Canadian Digestive Disease Week 2014

This year’s Canadian Digestive Disease conference was held in Toronto from February 8-11th at the Fairmont Royal York highlighting the latest technologies in the fields of Gastroenterology and Hepatology.

National and International experts presented on digestive disorders, emergencies and challenging cases in both adult and pediatric patient care. Some of the highlights of the conference were the Breakfast with the experts, the small group sessions and the Gold medal lectures. All were extremely informative and relevant to healthcare in 2014.

A special thanks to Paul Sinclair, Palma Colacino and Sandra Daniels who provided outstanding support to the CSGNA. This year’s CAG/CSGNA Nurse Bursary recipient was Joan McKechnie as seen below in the photo being presented the award by Dr. Lawrence Hookey.
President’s Report

Get to know more about CSGNA

Everyone has something to offer. You can help share and spread the passion for gastroenterology nursing. Come out and get connected, attend chapter events, become a Chapter Executive, attend the National Conference and please do inquire about available Board Positions.

We are continuously revising and developing the Practice guidelines. This requires volunteers to sit on adhoc committees. Your input is most appreciated.

Educational programs help to enhance best practice. Please send along your ideas, they offer incredible value to future development.

Continue to show your support by renewing your membership for 2014 - 2015 (membership year runs from June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015) Join now! By renewing, you will continue to benefit by getting a discount on conference registration.

Come Celebrate CSGNA’s 30th Anniversary in Niagara Falls, Ontario October 2 - 4, 2014.

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Mabel Chaytor RN CGN(C)
President 2012-2014

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Please contact me about any comments you may have about this newsletter or any ideas for future issues.

Linda Pinches, Newsletter Editor
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- Submit all materials by email to the newsletter editor in word format.
- Submissions must be received by the first of the month preceding each issue i.e.: Feb 1st for March issues, June 1st for July issues and Oct 1st for November issues.
- Include all references using APA referencing.

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Synopsis CSGNA Board Teleconference Meeting
November 18th, 2013

ATTENDANCE: All existing board members.

REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF MINUTES AND AGENDA: Motions were passed to adopt minutes and the agenda was circulated, prior to the meeting.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: The vendor relations and conflict of interest policy documents were reviewed by a lawyer, and will be circulated for final approval by the board.

CHAPTER ISSUES: The regional directors provided information about pertinent chapter activities. Vancouver chapter has been inactive as its chapter executives have resigned. There have been no volunteers to fill their positions. Canada West Director Connie Wescott has attempted to create some involvement by networking with nurses in the region. The Central region chapters have remained active in providing educational opportunities for members. No significant changes have been noted by our new Canada East Director Paula Triantafillou in the Eastern chapters.

STANDING COMMITTEES: We have had a positive response from a call for members at large, for the standing committees. These members are expected to review documents prepared by the Practice and Public relations directors.

STRATEGIC PLAN: Consultant Annamarie Fuch’s, has been working with the board with the revision of our strategic plan. She will be providing the board with information sessions on the board governance.

CNA AWARD OF MERIT: Maria Cirocco and Usha Chauhan were nominated by CSGNA for the CNA award of merit in research and clinical practice. They have both contributed significantly to the GI specialty.

BYLAWS: The amendments to the bylaws presented to the membership in Banff, were approved by Industry Canada. The CNCA draft documents remain a work in progress, assisted by our legal counsel Theresa Mann.

COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE: We are looking to the IBD and Francophone groups for community of practice members. We need to focus on having more diverse network groups.

EDUCATION: Efforts have been made to have our National conference educational hours recognized by an accredited source, such as an academic institution or by CNA. There are IBD modules waiting to be posted online. This will be done once the conflict of interest/vendor endorsement policy is completed and approved by the board.

PRACTICE: The development of infection control and conscious sedation guidelines are the focus at the present time.

GUIDING LIGHT AND WEBSITE SPONSORSHIP: Some vendors have shown an interest in supporting the publishing of the Guiding Light, though none have committed so far.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarship funding continues to be reviewed by vendor sponsors, with changes in format and type of funding.

2014 CONFERENCE PLANNING: The Niagara conference planning is underway with many excellent speakers and interesting presentations planned. There is also planning for live Endoscopy to be transmitted from the therapeutic endoscopy program at St Mike’s hospital in Toronto, during the CSGNA conference.

NEXT MEETING: Face to Face in Toronto Feb 22nd-23rd, 2014.

Submitted by
Lorraine Majcen RN, BScN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Secretary
Our 2011 bylaw amendments that were passed by the members at the AGM in Banff in September 2013 received ministerial approval in November 2013. This means that CSGNA can now move forward with revisions and additions to the bylaws that will meet the Canadian Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (CNCA) compliance by October 17, 2014. We continue to work with Carter’s legal firm in Toronto to ensure we meet the act requirements by the deadline.

As a result of the amendments and the requirements of the CNCA, the changes to the member definition are in effect. The 2014 membership form will reflect the changes.

To summarize, there will only be one member class – Members. All others will be Affiliates.

VOTING
Registered Nurses, Registered Nurse Practitioners, and Licensed or Registered Practical Nurses (LPNs/RPNs) who work in health care based settings (hospitals, clinics, educational institutions, private practice, government agencies) with a Gastroenterology focus, in a clinical, advanced practice, supervisory, educator, research or administrative capacity. All members will be required to hold registration or licensure with their professional licensing body.

NONVOTING
Affiliates: Retired members and Honoraries who forfeit their registration or license may choose to apply to CSGNA as an affiliate following their retirement.

Associates who work in the field of Gastroenterology in a health care setting, who are not nurses, are also eligible to apply to CSGNA as an Affiliate. This includes Endoscopic reprocessing staff and nursing assistants.

Students, who are not registered or working as an RN or LPN/RPN, and are enrolled in a Bachelor of Nursing program or a Practical Nurse program are eligible to join CSGNA as affiliates.

Others engaged in activities relevant to the field of Gastroenterology, but not employed in a health care setting or in the practice of Gastroenterology Nursing will also be eligible for benefits as an Affiliate. This includes Representatives and Nurse Employees of industry and pharmaceutical companies.

Affiliates are not eligible to vote, and may not hold office on Chapter executive or the National Board. Associates may serve on or represent CSGNA on ad hoc committees as determined by the Chapter or National Board.

Honorary
These are members or affiliates who have contributed substantial time and effort toward the advancement of CSGNA. All past Presidents of CSGNA will be honored at the end of their term in office. Nominations for additional honorary awards may be submitted by any CSGNA member, to the Board. Honorary awards are to be voted on by the general membership in attendance at the annual general meeting.

Board and Chapter Executive
Only Registered Nurses and Registered Nurse Practitioners will be permitted to serve on the National Board and as Chapter Presidents. LPNs/RPNs may be elected by their chapter to serve on the Chapter Executive as Secretary or Treasurer or on ad hoc Chapter or Board committees as Members at Large. All Registered or Licensed nurse members will be eligible to vote up to the point at which they no longer register or maintain their professional licensure.

I would like to thank the Bylaws Committee of the Board for their diligent and ongoing work in sifting through the many requirements of the Act and in applying them to our existing and upcoming bylaws. Your time and commitment is greatly appreciated!

I would also like to thank those members who offered assistance in reviewing new practice documents, sitting on ad hoc committees and translating existing documents into French. You are CSGNA’s greatest resources! With your input and assistance, we will succeed in completing our strategic goals and move our organization forward for all of our members.

If you are interested in assisting the Board by volunteering your expertise, please indicate on your 2014 Membership renewal form.

Submitted by
Lisa Westin, RN, MN, CGN(C)
CSGNA President Elect
It’s that time again and each Chapter has been busy planning and hosting their education days. These are great opportunities to get together to share ideas and knowledge and to network with our GI peers. After the winter we endured in the Maritimes, we are all looking forward to retiring our shovels and enjoying the summer months ahead! See you all in Niagara Falls!

Submitted by Paula Triantafillou RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada East Director

I had the opportunity to attend the 2014 Canadian Digestive Diseases Week (CDDW) in Toronto at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in early February. The four day GI conference program was amazing. Next year, the CDDW will be held in beautiful Banff, AB. Check it out.

The Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) Certification Day is celebrated this year on March 19, 2014. Enjoy this special day and congratulate all the certified nurses in your workplace. Best wishes to all the nurses who will be writing their CNA GI certification exam in April.

Congratulations to those nurses who successfully completed their GI certification renewal process also.

The conference is part theory and for the most part interactive. We hope to see our colleagues from the Island of Montreal, perhaps Quebec City and its surroundings.

The CNA certification exam is coming up very soon. Attending the conference is a great opportunity to get questions answered and network.

Reported by Montreal Chapter
President Mildred Clement

The Ottawa Chapter has a half day spring conference planned for April 12, 2014. They have three speakers arranged. Details are not available yet.

Reported by Ottawa Chapter
Secretary Monique Travers

The Greater Toronto & Area Chapter educational event will be held on April 26, 2014 at St Joseph’s Health Centre in Toronto in the education centre of the hospital. The conference poster is available on the CSGNA website.

The Chapter Secretary and Treasurer positions will be vacant this spring. GTA members, please consider stepping up to the challenge. Thank you to Bev and Mark for your invaluable contributions to CSGNA.

Reported by Greater Toronto & Area Chapter
President Daysi Sandino

The Central Ontario Chapter is trying to arrange a half day educational seminar in the spring, hopefully at the end of April or early May. Suggested topics include Hepatitis, Eosinophilic Esophagitis and

The Chapter Executive is looking for help to fill the vacant secretary position. If you are interested, please contact Donna Bremaud or Liz Robins.

Golden Horseshoe Chapter
I hope this cold snowy winter has not got everyone down on 2014 yet. The Golden Horseshoe Chapter has a lot coming with the better weather. The 2014 Planning Committee has been busy with our upcoming National Conference in Niagara Falls in October. We are working on a very exciting and innovative program. Please watch for more details very soon.

The Golden Horseshoe Chapter is also planning a spring education event in Mississauga. Trillium Health will be organizing the event and it will likely be held in May or June.

Reported by Golden Horseshoe Chapter
President Jody Hannah

The London & Area Chapter are planning for a full day conference this year. It was supposed to be a spring event but it might be later. The Chapter Executive still needs a Chapter Secretary. If you are interested, please contact Donna Pratt or Deborah Holmes.

Reported by London & Area Chapter
Treasurer Deborah Holmes

Plan to join us at the CSGNA 30th National Conference on October 2-4, 2014 in Niagara Falls, ON. The Planning Committee is working very hard to put together a great program for you.

Submitted by Joan McKechnie RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada Centre Director
Vancouver Island Chapter
After a very quiet fall for the Chapter (and a very busy time for our workplace), we are ready to start planning some educational opportunities for our members on Vancouver Island. We are hoping to have 2 evening education events over the next few months.

We have had several re-certifications this year...Way to go! To those members who have taken the initiative to maintain certification. Elections are due to take place in April when we will be holding our AGM. Looking forward to a great year ahead!

Reported by Andrea White President Vancouver Island Chapter

Okanagan Chapter
The Okanagan Chapter is excited for this New Year! We have another of our Members eligible for the CNA Exam this year and she's busy studying for the Spring - good luck Margaret . . . we’re all cheering for you. She will bring our GI Certified number to 11!

We are organizing our February dinner talk for the middle of the month and then the monthly journal reviews will get going again in March.

Here in Kelowna, we began working with the BC Cancer agency for screening positive FIT patients in the local area. For now, this program funding will run December to March and help get some of these high risk patients in for their colonoscopies. We so value this opportunity to try and prevent some colon cancers. Working with an exterior agency has meant changing our regular paperwork for these specific patients - which has been challenging at times. Hopefully the funding will continue as bringing this potentially life-saving awareness to our population is such a benefit.

Reported by Bethany Rode Okanagan Chapter President

Alberta Southwest Regional Chapter
Members of the Southwest Regional Chapter have had a very busy year! We enjoyed our joint venture organizing the National Chapter amongst an ongoing 2 year renovation of our Day Procedures unit. We finished the third and final stage of renovations the first week of December.

Our unit increased from two endoscopy rooms to four. We now have our own Fluoroscopy room on the unit to do ERCP’s and stents only steps away. We have increased our Prep and Recovery beds to 8 with an additional 4 swing beds shared with other entities on our unit. We have been oriented to Bronchoscopies and have taken on this role during work hours as well as call.

We have upgraded our Motility system and increased staff and patient flow. We now have our own booking clerk utilizing our space and staff more efficiently. It has been a year of learning and growth!

Amongst this organized chaos we have continued with our regular CSGNA meetings and welcome Stefanie Nicol to the board as Treasurer. We are preparing for an upcoming Educational Day next fall utilizing some of our new Doctors to share their expertise on the “Big C”.

We have accomplished much over the past year in our personal progress as a unit and look forward to hosting another education day to share with nurses in our region.

Reported by Merrill Wight for Barb Harbers

Central Alberta Chapter
Central Alberta CSGNA Chapter has been gearing up for another fantastic Education Day on April 26, 2914. We have chosen Bariatrics as our topic and our title is "Bariatrics ... Balancing the Scales". We are using an interdisciplinary approach and will walk the attendees through the process of having Bariatric Surgery from beginning to end and everything in between.

We are quite excited about the day, and hope to see many of you there. We are also having a dinner meeting where one of our Rep’s will be highlighting some more of their wares.

Many of our members are off in the sunshine trying to escape Alberta's cold, snowy weather. See you at our Education Day!!!!

Reported by Brenda Perlau, President of Central Alberta CSGNA Chapter

Calgary Chapter
The Calgary chapter just had an excellent dine & learn sponsored by Janssen of Johnson & Johnson. Our presenter was none other than Joan Heatherington speaking on the topic of Ulcerative Colitis. One of the newer UC drugs - Symponi, was introduced to the group.

The chapter is in its final planning stages for its April 5 the education day
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being held @ our newest hospital in the city. Keep an eye out for information on this coming soon.

Our chapter will be sadly saying good bye to our talented secretary Michelle Larocque. She will be replaced by Robyn Maynard who is keen and will keep our executive on its toes-welcome.

Reported by Connie Wescott Calgary Chapter President

Edmonton Chapter

We’ve had two very informative and interactive evening education sessions this membership year.

Our first dinner / education session was hosted at the Royal Alexandra Hospital in October. Dr. Clarence Wong spoke on “Barrett’s Esophagus Update” and on “FIT TEST – the ‘NEW’ Alberta Colon Screening Tool”. There were 37 delegates and we had one new member join CSGNA.

Our appreciation goes to chapter member Kathy Korner for all of her work to organize and chair this session. Special thanks go to our company sponsor WARNER CHILCOTT for their interest and support in our chapter’s education and this session.

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Reported by Connie Wescott Calgary Chapter President

Regina Chapter

The CSGNA Regina Chapter enjoyed a Dinner Meeting on December 3rd, 2013. We evaluated the success of our GI Education Day. Good job team! An in-service on clips and dilators was provided by Olympus on December 11th. We also had an in-service by Cook on Hemospray held in January.

An election for a new executive team was held on January 29, 2014. Jennifer McIntyre was nominated as new member Lucie Greffard-Aubin for all the work she did as this site’s program leader and event Chair. Special thanks go to our company sponsor ABBVIE for their continued interest in our chapter’s endeavors and for providing this educational opportunity.

Vicky Oberg is busy organizing our third education session. It will be held in April at the University Hospital. Dr. Chris Teshima has been confirmed to speak on “Endoscopic Ultrasound (EUS) Drainage of the Pancreatic Pseudocyst “. The second topic is yet to be announced.

We have rescheduled our one day conference on “Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD)” to Saturday, October 18. There are four Alberta Chapters and spring is the preferred time of year to host annual conferences.

We are hoping that by offering an annual conference in the fall, it will give a more balanced educational year to nurses & associates in combination with the other chapters’ events. If successful, we plan to make that our signature time of year to host our Edmonton Chapter Annual Conferences.

Reported by Yvonne Verklan, RN CGN(c)
President Edmonton Chapter

Manitoba Chapter

The November 27th meeting of the Manitoba Chapter of the CSGNA was held at the Tapestry Restaurant located at The Niakwa Country Club and was hosted by Shawna Gillespie from Cook.

The meeting was called to order at 2010hr by President Carol Reidy with 20 attendees.

A delicious supper was provided by Cook Canada. During the meal a very informative presentation was given to those present by Cook Canada with Dr. Steve McClave’s recorded presentation on Enteral Feeding.

We will have our next meeting on February 11/14 with a Presentation organized by our sponsor Kylee Schell, Territory Manager-Conmed Canada. (Agenda: Cross contamination, infection prevention, Endoscope management).

We expect a good turnout.

Sue Drysdale RN CGC(C) has been providing members with educational articles from Up to Date for review to attain further education hours from our chapter.

Reported by Carol Reidy RN, CGN(C)
Manitoba Chapter President

Submitted by

Connie Wescott RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada West Director
### DIRECTOR OF AWARDS AND RESEARCH REPORT

This year is proving to be another challenging year for educational grants. As more of the American based companies strive to comply with the new Health Care Compliance Code of Conduct, funding for educational grants becomes exceedingly difficult.

Having said that, we are still very privileged to have SciCan continuing their support of our nurses by way of four $500 educational grants for our members to help offset the expenses of attending the conference in Niagara Falls this year.

Please remember that the application for the SciCan grants does require that the applicant be nominated from the local chapter. The criteria is the same as when it was a single grant in that we are accepting one nomination from each chapter and then will do 4 random draws for the $500.

All scholarship applications are found on the website as well as detailed instructions on the criteria required for each. We are continuing to explore all avenues to increase our number of educational grants available for our membership.

Submitted by
Donna Bremaud RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Director of Awards and Research

### PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT

I attended an Advanced Nursing Practice Leadership conference in Edmonton in March. An exciting venue for advanced practice nurses to display their evidence based research.

I will be attending the Edmonton Chapter’s education night coming up in late April on Treatment of Pancreatic Pseudocysts. In May I will be attending a 3 day NP conference in Edmonton and am hoping to network with other AP nurses. In June I am also hoping to attend the Alberta Digestive Disease conference in Lake Louise, Alberta. A busy spring for educational opportunities and networking!

Document review and editing is ongoing. I am hoping to start working on a social media policy in the coming weeks.

Submitted by
Dana Letto BN RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Public Relations Director

### PRACTICE DIRECTOR REPORT

Work is continuing on updating position statements, statements and guidelines and finding more recent references. Particularly; Role of the RN Performed Flexible Sigmoidoscopy.

As well work continues on guidelines for Infection Control and Conscious Sedation. In addition we have recently had our standards translated and will be posted to the web site shortly.

Wishing all members a great spring after a long hard winter.

Respectfully Submitted
Sandy Stone RN CGN(C)
CSGNA Practice Director

### NEWSLETTER EDITOR & WEBSITE DIRECTOR REPORT

We still do not have a sponsor to cover the yearly printing of the Guiding light newsletter. The newsletter will be submitted via mass email to the members from May 2014 via a PDF or digital version.

The CSGNA executive will be submitting a request for proposals to various companies for website revision and management of both website and the guiding light newsletter.

The website is being updated frequently with educational chapter events and conferences.

Please submit any educational events or conferences that you would like posted on the website to me at websitedirectornewslettereditor@csgna.com. These events will also be included in the monthly e-newsletter.

As always, we are looking for any articles related to new techniques, procedures, patient care and changes within your workplace that may be interesting to the CSGNA members.

Please submit any article to me at websitedirectornewslettereditor@csgna.com.

Thanks and have a great spring and summer.

Submitted by
Linda Pinches RN CGN(C)
Website Director & Newsletter Editor
CSGNA EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE

The following board positions are available this September:

- Newsletter Editor & Website Director
- Awards & Research Director
- Canada Centre Director
- Canada West Director (1yr term)
- Public Relations Director
- Practice Director

These are 2 year positions commencing in the fall of 2014. The job descriptions can be found on the CSGNA website - "Members Only" section. Login, click on "Members Only" heading, select "Job Descriptions for the Executive Board Positions."

Please submit your nomination form to the CSGNA President via mail or email by May 15, 2014.

Please consider stepping out of the box and submitting your nomination. You will grow as a person, not to mention the wonderful experiences and friendships you will gain.

MEMBERSHIP RUNS FROM JUNE 1ST TO MAY 31ST ANNUALLY

CSGNA MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS REWARDS!!!

CSGNA is committed to investing in the professional development of its members. If you are a member you may be eligible for funding opportunities, through the national scholarship fund, to help offset your conference costs.

- Check the CSGNA website for national funds available (for both nurses and allied health professionals)
- Contact your chapter for local scholarship opportunities
- Your professional association (RNAO in Ontario) may have education funds available
- Your hospital/department may also have an educational fund that you may be able to tap into
- Your local chapter executive/or unit manager may be able to assist you with the process

Follow the application process and good luck! We hope to see you in Niagara Falls.

CSGNA MEMBERSHIP FORM

A new bilingual membership form is available now on the CSGNA website. Please print the form and mail-in your completed application and cheque payment before May 31, 2014.

You may also renew/join online and pay with Visa or MasterCard: CSGNA Online Application.
MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Check one)

- Member $100.00 Open to Registered Nurses, Registered Nurse Practitioners, Licensed Practical Nurses and Registered Practical Nurses who hold valid provincial registration or license and are in good standing and work in health care based settings (hospitals, clinics, educational institutions, private practice, government agencies) with a Gastroenterology focus, in a clinical, advanced practice, supervisory, educator, research or administrative capacity.

- Affiliate $100.00 Open to those who no longer qualify to be members of CSGNA by reason of not having a valid registration or license as an RN, RNP, LPN or RPN. People who work in the field of Gastroenterology who are not registered/licensed nurses (endoscopic reprocessors, assistants, BSN, LPN/RPN students). Others engaged in activities of the field of Gastroenterology, but not employed in a health care setting (representatives and nurse employees of industry and pharmaceutical companies).

FORMULE D’APPLICATION (Cochez Un)

- Membre 100,00$
  Ouvert aux Infirmières Autorisées, Infirmières Pratiques Autorisées, Infirmières Auxilières Licenciées, Infirmières Auxilières Autorisées qui détiennent un enregistrement provincial ou une licence valide, sont en règles et travaillent dans des établissements de santé (hôpitaux, cliniques, institutions éducatives, pratique privée, agences gouvernementales) principalement en gastroentérologie soignant dans le domaine clinique, la pratique avancée, surveillance, éducation, recherche ou administration.

- Affiliée 100,00$
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APPLICANT INFORMATION/INFORMATION DU MEMBRE

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SURNAMES/NOM DE FAMILLE

FIRST NAME/PRÉNOM

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CITY/VILLE

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POSTAL CODE/ CODE POSTAL

HOME PHONE/TELEPHONE (MAISON)

HOSPITAL/OFFICE/COMPANY NAME/ NOM DE L’HÔPITAL/BUREAU/COMPAGNIE

BUSINESS PHONE/TELEPHONE (TRAVAIL)

TITLE/POSTION

EDUCATION/ÉDUCATION (CHECK ONE/COchez UN)

OTHER/AUTRE (EXPLAIN/SPÉCIFIEZ)

CNA MEMBER/MEMBRE AIC

YES/ OUI NO/ NON

CNA CERTIFICATION IN GASTROENTEROLOGY/CERTIFICATION EN GASTROENTÉROLOGIE DE L’AIC

MEMBERSHIP/ABONNEMENT (CHECK ONE/COchez UN)

RENEWAL/RÉNOUVELLEMENT

NEW/NOUVEAU

CHAPTER NAME/NOM DU CHAPITRE

LANGUAGE/LANGAGE

ENGLISH/ ANGLAIS

FRENCH/FRANÇAIS

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ENDOSCOPY/ENDOSCOPIE

MEDICINE/SURGERY/MÉDECINE/CHIRURGIE

PEDIATRICS/PÉDIATRIE

INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE/MALADIES INFLAMMATOIRES DE L’ESTOMAC

ADVANCED PRACTICE/PRATIQUE AVANCÉE

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REVIEWING NEW CSGNA PRACTICE DOCUMENTS/ EXAMINER LES NOUVEUX DOCUMENTS DE PRATIQUE CSGNA

ASSISTING WITH FRENCH TRANSLATION OF PRACTICE DOCUMENTS AND WEBSITE INFORMATION/ AIDER AVEC LA TRADUCTION EN FRANÇAIS DES DOCUMENTS DE PRATIQUES ET D’INFORMATIONS DU SITE WEB

The Guiding Light
Celebrate National GI Nurses Day on Friday May 16, 2014!

Join your colleagues and celebrate ways in which CSGNA members are a Leading Force for Change.

Send your 2014 GI Nurses Day photos and stories to Linda Pinches RN CGN (c) CSGNA Newsletter Editor/Website Director newslettereditorwebsitedirector@csgna.com
On March 21, 2014 we celebrated the long awaited retirement of our Patient Care Coordinator and long time friend, Linda Feltham.

After thirty nine years of nursing she finally decided to hand in her letter and leave her life as an Endoscopy Nurse and enjoy a new phase of her life. Linda grew up in Gander NL and attended the General Hospital School of Nursing in St John’s graduating in 1975.

After trying different positions she became an endoscopy nurse in 1980 at the GI Unit, HSC St John’s, Newfoundland where she has remained for thirty four years. As the Patient Care Coordinator in the GI Unit, Linda dedicated her life to her nursing career and passion for endoscopy nursing.

Over the years we have seen many changes and the demands for Endoscopy service has greatly increased. Linda worked tirelessly to meet these demands always making quality patient care a priority.

She welcomed new staff and physicians and ensured they were highly qualified and met the standards developed by the specialty. She mentored her nursing staff and as a result those who have worked with her have respected her knowledge and years of experience.

Linda has always been an active member of the CSGNA. She has been on the executive of the NL Chapter holding positions of President, Secretary and Treasurer.

She also held the position of Canada East Director on the National Board.

She was indeed dedicated to her specialty and has spent endless hours with our chapter, planning conferences and education sessions. Linda has always encouraged membership and ensured her staff was able to attend the National CSGNA Conference every year.

Anyone who knows Linda will always remember her laughter. It was unique, infectious and would make others smile just to hear it. In her speech at her retirement dinner she asked that we always have fun and laughter in our workplace even on a stressful busy day as it really does help you cope.

I think I can speak for all of those who have worked with her, from the nurses, physicians, support staff, management and many others, that the GI Unit will not be the same without Linda.

She will be missed and we will have many fond memories from all those years. The walls of the GI Unit at the Health Science Centre will echo her laughter and still make us smile!

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Linda as she enters a new phase of her life and a well deserved retirement.

Submitted by:
June Peckham RN CGN(C)
# CSGNA Chapter Executive List 2013-14

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