you have a monitored or unmonitored alarm system. A monitored system notifies a third party when the alarm is activated, who in turn notifies authorities of a burglary or trespasser. It is possible to circumvent monitored alarm systems by cutting the telephone wires before entering the premises. But "line security" can be added to your system. The most common back up system is cellular back up, according to our internal risk services specialists. If the phone line is tampered with, the alarm system will still communicate with the monitoring station wirelessly via a cellular connection.

A monitored system can also have an audible delay, to give the monitoring station time to notify the police in anticipation of catching the criminals on the premises. Most systems are monitored, rather than unmonitored.

An unmonitored system only sounds an alarm on the premises, it doesn't send a notification out to a third party. It relies on neighbors or passers-by to call the police, which they may or may not do. While it does not incur monitoring fees, an unmonitored system is the less effective choice of the two options.

### **Stay vigilant**

While an alarm system is meant to detect a break-in, it won't necessarily prevent one. The systems should always be installed along with proper physical security reinforcement, such as deadbolt locks, adequate lighting, secure basement windows, and strong exterior doors.

And should all that fail, it's important to have the appropriate insurance coverage for your business.

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### **MISSION STATEMENT**

RVDA of Alberta is a group of independent businesses that promotes the growth, quality and awareness of the RV Industry and RV Lifestyle. We provide leadership, education, training and support to our members and Industry partners to help them exceed consumer expectations.

### **VISION STATEMENT**

Our vision is to enhance current services, opportunities, quality, awareness and influence future growth within the RV Industry and Lifestyle

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