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## President's Message/Mot du Président

One of the things that I appreciate about the members of the Canadian Phytopathological Society is the energy, focus, and (occasionally?) exuberance that many of you bring to every aspect of your professional and private lives. As a result, annual meetings of CPS always feature scientific sessions that are informative, thought provoking and challenging, in combination with social events that



**Bruce Gossen**  
CPS-SCP President

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provide opportunities to catch up with old friends, make new contacts, and talk shop with colleagues from across the country. This year's joint meeting with APS and MSA was no exception. Those of you who weren't able to attend missed an opportunity to meet more than 1,800 participants from across the continent, glean information from hundreds of presentations, posters, symposia and workshops, and take in some of the best cuisine and entertainment that North America has to offer. I am confident that every participant came away from that meeting with new ideas for research, new contacts for collaboration, and great memories.

### Budget deficit

Another characteristic that I value about CPS is the spirit of volunteerism that is prevalent in the membership. That's good,

because there is a lot to do in the coming year. The society as a whole will be tackling the conflicting demands of a major deficit (\$45,000 in 2005, and about \$20,000 in 2006) against the need to increase expenditures in key areas to implement the new Strategic Plan. To address the deficit, the Board is considering a wide range of possibilities, including raising membership fees, increasing page charges in CJPP, delaying plans to publish a revision to the History of Plant Pathology in Canada, soliciting new members via novel promotions, switching CPS News to an on-line publication, and generally searching for new sources of revenue and for ways to reduce costs. There was even a suggestion about working bingos and casinos – I’m sure that everyone in the room shuddered at the thought. Fortunately, although the current situation is serious, it is not that dire (yet), and so I don’t anticipate that we’ll need to find volunteers to work CPS casinos in the immediate future. However, I ask each member to examine our operations at every level and provide suggestions on how we can increase revenues or reduce expenditures without having an adverse impact on our society.

To be fair, a substantial portion of both the surplus in 2004 and the deficit in 2005 are illusory; major expenses incurred in 2004 were not paid until 2005, which made both the surplus and the deficit larger than they should have been. However, a five-year projection indicates that, without substantial changes, CPS will continue to run a substantial deficit each year. Clearly, change is required. An important problem was that the Board was not fully aware that such a large deficit

was expected in 2005. As a result, no plans to minimize the anticipated deficit in 2006 are in place, and our efforts now must be focused on 2007. To provide the groundwork for an immediate re-assessment of revenues and expenditures in 2006, the incoming Board asked the Financial Advisory Committee to provide an updated estimate of expenditures for 2006 for discussion at its quarterly conference call in September. As well, an on-going project to improve budget forecasts by working with our auditors to harmonize the budget categories with our revenue and expenditure streams has taken on a new urgency.

### **Strategic plan**

Implementation of the new Strategic Plan will require investments of both time and money. The plan identifies a wide range of

issues and initiatives, with some new initiatives and others carried over from the previous plan. The

Strategic Planning Committee suggests addressing many of these issues RIGHT NOW. The Board is currently developing a short list of high priority items that will be our focus in Year 1. I’m confident that this list will include expanding and upgrading the CPS website, improving our ability to handle payments and purchases by credit card, assessing the feasibility of an on-line manuscript handling system for CJPP, encouraging and supporting regional societies, and others. We will be seeking out members to take the lead on these activities, but if you find an item that you are particularly interested in, don’t wait to be invited – volunteer!

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## **Volunteers and winners**

On behalf of the society, I would like to thank everyone who contributed their time and energy to CPS in the past year. This list includes Board members, Committee Chairs and members, editors and collators, authors and distributors of CPS publications, local arrangements committees, and regional representatives. One group that merits special recognition is the Strategic Planning Committee, chaired by Ron Howard with assistance from David Kaminski. They completed an enormous amount of work on a tight time schedule (from initiation to completion in under a year) that will provide direction for CPS over the next five years. As further proof of their efficiency, they plan to complete a post-mortem of the planning process and present a final report to the Board by December 2006.

Another group that merits special recognition is those who left the Board this year. Richard Hamelin completed his term as Past-president, Sue Boyetchko completed her term as Senior Director, and Gayle Jespersen stepped down after serving as Membership Secretary from 2001 to 2006. Thanks to each of you for contributing your time, ability and enthusiasm to build our society.

It is my pleasure to welcome several new members to the CPS Board: Mary Leggett as Vice-president, Khalid Rashid as Membership Secretary, and Randy Clear as Junior Director. There are also a number of committee chairs and committee members who will be taking on new roles and responsibilities within CPS. Thank you all for your willingness to serve as leaders within our society - I suspect that you will have an interesting and challenging year.

Finally, congratulations to the 2006 recipients of major awards of

achievement from CPS. These awards recognize outstanding contributions to the discipline of plant pathology in Canada. The recipients were: Verna Higgins (Fellow), Mike Celetti (Achievement in Plant Disease Management), and Russell Tweddell (Outstanding Young Scientist).

In closing, CPS faces important challenges in 2006. CPS is living beyond its means – we must re-examine revenues and expenditures, and develop new sources of income. The number of research / teaching positions in plant pathology in Canada is declining each year – the direction proposed in the Strategic Plan is to broaden our base to increase membership. Similarly, it is difficult to attract the most talented students to our discipline – the Strategic Plan directs us to provide our students with improved opportunities for communication and job hunting through expansion of our web-based services, and be more proactive in encouraging interest and excitement about science (especially plant pathology) in schools. On the plus side, our society has a strong membership base, a steady revenue stream, a tradition of dedicated volunteers, a plan for the future, and the talent and energy of its members. We remain a strong and vibrant organization, and I look forward to working with you in the year ahead.

Un aspect que j'apprécie au plus haut point chez les membres de la Société Canadienne de Phytopathologie est l'énergie, la détermination et, parfois, l'exubérance dont plusieurs d'entre vous font montre dans chaque aspect de votre vie professionnelle et privée. Il en résulte que les réunions annuelles de la SCP ont toujours présenté des séances scientifiques instructives, suscitant la réflexion, parallèlement à des activités sociales qui constituent des occasions de renouer avec de vieux copains, faire de nouvelles connaissances et parler métier avec des collègues de partout au pays. La réunion conjointe SCP-APS-MSA de cette année n'a pas fait exception. Ceux qui parmi vous n'ont pu assister à l'évènement ont raté une occasion de rencontrer plus de 1800 participants venus de tout le continent, de glaner de l'information lors de centaines de présentations, de posters, de colloques et d'ateliers de travail, et de goûter à une cuisine et un divertissement parmi les meilleures qu'offre l'Amérique du Nord. Je pense que chaque participant est reparti avec de nouvelles idées de recherche, de nouvelles possibilités de collaboration et de merveilleux souvenirs.

### **Déficit budgétaire**

Le volontarisme de ses membres est une autre caractéristique que j'apprécie de la SCP. C'est une bonne chose puisqu'il y aura beaucoup à faire l'année prochaine. En gros, la Société devra faire face au problème d'un déficit important (45 000 \$ en 2005 et environ \$20 000 \$ en 2006) versus le besoin d'augmenter les dépenses dans des secteurs clés pour mettre en place le nouveau Plan stratégique. Pour

faire face au déficit, le Conseil envisage un large éventail de possibilités, y compris augmenter la cotisation des membres et les frais de page du CJPP, retarder la préparation d'une édition révisée de *History of Plant Pathology in Canada*, recruter de nouveaux membres par de la publicité promotionnelle, transformer le CPS/SCP News en une publication en ligne et, de façon générale, rechercher de nouvelles sources de revenu et des façons de réduire les coûts. Il y a même eu une suggestion d'envisager des bingos et des casinos – je suis certain que chacun a frêmi à l'idée. Heureusement, quoique sérieuse, la situation n'est pas désespérée à ce point (pas encore), et je ne pense pas que nous aurons besoin de volontaires pour exploiter un casino de la SCP dans un avenir rapproché. Cependant, je demande à chaque membre d'étudier chacune de nos opérations à tous les niveaux et de fournir des suggestions sur des façons d'augmenter les revenus ou de

réduire les dépenses sans affecter négativement notre Société.

Honnêtement, une partie substantielle du surplus

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de 2004 et du déficit de 2005 est trompeuse; des dépenses importantes effectuées en 2004 ne furent payées qu'en 2005, ce qui fait paraître le surplus et le déficit plus importants qu'ils ne le sont en réalité. Cependant, une projection quinquennale montre que la SCP continuera à faire des déficits substantiels à chaque année, à moins que des changements importants ne soient faits. En clair, des changements s'imposent. Le fait que le Conseil n'était pas vraiment au courant qu'un déficit si important pour 2005 était attendu cause un gros problème. Il en résulte qu'aucun

plan n'a été mis en place pour minimiser le déficit anticipé pour 2006, et les efforts doivent maintenant être concentrés sur 2007. En vue de faire le travail préparatoire à une réévaluation des recettes et des dépenses pour 2006, le nouveau Conseil a demandé au Comité consultatif sur les finances de fournir un estimé à jour des dépenses pour 2006 pour discussion lors de sa conférence téléphonique trimestrielle en septembre. Aussi, un projet en cours visant à améliorer les prévisions budgétaires en travaillant de concert avec nos vérificateurs pour harmoniser les postes budgétaires avec le flot de nos recettes et déboursés est devenu plus urgent.

### **Plan stratégique**

La mise en oeuvre du nouveau Plan stratégique exigera d'investir temps et argent. Le Plan identifie un large éventail de problématiques décisionnelles et d'initiatives, dont quelques-unes sont nouvelles et d'autres proviennent du précédent Plan. Le Comité du Plan stratégique suggère d'aborder plusieurs de ces problématiques dès maintenant. Le Conseil est en train de développer une courte liste de priorités sur lesquelles se portera notre attention en l'An 1. Je crois que cette liste inclura le développement et la mise à jour du site Web de la SCP, l'amélioration de notre capacité à gérer les paiements et les achats par cartes de crédit, l'évaluation de la faisabilité d'un système de gestion en ligne des manuscrits pour le CJPP, l'encouragement et le soutien des sociétés régionales, et autres. Nous nous adresserons aux membres afin de trouver des responsables pour ces activités, mais si vous vous êtes intéressé à un item en particulier, n'attendez pas d'être invité – portez-vous volontaire!

### **Volontaires et gagnants**

Au nom de notre société, je remercie tous ceux qui ont donné de leur temps et de leur énergie à la SCP au cours de la dernière année. La liste comprend les membres du Conseil; les présidents et membres des comités; les rédacteurs, compilateurs, auteurs et distributeurs des publications de la SCP; les comités organisateurs locaux; et les représentants régionaux. Un groupe qui mérite une reconnaissance toute spéciale est celui du Comité de planification stratégique, présidé par Ron Howard avec l'aide de David Kaminski. Ils ont accompli une grande quantité de travail en très peu de temps (moins d'un an entre le début et la fin) afin de fournir des orientations à la SCP pour les cinq prochaines années. Ils prévoient réaliser une évaluation du processus de planification et présenter un rapport final au Conseil pour décembre 2006, une autre démonstration de leur efficacité.

Un autre groupe qui mérite des remerciements particuliers est celui de ceux qui quittent le Conseil cette année. Richard Hamelin a terminé son mandat de Président sortant, Sue Boyetchko a terminé son mandat de Directrice senior, et Gayle Jespersion a quitté le poste de Secrétaire à l'adhésion qu'elle a occupé de 2001 à 2006. Merci à chacun d'entre vous pour le temps, les compétences et l'enthousiasme qui ont profité à notre société.

C'est avec plaisir que je souhaite la bienvenue plusieurs nouveaux membres au Conseil de la SCP : Mary Leggett comme Vice-présidente, Khalid Rashid comme secrétaire à l'adhésion, et Randy Clear comme Directeur junior. Il y a aussi plusieurs nouveaux présidents et membres de comités qui vont remplir des rôles et occuper des postes au sein de la SCP. Merci à tous pour le volontarisme démontré pour agir comme leaders de

notre société – je prédis que vous aurez une année captivante remplie de défis.

Aussi, je félicite les gagnants 2006 des principaux prix de la SCP pour leur contribution. Ces prix ont reconnu leurs apports exceptionnels à la science de la phytopathologie au Canada. Les gagnants ont été : Verna Higgins (Compagnon), Mike Celetti (Contributions à la lutte contre les maladies des plantes) et Russell Tweddell (Jeune scientifique d'excellence).

Pour terminer, la SCP doit relever d'importants défis en 2006. La SCP vit au-dessus de ses moyens – nous devons réexaminer les revenus et les dépenses, et développer de nouvelles sources de revenu. Au Canada, le nombre de postes de chercheur ou d'enseignants en phytopathologie diminue à chaque année – l'orientation proposée dans le Plan stratégique est d'élargir le bassin de membres possibles. De même, il est difficile d'attirer les meilleurs étudiants en phytopathologie – le Plan stratégique nous propose de fournir à nos étudiants des opportunités supplémentaires de communication et de recherche d'emploi par l'accroissement de nos services sur le web, et d'être plus proactifs auprès des écoles afin de stimuler l'intérêt et la passion pour les sciences (la phytopathologie en particulier). Les aspects positifs de notre société sont qu'elle a une solide base de membres, des revenus réguliers, une tradition de volontaires dévoués, un plan pour l'avenir, et le talent et l'énergie de ses membres. Nous allons demeurer une organisation forte et vivante, et j'ai hâte de travailler avec vous au cours de la prochaine année.

## Committee Reports

### 2006 CPS Awards Committee Report

The following awards were announced and presented at the joint APS/MSA/CPS Annual Meeting on August 1, 2006; CPS Fellow, CPS Award for Achievement in Plant Disease Management, CPS Outstanding young Scientist Award, two awards each for Graduate Student Travel, Best Student Oral and Best Student Poster Presentations.

#### Graduate Student Travel Award

Xiaowei Guo, Department of Plant Science, University of Manitoba. He presented his results from his Ph.D. work in his poster presentation entitled "Prediction of deoxynivalinol in spring wheat based on cropping practices, *Fusarium* spores on a wheat head and rainfall at the flowering stage."

Taye Zegeye, Department of Plant Science, University of Manitoba. He presented his Ph.D. results in his poster presentation titled "Transfer of stem rust resistance from diploid to hexaploid oat."

Both students were awarded \$300 towards their travel expenses.

#### Best Student Oral Presentation:

1<sup>st</sup> place: L. Joly, Laurentian, Forestry Centre, Canadian Forest Service, Quebec. "Unravelling the secrets of secretomics in poplar leaf rusts (*Melampsora* spp.)."

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: S. M. Lehman, Department of Biological Sciences, Brock University. "Competition between *Erwinia amylovora* and *Erwinia pyrifoliae* on pear blossoms."

Honourable Mention -

G.J. Bilodeau. Laurentian, Forestry Centre, Canadian Forest Service, Quebec. "Analysis of single nucleotide polymorphisms in populations of *Phytophthora ramorum*."

Best Student Poster Presentation

1<sup>st</sup> place: Taye Zegeye. Department of Plant Science, University of Manitoba. "Transfer of stem rust resistance from diploid to hexaploid oat."

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Sophie Boivin, Department of phytologie, Laval University. "Effect of Fe, Cu and Mo on mycelial growth of *Helminthosporium solani*, the causal agent of potato silver scurf."

Honourable mention

D.H. Langdon, Southern Crop Protection and Food Research Centre, AAFC. "Screening commercial biocontrol agents for inhibition of *Monilinia blight* (mummy berry) on low bush blueberry."

All first place awardees in the oral presentation and poster competitions received a one year membership in the Society, an engraved plaque, and the amount of \$150.

**CPS Fellow Award**

**Dr. Verna Higgins-Fellow of the Canadian Phytopathological Society**

The Canadian Phytopathological Society is proud to announce that Dr. Verna Higgins has been named as a Fellow of the Society. Dr. Verna J. Higgins

received her M.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees in Plant Pathology from Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. in 1966 and 1969, respectively. After graduation, she joined the Botany Department at the University of Toronto as an Assistant Professor, and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1973 and to Full Professor in 1981. She served as the Chair of the Botany Department from 1992 to 1998.

During her career, Dr. Higgins taught several undergraduate and graduate courses in the area of plant-microbe interactions and plant pathology. She had trained 17 M.Sc. and 6 Ph.D. students and 3 postdoctoral fellows. At the University of Toronto, she held many administrative positions and chaired, or has been a member of many Departmental, University and External committees including chairing the NSERC Plant Biology committee. Dr. Higgins has authored over 84 scientific papers, reports and book chapters, and several abstracts. After a long and illustrious career of 34 years, she retired from University of Toronto in 2003. She is currently an emeritus professor at University of Toronto.

Dr. Higgins is recognized internationally in the area of mechanisms of genetically defined plant disease resistance. Her research was directed primarily at understanding how plants defend themselves against fungal pathogens. She adopted the *Cladosporium fulvum*-tomato system and studied the role



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP and Deena Errampalli, CPS-SCP Secretary presenting Verna Higgins with the Canadian Phytopathological Society Fellow Award**

of phytoalexins, elicitors, cell wall changes and reactive oxygen species in resistance of tomato to *Cladosporium fulvum*.

She is an active member of several scientific societies, including a past member of the Disease and Pathogen Physiology Committee, Biochemistry, Physiology and Molecular Biology Committees of the American Phytopathological Society. Her editorial contributions to scientific societies include, Associate Editor of Physiological Plantarum, Plant Pathology, Phytopathology, and Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology.

Dr. Higgins joined CPS in 1969 and has provided service and leadership to CPS and to the phytopathology scientific community in Canada throughout her 34-year professional career and beyond. She served as President of the CPS Governing Board from 1989-90 and contributed significantly to the following CPS committees; Resolutions Committee, Proceedings Committee, Member of Council, Awards Committee, Science Policy Committee, CFBS program committee, Strategic Planning Committee, and Science Policy Committee, and was President-elect 1988-89. She organised the Workshop on Active Oxygen Species in Plant Disease for the International Congress of Plant Pathology, Montreal, July, 1993. Interestingly, she served two terms on some committees such as the Awards committee. She has been a strong advocate for the promotion of the profession of plant pathology in Canada and she has given many talks, including a talk at the annual meeting of the Western Ontario Region of CPS in

Guelph in 2003, on how to encourage and retain young students and researchers in the area of plant pathology in Canada. Currently, she is involved in the "CPS History Book" project that has been initiated as a part of CPS 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities in 2004.

Dr. Verna J. Higgins' outstanding contributions to the profession of plant pathology and to our Society merit the honour of **Fellow of The Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS)**.

### **CPS Award for Achievements in Plant Disease Management**



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP presenting Michael Celetti with the CPS Award for Achievements in Plant Disease Management**

**Michael Celetti's** outstanding and numerous contributions in the areas of research, extension, and service in plant pathology and disease management, merits receiving the 2006 CPS Award for Achievements in Plant Disease Management. Mr Celetti received his M.Sc. in 1984, from the University of Guelph. His M.Sc. research topic was the study of *Fusarium*

species associated with crown rot of winter wheat. He has published over 100 scientific papers, abstracts, reports and media talks and contributed to more than 60 presentations in scientific workshops. Mike had served on several committees including the CPS site selection committee, organization committee and is presently a member of the awards committee. Michael is currently the Chair of the Plum Pox National Task Force.



Since coming to the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA), he has made significant contributions to Ontario agriculture and had worked on a phenomenal variety of crops and diseases. Amongst his significant contributions include: identification of a new bean disease in Canada (e.g. First report of Angular leaf spot on beans, 2001), development of integrated pest management methods for several crops and/or diseases, and assessment of disease control practices such as fungicides and alternatives to fungicides (e.g. The effect of gypsum as a soil amendment on red stele in strawberries).

In recent years, Michael has become involved with several national plant health task forces focused on the management of new introduced diseases to Canada, including plum pox virus of pome fruits and sudden oak death (*Phytophthora ramorum*). He has made thoughtful contributions to the development of policies and protocols for plant health in Canada.

### **Outstanding Young Scientist Award**

**Dr. Russell Tweddell's** research accomplishment and valuable practical application of scientific or technological expertise in plant pathology are a testimonial to his significant contribution to this field. Dr. Russell Tweddell received his Ph.D. jointly from Laval/McGill University in 1995. From 1996-1998, he completed PDF training in Food Chemistry and in industrial production of biocontrol agents in Toulouse, France

and in Luke, Belgium, respectively. He then joined the Horticultural Research Center (Centre de recherche en horticulture/ Horticultural Research Center - CRH, Université Laval) to work on different diseases affecting vegetable crops. In 2002, he accepted the position of Assistant Professor in the Plant Science Department, Université Laval, and since 2005, he has been the head of the CRH.



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP presenting Russell Tweddell with the Outstanding Young Scientist Award**

As a young scientist, Dr. Tweddell has made an outstanding contribution to plant pathology in Canada. He has to his credit more than 20 papers in refereed high impact journals such as *Applied and Environmental Microbiology*, *Mycological Research*, and *Soil Biology & Biochemistry*. His research on potato diseases has made a significant contribution to the

field of biological control and pathology of potato crops. The quality and the originality of his work were recognized very early in his career. His M.Sc. research topic received the *Norman Childers Student Award 1991* of The American Society for Horticultural Sciences. In 1995, he received the *Luella K. Weresub Award* (Canadian Botanical Association) for his Ph.D. contribution to the physiology of the mycoparasite *Stachybotrys elegans*. This award is given annually for the best paper published by a student in mycology at Canadian Universities. In 2003, he received the *Early Career Achievement Award 2003* given by the APS (Northeastern Division) for impressive contributions to plant pathology by a researcher early in his career. Along with his contribution to the

development of new knowledge in plant pathology, he contributes to the academic and research training of young researchers in this field by supervising several graduate students. Since 1998, he has supervised more than 17 graduate students and PDFs, and contributes to the academic training of undergraduate students in the fields of plant pathology/mycology.

Dr Tweddell works in close collaboration with growers of potato, carrot and greenhouse tomato crops in the region of Québec City. He regularly tests carrot cultivars for their sensitivity to cavity spot in order to help producers select the less sensitive ones. Recently, he developed a low cost chemical cocktail to sterilize nutritive solutions for the greenhouse tomato industry.

In a short period of time, Russell was able to obtain funding from both governments and private companies, most notably from CFI and succeeded to establish a research program on the integrated control of diseases affecting horticultural crops. He is active in various scientific societies including the Québec Society for the Protection of Plants, the Canadian Phytopathological Society (regional representative for Québec), the APS, the Mycological Society of America and the Potato Association of America (member).

Congratulations to all award recipients and special thanks to all those who prepared and submitted nominations. Thanks are also extended to all members of the Awards Committee, Michael Celetti, Antonet Svircev, Sabine Banninza and to Jill Thomson for their sincere effort and hard work all through out the year.

Submitted by: Suha Jabaji, Chair, CPS-SCP Awards Committee



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP presenting Xiaowei Guo with the Graduate Student Travel Award**



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP presenting L. Joly with the Best Student Oral Presentation (1st place)**



**André Lévesque, President, CPS-SCP presenting Taye Zegeye, with the Best Student Poster Award (1st place). Taye also received the Graduate Student Travel Award**

## **CPS Financial Advisory Committee Report**

**31 July 2006**

Members Present: R. C. Hamelin (Chair), A. Lévesque, J. Menzies, D. Fernando, B. Gossen, R. Howard, G. Peng, and L. Couture

Regrets: A. Hopkin, Z. Punja, R. Kutcher

The Financial Advisory Committee (FAC) met July 28th 2006, to (1) review the financial statements, (2) review the proposed budget for 2007, (3) review the format of financial statements and budget forecasts, and (4) discuss the proposed new strategic plan.

### **Financial Statement/Auditors Report for 2005**

The financial statement for 2005, as prepared by the auditors, was reviewed by the FAC. There was a fairly large deficit in the General Operation, which can be accounted for by the lack of revenue from the 2005 Plant Canada meeting. By comparison, the 2001, 2002, and 2003 statements reported profits of over \$10,000. There was also a deficit for the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology. However, there was an unusually large expense for printing and mailing in 2005, which will not be a recurrent expense. The Information Products Committee reported a large expense for the printing and marketing of *Maladie des Grandes Cultures au Canada*, but still reported a profit of nearly \$16,000 on very good sales of MGCC and DFCC. Overall, the Society reports a deficit of \$46,859 for 2005.

### **2007 CPS/SCP Budget**

The proposed budget for 2007 comprises slight increases for the CPS Website, decreased expenses for Information Products, given our current inventory of books, and an amount to start the new edition of DPVCC. Predicted revenues will decrease, however, as the sales of our books will diminish. Also, since we are planning to meet with Plant Canada again for the annual meeting in 2007, no profits were budgeted for the annual meeting. An overall deficit is thus projected for 2007.

### **Format of financial statements and budget forecasts**

Most of the problems have been fixed, but some problems remain in particular with the mailings. The Treasurer will keep an eye on this with the Past-president for the next budget exercise.

### **Proposed new strategic plan**

The new strategic plan was presented and discussed. The items that will influence the Financial Advisory Committee were thoroughly examined and discussed in the light of the current budget situation. The proposed 2007 budget as well as the 5-year budget were adjusted to take into account some items for which the FAC felt actions were to be taken.

## CPS 2007 Budget

	2007	2006	2005
	Budgeted	Budgeted	Actual
<b>Revenues</b>			
<b>General Operations</b>			
Membership Dues (Sum of Dues)	\$15,500	\$17,580	\$12,687
Interest	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$4,325
Annual Meeting	\$10,000	\$27,000	\$7,277
Subtotal - Revenue (General Operations)	\$30,500	\$49,080	\$23,710
<b>Can. J. of Plant Pathology</b>			
Membership Dues	\$13,890	\$13,470	\$13,883
Subscriptions (NRC-collected)	\$35,000	\$35,000	\$29,196
Page charges, reprints & abstracts	\$40,000	\$37,500	\$43,537
Subtotal - Revenue (CJPP)	\$88,890	\$85,970	\$86,617
<b>Information Products</b>			
MGCC Sales 3rd Edition	\$1,000	\$16,500	\$34,611
DFCC Sales 3rd Edition - English	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$11,264
DPVCC/MRCLC	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,453
Plant Pathology in Canada	-	\$2,500	-
Donations for Book Publishing	-	-	-
Subtotal - Revenue (Information Products)	\$12,000	\$35,000	\$47,328
<b>Grand Total - Revenues</b>	<b>\$131,390</b>	<b>\$170,050</b>	<b>\$157,655</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>			
<b>General Operations (GO)</b>			
Amortization	-	\$300	-
Annual meeting costs	\$10,000	\$25,000	\$9,692
Regional meetings	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$755
Awards - minting and framing	\$1,000	\$500	\$1,115
General/Miscellaneous	\$22,500	\$20,000	\$21,010
ISPP (Meeting and Dues)	\$400	\$350	\$391
Professional Services (auditors)	\$9,000	\$8,500	\$8,271
Society Newsletter (CPS NEWS)	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$4,298
Travel	\$14,000	\$16,000	\$7,747
GO Subtotal - Expenditures	\$65,900	\$79,650	\$53,279
<b>Can. J. of Plant Pathology</b>			
Electronic CJPP	\$5,000	\$5,000	-
Printing, Mailing, Reprints	\$75,000	\$75,000	\$108,651
Salaries, Translation, Office Costs	\$10,600	\$10,600	\$10,850
CJPP Subtotal - Expenditures	\$90,600	\$90,600	\$119,501
<b>Information Products (print, market, mail)</b>			
MGCC 3rd ed.- (DFCC - French)	\$4,100	\$4,500	\$29,476
DFCC 3rd ed.- English	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$1,815
DPVCC/MRCLC	\$10,000	-	\$443
Plant Pathology in Canada	-	\$15,500	-
IP Subtotal - Expenditures	\$16,600	\$22,500	\$31,734
<b>Grand Total - Expenditures</b>	<b>\$173,100</b>	<b>\$192,750</b>	<b>\$204,514</b>
<b>Grand Total - Revenues</b>	<b>\$131,390</b>	<b>\$170,050</b>	<b>\$157,655</b>
<b>Grand Net (R - E)</b>	<b>-\$41,710</b>	<b>-\$22,700</b>	<b>-\$46,859</b>

**Canadian Phytopathological Society/La Société canadienne de phytopathologie  
Minutes from the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting  
Minutes Assemblée 77<sup>th</sup> Assemblée Générale  
Annuelle de la Société canadienne de phytopathologie  
Quebec City, Quebec, August 1, 2006**

There were 90 CPS members in attendance. Quorum is 25 members.  
Time: 12:18 PM to 1:25 PM and 6:35 PM to 7:15 PM.

**1. Welcome remarks from the President**

André Lévesque welcomed delegates and guests to the CPS annual general meeting in Quebec City.

**2. Moment of Silence for deceased members in 2005-2006**

There was a moment of silence held for a CPS member, Gordon Nelson (1925-2005).

**3. Adoption of the AGM 2006 agenda**

André Lévesque outlined the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting agenda. Motion to adopt the agenda was moved by Tom Fetch and seconded by Jim Menzies. **Carried.**

**4. Adoption of Minutes from the AGM in Edmonton, AB, June 18, 2005 (CPS News September 2005)**

Motion to adopt the minutes was moved by Rudra Singh and seconded by Bruce Gossen. **Carried.**

**5. President's Report**

André Lévesque gave a report to the membership. This year, we had 90 members in attendance at the AGM and that is a record. In 2005-06 CPS was very involved in many activities including: organizing of the APS/CPS/MSA joint meeting; release of the CD "Maladies et Ravageurs des Cultures Légumières au Canada"; release of the special 75th anniversary issue of the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology; obtaining the approval for constitutional change regarding the change in the voting procedure for Board and committee members; changes in our approach to tackle important science policy issues such the creation of a plant health network; initiating the preparation of a new edition of Diseases and Pest of Vegetable Crops in Canada; finding a permanent home for the student and visitor photo collection of professor Sackston; completing the scanning and online release of all the older volumes of CJPP; some changes to the education and public awareness committee; indexing and digitizing of Canadian Plant Disease Survey; streamlining of budget items in CPS financial statements; and planning of future CPS meetings, including our participation at ICPP 2008 in Torino, Italy. André thanked Ken Conn and Russell Twiddell in indexing the names for the meeting program; and Tony Hopkin, Jim Menzies and Richard Bélanger for their

involvement in organizing symposia, etc. at the APS/CPS/MSA joint meeting in Quebec City. Most of these items were included in the President's message(s) in the September and December 2005 and March and June 2006 issues of the CPS News. André Lévesque, CPS President, 2005-06.

## **6. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement**

### **6.1. Auditors Report 2005**

CPS Treasurer, D. Fernando presented the 2005 Auditors report to the AGM. Copies of the report were distributed to the membership.

Discussion: There was a question about differences in dollars values for Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology (CJPP) between 2005 and 2006.

Dilantha explained that the difference arose due to double billing by NRC in 2005. He has indicated that it averages out to be \$90,000/year. Recent attempts by the Financial Advisory Committee and the CPS Board to identify and charge to line items will help rectify this situation.

A motion was put forth to accept the auditors report as presented. Moved by Jim Menzies and seconded by James Chong. **Carried.**

### **6.2. Appointment of Auditors for 2006**

D. Fernando requested that the Exchange Group, Chartered Accountants in Winnipeg, MB to be appointed as the auditors for 2005. Moved by Ken Conn and seconded by Sue Boyetchko. **Carried.**

## **7. Report of the Financial Advisory Committee**

R. Hamelin the chair of the FAC, presented financial report for 2006. The proposed budget for 2007 was also presented. The full report from the FAC will be published in the CPS News. A motion for adoption of the report was moved by Richard Belanger and seconded by George Lazarovits. **Carried.**

## **8. Report on the Second Strategic plan for CPS (2006-2011)**

Ron Howard, co-chair of the Second Strategic Planning Committee, gave a detailed power point presentation including the vision, mission, goal themes, values and guiding principles, and outlined goals and suggested time lines for implementation of the second strategic plan (2006-2011) to the membership. The revised second strategic plan will be posted on the CPS Website. The membership was asked to give its input on every aspect of the new plan. Details will be presented in the annual report of the FAC in CPS News. Incoming Board will initiate the implementation of the second Strategic plan.

Motion: that the draft strategic plan of the CPS/SCP for 2006-2011 be approved by the membership subject to the considerations of recommendations made at the annual general meeting and to prioritization of the action steps in the plan by the CPS Executive Board. Moved by Ron Howard and seconded by Verna Higgins. **Carried.**

## 9. Proposed changes to the constitution

### 9.1. Voting procedures

The proposed changes to constitution, Article VIB, Election of Board Members and members of standing committees was approved by 97.4% of the members that have returned the ballots by mail in 2005-06. Of the 389 ballots mailed, 50.38% of the ballots were returned by postal mail. The constitution change is approved according to the ARTICLE XVI B, Section 1, of the CPS constitution. The information was published in the 2005 March issue of CPS News. Three main changes were highlighted, 1) clarification to the first part of section 4, that if there is only one nomination for a position, the person nominated will be elected by acclamation, 2) time lines were moved up by 2 weeks and 3) To facilitate the returning of the ballots, in addition to the regular postal mail, fascimile and e-mail were added. These changes reflect the advances in the communication in recent years. A report was published in March 2006 issue of the CPS News.

## 10. Approval of annual reports from committees and representatives

### Standing Committees

- 10.1. Awards Committee, CPS News September 2005
- 10.2. Future Meetings
- 10.3. Journal Editorial Board
- 10.4. Membership, CPS News June 2006
- 10.5. Science Policy, CPS News Dec 2005 and June 2006

### Subject Matter Committees

- 10.6. Local Arrangements (Plant Canada 2004-2005), CPS News September 2005
- 10.7. Workshop and Symposium 2004-2005, CPS News September 2005
- 10.8. Public Awareness and Education, CPS News June 2006
- 10.9. Local Arrangements (APS/CPS/MSA 2005-2006)
- 10.10. Information Products Marketing, CPS News March 2006

### Ad Hoc Committees

- 10.11. Microbial Genetics Resources and Culture Collections

## 11. Other Reports

- 11.1. Canadian Plant Disease Survey, CPS News March 2006
- 11.2. CPS News, CPS News Sept 2005 and June 2006
- 11.3. CPS Website

Motion to accept reports, from the standing committees, subject matter committees, ad hoc committees and other reports, as published in the CPS News and/or reported by the representatives at the AGM was moved by Jim Menzies and seconded by Mary Ruth McDonald **Carried.**

## 12. Resolutions Committee

Tom Fetch gave a brief report and thanked Ron Howard and Dave Kaminsky, the co-chairs and committee members of the Second Strategic planning Committee, for their hard work and the plan. Tom thanked Richard Belanger for participating in organizing the 77<sup>th</sup> annual meeting in conjunction with APS/ASM in Quebec City. Also, Tom acknowledged all the people involved in the special issue at the annual meeting for their work in putting together the select papers that were published in the CJPP 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary special issue at the CPS AGM in Quebec City. The names were included in the print copy. The CJPP special issue was mailed to the membership June 2006. A thank you letter will be sent by the CPS President to the Chair of the APS Organizing committee. Richard Hamelin moved that the report be accepted as presented and seconded by Sue Boyetchko. **Carried**

## 13 Other items

### 13.1. Glen Anderson Lecture at ICPP in Torino, Italy

George Lazarovits indicated that it is a tradition to have a Glen Anderson lecture when the CPS meets with APS or at the International Congress of Plant Pathology. It fell through the cracks and was not organized at this years APS/CPS/MSA annual meeting in Quebec City.

Motion: George Lazarovits moved that the Glen Anderson lecture be given on behalf of CPS at the ICPP, provided the space is available in the program, in Torino, Italy. Seconded by Verna Higgins

During the discussion it was noted and agreed that this action could only be undertaken if there was support from APS. The CPS board will discuss this issue further with APS before proceeding. **Carried.**

### 13.2. Certificate of Appreciation and CPS 2006 awards

At the Banquet, André Levesque presented certificates of appreciation to Richard Hamelin (Past-president, 2005-06), Gayle Jespersion (Membership Secretary 2000-2006), Sue Boyetchko (Director, 2004-06) and CJPP Associate Editors, Raj S. Utkhede and A. (Tony) V. Sturz. André also presented the CPS 2006 awards. A report on the 2006 CPS awards will be published by the Awards Committee, in the upcoming CPS News.

## 14. Nominations Committee Report (CPS News June 2006)

- Installation of new Members on Standing Committees

Outgoing Board members are Past-president, Richard Hamelin; Membership Secretary, Gayle Jespersion; Senior Director, Sue Boyetchko.

The following individuals were nominated for incoming Board Positions: Vice-president, Mary Legget; Membership Secretary, Khalid Rashid; and Junior Director, Randy Clear.



The following individuals have been nominated for standing committees  
Steven Strelkov, Awards; Ron Howard, Financial Advisory; Tom Fetch,  
Future Meetings; Philip Northover, Nominating; Pervaiz Abbasi, Resolutions;  
L. Couture, Science Policy.

Ken Conn moved that the submitted report (CPS News June 2006) be  
adopted and the nominations be accepted and seconded by Karen Bailey.

**Carried**

- Installation of new Board Members

**CPS/SCP Board Members for 2006-2007**

President: Bruce Gossen  
President Elect: Jim Menzies  
Vice-president: Mary Leggett  
Past-president: André Lévesque  
Secretary: Deena Errampalli  
Treasurer: Dilantha Fernando  
Membership Secretary: Khalid Rashid  
Senior Director: Mary Ruth McDonald  
Junior Director: Randy Clear

André Lévesque thanked the Society for the opportunity to serve as  
President for 2005-2006 and welcomed Bruce Gossen as the  
incoming CPS President. Bruce Gossen thanked the Past-president  
André Lévesque and presented him with a plaque in recognition of  
his service. Bruce Gossen then outlined some of the things that  
would be conducted in the upcoming year. He closed the meeting by  
inviting everyone to next year's 78<sup>th</sup> CPS annual meeting in  
conjunction with 2007 Plant Canada meeting in Saskatoon from 11-  
14 June, 2007.

**15. Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the 77<sup>th</sup> AGM in 2006 was moved by Jim Menzies and seconded  
by Mary Ruth McDonald. **Carried.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:  
Deena Errampalli  
CPS Secretary  
August 2006

**Canadian Phytopathological Society/La Société canadienne de phytopathologie  
Procès verbal de la 77<sup>e</sup> Assemblée générale annuelle de la Société canadienne de  
phytopathologie**

Québec, Québec, 1<sup>er</sup> août, 2006

Quatre-vingt-dix membres de la SCP sont présents. Le quorum est de 25 membres.  
Horaire : 12 h 18 à 13 h 25 et 18 h 35 à 19 h 15.

## 1. Mot de bienvenue du président

André Lévesque souhaite la bienvenue aux délégués et aux invités pour l'Assemblée générale annuelle de la SCP à Québec.

## 2. Minute de silence pour les membres décédés en 2005-2006

Une minute de silence est observée pour un membre de la SCP : Gordon Nelson (1925-2005).

## 3. Adoption de l'ordre du jour de l'AGA 2006

André Lévesque donne les grandes lignes de l'ordre du jour de la 77<sup>e</sup> Assemblée générale annuelle.

L'adoption de l'ordre du jour est proposée par Tom Fetch; appuyé par Jim Menzies.

**Adopté.**

## 4. Adoption du procès-verbal de l'AGA d'Edmonton, AB, 18 juin 2005 (CPS-SCP News de septembre 2005)

L'adoption du procès-verbal est proposée par Rudra Singh; appuyé par Bruce Gossen. **Adopté.**

## 5. Rapport du président

André Lévesque fait rapport aux membres. « Cette année, 90 membres assistent à l'AGA; c'est un record. En 2005-2006, la SCP fut très impliquée dans plusieurs activités : organisation de la réunion conjointe APS/SCP/MSA; parution du CD *Maladies et Ravageurs des Cultures Légumières au Canada*; parution du numéro spécial de la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie* pour le 75<sup>e</sup> anniversaire; approbation des modifications à la Constitution en ce qui a trait à la procédure d'élection des membres du Conseil et des comités; changements dans notre façon d'aborder les questions importantes de politique scientifique telles que la création d'un réseau de protection des plantes; amorce de la préparation d'une nouvelle édition de *Maladies et Ravageurs des Cultures Légumières au Canada*; recherche d'un lieu de conservation permanent pour la collection de photos d'étudiants et de visiteurs du professeur Sackston; finalisation de la numérisation et de la parution en ligne de tous les anciens volumes du *CJPP*; changements au Comité de la sensibilisation et de l'éducation du public; indexage et numérisation de l'*Inventaire des maladies des plantes au Canada*; allègement de postes budgétaires dans les états financiers de la SCP; et planification des prochaines réunions de la SCP, y compris notre participation à l'ICPP 2008 à Turin, Italie. » André remercie Ken Conn et Russell Twiddell pour l'indexage des noms figurant au programme de la réunion; et Tony Hopkin, Jim Menzies et Richard Bélanger pour leur implication dans l'organisation de colloques, etc., à la réunion conjointe APS/SCP/MSA à Québec. La plupart de ces points figurèrent dans les Mots du président des numéros du *CPS-SCP News* de septembre et décembre 2005, et de mars et juin 2006. André Lévesque, Président de la SCP, 2005-2006.

## 6. Rapport du trésorier et états financiers

### 6.1. Rapport des vérificateurs pour 2005

Le trésorier de la SCP, D. Fernando, présente à l'AGA le rapport des vérificateurs pour 2005. Des copies du rapport sont distribuées aux membres présents.

Discussion : Une question d'éclaircissement sur les différences entre 2005 et 2006 des montants en dollars pour la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie (CJPP)* est posée. Dilantha explique qu'une différence est due à deux facturations par le CNRC en 2005. Il indique que le coût est en moyenne de 90 000 \$/année. Les récents efforts du Comité consultatif sur les finances et du Conseil de la SCP pour identifier et modifier les postes comptables problématiques aideront à régulariser cette situation.

Une proposition d'adoption du rapport des vérificateurs tel que présenté est faite. Proposé par Jim Menzies; appuyé par James Chong. **Adopté.**

### 6.2. Désignation des vérificateurs pour 2006

D. Fernando propose que The Exchange Group, Chartered Accountants de Winnipeg, MB, soit choisi comme vérificateurs pour 2006. Proposé par Ken Conn; appuyé par Sue Boyetchko. **Adopté.**

## 7. Rapport du Comité consultatif des finances

R. Hamelin, président du CCF, présente le rapport financier pour 2006. Une proposition de budget pour 2007 est aussi présentée. Le rapport du CCF sera publié au complet dans le *CPS-SCP News*. Richard Bélanger propose l'adoption du rapport; appuyé par George Lazarovits. **Adopté.**

## 8. Rapport sur le second Plan stratégique (2006-2011)

Ron Howard, co-président du comité du second Plan stratégique, présente aux membres un diaporama détaillé avec PowerPoint, y compris la vision, la mission, les objectifs, les valeurs et les principes directeurs, et esquisse les buts et un échéancier pour la mise en oeuvre du second Plan stratégique (2006-2011). Le second Plan stratégique révisé sera placé sur le site Web de la SCP. Les membres sont sollicités pour donner leur avis sur chaque point du nouveau plan. Des détails seront présentés dans le rapport annuel du CCF dans le *CPS-SCP News*. Le nouveau Conseil déclenchera la mise en oeuvre du second Plan stratégique.

Proposition : que le plan stratégique provisoire de la CPS-SCP pour 2006-2011 soit approuvé par les membres, sous réserve de l'étude des recommandations, par les membres à l'assemblée générale annuelle, et des étapes prioritaires du plan, par le Conseil exécutif de la SCP. Proposé par Ron Howard; appuyé par Verna Higgins. **Adopté.**

## **9. Propositions de changements à la Constitution**

### 9.1. Mécanisme de votation

Les changements proposés à la Constitution, Article VIB, Élection des membres du Conseil et des membres des comités permanents furent approuvés par 97,4 % des membres qui ont retourné leur bulletin de vote par la poste en 2005-2006. Des 389 bulletins postés, 50,38 % furent retournés par la poste. Le changement à la Constitution est approuvé conformément à l'ARTICLE XVI B, Section 1, de la Constitution de la SCP. L'information a été publiée dans le numéro de mars du CPS-SCP News. Trois principaux changements sont soulignés : 1) une clarification de la première partie de la section 4, qui indique que s'il y a un seul candidat pour un poste, ce candidat sera élu par acclamation; 2) les échéances sont avancées de 2 semaines; et 3) pour simplifier le retour des bulletins de vote, le télécopieur et le courrier électronique s'ajoutent à la poste. Ces changements reflètent les récents progrès des moyens de communication. Un rapport fut publié dans le numéro de mars 2006 du CPS-SCP News.

## **10. Approbation des rapports annuels des comités et des représentants**

### **Comités permanents**

- 10.1. Comité des prix, *CPS-SCP News*, septembre 2005
- 10.2. Réunions futures
- 10.3. Comité éditorial de la Revue
- 10.4. Adhésion, *CPS-SCP News*, juin 2006
- 10.5. Politique scientifique, *CPS-SCP News*, décembre 2005 et juin 2006

### **Comités de planification**

- 10.6. Local d'organisation (Plant Canada 2004-2005), *CPS-SCP News*, septembre 2005
- 10.7. Ateliers et colloques 2004-2005, *CPS-SCP News*, septembre 2005
- 10.8. Sensibilisation et éducation du public, *CPS-SCP News*, juin 2006
- 10.9. Local d'organisation (APS/SCP/MSA 2005-2006)
- 10.10. Mise en marché des produits d'information, *CPS-SCP News*, mars 2006

### **Comités spéciaux**

- 10.11. Ressources génétiques microbiennes et collections de micro-organismes

## **11. Autres rapports**

- 11.1. *Inventaire des maladies des plantes au Canada*, *CPS-SCP News*, mars 2006
- 11.2. *CPS-SCP News*, *CPS-SCP News*, septembre 2005 et juin 2006
- 11.3. Site Web de la SCP

Une proposition pour accepter les rapports des comités permanents, de planification et spéciaux, ainsi que les autres rapports, tels que publiés dans le *CPS-SCP News* ou tels que présentés par des représentants lors de l'AGA est faite par Jim Menzies; appuyé par Mary Ruth McDonald. **Adopté.**

## 12. Comité des résolutions

Tom Fetch fait un bref rapport et remercie Ron Howard et Dave Kaminsky, co-présidents, et les membres du comité de planification du second Plan stratégique, pour leur travail acharné et pour le Plan. Tom remercie Richard Bélanger pour sa participation à l'organisation de la 77<sup>e</sup> réunion annuelle tenue conjointement avec l'APS et l'ASM à Québec. De plus, Tom remercie, pour avoir travaillé à assembler les articles choisis pour publication, tous les gens impliqués dans le numéro spécial du *CJPP* du 75<sup>e</sup> anniversaire. Leurs noms figurent dans la version imprimée. Le numéro spécial du *CJPP* fut expédié aux membres par la poste en juin 2006. Une lettre de remerciement sera envoyée par le président de la SCP au président du Comité organisateur de l'APS. Richard Hamelin propose que le rapport soit accepté tel que présenté; appuyé par Sue Boyetchko. **Adopté.**

## 13 Autres items

### 13.1. Conférence Glen Anderson à l'ICPP à Turin, Italie.

George Lazarovits rappelle que, traditionnellement, il se donne une conférence Glen Anderson lorsque la SCP se réunit avec l'APS ou lors de l'International Congress of Plant Pathology. C'est un oubli et elle ne fut pas organisée pour la réunion APS/SCP/MSA de cette année à Québec.

Proposition : George Lazarovits propose qu'une conférence Glen Anderson soit donnée au nom de la SCP à l'ICPP, à la condition que le programme à Turin, Italie le permette. Appuyé par Verna Higgins

Lors de la discussion, on précise et reconnaît que, pour passer à l'action, il faudra absolument avoir le soutien de l'APS. Le Conseil de la SCP discutera de cette question avec l'APS avant de passer à l'action. **Adopté.**

### 13.2. Certificat d'appréciation et prix de la SCP pour 2006.

Lors du banquet, André Lévesque a présenté des certificats d'appréciation à Richard Hamelin (président sortant, 2005-2006), à Gayle Jespersion (secrétaire à l'adhésion 2000-2006), à Sue Boyetchko (directrice, 2004-2006), et à Raj S. Utkhede et A. (Tony) V. Sturz, rédacteurs associés au *CJPP*. André présente aussi les prix de la SCP pour 2006. Un rapport sur les prix de la SCP pour 2006 sera publié par le Comité des prix dans le prochain numéro du *CPS-SCP News*.

## 14. Rapport du Comité de mise en candidature (*CPS-SCP News*, juin 2006)

- Installation des nouveaux membres aux comités permanents

Les membres sortants du Conseil sont le président sortant, Richard Hamelin; la secrétaire à l'adhésion, Gayle Jespersen; la directrice senior, Sue Boyetchko.

Les personnes suivantes sont nommées aux postes vacants du Conseil : vice-président, Mary Legget; secrétaire à l'adhésion, Khalid Rashid; et directeur junior, Randy Clear.

Les personnes suivantes sont nommées aux comités permanents : Steven Strelkov, Comité des prix; Ron Howard, Comité consultatif des finances; Tom Fetch, Comité des futures réunions; Philip Northover, Comité des mises en candidature. Pervaiz Abbasi, Comité des résolutions; L. Couture, Comité de la politique scientifique.

Ken Conn propose que le rapport soumis (*CPS/SCP News*, mars 2006) soit adopté et que les candidats proposés soient acceptés; appuyé par Karen Bailey. **Adopté.**

- Installation du nouveau Conseil

#### **Membres du Conseil de la CPS/SCP pour 2006-2007**

Président : Bruce Gossen

Président élu : Jim Menzies

Vice-présidente : Mary Leggett

Président sortant : André Lévesque

Secrétaire : Deena Errampalli

Trésorier : Dilantha Fernando

Secrétaire à l'adhésion : Khalid Rashid

Directrice senior : Mary Ruth McDonald

Directeur junior : Randy Clear

André Lévesque remercie la Société pour lui avoir donné l'occasion de servir comme président en 2005-2006 et souhaite la bienvenue à Bruce Gossen comme nouveau président de la SCP. Bruce Gossen remercie le président sortant André Lévesque et lui présente une plaque souvenir en guise de remerciements pour ses services. Bruce Gossen brosse ensuite un tableau de ce qui devra être abordé dans la prochaine année. Il clôture la réunion en invitant chacun l'an prochain à la 78<sup>e</sup> réunion annuelle de la SCP qui sera tenue conjointement avec la réunion de 2007 de Plant Canada à Saskatoon du 11 au 14 juin 2007.

#### **15. Ajournement**

La clôture de la 77<sup>e</sup> AGA de 2006 est proposée par Jim Menzies; appuyé par Mary Ruth McDonald. **Adopté.**

Procès-verbal rédigé par :  
Deena Errampalli  
Secrétaire de la SCP  
Août 2006

## Announcements

### **CPS Meeting in 2007 with Plant Canada, June 10-14, Saskatoon**

CPS is hosting the Plant Canada 2007 meeting in Saskatoon from June 10-14, 2007. There will be 6 Canadian plant science societies in attendance covering topics related to botany, plant physiology, plant pathology, horticulture, agronomy, and weed science. We have planned 2 plenary sessions, special Education and Industry sessions, 12 mini symposia, and lots of time for contributed papers and posters. There will be awards for student papers and posters. In addition, we are organizing a number of special tours, workshops, and a Youth Science Journalism Competition. The website is presently under construction, but will soon be accessible from [www.cps-scp.ca](http://www.cps-scp.ca).

Organizational and financial support have currently been received from: Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food, BASF, Philom Bios, Becker Underwood, University of Saskatchewan, National Research Council, Canada Wheat Board, and Saskatchewan Canola Development Council. Additional contributions are always welcome. If you have any questions, drop me a line at Tel: (306) 956-7260 or Email: [baileyk@agr.gc.ca](mailto:baileyk@agr.gc.ca). Hope to see in Saskatoon in 2007!

Karen Bailey,

Plant Canada Local Arrangements  
Chairperson

### **Maritime Regional Meeting 2006**

The next Maritime Regional CPS Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 23, 2006. The meeting will be held at the Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Atlantic Food and Horticulture Research Centre in Kentville, Nova Scotia and is being kindly hosted by Dr. Gordon Braun. For more information about this year's meeting, please contact Gordon Braun ([braung@agr.gc.ca](mailto:braung@agr.gc.ca)) or Rick Peters ([petersr@agr.gc.ca](mailto:petersr@agr.gc.ca)).

Respectfully submitted by,  
Rick Peters  
Maritime Region rep

### **Previous Volumes of the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology and Annual Review of Phytopathology Available For Donation**

I have volumes 1-24 of the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology that I wish to donate to any interested plant pathologist. I am also donating the following volumes of Annual Review of Phytopathology:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 27, 29, 30, 32, 33, and 2 copies of vol. 34, 36, and 37.

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Please contact me at the email address below.

Sincerely,  
Dick Hamilton  
Email: [rihamilto@shaw.ca](mailto:rihamilto@shaw.ca)



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**OTHER SYMPOSIA SESSIONS**

- Communicating Plant Sciences
- Designing a New Agri-Food Industry
- Organic Horticulture
- Natural Products from Horticultural Crops
- Advances in Medicinal Research
- Emerging Plant Disease Epidemics
- Long Distance Signalling via Phloem
- Natural Products and Physiology
- Linking Plant Pathology with Industry
- Successes and Disappointments in Plant Physiology from a Cropping Systems Perspective

**CONTRIBUTED PAPER AND POSTER SESSIONS**

- Plant Responses to the Environment
- Plant Development & Improvement
- Pest Management
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## **New CPS-SCP Members!**

The CPS-SCP Board would like to welcome 44 new members who joined the CPS-SCP in July-August, 2006. The new members were not listed in the 2006 Directory of Members since the Directory was released in July 2006.

**New Regular Members are:** Stephan C. Briere, Cathryn Abbott, Adrian Barta, Marie-Josée Bergeron, Janelle Counsell, Teresa De Kievit, Darrell Desveaux, Daniel Dostaler, Volker Jacobi, Mario Lantuier, Rod McLeod, Francoise Montfort, Daniel O’Gorman, Rene Petroski, Anna-Mary Schmidt, Marie Simard, Rajagopal Subramaniam, Ljiljana (Lily) Tamburic-ILincic, Raymond Tropiano, Xiben Wang, Michael Waud, Richard Wilson, and Robert W. Stack.

**New Student Members are:** Isaac I. Idikwu, Stefan G. Amyotte, Daniel Benedetto, Chrystal Berry, Sophia Boivin, Guillaume Bouvet, Lewis T. Christopher, Martin Forest, Jennifer Geddes, Jianwei He, Nazanin M. Kashani, Susan Lehman, Mubeen Lodhi, Marion A. Prokop, Michael Ravensdale, Michel-Antoin Renaud, Xin Hua Wang, Champa Wijekoon, Bill Yajima, Bo Yang, and Shuang Zhou.

Submitted by: Khalid Rashid, Membership Secretary.

## **6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Pulse Research Workshop Saskatoon (Nov 1 - 3, 2006)**

It is a great pleasure to invite you to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Pulse Research Workshop in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan on **November 1 - 3, 2006**.

This workshop, held every second year, is a forum at which pulse crop researchers present their latest findings on topics like genetic improvement, crop quality and

utilization, agronomy, pathology, and environmental stewardship.

At this year’s workshop in Saskatoon a **special focus will be a half-day symposium** on the Pulse Innovation Project, which is an initiative of Pulse Canada to increase pulse crop consumption in North America via promotion of various health and wellness aspects of pulse crops in human diets. The sessions will include invited overviews of the production and utilization of pulses as well as contributed oral presentations and posters. In addition, pulse research updates from Australian and European scientists are planned.

Saskatoon is a key centre for pulse crop research in North America. The University of Saskatchewan campus is renowned for the application of biotechnology in the agriculture industry. It is home to leading federal and provincial research centres and Innovation Place, one of North America’s most successful research parks with 127 companies. It is the headquarters for many pulse-based commercial enterprises in the inoculant, seed, feed, food processing, dehulling, grain processing and exporting sectors. Saskatchewan Pulse Growers, a leading Canadian pulse crop industry association, is based in Saskatoon.

The venue is the recently completely renovated Hilton Garden Inn, 90 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Street East, Saskatoon, SK S7K 3X6 (<http://www.hiltongardeninn.com/en/gi/hotels/index.jhtml?ctyhocn=YXESDGI>).

The room rate is CAD 109.00 per night per double Queen (two queen size beds) or King (one king size bed). **To book your room please contact the hotel directly at (306) 244-2311 or toll free at 1-877-STAY-HGI and mention the “6<sup>th</sup> Canadian Pulse Research Workshop”.**

Further information on the 6th Canadian Pulse Research Workshop can be obtained by contacting :

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### **Western Committee on Plant Disease meetings 2006**

The Western Committee on Plant Disease (WCPD), a member of the Western Forum on Pest Management (WFPM) will hold its annual meetings on October 15-17 at the Inn at the Forks, Winnipeg, Manitoba. The WCPD is an advisory body to provincial government advisory committees of the four western provinces and to other agencies concerned with plant disease control within the region. Its objective is to promote the development and adoption of sound control measures for plant diseases of regional concern in the four western provinces. The WCPD publishes the Guidelines for the Control of Plant Diseases in Western Canada

The meetings are open to those working and interested in plant diseases and their control in Western Canada. Please visit the WFPM / WCPD web site at: <http://www.westernforum.org/>. For inquiry, please contact Khalid Rashid (Chairman WCPD) at 204-822-7220, or Robert Spencer (Secretary) at 403-742-7901.

### **INVENTAIRE DES MALADIES DES PLANTES AU CANADA (IMPC) / CANADIAN PLANT DISEASE SURVEY (CPDS)**

Robin Morrall  
Coordinateur national/National Coordinator

Soumission d'articles

Ceci est la première invitation à soumettre des articles en français ou en anglais à l'IMPC, Volume 87 (2007). L'objectif premier de l'IMPC est de témoigner de la présence et de l'intensité des maladies des plantes au cours de l'année qui vient de s'écouler. Cela comprend les résultats des relevés systématiques ainsi que les observations fortuites. Les récits succincts d'observations inédites sont particulièrement utiles pour signaler une nouvelle éruption d'une maladie, même s'il n'y a pas eu de relevé systématique. Les articles sur les relevés faits pendant les années antérieures ou portant sur plusieurs années sont aussi bienvenus. La Société Canadienne de Phytopathologie estime qu'il est nécessaire de publier régulièrement les résultats d'études sur l'état des maladies au Canada dans un média tel que l'IMPC. Ces études aident divers organismes à planifier la recherche. De plus, les résultats des relevés sont utiles aux organismes fédéraux pour résoudre des questions de commerce international impliquant l'état sanitaire des cultures. Pour de plus amples renseignements sur la soumission d'articles à l'IMPC, veuillez contacter un des éditeurs de section de la liste en dessous. Veuillez noter que deux des éditeurs de section sont changés depuis l'année dernière.

Call for papers

This is the first call for submissions in English or in French to CPDS, Volume 87 (2007 issue). The main function of CPDS

is to document the occurrence and levels of diseases in the previous year by publishing the results of formal surveys as well as casual observations. Anecdotal reports are particularly useful to draw attention to new outbreaks of diseases, even when no systematic survey has been conducted. Reports of surveys from previous years or compilations of results from several years are also welcome. The Canadian Phytopathological Society recognizes the continuing need for publishing disease surveys in a medium such as CPDS. Surveys benefit agencies in establishing priorities for research. As well, survey data are useful to federal agencies dealing with international trade where plant health issues apply. For more information on submission of reports to CPDS, please contact the appropriate section editor, listed below. Please note the change of two section editors from last year.

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#### Submission Deadline for the December issue of CPS - SCP News

**PLEASE NOTE:** The submission deadline for the **December issue** of CPS - SCP News is **November 17, 2006**. Please have your reports and submissions to the Editor by this date. **If you send photographs for publication in the CPS-SCP News please ensure that you indicate that all individuals appearing in the photographs have given permission for their photographs to appear in the newsletter. Photographs will not be published if permission has not been obtained from the individuals involved.**

#### People and Travel

**Dilantha Fernando**, Professor, Dept. of Plant Science, University of Manitoba was invited to give a lecture in the plenary sessions of the National Chinese Fifth Plant Disease & Chemical Control Conference, held from July 21-25, 2006 in Huhhot, Inner Mongolia, P.R. China. Dilantha's presentation was titled "Reducing pathogen resistance to chemicals with knowledge-based chemical applications and use of alternative disease management strategies." Dilantha's visit to China was sponsored by the Foreign Expert Bureau of the Govt. of Inner Mongolia of China.

Dilantha was also an invited speaker at the Dept. of Plant Science, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka on July 7, 2006. The title of this presentation was "How Canadian universities find funds for scientific research and role of academic supervisors in conducting R & D".

Dilantha's visits to China and Sri Lanka established collaborations with

universities and agriculture academic institutes.

### **CPS Expresses Appreciation to Heather Martin**

A special presentation was made to Heather Martin, University of Guelph Library, to recognize her work in scanning the back issues of the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology for the CPS web site. Heather was thanked and presented a plaque in appreciation for her Outstanding Contribution to the Canadian Phytopathological Society at the annual meeting of the Southern Ontario Region of the CPS, held at the Guelph Turfgrass Institute on May 12, 2006. The presentation was made by Deena Errampalli, Secretary of CPS. Also present to represent the CPS and extend our thanks were CPS Past-president Richard Hamelin and former CPS President, Greg Boland, who was instrumental in arranging for the journals to be scanned.



**Heather Martin receives recognition for Outstanding Contribution to the CPS-SCP. From left to right Richard Hamelin, Past-president CPS-SCP, Heather Martin, Deena Errampalli, CPS-SCP Secretary, and Greg Boland, former President of CPS-SCP**

## **Employment**

### **Ph.D. Research Assistantship**

A Ph.D. research assistantship is available immediately for a period of three years with \$ 20,000/yr. The candidate will be involved in a joint international research project on “Biological Detoxification of the Mycotoxin Deoxynivalenol (DON) to Improve Safety of Animal Feed and Food.” In particular, the candidate will participate in research to express the *tri101* gene in maize. This gene encodes trichothecene 3-O-acetyltransferase, which converts trichothecenes into significantly less toxic intermediates. Experience with *Agrobacterium*-mediated plant transformation preferred.

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### **Six-month Term Research Associate Position**

Currently we have a six-month term “Research Associate” position available immediately (October 01, 2006 – March 31, 2007) in our Potato Pathology Program. This six-month term position is based at the Potato Development Centre, Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Aquaculture, Wicklow, New Brunswick, Canada. The successful candidate will be responsible for conducting research trials on control of potato diseases, performing laboratory analyses of fungal and bacterial isolates, analyzing data, and preparing results for presentation and publication. A minimum of an M.Sc. in Plant Pathology or a related field is required.

Applicants should forward their up-to-date resumes along with names of references electronically to: Dr. Khalil Al-Mughrabi (E-mail: [khalil.al-mughrabi@gnb.ca](mailto:khalil.al-mughrabi@gnb.ca)).

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