

The Results of the Long Journey

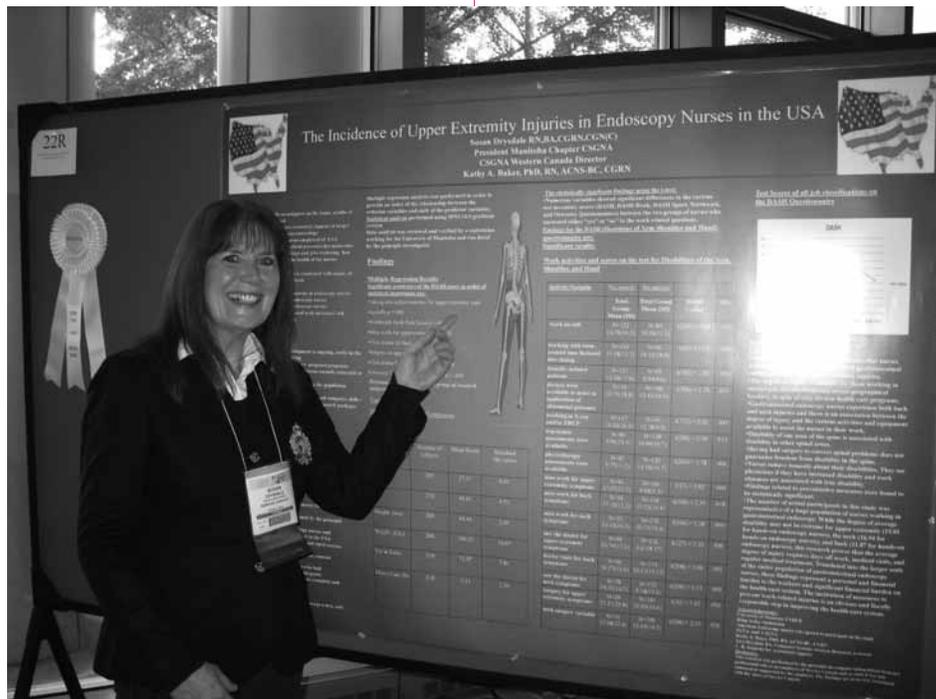
In 2005, I started a journey into the research world and I never imagined that it would take me until 2011 and across two countries and three research projects to finally complete the process.

At university, when I was studying my major in psychology, it was mandatory to complete courses in statistics and research methods. Being a person who was always intimidated by mathematics, I did not enter into that association easily. However, being a person to never give up, I earned an "A" in my courses and started to put what I had learned into practice.

My first real research endeavour involved a study into the incidence of upper extremity injuries in nurses working in endoscopy in Winnipeg, MB. When I approached my supervisor at my workplace at the time about a possible collaborative relationship on the research, I was met with many attempts to squash the research before it could be completed. Thanks to the ethical behaviour of the research nurse who attended the meeting that

was planned to end my research, I was able to complete the project irrespective of any employer input. The University of Manitoba reviewed my proposal and gave it approval. Both CSGNA and SGNA supported nurses performing research in endoscopy and gave me letters of support to that end.

The nurses in endoscopy centres in Winnipeg assisted by completing the research packages. The project was partially supported by Tim Haight of Boston Scientific. The results came in and they were inconsistent in that nurses working at two of the major centres showed significantly different disability



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scores. That study was published in the Gastroenterology Nursing Journal in 2007.

In order to further seek the true scores for disability of the upper extremity in endoscopy nurses, I decided to perform a study on endoscopy nurses working in Canada. That study was partially supported by Mike Enns of Olympus Canada. The results were reported in a poster presentation at the CSGNA annual conference in Toronto in 2009. The manuscript was published in the Gastroenterology Nursing Journal in 2011. The results showed a disability rate equal to the lower of the two differing scores in the Manitoba study. Since there was still a question remaining about whether the results were a true indication of disability in this population, a further study was planned. The study population was

gastroenterology nurses working in the USA. In addition to studying disability of the upper extremity in this group, I also investigated disability of the back and neck. Because there was no financial support for this project, it was more difficult to complete than the previous projects. The project was made somewhat easier by the support of researcher and mentor Dr. Kathy Baker, editor of the GNJ. In 2010, at the Edmonton CSGNA annual course, a version of the research was presented in poster form. The findings for this project supported the findings of the Canadian study. In May 2011, the poster was improved upon, displayed at the annual SGNA course in Indianapolis, Indiana and it was awarded a second place ribbon for research. The manuscript has been submitted for review by the GNJ.

I hope that this personal experience with research will serve to be an example of the outcome that can be accomplished if nurses act in ethical ways in search of the truth. There are enough professional people in our discipline to support those who have a question, research it, find the answer, tell the story, and add to the literature that is based on evidence. I believe that this experience has renewed my faith in the system and perhaps helped to give me some of my optimism back. I thank all of those who have helped me since the inception of this project.

Respectfully submitted by,
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CSGNA Canada West Director ❁

This article has been accepted for publication in SIGNEA's newsletter.

Congratulations Sue!



SGNA 38th Annual Course

The Link Between Practice and Care: Courage Commitment Collaboration

What a valuable learning opportunity. The SGNA course program provided education sessions that certainly met the needs of the novice to the expert experience level.

The Schedule At-A-Glance and Do-It-Yourself Calendar certainly helped in choosing classes. As professionals, the importance of keeping up to date is essential in our continually changing practice of gastroenterology nursing.

The high quality sessions covered current technologies, a wide range of clinical research and professional topics that is basic to improving our nursing practice and continuing education. An Evidence-Based Resource for Gastroenterology Nurses: The Joanna Briggs Institute was a stellar presentation by Kathy Baker and Susan Mace Weeks.

The Exhibit Hall was massive. Over 100 knowledgeable representatives from the best in industry

demonstrated products, services and cutting edge technologies to each and every one visiting their booths.

I enjoyed the hands-on demonstrations, troubleshooting tips and answers to our many questions from the leading authorities on complex challenging devices and accessories. Their first hand knowledge and solutions to problems were exceptional.

The Poster Centre is one of my favourite educational activities. Research and Education had over 40 posters on display. To examine and learn from dedicated gastroenterology colleagues who present and influence changes in our practice is awesome. This year's winner was our very own Susan Drysdale with her poster called "The Incidence Of Upper Extremity

Injuries In Endoscopy Nurses In The USA". Congratulations to Susan Drysdale, an exceptional professional 100% GI Nurse.

The International Attendee Meeting was great. We shared and learned from fellow nurses nationally and internationally. By talking, asking and answering about what we do in our units, we gained new-found knowledge.

Respectfully submitted by,
Mabel Chaytor RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA President Elect ♦



Board Members



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In the Spotlight

Grand River Hospital, Kitchener, Ontario

Grand River Hospital (formerly Kitchener-Waterloo Health Center) is an acute care hospital serving the Waterloo Region. After many years of being a part of Day Surgery, we were fortunate to have our own Endoscopy Unit open in November 2009 with dedicated staff. We are under the umbrella of the Golden Horseshoe Chapter of the CSGNA.

We have 7 RNs, 4 RPNs and a unit assistant to help our very busy unit run smoothly. The department has two endoscopy suites running five days a week and we provide care to approximately 175 patients on the unit as well as doing emergency off unit procedures and ERCPs in the Medical Imaging Department. We are part of the Regional Colonoscopy Network which is a colon cancer screening program funded by Cancer Care Ontario and have done 408 colonoscopies since the program began in March 2010.

Our nursing staff are very lucky to have fifteen very skilled physicians to work with. The seven

gastroenterologists and eight surgeons are always ready and willing to teach us all they can to enable us to maintain our high level of care and expertise. With their assistance, we are hoping to become one of the new facilities to offer the nurse performed flexible sigmoidoscopy program this fall.

When planning our unit, it was designed in such a way that the Sterile Reprocessing Department is between both of the suites. Each procedure room has a clean and dirty door with a clean and dirty area for the endoscopes. It is run by dedicated SPD staff to help make it a safe and cost effective unit.

All of our staff take pride in providing excellent patient care. We continually look forward to educational events so we can increase our knowledge and continue to deliver top quality care to all of our patients.

Respectfully submitted by,
Christine Couture RN &
Margaret Hackert RN ♦



Grand River Hospital decontamination area.



Grand River Hospital endoscopy suite.



Grand River Hospital nursing staff.

Synopsis of CSGNA Board of Directors

Toronto, Ontario • February 12th, 2011

1. **REVIEW/ADDITIONS/ADOPT THE AGENDA:** Agenda was adopted with addition of discussion about the CSGNA website picture, standards of practice, upcoming positions on the board and the annual report. Motion to adopt the agenda with additions was made by Betty Kennah and seconded by Mabel Chaytor.
2. **APPROVAL FOR THE NOVEMBER EMAIL MEETING:** Minutes of November 2010 teleconference meeting were accepted by Cindy James and Marianne Dorais.
3. **PRE-MEETING REPORT:** Reports from all executive members were circulated and reviewed prior to meeting.
4. **WELCOME:** Joanne welcomed everyone for attending the meeting. We have a very busy agenda for the meeting.
5. **REPORTS: Canada West, Center, and East:** Reports from all the chapters were received except from Vancouver Regional and South Western Ontario chapters. Financial statement was received from Vancouver Regional Chapter however; there is no communication from the South Western Ontario Chapter. We are concerned if these chapters are fulfilling their educational requirements. Suggestion was made to have the CSGNA president send a letter to the South Western Ontario Chapter stating that their chapter will be revoked at the end of the year. The money they have in the chapter account along with the account information should be sent to the national treasurer. Question was raised about the inception of each chapter. We have no history of when chapters were

formed. Some of the chapters do not display the chapter charters; this will provide the history of the chapter.

6. **WEBSITE AND NEWSLETTER:** We are looking at on-line voting for nominations for the national positions and bylaws. Currently, we are getting estimates from various vendors about on-line voting. This may not be ready for this year but we are hoping it will be ready for 2012. We are also looking at other changes to the website such as being able to change the password and pictures on the website.
7. **EDUCATION: Certification –** The certification numbers have dropped, only 60% of the certified members have renewed their certification. CNA is flexible, if there are members who still want to recertify they will make some allowances. Even though the actual certification numbers are low, overall we are doing well. The reason why nurses are not certifying is the cost of initial certification. We also need our doctors and the institution to support nurses who want to certify. Some provinces recognize the certified nurses financially, in BC certified nurses do not get a raise in the hourly rate. We may want the nurses union or CAG to promote certification and the importance of employing certified nurses. **Education program –** We have had a number of vendors come up with educational material they would like posted on the CSGNA website. We have contacted the iPal interactive learning, one hour on-line will cost a lot of money. Another option would include a Learning Link from USA, they will give us

an option of having our own presenters. We can have our annual conference speakers available for our membership. It would be beneficial for our membership. Additionally, we could also have some of the chapter events posted on the website. This would provide a wealth of information. Before we move forward we have to get advice from legal counsel. **Collaboration with SGNA –** We need to talk to SGNA and have their educational material available to our membership. This will be an additional educational option for the membership but we need to make sure that we have content applicable to Canada. **Vendors –** Joanne and Mabel met representatives from Pentex about their train the trainer course. This course provides 4 hours of continuous education. They would like CSGNA to endorse the course and inform our membership about the program. We have not endorsed this program but once we have a legal counsel, we will be in a position to have this available. Olympus has their own train the trainer program but they have not had CSGNA approval. Before we approve these programs, we also need feedback from CAG. Marianne will discuss this further with CAG. **CSGNA annual abstract submission –** We have extended the date for submission by two weeks. **Guidelines –** We need to develop patient monitoring during propofol administration in endoscopy. The nurse does not administer the propofol, it is done by the machine. We need general patient safety

and monitoring guidelines. There are a number of legal implications when it comes to use of propofol in endoscopy and we have to do more research. We can also have links to propofol articles posted on our website.

8. **PRACTICE:** We are in the process of updating some of our guidelines.
9. **AWARD AND RESEARCH:** This year, Donna Bremaud and Susan Drysdale have developed a new Research Scholarship. Criteria for this scholarship is now completed and an application form will be posted on the website.
10. **TREASURER:** We need to get the chapter report in a timely manner so we can do the accounting. The chapter income report is not sent in with the final chapter report. We really need to look at the reporting mechanism. We have 20 chapters and reports from 9 chapters are received. This may be something that we can send as an email reminder. **Scholarship money** – We need complete details of who gets the money, scholarship, chapter of the year awards before or by the annual meeting. This should not be kept a secret from the treasurer. This year, there is approximately \$2000 that is not cashed. We have to get this off the books. **Edmonton Conference** – The conference account has been reconciled. Since we have separated the vendor sponsorship to go towards the CSGNA operation cost, the aim of the conference is not to make a profit. It costs \$60,000 annually to operate CSGNA. The conference cost \$224,000 and we do not have money in the operating account. If there was a disaster then we are held responsible for the conference cost. The insurance does not cover the cost of the conference in case of a disaster. As for the 10% of the conference profit going

to the hosting chapter, we need to look at the bylaws. The Edmonton chapter did refuse the 10% but it was not the Edmonton chapter, it was the planning committee. In the past, it was an expectation, however Edmonton questioned us but they did not turn us down. The money makes up for the loss of hosting an educational event. **Budget for Ottawa** – Ottawa needs a template to calculate their budget. We can use the same template. **CDHF donation** – Donation of \$2865 was made in November. This was calculated based on \$5 per member.

11. **PUBLIC RELATIONS: The Guiding Light cover page** – This was won by the Central Alberta Chapter, they are really passionate about GI nursing and they used the well known GI-Joe. **Student Nurse Conference** – I had an opportunity to attend the student nurse conference. CSGNA had a booth, the students were very excited about GI nursing. This will allow the younger nurses to join the organization. We raffled a free draw for one student to attend the annual CSGNA conference. The student has to submit a poster in order to attend the conference. Heather has sent the 2011 Ottawa conference information to the student nurse who has won the draw. **Student rate for attending CSGNA conference** – A motion was made to allow a full time undergraduate student nurse or a full time practical student nurse to attend CSGNA conference at reduced rate. **Promoting CSGNA as a special interest group** – Joanne has given all the information she has collected thus far about having CGSNA as a special interest group to the Alberta professional nursing licensing body. They are offering a grant to start up a chapter. This grant can be utilized for

chapter members to attend the annual conference. **Travel policy for board members** – The directors are interested in travelling to the membership to promote visibility of national executives. At the present time, our budget is restricted. Lisa and Joanne are reviewing her institutional policy and working on creating a travel policy for CSGNA. The proposed travel policy will include budget, criteria stipulating that the requesting members should be promoting CSGNA activity or GI certification. The proposed request will be reviewed by the Finance Committee which included Canada East and West Directors and the Treasurer. A completed policy will be circulated to the board. **Links on the website** – Lisa will look at special interest groups that would be of benefit to our membership and will have the link posted on CSGNA website. **Promoting CSGNA** – We need to promote CSGNA when attending other special interest groups. This can be achieved through having something that we can give out such as a bookmark or a brochure with some information about our group as well as our website.

12. **PRESIDENT ELECT AND BYLAWS: Bylaw revisions** – We need to make an amendment that the bylaws can be voted on the website. **New bylaws** – We need new bylaws for standing committees, award, scholarship, website, newsletter and new research award. We also need to ask our membership for those who may be interested in being members at large. Susan will write a bylaw for the research award and send to Mabel.
13. **CAG and CSGNA:** Joanne introduced Paul Sinclair from CAG. Paul thanked the board members for allowing him to come and talk to the CSGNA board members. He would like to see this occurring on an

annual basis. The CAG strategic plan was presented by Paul Sinclair. Overall, they are facing some challenges and they went through a reorganization and now have 5 board of directors. Below the board, are 5 committees; nominations, operation, audit, president's council and Canadian Digestive Health Foundation with the key committee being the operations committee. Below the operation committee, are 4 subcommittees which include clinical affairs, education affairs, research affairs and administration affairs. The clinical affairs have leaders for endoscopy, practice affairs, quality practice, regional representation and paediatrics. The administrative affair has 6 subcommittees which include admission, publication, ethics, equity and gender, liaison and international affairs and public relations. The key subcommittees include clinical affairs and liaison committees. This is a bottom-up approach.

GI certification – CSGNA would like the CAG members to support and endorse the importance of having GI certified nurses working in the endoscopy suite. We are hoping this will allow us to go to management for their support for GI certification.

CAG-nurse bursary – There are 2 bursaries, one endoscopy and one research. Each bursary is \$750 plus CDDW registration and one year CAG membership. Over the last few years there has not been a huge interest. Paul had a short discussion with Donna recently. One suggestion made was to combine the two bursaries to one because the \$750 may not be enough to attend a conference. Alternatively, we could consider a CAG-CSGNA Quality Bursary which would align with CAG priority. This could be presented to one committed GI nurse. Our members are not applying for

our CSGNA bursaries. This may be due to lack of awareness. One way to increase awareness is to send out email blitz. Palma can set up an email blitz which is very cheap. Once a month, notifications can be sent out to the membership. One suggestion is to get it branded.

Endoscopy quality program and CSGNA support – CAG would like CSGNA's support with the Global Rating Scale (GRS), the quality endoscopy program. Currently there are 25 sites involved and CAG would like all the endoscopy units in Canada to participate. The GRS program committee includes Catherine Dube, Roger Hollingsworth, Don Mackintosh, David Armstrong, Ron Bridges, Sandra Daniels and Paul Sinclair. This is an endoscopy quality initiative which is web-based, patient centred audit looking at an evaluation of service provided. There is a baseline audit and 6 month follow-up audit. Catherine Dube has had a number of wins with management. The data collection is web-based through blackberry, i-phone or PC desktop. The data is centrally housed and is available immediately for review. We are looking for 2-3 CSGNA representatives to join the Quality committee and be champions of the program to the CSGNA members. The committee will meet annually at CDDW. The quality program needs a team approach which includes a nurse, hospital administration and physicians. CSGNA can play a critical role in rolling out this program.

Review and approval of CSGNA Educational Material – The CAG Clinical affairs will review and endorse CSGNA Position Statements and Guidelines. Currently we are in the process of reviewing some of the guidelines and developing new guidelines. We will have possibly 2-3

documents annually to be reviewed by CAG. Joint meeting – CAG and CSGNA can host their annual meetings together, having a joint meeting can be cheaper.

Wait time program – CAG has 2 wait time programs: 2008 CAGE and 2009 SAGE information. CAG has the wait time alliance; do you want to share this information with CSGNA membership?

Flexible Sigmoidoscopy – Should CAG be involved with this program? CAG members are involved with the program. CAG and CSGNA can produce a Position paper.

14. **2011 OTTAWA CONFERENCE:** Heather Reid had a conference call with Rachel Thibault-Walsh. They are looking at the same 3 day schedule as Edmonton but are going to have the breakout sessions for 45 minutes instead of 35 minutes. The floor layout will be on one level with the CSGNA booth in the hallway. The conference template created for this conference can be used for future conferences. We have a full day meeting scheduled on March 12. We are aiming to finalize the program by May 1st.

Thursday – The planning committee has set up two options for Thursday morning. One option is to have a fundraising walk for CDHF on Thursday morning or Sunday morning. However, if the fundraising walk is scheduled for Thursday morning, we need to look at something for those delegates who do not want to do the fundraising. One option is offering workshops on ERCP, motility, ostomy care, CNA GI certification review course, alternatively have a vendor education session. On Thursday, they would also like to have the opening ceremony and the vendor reception.

French translation – The Ottawa chapter wants the main room to offer French translation. This means there will be 3 sessions with French translation. The francophone delegates will

be provided with headsets to listen to the speakers in French. The downside to this option is that the French delegates will only have 3 sessions in French; however, if this is successful then we can offer this option at the future conferences. The cost will be \$15,000 for 3 days. There are other companies in Ottawa that will be contacted to obtain other quotes.

Keynote speakers – They have 2 speakers in mind: Linda Duxbury for Thursday who is a well known promotional speaker and Valerie Kate from Calgary for Friday who does bullying workshops. We need to get Dr Richard Fedorak to talk on GI topic and also have an opportunity to promote CDHF. **Honorarium** – We have

50 honorariums this year, some of them will be paid by the companies. CSGNA will pay \$250 per hour as honorarium and anything less than one hour will be prorated. **Sponsorship** – Platinum, silver, gold and bronze. We will proceed with this amount and send out the packages. **Abstracts**: We have received 4 abstracts which include one oral presentation. We can accept them until May.

Pins – We did not have pins last year and the planning committee would like to use the money for translation.

15. **2012 MONTREAL CONFERENCE**: The Montreal chapter is very keen to host the conference. For 2012, we can look at September 20th, 28th or the 1st weekend in October.

16. **FUTURE CONFERENCES**: Joanne will contact other chapters beyond 2012. We have a number of small chapters that may want to host a conference. The only problem would be to find speakers. Alternatively, we can combine two small chapters to host the conference or have one provincial conference. We are hosting conferences at a prime time so we need to plan early.

17. **DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING**: Pre-conference meeting will be on Wednesday September 28th and post conference meeting will be Sunday October 2nd 2011.

Respectfully submitted by,
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CSGNA Secretary ✦

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

Joan McKechnie, Newsletter Editor.

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Colorectal Cancer: Preventable, Treatable, Beatable

The Colorectal Cancer Association of Canada Round Table 2011 was held in Vancouver as a gathering of many organizations who were specially invited to attend. The goal was to identify the gaps in care for people diagnosed with colorectal cancer. Areas discussed were: prevention & screening, treatment, and surveillance & secondary prevention.

The general gaps identified were communication and navigation and I heard nurses being identified over and over as the primary ones to

address these issues by facilitating the pathway through care and leading survivorship clinics.

Healthy living was emphasized for prevention, and preparation for surgery and other treatment options. I was impressed that the meetings carried that message through the meals provided and with the healthy lifestyle activities that were offered at 0630 before sessions started. Activities included jogging through Stanley Park, yoga, tai chi, walking or bike riding.

The benefit to me was seeing the patient pathway as a continuum, not just the snapshots I see in my endoscopy practice setting. And I came away with a new appreciation for all the work that the CCAC does and how hard they are working to provide more services and support for people diagnosed with colorectal cancer.



Respectfully submitted by,
Joanne Glen RN,
CGN(C)
CSGNA President ✦

President's Message

Congratulations to those who received their certification in GI this year. We know that it takes a lot of effort and studying! Your increased knowledge will benefit your patients. Congratulations also to those who recertified. Your continuous learning is a great asset to your GI team.

Mabel Chaytor and I attended the SGNA conference in Indianapolis in May. This is a wonderful learning experience and I would recommend that you look for opportunities to attend. We were able to do some important networking by attending the International reception and spending some time with the past president, Peggy Gauthier and incoming president, Leslie Stewart. The SGNA staff and executive are so generous with their time and so willing to share their experience with us. This is valuable as we continue to grow as an organization.

By the time you read this report, the website will have instructions in the members-only section to allow you to order SGNA educational products at a 25% discount. (It does not include gift or merchandise items) This is an added benefit of CSGNA membership. Check out the SGNA site for the variety of excellent products they have such as the Core Curriculum book, Manual of GI Procedures, DVD Library and Learning Link at www.sгна.org. As a small organization, CSGNA is not able to produce the quality products that SGNA can, so now these educational resources are available to you at a reduced rate. In the future, we hope to enhance

these learning opportunities by providing information that is uniquely Canadian.

Susan Drysdale has again put CSGNA on the GI map by displaying a poster at SGNA and was rewarded by receiving the second place ribbon in the research category. I believe this is the first time a Canadian poster presenter has won. Congratulations, Sue!

Joan McKechnie, Newsletter Editor & Website Director has been busy enhancing the website to be more user-friendly in response to suggestions from our members. Thank you to the members who have let their names stand to fill the board positions that will be changed at the fall meeting. Details are included in the annual report. The office of Treasurer will be vacant and nominations will be called from the floor at the annual business meeting on Friday, September 30. Please help us by considering serving the society in this capacity or nominate someone who would.

In order to be more efficient in our projects, the board has decided to increase the use of standing committees. Please let us know if you are interested in being involved in activities such as reviewing articles, proofreading the *Guiding Light* or Position Statements. There are many ways in which you can help the work of the board by giving a bit of your time to help in moving our association forward.

The Ottawa Planning Committee is working on a great conference

experience for CSGNA members. The format again has several choices for breakout sessions in order to give attendees the opportunity to customize their learning. Our conference planner, Heather Reid, helps us to have consistency with our conference layout leaving the planning committee more time to focus on education. I believe this is making it possible for the conference to build and improve every year. Since moving to a convention centre, we are able to provide our sponsors with an enlarged exhibit hall, allowing them more space to set up their booths. This has also given us the opportunity to seek more exhibitors to enhance the learning provided at the event. I always find it so beneficial to talk to the company representatives away from the workplace when I have time to focus on learning and troubleshooting with the equipment displayed.

After a break of a few years, this year we are again offering a certification prep course to help those who plan to write the exam in 2012 or a future date or those who would just like to learn more about basic GI. See the Thursday morning schedule to sign up.

I hope to see many of you in Ottawa September 29 to October 2 as we Navigate "Le Canal" in the Capital.

Joanne Glen RN, CGNC(C)
CSGNA President ♦

REPORTS

CANADA EAST DIRECTOR REPORT

New Brunswick/PEI Chapter

The annual GI Education Day was held on Saturday, April 16th in Charlottetown with 30 people in attendance. There was a variety of informative topics as well as an array of products to view from many local vendors. Again, 10 lucky people received their CSGNA membership as a door prize. An enjoyable day was had by all. Congratulations to the new executive for a job well done.

Nova Scotia Chapter

The Nova Scotia's Education Day was held on June 18th and was a "hands on" skills workshop. Our vendors each had a station and the opportunity to show and assist the delegates with their products. This day was limited to only 25 and was a great learning opportunity for all the attendees.

Newfoundland Chapter

We had three chapter meetings this past winter and spring. One of the meetings was an education session at our local Remicade infusion centre with excellent attendance. The other meetings have concentrated on planning our annual GI Education Day this fall. The tentative date is late October. We have three people interested in attending the national conference this fall in Ottawa and they are actively seeking funding. We have been successful in recruiting two new CSGNA members this past winter. Our chapter members readily attend all available GI education sessions. Congratulations to all of you who wrote and successfully completed the GI certification exam in April.

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer with everyone getting their requested time off.

Hope to see some familiar faces in Ottawa in September. Any errors or omissions, I apologize as I am still learning the ropes.

Respectfully submitted by,
Sandra Marshall RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada East Director

CANADA CENTRE DIRECTOR REPORT

First, congratulations to all the nurses who successfully wrote their certification exam in gastroenterology. You should be very proud of your accomplishment.

I was privileged to attend several chapter events throughout this past year. The chapter executives should be commended for their hard work and dedication to their membership and providing some great education. As well, I would like to thank all those members who attended their chapter events and travelled to other cities to attend fellow chapter educational days. It's nice to see such commitment to your ongoing GI education.

Montreal Chapter

The Montreal Chapter held their annual education day in March. It was presented in both official languages. They covered some great topics: colorectal screening, classification of polyps, brachytherapy and the risks and precautions of electrocautery. The chapter held another educational event in May, sponsored by Cook Medical. The topic was on upper GI bleeds. They are already planning their fall conference-a "hands on" ERCP course.

The Montreal chapter also welcomes a new secretary, Jan Petelle. Many thanks to Betty Ryder for her commitment to CSGNA over these past years.

London Chapter

The London Chapter held an educational day in March. The topics included Barrett's esophagus, infection control in endoscopy, updates on celiac disease and familial polyposis.

The chapter welcomed a new treasurer, Hank Ager. A heartfelt thanks to past treasurer, Rose Crecca for her service to the London Chapter.

Golden Horseshoe Chapter

The Golden Horseshoe have a new executive: Jody Hannah – president, Linda Gandy – secretary and Michell Jerome-Hastings – treasurer. They had their first educational event in April. It was well attended and covered some current topics: bariatric surgery, C. Difficile in the hospital and EBUS. They also had the privilege of having Dr David Morgan, CAG president attend. It was an open forum discussion. Dr Morgan and the audience discussed the collaborative relationship between CAG and CSGNA, the GRS, propofol sedation in endoscopy, colorectal screening as well as other relevant topics.

Greater Toronto Chapter

The chapter held an educational evening in February, sponsored by Fibretech Canada and the topic was Endoscopy Growth in Canada. They held their spring education day in May. The sessions included probiotics in GI disease, H.Pylori, colonoscopy and abdominal compression and capnography in endoscopy.

The Greater Toronto Chapter elected a new president and secretary. Welcome to Daysi Sandino and Beverly Gilley-Yannuzzi. Many thanks to Jacqui Ho and Lorraine Majcen for your dedication to the chapter membership and CSGNA.

Ottawa Chapter

The Ottawa Chapter is busy planning for the 2011 annual GI conference. It is going to be held at the new Ottawa Convention Centre. It will be from September 29th-October 1st, 2011 so be sure and mark your calendars.

Central Ontario Chapter

The chapter held an educational evening in November. The topics were procedural sedation and diabetes. They also held meetings in February and May. Both were sponsored by Abbott. The presentations were on the modules of the program developed by the NICE group of nurses and focused on IBD epidemiology, diagnoses and treatment.

Their new president is Janet Laurin-Young and new secretary is Donna Bremaud. Congratulations and good luck in your new positions.

Many thanks to our sponsors who support us at the local and national level. We wouldn't be able to provide our membership with such great education if it wasn't for your valuable support.

Respectfully submitted by,
Betty Kennah RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada Centre Director

CANADA WEST DIRECTOR REPORT

Manitoba Chapter

The Manitoba Chapter of CSGNA has again been very busy with regular educational sessions.

On February 3, 2011 Dr. David Hochman gave an informative lecture on Transanal Endoscopic Microsurgery. Lunch was provided by Mike Enns from Olympus. The speaker and sponsor were organized by Donna Lagimodiere.

Our meeting on March 10, 2011 consisted of a session from the SGNA Learning Link. The presentation was given by Ramona DeSotel RN, BN, CGRN and the topic was *Diverticulosis and You*. The attendees asked numerous questions and enjoyed the session.

Our educational session on April 7, 2011 was provided by Dr. Vincent Taraska. His topic was *Bronchoscopy Then and Now*. The attendees found this session very educational and informative especially since some of the members do not routinely assist with bronchoscopies as part of their employment in endoscopy.

On May 26, we again had a session from SGNA Learning Link entitled *GI Bleeds: From Capsule to Double Balloon Enteroscopy*. The presenter was Sandra L. Bernklau ARPN-BC, CGRN. Since not all the attendees at the session were familiar with all of the content in the session, this session was valuable education for our chapter and our associates.

The final formal meeting of the year was held on June 16 and the educational presentation was on *Self-Expanding Metal Stents*. The session was from the DVD Library at SGNA.

Regina Chapter

New Chapter President Trina Korbo reports that the Regina Chapter has been busy organizing the committees and the program for our Annual GI Day Conference this coming October 21, 2011. We had meetings regarding the conference on March 22, May 4 and June 7. The committee has been working very hard and considerable progress is being made. We have almost finalized our speakers and agenda for the conference and hope to have the registration forms sent out by mid-August 2011. Our next meeting regarding the conference will be held on July 19, 2011.

Both the Pasqua Hospital and Regina General Hospital were active in this year's Nurses Week. On Friday May 13, the GI/ Endoscopy Units at both sites provided an educational session for the employees at their respective hospitals. At the Pasqua Hospital, they provided yogurt and bran buds in the cafeteria and had an educational board set up with nurses on hand to answer questions and provide information about the procedures the GI Unit provides for their patients. At the General Hospital's Endoscopy Unit, the nurses set up simulation procedure rooms for colonoscopies, gastroscopies and cystoscopies where visitors could come and learn about the different types of procedures as well as have a look at the instruments used throughout various procedures.

Calgary Chapter

President Connie Wescott reports that the chapter's Education Day was on June 18th at the Alberta Children's Hospital. There was great line up of speakers.

The chapter is excited to announce a newly certified member, Bobbi Sheppy. Great work Bobbi!

Alberta Southwest Regional Chapter

Barb Harbers, President of Alberta Southwest Regional Chapter reports that the Alberta Southwest Regional Chapter has successfully completed its first day-long workshop on April 1, 2011. The focus was on GI bleeds and the response was great with 53 attendees. The chapter was fortunate to have wonderful sponsorship from the vendors and the day went off without a hitch. It was a big undertaking but everyone was proud of the result and as president, I am very grateful for the members of my chapter who dug in and did all the hard work.

We have had some changes in our membership, some leaving, some new members, so we are looking forward to new ideas and opinions as we move forward into the next year. Our executive will have only one change. Our secretary, Corrie Forbes has stepped down and Kaleen Harding has agreed to take her position for the next 2 years. Merrill and I will remain in our positions of treasurer and president respectively.

We have plans in the works for our next full day event for 2012 and look forward to starting to plan in earnest in September. We have also decided to have monthly inservices at our meetings that will add to our education focus and allow our members to share cases or interesting articles with all those who attend.

Wishing you all a great summer.

Central Alberta Chapter

Chapter president Judy Klaus reports that the chapter has wrapped for the season and will meet starting in September. The chapter will begin planning their next education day which is slated for April 2012. The last meeting was in May and a rep spoke on Erbe safety. It was very informative.

The chapter is proud to report that two members achieved their certification this spring. Congratulations go out to Eileen Bourne and Koralee Kovacs.

Several members took part in the "Heel and Wheel" Crohns and Colitis walk on June 5 to show support for the patients we see so often.

Finally Judy reports "we are all looking forward to a warm summer. See you at national."

Edmonton Chapter

President Yvonne Verklan reports that the Edmonton Chapter partnered with ONIGA (Oncology Nurses Interest Group of Northern Alberta) and hosted a GI Cancer Series. The President of ONIGA is Susan Horsman, NP from GI Radiation Oncology at the Cross Cancer Institute. Each of our chapters has broadened our networking scope within Edmonton as a result of these meetings as we continue to see members and non-members join us from a variety of GI backgrounds. Numbers attending ranged from sixteen to twenty eight.

We had three "Dine and Learn" sessions over a three week period including Esophageal Cancer, Carcinoids & Neuroendocrine Tumors and Colorectal Cancer. Many thanks to our company reps from Aptalis, AMT, Boston Scientific, Ferring and Nycomed, who supported our sessions. With their generosity, we were able to have our expert faculty from Oncology (Medical and Therapeutic), Gastroenterology and Thoracic Surgery.

Our chapter is looking forward to continuing on with this GI Cancer Series next membership year with sessions on Hepatobiliary Cancer and Gastric Cancer.

Our busy year will come to an end next week with our chapter meeting. We will wrap up what we have done, plan next year and welcome in a new Chapter Executive.

Okanagan Chapter

President Bethany Rode reports that the Okanagan Chapter had a very successful event in April with both wonderful attendance and sponsor support. The speaker was great, as always and this was really good experience for the chapter in terms of planning the next big event. The chapter is hoping that the increased awareness of the chapter will bring in some new members. The goal is to be able to send 2 or 3 members for the Annual Conference in Ottawa this September. The members are really looking forward to it.

Kamloops and Region Chapter

President Maryanne Dorais reports that Kamloops and Region have had a busy year. This Chapter is planning a fund raiser to help support 3 nurses who plan to attend the Ottawa conference. The chapter will have 2 new members and both of these members are considering taking their certification next year. The chapter had an educational evening meeting. Conscious Sedation was presented.

Vancouver Regional Chapter did not submit a report.

Vancouver Island Chapter

Chapter president Charlene McCabe reports that the chapter had a very successful education day on April 2 with 55 members and non members attended and 12 vendors participated.

Again this year, the chapter is offering a rebate to new and renewing members and the enrolment to the chapter is increasing.

At least 5 members will be attending the national conference in September and the chapter is offering assistance to members going to Ottawa.

The chapter is pleased to have assisted Andrea White to attend an EUS course in France this past May. The chapter is hoping to assist other members in educational programs and seminars. In terms of future plans for this year, we plan to have an evening guest speaker and dinner meeting in the fall.

Respectfully submitted by,
Susan Drysdale RN, BA, CGRN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Canada West Director

EDUCATION DIRECTOR REPORT

Congratulations to all who wrote the certification exam this year on April 9th. Kudos to those who renewed their GI certification and met the criteria to renew or rewrite. Certification recognizes the expertise in our practice as gastroenterology nurses. The most important thing is that you increase your knowledge and you apply that knowledge to your practice. This knowledge is beneficial to your patients, colleagues and the facility where you are employed. Certification may be one of the best career choices you can make.

Many of the Standards of Practice are reviewed by the Education Committee and the board members with revisions and updating. The Standards of Practice need to be precise and applicable to this specialty. Several hours have been dedicated by Joanne Glen, Susan Drysdale, Usha Chauhan and myself. The CSGNA Standards have been revised and reviewed. They will be available on the website.

Several individuals have submitted articles to the *Guiding Light* newsletter. These articles are enjoyed by all. They are informative. We all learn and grow from your knowledge and expertise. The *Guiding Light* newsletter is a means to network and share information. Hats off to all who submitted articles. Please keep them coming. Joan McKechnie loves to receive them.

The Guiding Light

I really enjoy receiving the Gastroenterology Nursing Journal. Several members have also mentioned how much they enjoy the contents of this journal. There are several interesting informative articles. Each issue includes an article with a CE Test that you can receive contact hours. This journal has the most up to date information.

I attended Vancouver Island's Education Day on April 2. What a wonderful conference. It was well attended by many individuals working throughout the island. There were several great topics. A discussion on pacemakers, care, concerns and the use of cautery by Medtronic's Jeff Scarborough. "What's New in EUS and the Beat Goes On, Villi Ever Feel Better? What's New with Celiac Disease, Pancreatitis: Complications and Treatments and Everyone is Worth the Effort" by Dr.K.Von Liepzigge who brought a lot of laughter and fun to the program. A great day was enjoyed by all. Hats off to Charlene McCabe and her planning committee.

On April 28th, Kelowna hosted their education day with Barbara Bancroft called Liver Logic. Barbara is a very dynamic speaker. She is extremely informative and kept us laughing all day. This day was very well attended. Fun was had by all. A huge thank you to Bethany Rode and her planning committee who worked so hard to make this day such a great success.

There have been several applications for abstracts for the Ottawa National Conference. These abstracts are a form of education. We can all learn from what you share. We look forward to your submissions and the Free Paper Presentations.

The Ottawa conference is fast approaching. "Navigating Le

Canal" in Ottawa has an absolutely fabulous program organized for you. They have been working very hard. The conference program is being kept at 3 days. The program is diversified to meet the needs of the membership. Gastroenterology has grown and developed. This program has a mix of basics as well as individualized chosen topics that will be well received by the membership. It's a very exciting time. You won't want to miss this conference. Come join us in Ottawa.

We are going forward with the website online learning and links to several affiliates. We look forward to the future.

Have a wonderful summer and see you in fabulous Ottawa.

Respectfully submitted by,
Maryanne Dorais RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Education Director

DIRECTOR OF AWARDS AND RESEARCH REPORT

Over the past year, we have tried to standardize all the scholarship applications and requirements to make it easier for all who wish to submit applications.

This year, we have also added the Research Scholarship with its very detailed criteria. A big thank you goes out to Susan Drysdale who did a wonderful job on drafting the scholarship.

This year, SciCan has graciously increased their scholarship to \$2000, reflecting the rising costs in attending our annual conference.

Good luck to all who submit their applications and please remember to submit all required components.

Respectfully submitted by,
Donna Bremaud RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Awards and Research Director

PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR
REPORT

The focus of public relations this period has been on increasing awareness of CSGNA for new nurses who may have or don't realize they have an interest in GI nursing. The addition of the Student Nurse Registration Scholarship has resulted in an excellent student nurse poster submission for the 2011 national conference. Please stop by the poster exhibits and congratulate this enthusiastic young nurse, Manry Xu on her efforts and accomplishments.

I will also be attending the Annual Nursing Research conference at Red Deer College representing CSGNA. The student nurses at this college have been impressed with the Central Alberta Chapter conferences and have expressed their appreciation at being invited with a student registration rate. I encourage all chapters to be certain to include nursing students from their local colleges and universities in their conference mailing lists.

Respectfully submitted by
Lisa Westin RN, MN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Public Relations Director ♦

Scholarship application
forms are available
on our website at
CSGNA.com.

Just a reminder that we
need donations for door
prizes and the silent
auction for the National
Conference in Ottawa.

Manry Xu

Student Nurse Scholarship Winner

Manry Xu grew up in Windsor, ON and finished her Bachelor of Science in Biology with a minor in Chemistry in 2007. She took some time off to live in South America and it is there that she experienced the power of health professionals who travel from the United States to provide medical care to rural villages in Ecuador. Moved by the number of volunteers she encountered, she vowed to pursue her vision of becoming a nurse and learning Spanish. One day, she plans to go back to South America to provide health care to impoverished families.

Manry Xu started her compressed nursing degree at Trent University in September 2009 and will be finishing the program in December 2011. She has been actively involved on campus as a member of the Trent Fleming Nursing Students Association (TFNSA) as the Canadian Nursing Students Association (CNSA) Associate Delegate and the current CNSA Official Delegate. As the Official Delegate, Manry had the opportunity to engage in discussions around policy development about academic issues pertaining to students across the country including local and global health care issues. Manry Xu had the amazing opportunity as a preceptor for a group of community placement students at Trent University, where the students produced informative presentations based on RNAO's Best Practice Guidelines. Manry's group led presentations to first year nursing students about violence in the workplace and prepared students for their first clinical placement. The result of this experience was put into an abstract and later presented as a poster at CASN's Academic Nursing Leadership Conference in May 2011 in Quebec City, QC.



Manry is passionate about leadership development, event planning (ie. Model WHO Conference at Trent University), community/environmental activism and learning more about social justice issues. She enjoys meeting registered nurses at nursing conferences and events where she is able to gain a broader understanding of the profession and may possibly become a nurse practitioner. Manry hopes to further her education by obtaining a masters degree in nursing.

Manry Xu is very grateful to the CSGNA for this opportunity to attend the conference in Ottawa and to present her poster on the topic of "Palliative Care for End-stage Liver Disease: A Glance at the Role of the Nurse in Family and Patient Education".

Respectfully submitted by,
Lisa Westin RN, MN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Public Relations Director ♦

Research in Gastroenterology Nursing

A lot has changed in nursing since I graduated in 1973. The entire process of how medical facilities operate has taken a complete about-face. Gone are the days when our hospitals were operated like one big happy family. While the paternalistic approach of operation was beneficial in some ways, in many ways it certainly had its limitations and belongs in the history books.

As medical facilities have been compelled to change into more business minded entities, nursing has had to evolve in a like manner. It is no longer good enough to be responsible, provide basic nursing care, smile and have a good rapport with our patients and co-workers. Our clients now have computers and many times are more aware of all the ins and outs of issues related to their conditions than some of the nursing staff. The healthcare system itself is evolving so that questions of funding for procedures arise. The medical system is becoming more and more litigious. With the microscope that accompanies the legal system come new issues about diligence to report every detail that may be reviewed in the future. In court if something wasn't documented, it didn't happen.

The process of meeting continued competencies is standard to nursing now. With the requirement to meet continued competencies annually comes the need for regular ongoing educational review and instruction. With the advent of the computer age came the need for nurses to be cognisant of what information the clients have available to them so that their learning needs can be met appropriately. With the onslaught of information available online, there is always the potential for misinformation based on unsubstantiated statements. More and more, we must look to

evidence and proof on which to base our practice. The evidence based information helps protect our patients, our employers and ourselves. It also helps to protect our physical well-being and our ability to maintain employment.

With the importance of evidence in mind, nurses need to maintain an active and enquiring approach to their work. One way to answer some of our queries in order to provide the right answer to questions posed in the medical community is through the research process. With the research based evidence in hand, we can be assured that we are speaking the same language when we speak to our patients, other members of our medical team, our employers, our lawyers, our insurance companies, our union representatives and our legislators. It is the responsibility of every nurse in practice to keep current with information related to the job and to be able to voice knowledge and concerns about irregularities, inequities and ethical issues when they arise. In spite of the uncomfortable ethical dilemmas that often pose themselves, with research based evidence, each nurse is able to support her practice.

CSGNA is a group that was created to support the practice of gastroenterology nursing. Based on the standards and guidelines of the association and in conjunction with the federal and provincial bodies governing the practice of nursing, we are provided with an excellent recipe for success in our practice. We cannot, however, be totally dependent on the status quo for our professional activities because the world is never static. We will be continually challenged to support our rationales for our actions. Research provides us with the tools to meet the ongoing challenges of our work. While the

medical community in general has an extreme interest in research, nursing has always taken an independent approach to patient care. As independent entities, we need to bring attention to issues related to our practice. We need to investigate issues related to our practice. Finally we need to supply answers to practice issues and publish our findings so that they will form the evidence on which the nursing community is able to base its practice. It is not only enough to research our practice. We should also research how we perform our jobs physically and ensure that hazards in our jobs do not prevent us from performing safe patient care for many years to come.

CSGNA and SGNA provide a perfect venue for the dissemination of the fruits of our research activities. The Gastroenterology Nursing Journal is the official professional journal for both associations. This journal is widely read and distributed internationally and if nurses working in Gastroenterology truly desire to improve international nursing practice based on evidence, this journal will provide us with the means to do just that.

It is true that Florence has left the building. It is true that 1973 will never return. Neither will my youth and innocence. It is also true that, in CSGNA, I belong to a group that has helped with my own professional growth. I wouldn't return to 1973 even if I was given the opportunity. There is so much left to do in the future in order to improve our practice. I am just grateful that I was given the opportunity to be part of this process of growth.

Respectfully submitted by,
Susan Drysdale RN, BA, CGRN, CGN(C)
CSGNA Western Canada Director
President CSGNA Manitoba Chapter ♦

GI Nursing Day Celebration 2011

St. Clares Mercy Hospital, Endoscopy Unit
St. John's, Newfoundland

Here are a few highlights from GI Nursing Day on May 13th, 2011 at St. Clares Endoscopy Unit.

The day had all our favourite things including a great lunch and sweets. We celebrated within the department with lunch for staff. The cafeteria was a great location for our poster display, information brochures and educational material for all to view.

Congratulations for the hard work and dedication throughout the year from staff, management and from our physicians.

Respectfully submitted by,
Mabel Chaytor RN, CGN(C)
CSGNA President Elect ♦



Note From The Editor and Website Director

Thank you to all who have submitted articles and pictures for the *Guiding Light*. I encourage everyone to get involved with the CSGNA. Share your knowledge and experiences by submitting articles, pictures and ideas for the newsletter. Any gastroenterology related articles can be used towards your re-certification hours.

The website has been updated. The members only section of the website is now more user-friendly. You can change your password access to something that's easier to remember. Once you have logged in, you will be given the option to change your password by clicking on the link. The subsequent page will prompt you to enter a new password twice to ensure it is correct.

Check out the new alert box on the home page. It provides information related to recent changes, what's new and deadlines for scholarships. The online voting program has been installed in the members only section. Members will be able to vote online for bylaw amendments and national executive next year.

Register now for the national conference in Ottawa and your CSGNA membership online. The membership application forms have a drop down box with a list of chapters to make it easier for you to apply or renew your annual membership. The extended deadline for membership renewal is June 30, 2011.

In the future, members will be able to submit their scholarship application forms electronically.

The national executive would like to change the photos on our website to make it truly unique. Submit any suitable pictures for the website. They must be of high resolution and quality. There is a new *Photo Release Form* available on the website and must be signed by all the people in the photo giving their permission to use their image.

Please contact me by email if you have any questions or suggestions at newslettereditorwebsitedirector@CSGNA.com for the newsletter or website.

Respectfully submitted by,
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CSGNA Newsletter Editor & Website Director ♦

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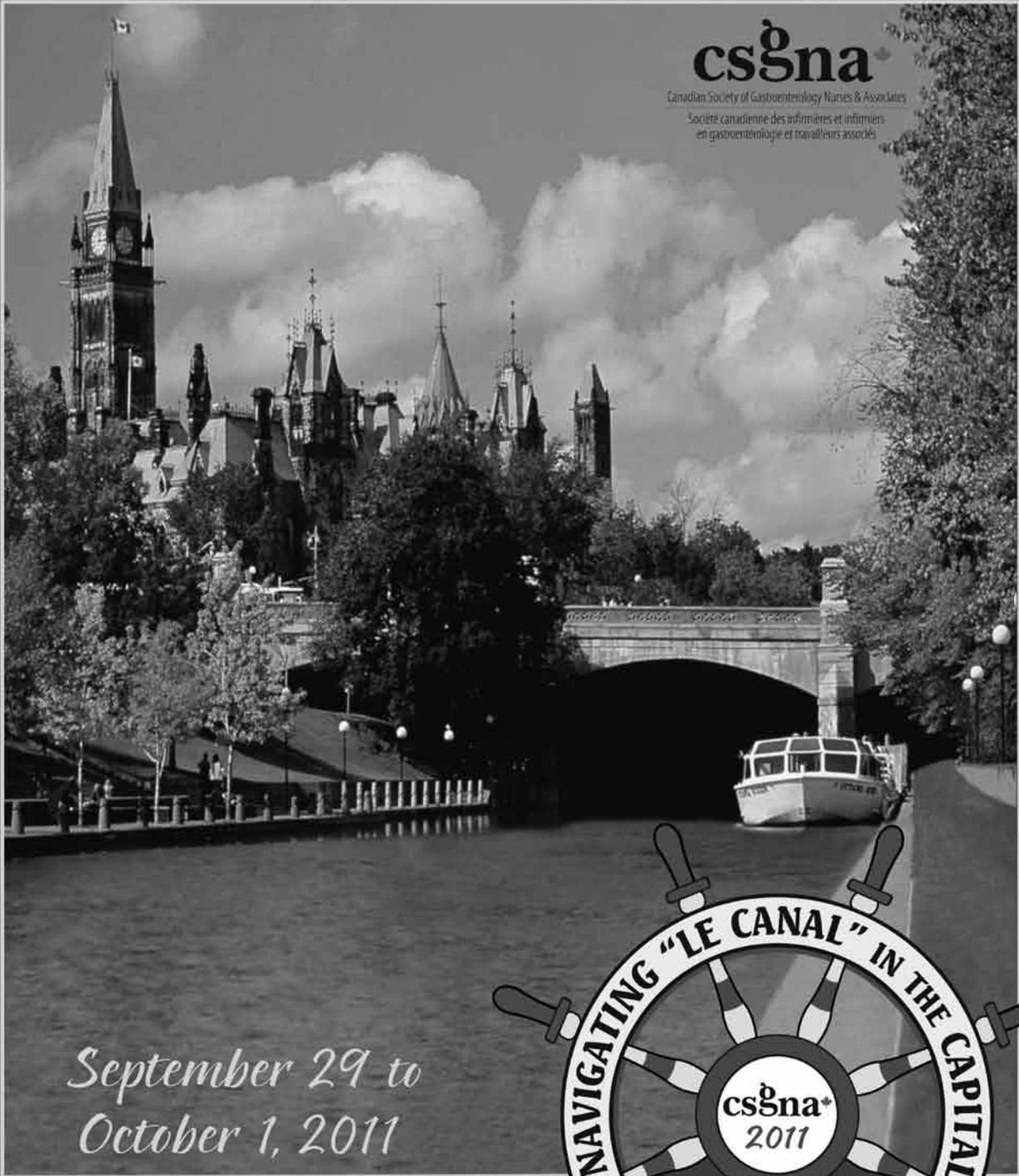
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Vancouver Island Education Day in Victoria.

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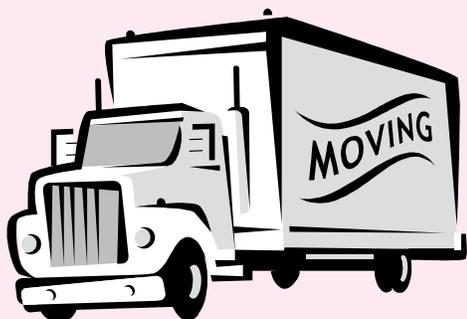
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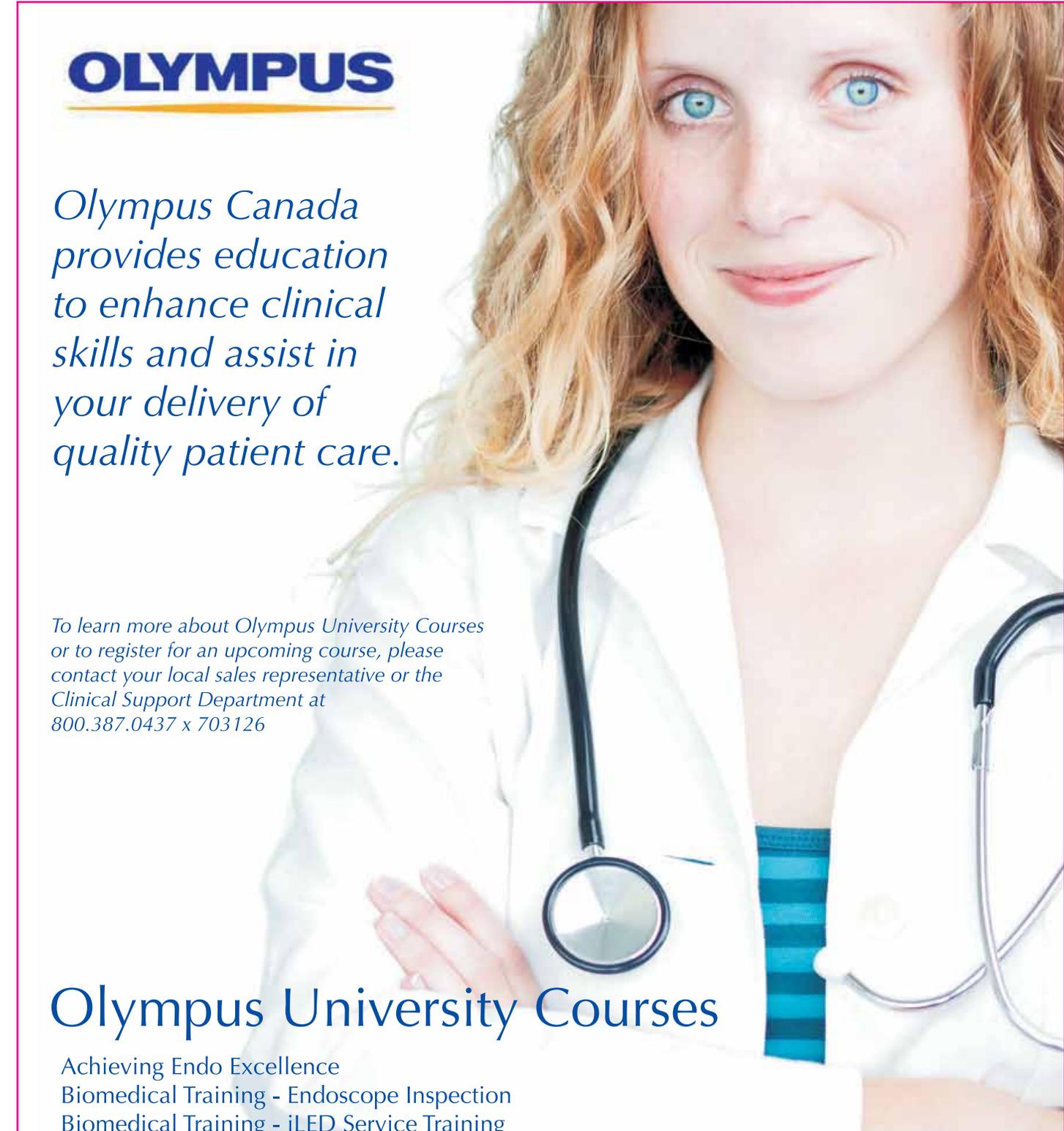
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