



Membership/Public Relations Chair Report

I want to start by thanking everyone for the opportunity to hold this position with the CSHP-Sask Branch. It was an exciting year in which we accomplished quite a bit.

In my portfolio I had the opportunity to do the following items:

- Present to the Pharmacy Technician students of the Kelsey Campus of SIAST.
 - Presented CSHP's "Role of the Pharmacy Technician" Document to the class
 - Provided examples of how this document gives them the opportunity to be fully involved with the distributive process
 - Thank you to Bonnie Meier for making time during her curriculum to allow me to visit with the students

- Present to the Third Year Pharmacy Students about the benefits of completing a Hospital Residency
 - An informal question and answer period was had with the students, myself, and representatives of both Residency Programs in the province
 - Thank you to everyone that attended, especially the representatives of both programs, and Ms. Ola Siwic for helping arrange things

- Worked with Brett Filson of RBSP to generate potential ideas for Pharmacy Awareness Week
- Presented at the Annual RBSP Conference on the Recruitment and Retention of Pharmacists
 - I provided insight on the Hospital Side of this issue
 - Thank you to my co-presenters Charity Evans and Jade Rosin

As I sign off, thanks again for everyone who helped me along the way this year. I look forward to working with the Branch in the near future.

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Cashin

June, 2004

Editor's CORNER

- Sk Branch CSHP has numerous vacancies on executive for the upcoming 2004-2005 year including Secretary, Membership/PR and President- Elect and Branch Delegate. Please check the Sask. Branch CSHP website for terms of reference or contact Melanie McLeod, Monica Lawrence or Barry Lyons if interested.

- Check out the new website for CSHP national at www.cshp.ca. and also see what is new on the SK. Branch website at www.cshp-sk.org

Report From National CSHP

Another event filled year has passed at National CSHP. We are making progress on a number of initiatives now that the office staff has stabilized. The Governance Taskforce phase I recommendations are being implemented. A poster outlining the progress of the GTF implementation is being planned for National AGM (Edmonton Aug 14-17, 2004). Web site redevelopment is almost complete. I have had a sneak preview of the new web site and it looks great. Watch for a release

date near AGM (Edmonton Aug 14-17, 2004). Midterm Council Meeting was devoted primarily to strategic planning with respect to developing initiatives to support the new Vision. President-Elect Regis Vaillancourt has taken a strong leadership role with respect to Vision development.

Your National Council has also been working diligently on advocacy issues. The two largest issues have been the

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AWARDS PROGRAM UPDATE

PHARMACUIA & UPJOHN RESIDENCY AWARD

An award will be available to the 2003-2004 Saskatchewan hospital pharmacy residents based upon submission of residency projects. Project manuscripts must be received by the Awards Chairperson by Sept.1, 2004.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

It's that time of year again!!! Take a moment to appreciate the leadership and innovative contributions of your fellow colleagues. The following awards will be presented at the annual AGM in October. The "terms of reference" for each award are available upon request and can be found on the CSHP-SK Branch website. All nominations shall be submitted in writing with substantiating background documentation by Sept.1. Each nomination shall be endorsed by the nominator and two additional CSHP members.

BETTY C. RIDDELL AWARD FOR PHARMACY PRACTITIONER EXCELLENCE

This award is presented annually to a member of the Branch in recognition of outstanding achievement to patient care, contribution to the profession and long term service to the practice of pharmacy. Selection of nominees will be made on the basis of involvement and significant contribution to the practice of pharmacy at the pharmacist's work place. Please take a moment to write the Awards committee in order to recognize the outstanding accomplishments of a fellow Society member.

PHARMACIST OF THE YEAR AWARD

This award is presented annually to a member of the Branch in recognition of outstanding achievement and long term service to the practice of hospital pharmacy.

There are many worthy individuals who deserve to be recognised. Why not take a moment to nominate a colleague for "Pharmacist of the Year".

J.L. SUMMERS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award is presented annually to a member of the Branch in recognition of a significant contribution within the practice of hospital pharmacy, which demonstrates innovation and leadership in the health care field.

Recognize the outstanding contributions of a society member by nominating him/her for this award.

SASKATCHEWAN BRANCH CSHP MERIT AWARD

This award is presented annually to a practising hospital pharmacist and member of the Branch in recognition of a project which could easily be accomplished regardless of hospital size or staff, which need not be sophisticated, and which serves a useful purpose or has been recently published.

We know that many pharmacists have initiated exciting programs in their hospitals and we would like to recognize them. Take a few minutes to write the Awards Committee about when your project started, how it was implemented, and how it is running, or let us know about a recent publication.

PHARMACEUTICAL CARE AWARD

This award is presented annually to three practising hospital pharmacists and members of Saskatchewan Branch CSHP in recognition of outstanding achievement in pharmaceutical care. Hospital pharmacy residents and members with advanced clinical degrees (M.Sc., Pharm D., and PhD.) will not be eligible for this award.

Please take a moment to nominate a member who has made a commitment to promoting positive patient outcomes through the practice of pharmaceutical care. Nominations shall be submitted to the Awards Committee Chair in writing with substantiating background information including a detailed summary of the pharmaceutical care interaction (not to exceed 500 words).

Jenelle Heroux
Awards Co-Chair 2003-2004

What's Up

- President- Elect Regis Vaillancourt is going to Kabul as Camp Julian's pharmacist. His duties will include ordering medical supply and Blood from Canada, and of course he will be running the pharmacy, both for in and outpatient care. Good luck and safe travels. For more information on his mission please see enclosed link http://www.afnorth.nato.int/ISAF/mission/mission_role.htm.
- Bruce Lang has been named as the recipient of the Award of Excellence -Patient Care by the Kidney Foundation of Canada, Saskatchewan Branch. This is a tremendous accomplishment and congratulations Bruce. Way to go!

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Report From National CSHP

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CIHI/CIHR report *The Canadian Adverse Events Study: the incidence of adverse events among hospital patients in Canada*. National has been busy preparing responses to the findings of the study and sharing the CSHP voice on this issue with the Branches, members and outside agencies. With the number of medication related occurrences reported, the need and work of hospital pharmacists and pharmacies, National has been working hard (with Branch executive) to ensure that external stake holders know the value of hospital pharmacists.

Election Results.

Elections for National Executive and committee positions are held during the MCM in March. I am pleased to welcome Emily Musing as President-Elect in waiting. Emily will officially begin her term at the Edmonton AGM. Moira Wilson was also re-elected as Director of Finance. Moira stepped in to replace Ron Schwartz who left us mid-way through his term (AGM 2003).

Annual General Meeting 2004

The Annual General Meeting 2003 will be held in Edmonton, Alberta. With the conference very close, it would be great to see a large contingent from Saskatchewan attending! The conference and meeting will be held from Saturday Aug 14th through Tuesday Aug 17th. Blaze a Trail Edmonton, for western hospitality and an excellent education program.

My term as Sk-Branch Delegate to National Council will conclude at AGM 2004. It has been a fast, busy and rewarding 4 years. I have found it very rewarding to be involved with both Branch and National Council. I want to sincerely thank the Branch membership and council for allowing me this opportunity. It will be difficult to leave National Council, we have started a number of initiatives that I would like to see through. I will trust the next council (National and Branch) to keep the vision!

We continue to look for a member to step up and take the Delegate position. Please contact Monica Lawrence, myself or any Branch council member if you would consider taking an active role in your Branch and National councils.

Respectfully submitted,
Douglas Sellinger
CSHP SK Branch Delegate

CALL FOR POSTERS

CSHP - SASK BRANCH ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday October 23rd, 2004

Temple Gardens Mineral Spa

The Educational Services Committee is calling for poster presentations for the Annual Meeting, Saturday October 23rd, 2004 in Moose Jaw.

Individuals or groups involved in projects, studies, or pharmacy services which would be of interest to other pharmacists are encouraged to submit abstracts for poster presentations.

FORMAT OF ABSTRACT

TITLE should be brief and clearly indicate the nature of the presentation. Do not use abbreviations in the title. List author(s), degrees, institutional affiliation, city and province.

ORGANIZE BODY OF ABSTRACT as follows: 1. purpose; 2. description or methodology; 3. summary of experience or results; 4. implication to hospital pharmacy practice.

TYPING INSTRUCTIONS. The abstract should be a maximum of 250 words.

DEADLINE. All abstracts must be submitted for review prior to October 13th, 2004.

POSTER SCHEDULE

Saturday October 23rd, 2004 0900 - 1000h
1500 - 1530h

For more information, please contact:

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More What's Up

- A delegation from CSHP National will arrive in Saskatchewan in August to investigate possible hotel sites in Regina for the CSHP National AGM 2007. A list of volunteers has been compiled of those members who indicated during the past year that they would be interested in participating in the planning of this event. Those who have volunteered will be contacted sometime this fall. Anyone who still wishes to volunteer for this event may do so by contacting either Doug Sellinger or Monica Lawrence. This is a great opportunity to highlight the membership of the CSHP Sask Branch!
- Congratulation to the two new moms and papa in the RQHR. Tejal Patel gave birth to a bouncing baby boy and Leah Phillips gave birth to a baby girl in the month of June. Peter Ricci is excited about his new baby boy born in July. Also congratulations to Susan Yee from the Drug Plan on the birth of her baby boy in mid July.