



## Fall/Christmas Newsletter 2011

**Season's greetings to all CSORN members past and present! Below you will find updates and news from past and future CSORN events.**

### **CSORN 2011 Conference – Vancouver**

Once again this year the annual CSORN Conference held in Vancouver in June was a success! It was great to meet our new members and colleagues from across Canada. Ninety three nurses attended the Conference. The Harbour Cruise afterwards was an evening of good food and conversation with peers and friends. The Conference Coordinator Shona Lobo and coordinating team of the 2011 Conference were very pleased with the event and the participation from the group. Minutes from the June 2011 CSORN General Meeting can be viewed on our website [www.csorn.ca](http://www.csorn.ca)

### **COS/CSORN 2012 Conference – Toronto**

**Please mark the date** and plan to attend next year's Canadian Ophthalmic Society (COS) Symposium. COS will be Tuesday June 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday June 29<sup>th</sup> 2012, at the Westin Harbour Castle, Toronto. The official nursing (CSORN) day will be **Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup> 2012**.

Our Conference coordinator for 2012 is Claire Brown from North York General Hospital. Should you wish to be a speaker, or have suggestions for speakers, please contact Claire at [claire.brown@nygh.on.ca](mailto:claire.brown@nygh.on.ca) by November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Updates will be included in the Spring Newsletter. Please check the COS website [www.eyesite.ca](http://www.eyesite.ca) for more information and to register for next years CSORN Conference. To be eligible for reduced rate for COS you must be a CSORN member (\$25). Non-members will pay a higher rate to attend the CSORN Conference Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup> 2012.

**Please note, at the Annual General Meeting it was decided CSORN registration MUST be completed by DECEMBER 31<sup>st</sup>. After that a late fee of \$10 will be charged.**

### **Future Conferences:**

- COS – Toronto, June 2012
- CSORN– Toronto, Thursday June 28, 2012
- ASORN – Chicago, October 2012
- COS Symposiums/CSORN Conferences – Montreal, June 2013

## **Provincial/Local Representatives**

**Saskatchewan** (submitted by Charlene Talbot): The chapter has met three times this year. They have been focusing on having nurses attend Ophthalmology Conferences. This year nurses have attended ASCRS, COS in June, and AAO in Orlando in October.

**B.C.** (submitted by Shona Lobo): B. C chapter will hold a chapter meeting November 3, 2011. At this time Shona Lobo will resign and a new B.C. Rep. will be elected. Updates will be posted in the Spring Newsletter.

**Ontario** (submitted by Rosemary Bickerton): The Ottawa CSORN group will be holding their annual membership dinner on Thursday November 17<sup>th</sup> at the Eye Institute. Our guest speaker for the evening will be Dr Bernie Hurley who will present "*The triage of ocular emergencies: How not to miss a fish in the eye*". We are looking forward to his interesting presentation. Forty two members are expected to attend, and all renew their CSORN registration for 2012. It's a great way to keep memberships renewed. We had 4 CSORN members attend ASORN in Orlando in October. They will be giving us highlights and pearls at our next meeting.

Reminder to all Ontario CSORN members that there is funding for COS registration fees for CSORN members that have been members for at least 2 years. Please email Rosemary Bickerton, [rbickerton@toh.on.ca](mailto:rbickerton@toh.on.ca) with your request. Up to 5 members are eligible for funding.

## **Amendments to CSORN By-Laws**

Two amendments to the CSORN by-laws were presented and approved at the June CSORN General Meeting. The website will be updated by Kathy to reflect the amendments.

## **News from ASORN**

We were fortunate to have several CSORN members attended the American Society of Ophthalmic Registered Nurses Symposium in Orlando which was held in October 2011.

## **Annual Membership Renewal 2011**

### **It's time to renew your membership!**

To register, download the registration form from our website [www.csorn.ca](http://www.csorn.ca) and mail with a cheque for \$25 to your Local or Provincial Chapter President or to our National Treasurer Wanda Mulrooney by December 31<sup>st</sup>. Please note, a late fee of \$10 will be charged after December 31<sup>st</sup> date, as mentioned earlier in the newsletter.

If your contact information has changed please send the updated information to our Secretary Marlene Griffin at [griffinmarcsorn@gmail.com](mailto:griffinmarcsorn@gmail.com).

Our Spring Newsletter is now in the early stage, we would very much like to hear from you. Please share your projects, new initiatives, ideas, articles or educational activities (past or future). You can send this information to CSORN Secretary Marlene Griffin at [griffinmarcsorn@gmail.com](mailto:griffinmarcsorn@gmail.com).

**If you would like to start a provincial or local chapter of CSORN, please contact our CSORN Janet Powers at [jpowers@toh.on.ca](mailto:jpowers@toh.on.ca)**

## **Career Opportunities**

Interested in a new career? Looking for a new job? JOBS 4 ECP'S is a specialist recruitment website for eye care professionals in Canada. We post jobs for Optometry, Ophthalmology, Opticianry, Ophthalmic Personnel, Optometric Assistants, Lasik, Surgical/ Medical Visioncare, Orthoptics, Ocularists, Low Vision Specialists, Vision Therapy and all other eye care sectors. Visit our website at: [www.jobs4ecps.ca](http://www.jobs4ecps.ca).

**Wishing you all wonderful and safe holidays!**

Janet Powers, Kathy Bruce, Marlene Griffin, and Wanda Mulrooney  
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