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## Editors Note:

- Past issues of the PostScript, upcoming events and CSHP news is available on the Branch website. If you have any ideas for improvement to the Branch website, send your suggestions to webmaster@cshp-sk.org.

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## CSHP National AGM Highlights

The Annual General Meeting and Education Sessions were held in Montreal, Quebec this past August. I was honoured to represent the branch along with president-elect Ellen Kachur. Prior to the commencement of the AGM, a strategic planning workshop was held which included the current council, executive and incoming provincial delegates and presidential officers. Two documents were produced prior to the workshop; the first was an environmental scan. This was conducted by the workshop facilitator who consulted with internal and external stakeholders of CSHP. A membership survey was also reported on at the workshop with 547 members responding. Six percent of the respondents were from Saskatchewan. The workshop produced a mission, vision and

four strategic objectives for the next strategic plan (2007-1010) which will be announced at the 2007 AGM in Regina. The four strategic objectives will be advocacy, organizational effectiveness, membership services and advancing evidence based practice. Of note, the ASHP 2015 Initiative has been adopted for inclusion in the plan and will be known in Canada as CSHP 2015. The branch will have the opportunity to contribute to the strategic plan with concrete feedback by December 2006. The branch has received \$1000.00 from CSHP for membership recruitment and retention initiatives. In addition, administrative support to the branches is being planned with attention to website development and maintenance. Vision 2006, the CSHP

strategic plan for the past three years is nearing conclusion. It is remarkable that more than 95% of the plan has been completed on time and with excellent results. CSHP will collaborate with the Canadian Pharmacists Association in a targeted Pharmacy Awareness Week Campaign. Materials specific to hospital pharmacy have been produced and will be available to branches for use in your own campaign. CSHP has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with ISMP which officially records to mutual commitment of the two organizations to collaborate for the advancement of sage medications practices within the larger scope of patient safety. Revised Standards of Practice and guidelines for Delegation of Functions to Pharmacy Technicians are nearing completion and should be available for use in 2007.

## National AGM Report Cont'd

Two resolutions were passed at the AGM:

1. That CSHP adopt a formal and transparent process for the development of official position statements that encourages, where possible, broad stakeholder feedback prior to approval and adoption.
2. That CSHP endorse the role of the pharmacist as primary health care providers.

The second resolution was adopted in support of a recommendation received from the Saskatchewan Pharmacists Coalition on Primary Care which was founded by CSHP Saskatchewan branch.

The national executive for 2006-2007 is as follows:

Shallen Letwin (BC)	President
Carolyn Bornstein (Ont)	President-Elect
Emily Musing (Ont)	Past President
Moira Wilson (NB)	Finance
Myrella Roy	Executive Director

CSHP has certainly lived up to its Vision 2006 in that the Society is revitalized with membership numbers increasing annually, volunteer levels higher than previous years and a head office which is well administrated and functioning professionally and efficiently. The Society is the influential voice for hospital pharmacy with evidence from the ever increasing requests for information, affiliations with other health organizations and truly inspiring and supporting its members through advocacy, awards and top quality education sessions.

Don Kuntz

### ***CSHP Malpractice Insurance***

*CSHP is pleased to be able to once again offer malpractice insurance to its members through its national insurance carrier. The current premium price is \$175.00 annually. This insurance meets the requirements for licensure with SCP. The branch will be working with SCP to consider a process which allows CSHP members to declare their membership and that they have purchased the necessary insurance through CSHP national.*

*CSHP Saskatchewan Branch has negotiated with RBSP to continue to offer joint RBSP-CSGP membership at a 50% reduction of current RBSP membership rates.*

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## *The Sky's The Limit! - AGM 2007*

The promotion for AGM 2007 – The Sky's The Limit! kicked off in Montreal at the 2006 AGM on August 14th. Dave Sereda and Barry Lyons of CSHP Sask. Branch promoted the event with an interactive video presentation depicting Saskatchewan's many attractions to an enthusiastic group of conference participants. A display booth promoting the event was manned by CSHP Sask. Branch members attending the 2006 conference, and pins fashioned with the AGM 2007 logo were distributed. The various promotions were positively received by all conference participants. Thank you to all CSHP Sask. Branch members who were available to help at the display booth.

Planning for the AGM 2007 is well underway. The CSHP Sask. Branch is responsible only for the social events – which promise to be both fun and memorable. Anyone who has not been able to volunteer, but wishes to do so, may contact either Doug Sellinger (co-chair) or Monica Lawrence (co-chair).

Thank you to all the CSHP members who have volunteered to date. The various committee chairs will be contacting you. AGM 2007 is a great way to showcase the enthusiasm and spirit of CSHP Sask. Branch. Join us at AGM 2007 where ***The Sky's The Limit!***





Dave Sereda and Barry Lyons at the National AGM in Montreal

Barry and Dave trying to get the crowd to sing along to the "Last Saskatchewan Pirate."



Hey, Barry is still trying.

## Reminder: CALL FOR RESOLUTIONS

### The Resolutions Committee calls on Branch members for the submission of Resolutions to the Executive Committee.

Resolutions are intended to present the point of view of the author. They should reflect standards of practice, acknowledgements, political viewpoints etc. Resolutions are received by the Executive Committee, and then presented to the membership at the Annual General Meeting for a vote. If you are interested in submitting a Resolution, but are unsure of the format for writing one, please refer to the *Postscript (Volume 23, No. 1)* available at [www.cshp.sk.ca](http://www.cshp.sk.ca) which lists the Resolutions presented at the 2005 Branch AGM. You may also contact the Resolutions Committee Chair at the address below, to obtain samples of past resolutions.

### Submit Resolutions for the 2006 Branch AGM ASAP.

Resolutions should be forwarded to:

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Chair, Resolutions Committee  
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### CSHP 2006 Vision

society

*The influential voice for hospital pharmacy*

*Inspiring and supporting our members*

*CSHP --The life, the voice and heart of hospital pharmacy*

## CSHP SK Branch Education Sessions and AGM 2006.

**The 2006 AGM conference will be held October 20-21, 2006 at the Regina Inn.**

Friday evening's symposium will focus on the recently released hypertension guidelines for pharmacists. Saturday's guest speaker is Neil MacKinnon, a pharmacist from Halifax with extensive knowledge in adverse consequences of medication use and hospital pharmacy leadership. The conference is full of an exciting array of topics including primary care for the hospital pharmacist, warfarin management in the discharge process and precepting the experiential learner.

**Send registrations in now.**

If you are interested in submitting a poster presentation for this conference please refer to the "Call for Posters" information sheet or contact Jennifer Dyck (*phone: 766-3493 or e-mail: [education@cshp-sk.ca](mailto:education@cshp-sk.ca)*).

## Volunteers Needed

A number of volunteer opportunities exist within the Branch. These include executive positions, chairperson on committees and committee membership. There also may be opportunities to participate in Task forces. Saskatchewan Branch CSHP needs your support. Please consider joining a committee today.

The following committees are currently looking for energetic, enthusiastic volunteers

- Education Service Committee (Chair: Jennifer Dyck)
- Awards Committee (Chair: Tara Markowski)
- Communications Committee (Chair : Bonnie Geall)
- National AGM 2007 Committee (Chair: Doug Sellinger)

Please speak to one of our executive or committee chair about taking part in these worthwhile committees.

Dear Member:

I'd like you to take the time to consider becoming MORE actively involved in the Saskatchewan Branch, CSHP.

Enclosed is a nomination form for the positions of President-Elect, Treasurer, and Secretary. Becoming an active participant of the Branch is a rewarding experience. You help determine the activities of the Branch and interact with several of your colleagues from around the province on a regular basis.

Below are summaries of these positions:

**President-Elect:**

The incumbent in this position uses the year to learn the workings of the Branch and assist the President in performing his/her duties. The President-Elect, along with Branch Delegate, attends the National Annual General Meeting. This is a great opportunity to meet pharmacists from across the country, including the National Executive and some of the Office staff who assist them. The following year, the President-Elect assumes the position of President and represents Saskatchewan hospital pharmacists on various committees and at meetings throughout the province. (i.e. SHA, HSB, SPhA, Task Forces, etc.). The President-Elect attends all Executive Committee Meetings as a full voting member.

**Treasurer:**

The incumbent in this position develops the Branch's budget and chairs the Finance Committee. As well as maintaining our "books", the Treasurer presents status reports at each Executive Committee Meeting and Branch Annual General Meeting. We are in a good financial position at present and our financial dealings are straight forward (i.e. you don't have to be Chartered Accountant to handle the job!). The Treasurer attends all Executive Committee Meetings as a full voting member.

**Secretary:**

The incumbent in this position takes minutes at all Branch meetings (approx. 6/year), and distributes information (eg. minutes, agendas, reports, etc.) to members as required. The Secretary attends all Executive Committee Meetings as a full voting member.

If you are interested, but are still unsure, don't hesitate to call any past or present Branch Executive Committee member for further details. Also, if you know of a colleague who would be interested in one of these positions, ask them to consider letting their name stand. You won't regret the experience.

Monica Lawrence  
Chair, Nominating Committee

**NOMINATION FORM  
2006-2007**

NOMINATIONS FOR THE OFFICERS OF THE SASKATCHEWAN BRANCH  
CANADIAN SOCIETY OF HOSPITAL PHARMACISTS  
(PRESIDENT-ELECT, SECRETARY & TREASURER)

We the undersigned, active members of the Saskatchewan Branch of the Canadian Society of Hospital Pharmacists hereby nominate:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

for the position of \_\_\_\_\_  
(President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer)

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name) (Signature of Active Member)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name) (Signature of Active Member)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ accept the nomination for office and all the  
(Signature) responsibilities it involves.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

**Please complete and return to the Nominating Committee Chair:**

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