

## Highlights from the Saskatchewan Branch

The Saskatchewan Branch of the CSHP held its 47th Annual General Meeting on October 21, 2000, at the Delta Hotel in Regina, Saskatchewan. The luncheon program honoured several hospital pharmacists for their achievements.

The Orest Buchko Hospital Pharmacy Award, sponsored by the Branch, is awarded to a student graduating from the University of Saskatchewan College of Pharmacy and Nutrition who plans to pursue a career in hospital pharmacy. The recipient was Maryanne Bartake, who is currently a pharmacy resident with the Ottawa Hospital, Civic Campus.

The Saskatchewan Branch CSHP Merit Award is given in recognition of a project that could easily be accomplished regardless of hospital size or staff and that serves a useful purpose. This year's recipients were Janet Harding and Brenda Thiessen of Saskatoon District Health for their work in the revision, development, and implementation of the Parenteral Nutrition Service provided by their organization. Piera Calissi, clinical coordinator at St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon, presented the award to Brenda Thiessen.

The Pharmacist of the Year Award, sponsored by Apotex Inc./PACE, is given annually to a member of the Branch in recognition of outstanding achievement and long-term service to the practice of hospital pharmacy. Donna Yaychuk of Saskatoon was the recipient of this year's award. Brenda Thiessen, Assistant Director of Pharmaceutical Services for Saskatoon District Health, presented the award.

The Pharmaceutical Care Awards are sponsored by Pfizer Canada. Doreen Dubiel of Saskatoon was awarded first place for her case involving a complicated

medical patient. Don Kuntz of Regina was awarded second place for his cardiology case. Bruce Lang of Regina was presented the third-place award for his work with renal patients in Regina. Brenda Schuster presented the awards on behalf of Pfizer Canada.

Karen McDermaid and Nigel Scott presented the Pharmaceutical Partners of Canada Past President's Award to Dave Sereda. As Past President, Dave Sereda also passed the President's gavel to Piera Calissi at the annual meeting.

The J.L. Summers Achievement Award, sponsored by Merck Frosst Canada, recognizes a member of the Branch who has made a significant contribution within the practice of hospital pharmacy, demonstrating innovation and leadership in health care. Dorval Card, from Regina, received this award from Barry Lyons, of the Branch, and Ivan Bodestab, of Merck Frosst Canada.

The Pharmacia Residency Award, sponsored by Pharmacia, is awarded annually to a deserving Saskatchewan hospital pharmacy resident in recognition of a residency project that represents a significant innovation, practical application, or development in an institutional pharmacy practice setting. The winner was Dawn McDonald for her project "Drug-Related Problems — Their Relationship to the Discharge Process".

Congratulations to all of the award recipients, and many thanks to the sponsors and presenters!

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