



## President's Incoming Address

### 'Maybe Recycled ... but not Re-Tired'

April 28, 2007, Saskatoon

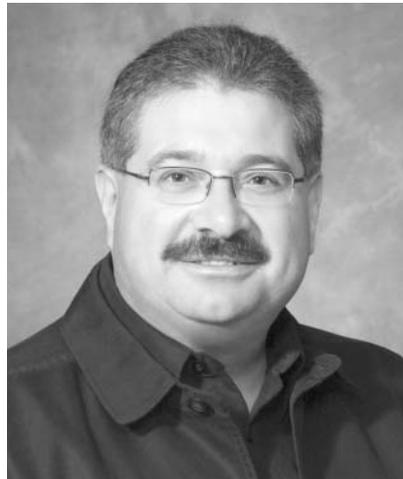
Our distinguished guests,  
colleagues, and friends:

Thank you for this opportunity to express my appreciation as I assume the role of president of our college. My personal congratulations are extended to each of the award recipients at this year's conference. Our profession continues to be influenced by so many dedicated pharmacy leaders who share their vision for the future through their commitment to their patients and community.

Jeanette Sandiford certainly gives credence to the old saying, "what a tough act to follow." Her contribution to the profession and the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists over the past several years has culminated in an excellent year as president. I look forward to Jeanette's guidance and advice in helping me carry out my term as president.

It was in Saskatoon at the Sheraton on April 27, 1987, when I first accepted my duties as President of the Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association. I would never have dreamt that I would again have the privilege to serve as your President some 20 years later. There have been a lot of changes and as I look back to 1987; "I believe that I was much younger with lots to learn ... and now, I guess I am much older and have a tendency to forget a lot!"

There can be no doubt that each person who assumes this office



places their own stamp on the year in which they hold office, but I have always felt that the primary responsibility of the President was to be a team leader and to build on the successes of their predecessor so that the organization meets the professional needs of its members and the public they serve.

This can only really be accomplished through team work and collaboration.

**Team work** has been defined as "a group of individuals with diverse training and backgrounds who work together as an identified unit or

system. Team members consistently collaborate to solve patient problems that are too complex to be solved by one discipline or many disciplines in sequence."

On the other hand, **collaboration** can be defined as "an extension of the concept of team practice 'where' the leadership focus is modified. ... and (where) the basis of collaboration is the belief that quality patient care is achieved by the contribution of all care providers. A true collaborative practice has no hierarchy. It is assumed that the contribution of each participant is based on knowledge or expertise brought to the practice rather than the traditional 'professional' relationship."

Thus, the key to our success is our ability to work as a team in an interdisciplinary collaborative environment while preserving our professional role as the experts in drug therapy knowledge, information and utilization.

'**DEALING with the Future**' was the theme chosen for the 1987 conference. During my presidential address at that conference, I remarked on the importance of the recognition of pharmacists as vital health care providers, and I quote:

"Good public relations programs are needed to emphasize the professional role of the pharmacist and the value of service rendered; and as well, to promote a positive image of the profession."

This year's conference theme reflects further on the opportunity to optimize our role and be recognized as professional health care providers.

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## SCP Council 2006-07

### Division 1

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(term expires June 30, 2007)  
President

### Division 2

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(term expires June 30, 2008)  
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### Division 3

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(term expires June 30, 2007)

### Division 4

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(term expires June 30, 2008)  
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### Division 5

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(term expires June 30, 2007)

### Division 6

George Furneaux, Regina  
(term expires June 30, 2008)

### Division 7

Debbie McCulloch, Rosetown  
(term expires June 30, 2007)  
Past-President

### Division 8

Janet Harding, Saskatoon  
(term expires June 30, 2008)

### Ex Officio

Dean Dennis Gorecki  
College of Pharmacy and Nutrition,  
Saskatoon

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## Council Highlights – April 27, 2007

From the meeting held at the Sheraton Cavalier, Saskatoon, Council:

- Discussed plans for the upcoming joint conference with the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association, to be held September 14 and 15, 2007, in Saskatoon. For more details see separate article in this issue.
- Reviewed the Council policy on the prohibition of tobacco from pharmacies. Council agreed to retain our current policy of prohibiting tobacco from the pharmacy area of the premises over which we have jurisdiction, and to continue to seek voluntary withdrawal of tobacco products from the other areas of the premises in which a pharmacy is located. The College will work to gain government support to further this initiative.
- Appointed Debbie McCulloch as our appointee to the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Authorities Board for the upcoming term. Janet Bradshaw is concluding her term as NAPRA President, and will remain on the Board as Past-President for one year.
- Examined the stakeholder responses received during the consultation phase of the document, "Regulatory Initiative to Enhance the Pharmacist's Authority to Prescribe Drugs." We have received many responses which raised issues that will be addressed in the next version of the consultation document.  
Next steps: We are working with a timeframe of fall 2007, in which Council should receive the regulatory proposals for approval to begin implementation as soon as possible, likely early in 2008. Draft bylaws and changes to the Drug Schedules Regulations will be drafted by our solicitor for Council approval at the November 2007 meeting. Members will have an opportunity to comment on the final proposals at the fall District Meetings.
- Received for information the following statistics on utilization of the Pharmaceutical Information Program Medication Profile Viewer:

Total users . . . . .	1245
Community Pharmacies . . . . .	277
Physician Clinics . . . . .	46
Optometrist Clinics . . . . .	7
Dental Clinics . . . . .	2
Emergency Rooms . . . . .	19
Hospital Pharmacies . . . . .	31

- Approved proposed bylaw amendments regarding:  
Clarification of the delegation of authority to the Registrar for the issuing of permits and licences.  
Changes to the malpractice insurance bylaw to address a discrepancy because the 2 year extended reporting period required for claims made policies is only available at or near the expiration of the policy, not upon application or renewal. The amendment adds failure to obtain the extended coverage to the definition of professional misconduct.  
Amendments approved in principle for consultation with pharmacy proprietors will more specifically express the accountabilities of the proprietor as the operator of the pharmacy and the accountabilities of the pharmacy manager to ensure the pharmacy is conducted according to SCP requirements. Further details will follow to pharmacy managers and we initiate our consultation phase.
- Approved administrative drug schedule amendment for loperamide (see separate notice in this issue).
- Approved regulatory drug schedule amendment for fexofenadine to be approved by the Minister.

- Approved the list of names to be entered into the record of the College for members who have been granted the designation 'MESCP' (Member Emeritus Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists).

The following Retired members have been in good standing with this College or other pharmacy regulatory body for at least 25 years. In accordance with the bylaws, the Awards and Honours Committee has confirmed that we confer the honorary designation of "Member Emeritus" upon:

Jolyne Ball	Gary Mainprize
T. Blair Barnes	Donald McIntyre
Ena Chiu	Jean Murray
Carroll Chlopan	Dennis Nikiforuk
Frances Clarke	Diane Olfert
Graham Earl	Edward Ortynski
Mary Evans	Walter Otchenash
Sandra Evans	Eva Pattison
Garry Fletcher	William Pozniak
Catherine Gibson	Clarence Rabuka
William Gryba	Grace Sauder
Lawrence Haverstock	Harvey Sauder
Ted Hearn	Jean Sinclair
Carl Hoffman	Victor Siroishka
James Housen	Ramesh Tandon
Lovina Johnston	John Turnbull
Gerald Kullman	Rose Walden
John Larson	

This is the first group to receive this designation, and we acknowledge the contribution of Victor Siroishka in assisting us with its development.

- Approved the document, "Pharmacy Services to Special Care Homes Standards", which will be distributed to pharmacies following finalization of this document.
  - Correction from the April issue of the Newsletter: At that time there was an omission in the Election report of Council for 2007-2008. As of July 1, 2007, Council consists of the following:
    - Division 1 – Jodie Simes, Fort Qu'Appelle
    - Division 2 – Terri Bromm, Tisdale, Vice-President
    - Division 3 – Randy Wiser, Prince Albert
    - Division 4 – Bev Allen, Saskatoon, President
    - Division 5 – George Furneaux, Regina, President-Elect
    - Division 6 – Vacancy
    - Division 7 – Debbie McCulloch, Rosetown
    - Division 8 – Janet Harding, Saskatoon
    - Past-President – Jeannette Sandiford
    - Ex-Officio – Dennis Gorecki, Saskatoon, Dean, College of Pharmacy and Nutrition
    - Public Members – Joseph Jeerakathil and Ken Hutchinson
- Following the meeting, Council joined with the RBSP Board as Derek Jorgenson presented a report on the

activities of a small working group, which has formed to discuss future plans for a summit on practice change consisting of selected opinion leaders within the profession. We discussed the prospects of aligning our strategic planning with their goals to effect profound and fundamental changes in the practice of pharmacists. Council renewed the College's support for the Summit as it is compatible with our strategic plan.

## New Councillors for Divisions 1 and 6

The results from the March election left us with vacancies in Divisions 1 and 6. In accordance with Council policy, we sent memos to all members in the two divisions asking for volunteers to fill these positions. We are pleased to report that Council has received applications from individuals within the divisions.

- Division 1 – Jodie Simes, Fort Qu'Appelle – confirmed
- Division 6 – Joe Carroll, Moose Jaw – to be confirmed September 14, 2007.

We welcome both Jodie and Joe to the Council table and appreciate their commitment to the affairs of the College.



### The future of pharmacy needs you!

**We need to hear from pharmacists, pharmacy technicians and pharmacy students in all pharmacy settings — community, hospital, academia, industry, etc.**

We invite you to complete a 10-15 minute online survey: (<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=798803896791>)

You are also welcome to review the complete *Blueprint for Pharmacy* draft document ([www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations](http://www.pharmacists.ca/blueprintconsultations)) and forward your comments to [mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca).

Respond by **August 15, 2007** and make your voice heard!

If you have any questions please contact Marie-Anik Gagne, Director, Policy and Research, Canadian Pharmacists Association at [mgagne@pharmacists.ca](mailto:mgagne@pharmacists.ca).

**Let's design the future together!**

**For more information on the Blueprint for Pharmacy:**  
[www.pharmacy.ca/blueprint](http://www.pharmacy.ca/blueprint)

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Last September, members of Council, the RBSP and other invited stakeholders held a planning session to develop a strategic map focusing on continued ways to serve and protect the public in our *Vision* to provide 'Quality Pharmacy Care in Saskatchewan.'

Our revised Strategic Plan identifies the need for further change in practice and legislation to optimize the role of the pharmacist as a member of the health care team. An interdisciplinary role is envisioned as we embark on the development of a collaborative practice framework to enhance the interdependent authority for the pharmacist to prescribe drugs. This fits very appropriately with the theme of this year's conference: '**Pharmacists: Prescribing for Success.**'

Enhancing authority for pharmacists to prescribe represents a huge change in a practice model and provides new opportunities that will further recognize the value of our profession as a health care team member. This initiative does not propose that pharmacists expand their scope of practice but rather that pharmacists be allowed to practice to their maximized scope within existing competencies.

This change will not be without continued growing pains. The profession will be expected to continue with quality assurance processes focusing on patient safety through educational strategies that engage pharmacists to optimize their role as a valued member of the health care team. Other strategies will be initi-

ated to link ownership to these changes through public educational strategies promoting a positive professional image and the value to the health outcomes of the public.

In the coming year, the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists will undertake strategic milestones that will help us to manage change, to ensure that the profession is well positioned for the future. The *responsibility to meet these milestones rests with the professional support of the membership and the necessary funding to fulfil the strategic plan over the next five years.*

The Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists will utilize our strategic planning process to ensure that we are using our resources where they are most needed and we will continue to involve members in the fulfilment of these initiatives.

I became involved in pharmacy association work primarily to give something back to a profession that has been very good to me and to do whatever I could to help facilitate the advancement of the profession and practice.

Over the last 34 years, I have had the good fortune to work as a pharmacist both in community practice and in academia. Much of my professional growth can be contributed to the interactions I have had with many pharmacists and students who continue to initiate and promote change within the profession.

We are fortunate to have so many dedicated pharmacists who are recognized across Canada for their leadership, innovation and

creativity. They are the 'true leaders and innovators' promoting change to advance the profession.

In closing, I would like to acknowledge and congratulate Ray for his continued support and dedicated leadership over the past 30 years. I am delighted to know you as a friend and colleague, and congratulate you on reaching this important milestone in your career. You are recognized by your peers from coast to coast. It is indeed an honour to work with you.

In addition, I want to thank Jeanne, Lori, all of the staff, and members of Council for their dedicated work and professionalism in support of the work of our college. To the retiring Council members; a sincere thanks, and a warm welcome to those who will serve in their capacity as Council representatives during my term.

To my family and especially Pat, thanks for hanging in there for another year! One doesn't get involved in this type of work unless there is support at home and I am grateful for their understanding as we approach the coming year.

I am proud and honoured to be able to serve the people and pharmacists of Saskatchewan, in my capacity of President of the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists. I look forward to the coming year with enthusiasm and the opportunity to work with you once again.

Respectfully submitted,  
B.E. (Bev) Allen, BSP  
April 28, 2007

## Drug Schedule Bylaw Amendment - Loperamide



The National Drug Scheduling Advisory Committee has recommended Schedule II Status for Loperamide products marketed for paediatric use – under 12 years of age. Council has approved the amendment to Schedule II, which came into effect upon approval, April 27, 2007.

### **Schedule II – Pharmacy Only, Non-Prescription Restricted Access Drugs**

*Loperamide and its salts in products marketed for paediatric use – under 12 years of age.*

### **Unscheduled – can be sold from any retail outlet**

*Loperamide and its salts in products marketed for adult use – 12 years and older.*

# Pharmacists Gather in Saskatoon

## April 27-29, 2007

### RBSP Conference

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual RBSP Conference was held this year at the Sheraton Cavalier, Saskatoon.

The Friday evening Welcome Reception was held in the Top of the Inn overlooking the university and parks areas around the hotel. The conference attendees enjoyed a buffet dinner followed by the SCP Awards Program.

### Class of '82

President Jeannette Sandiford welcomed everyone and especially the award winners and their guests. She then invited Marty Shanofer to reminisce a bit about his classmates and to introduce those in attendance from the Class of '82. President Sandiford congratulated each as she presented them with an SCP 25-year silver pin. Those in attendance were: Wendy Gumpinger, Christine Hrudka, Michelle Lamboo, Andrew Parkes, Louella Pethrick, Kevin Ryan, Sujata Sethi, Marty Shanofer and Bradley Vancuren.

### Class of '57

Registrar Ray Joubert was invited to read the citations for and introduce the Class of '57. As each classmate in attendance was introduced, President Sandiford presented the SCP 50-year Gold pin and a 50-year Anniversary Certificate. Mr. Don Einarson was invited to respond on behalf of the Class of '57, which he ably did. He then invited each of those in attendance to share a story or memory of their time at the College of Pharmacy. Each told a remembrance of some event from their school days: soccer games, games after the soccer games, faithful attendance in class (for some) and some close calls for others. From the Class of '57 the attendees were: Don Einarson, Rudy Gittens, Bill Irwin, Terry Labach, Glen MacCuish, Elton Marshall and Ernie Stefanuk.



*Class of 1982 (left to right): Back row – Michelle Lamboo, Christine Hrudka, Sujata Sethi, Louella Pethrick, Wendy Gumpinger. Front row – Andrew Parkes, Bradley Vancuren, Kevin Ryan, Marty Shanofer.*

### 30 Years of Service

President Sandiford then drifted from the set program to recognize Ray Joubert for his 30 years of service to the pharmacists of Saskatchewan. Ray joined the staff of the Saskatchewan Pharmaceutical Association in March of 1977 in the position of Assistant Registrar/Field

Officer. He became Registrar July 1, 1985.

“Over these 30 years Ray has had a distinguished career in pharmacy and has been an inspiration to many in this profession. A lot can happen over 30 years and Ray has been involved with and seen many changes. Some of which are: the



*Class of 1957 (left to right): Back row – Glen MacCuish, Terry Labach, Rudy Gittens, Ernie Stefanuk. Front row – Don Einarson, Elton Marshall, Bill Irwin.*

development and acceptance of the 'new' *Pharmacy Act, 1996*; the name change of our organization to the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists; the separation of our one organization into two distinct organizations; the reign of 22 presidents with the SPhA/SCP; the changing of 10 provincial governments, and nine federal governments, and all the adjustments that come with a change of government. However, one thing that hasn't changed in the last 30 years is the dedication and hard work of Ray Joubert for our province's pharmacists and for the betterment of the profession in general which really boils down to better pharmacy care for the residents of Saskatchewan.

I would like to extend congratulations to you, Ray, for the 30 excellent years you've spent with the SCP, and thank you for your dedication, professionalism and insight, and may you enjoy many more years with the College."

### **Honorary Life Memberships**

President Sandiford then requested that Ray Joubert introduce the recipients of an Honorary Life Membership with the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists. This year we are pleased to award an Honorary Life Membership to two members: Mrs. Susan Poulin of Regina and Mr. Paul Ortynsky (posthumously) of Canora.

### **Susan Poulin**

Susan is well known throughout the province as she has delivered many educational sessions and lectures to students and members at continuing education seminars. She has been a contributing member of the SCP, CSHP, and CPhA.

Susan has always demonstrated a strong commitment to hospital pharmacy through active preceptorship of residents and students, mentorship of pharmacists, and as Drug Use Evaluation/Drug Information Pharmacist with the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region. Advocating for the profession amongst other health care professionals, she



*Jeannette Sandiford congratulating Ray Joubert on 30 years of service.*

has represented pharmacy on many committees.

From her nominator: "One can without hesitation state that Susan is an exemplary example of an individual advancing the efforts of SCP and CSHP in all aspects. Susan is an influential voice within and outside the profession. She is an inspiration to our future pharmacists as well as her colleagues. She practices with professionalism and innovation and is committed to excellence and is a worthy recipient of this award."

### **Paul Ortynsky**

Sadly, the second Honorary Life membership was awarded posthumously, to Paul Ortynsky of Canora. Paul passed away on March 21, 2007, but had received notification of his award prior to his death. Paul's daughter, MaryAnn Trischuk who is also a pharmacist, and her son Devon accepted the award on Paul's behalf.

Paul graduated from the U of S in 1947, beginning a long and successful career in pharmacy. During his working life, Paul established Canora Drugs then later became Director of Pharmacy for Canora Union Hospital, and continued to do to relief work until very recently.

Paul had a volunteer's spirit and

has worked tirelessly for his profession, his community and his province. In 2005 he was awarded the Lt. Governor's Centennial Medal, in 2002 he received the Lt. Governor's Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal and had previously won the A.H. Robin's Bowl of Hygeia in 1984.

As a graduate of 60 years from the College of Pharmacy, he has certainly been a dedicated member of his profession and community and is a deserving recipient of this prestigious award.

### **SCP AGM**

The 96<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists was held Saturday, April 28, 2007, chaired by President Sandiford.

President Sandiford introduced the members of Council and took a moment to thank Bill Paterson, who is retiring from Council, and Kim Sparrowhawk, Council's student representative, who has completed her term. At this time she introduced Justin Kosar, Senior Stick for 2007-2008, who will be joining Council in the coming year.

Reports were published in the latest Annual Report (available on the Saskatchewan section of the NAPRA website [www.napra.ca](http://www.napra.ca) or from the SCP office by request).

Members were given the opportunity to comment and ask questions on the following: the President's Report; the Registrar's Report; the Auditor's Report and the Report on the College of Pharmacy and Nutrition by Dean Dennis Gorecki.

Those in attendance were asked to rise for a moment of silent tribute to deceased members:

- Sherman (Sherry) K. Brooks
- Jeanne Irene Burynuik
- Dorval Arthur Card
- Reginald Fred Clarke
- Dale Ernest Frier
- Orval Lloyd Gamble
- Lawrence (Larry) Gilbert J. Gillott
- Thomas George Hegan
- Russell Bernard (Bernie) Helgason
- Arnold Clinton Johnson
- Paul Joseph Edward Ortynsky
- Jean Raymond Pelletier
- Anthony Paul Sellar
- Bruce Clarke Small
- Johan Asbjorn Svorokdal
- Col. Clifford Kenneth Temple
- William MacDonald Turner
- Donald Beryl Wilson
- Robert Wilford Wismer
- Edith Emily Wobeser

During the AGM the Registrar read into the record the names of those Retired members who have been granted the designation 'MESCP' (Member Emeritus Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists).

Hearing no further business President Sandiford adjourned the meeting.

### President's Luncheon

The last official function at the conference is the President's Luncheon, a time to award members for their efforts on behalf of the College: a time to recognize the out-going President and install the 2007-2008 President of the College.

President-Elect Bev Allen introduced the award winners as President Jeannette Sandiford presented the following awards:

**Certificate of Recognition** is presented to pharmacists for their outstanding service to the College.

- Arlene Kuntz – upon her retirement from the Awards and Honours Committee. Arlene has been on this committee since 1995 and has been the Chair of the committee since 2002.
- Linda Sulz – upon her retirement from the Awards and Honours Committee. Linda joined the committee in 2004.
- Bill Paterson – upon his retirement from Council. Bill joined Council in 2001 and was re-elected in 2003 and 2005, fulfilling the role of President in 2004-2005. During his time on Council Bill chaired the Complaints Committee.

We extend our best wishes and our thanks for your efforts on behalf of the College.

**Award of Merit** is presented to recognize any person (or group) who is not a member of the College, who

through their active participation has promoted the Saskatchewan College of Pharmacists and/or the profession of pharmacy in Saskatchewan.

The Canadian Pharmacists Association – CPhA was recognized for the special contribution made to pharmacy on this the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Association. Brian Stowe, CPhA President, was in attendance to accept the award.

President Sandiford reflected on her year in office – a busy year that passes in an instant. Before relinquishing the gavel she reflected upon the goals she had set at her installation and shared the accomplishments of the College over the year.

She then called upon the Registrar and President-Elect Bev Allen for the Presidential Installation. President Allen was in familiar territory, as he has worn the mantle of the office once before in 1987-1988. A personalized gavel was presented to Bev during the ceremony. (Please see the President's Address in its entirety on the cover of this issue.)

Registrar Joubert, on behalf of Bristol-Myers Squibb, presented President Sandiford with the Past President's Award, followed by the presentation of farewell gifts for Jeannette and her husband by incoming President-Elect George Furneaux.



*Susan Poulin (centre) receives her Honorary Life Membership.*



*Devon and MaryAnn Trischuk accepting Paul Ortynsky's Honorary Life Membership.*

## 2007 Interdisciplinary Conference

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