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President's Message

I look forward to being President of the CPS for 2015-16. This is indeed an honor and a privilege. The CPS is an excellent society, run completely by dedicated volunteers who give their time and efforts to promoting Plant Pathology in Canada and



Brent McCallum
CPS-SCP President/président

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making the CPS the success it is today. I grew up in Winnipeg and attended the University of Manitoba where I studied science, until I landed a summer job in Agriculture and was hooked. I went on to do my M.Sc. (1989-1991) at the Department of Plant Science with Dr. Claude Bernier as my advisor, and the late Dr. Lakhdar Lamari on my committee and very involved in mentoring my career. I was also fortunate to count the late Dr. Roger Rimmer as an important mentor at the University of Manitoba. We were involved with the CPS early on, as Dr. Bernier was the editor of the CPS Newsletter at the time. In those days the newsletters were printed, stapled, stuffed in envelopes and mailed to all the members (good jobs for grad students). We also had the opportunity to attend CPS regional and national meetings, and meet fellow graduate

students, but also researchers, industry representatives, extension specialists from all across Canada and beyond. I remember one CPS meeting in Banff where I stayed in a tent, I think to save money, but it rained most of the time so it was a pretty soggy adventure. I was impressed that the CPS could bring together these people from all across Canada, who had common interests, and were really fun people.

I went on to do my Ph.D. on cereal rust pathology at the University of Minnesota (1991-1995), with Dr. Alan Roelfs and Dr. Jim Groth, which was another great experience. My fellow graduate students were from many countries around the globe and it gave me a good understanding of the global importance of plant pathology. I returned to Canada in 1995, did a post-doc at the University of Manitoba 1995-1996, then started as a Visiting Fellow in a Canadian Government Laboratory with Dr. Andy Tekauz in 1996 on Fusarium Head Blight in barley. I joined the staff of the Cereal Research Centre, AAFC in 1998, as a cereal rust pathologist and have enjoyed the job ever since.

I look forward to working with our CPS board and members during 2015-16. We are coming off of a successful CPS/Plant Canada/Botany 2015 meeting in Edmonton. This was a large meeting that took a lot of coordination with a number of other scientific societies. Thanks to our past-president Deena Errampalli and the local organizing chair Stephen Strelkov and his team, for all their efforts in making that meeting run so well. We also have a newly launched website that has taken considerable time and efforts by our website editor Melanie Kalischuk and assistant editor Michael Holtz, along with the website committee. The level of commitment of our CPS volunteers is impressive. Bruce Gossen recently volunteered to move many extra boxes of *Diseases of Field Crops of Canada* books to help ease the storage burden on our distributor. David Joly has assembled a team of ready volunteers to organize the 2016 CPS meeting in Moncton, and grad student Gurcharn Brar

along with Mary Ruth McDonald have proposed some exciting ideas for workshops. Jim Menzies and Fouad Daayf are starting to plan for the 2017 CPS meeting in Winnipeg. Our membership secretary Vikram Bisht, is always working hard to get people to renew their memberships and sign up new members. These are just a few of the

activities and initiatives made possible only because we have active and dynamic members who are willing to volunteer their time and efforts to make this a better society. There are many others organizing regional meetings, serving on various committees, preparing and implementing

strategic plans, putting out newsletters, and making our publications like the *Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology* the excellent products they are.

One dedicated and long term volunteer I would like to highlight in this message is Robin Morrall. Robin has been a Section Editor for the Canadian Plant Disease Survey (CPDS), since 2004, and the National Coordinator, since 2005. This is a big task to which Robin has selflessly devoted his time and efforts over many years. He plans to step down from these positions on May 1, 2016. A search is underway for new volunteers to fill these roles, and our President Elect Odile Carisse is coordinating the search for a new National Coordinator. If you have a chance to say 'thanks' to Robin for his efforts over these many years, please do so. In addition to his efforts on the CPDS Robin served on the CPS board and was president in 1993-94, was one of the editors for the very successful CPS book *Diseases of Field Crops in Canada*, and was named a Fellow of the CPS in 2000. Robin and all the contributors and editors have developed the CPDS into an excellent resource, wonderful historical record, and efforts are underway, through Odile Carisse to index CPDS to make it more accessible for search engines. I am very fortunate to count Robin Morrall as one of

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my mentors, we worked on a disease in lentil together with Dr. Claude Bernier, when I was an undergraduate at the University of Manitoba. Robin loves agriculture and plant pathology. When I had the opportunity to visit farm fields with Robin, he would point out about a dozen things in each field related to the previous crop, fertility, weeds, inoculum sources, canopy development, disease epidemiology, and other aspects of the crop and environment (and I just thought it was a lentil field, well I learned a few things).

I look forward to working with many of you over the coming year. Please let us know when you are planning regional CPS meetings. I will try to attend these meetings, either in person, or by video conference. I also urge each of you strongly to think of deserving colleagues to nominate them for the many CPS Awards. It is great to recognize the excellence of our members, promising graduate students, and colleagues. You can find descriptions for the awards on the CPS website. Please send your nominations to the Chair of the Awards committee Ron Knox (Ron.Knox@agr.gc.ca) before the December deadline.

Message du président

Je me réjouis à l'avance d'être président de la Société canadienne de phytopathologie (SCP) pour 2015-2016. C'est en effet pour moi un honneur et un privilège. La SCP est une société de premier plan entièrement gérée par des bénévoles engagés qui donnent temps et énergie pour promouvoir la phytopathologie au Canada; ces derniers sont également responsables de la réussite qu'elle connaît aujourd'hui. J'ai grandi à Winnipeg et j'ai fréquenté l'Université du Manitoba où j'ai étudié en sciences, jusqu'à ce que j'occupe un emploi d'été en agriculture : à partir de ce moment, j'ai succombé à la fascination. J'ai donc fait ma maîtrise (1989-1991) au Département de sciences végétales sous la direction de Claude Bernier et avec, faisant partie de mon comité, feu Lakhdar Lamari qui a joué un rôle clé dans le déroulement de ma carrière. J'ai également été chanceux d'y avoir eu comme conseiller exceptionnel feu Roger Rimmer. M. Bernier était à l'époque éditeur du bulletin de la Société, nous avons été impliqués dans la SCP dès le début. Dans

ce temps, les bulletins étaient imprimés, brochés, mis dans des enveloppes et postés à tous les membres (de bonnes tâches pour des étudiants diplômés!). Nous avons également eu l'occasion d'assister aux réunions régionales et annuelles de la SCP et de rencontrer des collègues diplômés, mais aussi des chercheurs, des représentants de l'industrie et des spécialistes de la vulgarisation, et ce, de partout au Canada et même de l'étranger. Je me souviens d'une réunion qui s'était tenue à Banff et au cours de laquelle j'avais couché dans une tente. Je crois avoir économisé un peu d'argent, mais il a plu presque tout le temps et l'équipée a été pour le moins « bien arrosée ». Le fait que la SCP pouvait réunir tous ces gens de partout au Canada, qui partageaient des intérêts communs, et qui en plus étaient vraiment amusants, m'a impressionné.

J'ai fait mon doctorat sur la rouille des céréales à l'Université du Minnesota (1991-1995), sous MM. Alan Roelfs et Jim Groth, ce qui s'est révélé une autre expérience fantastique. Mes collègues diplômés provenaient de partout sur la planète et cela a aiguisé ma perception quant à l'importance de la phytopathologie dans le monde. Je suis revenu au Canada en 1995 et de 1995 à 1996, j'ai fait un postdoctorat à l'Université du Manitoba, puis j'ai commencé à travailler avec Andy Tekauz sur la brûlure de l'épi de l'orge après avoir reçu une bourse de recherche scientifique dans les laboratoires du gouvernement canadien. En 1998, je me suis joint à l'équipe du Centre de recherches sur les céréales d'Agriculture et Agroalimentaire Canada à titre de phytopathologiste spécialisé dans la rouille des céréales et je m'y suis plu depuis tout ce temps.

J'ai hâte de travailler, durant ce mandat, avec le conseil d'administration et les membres de la SCP. Nous venons de tenir une réunion conjointe SCP/ Plant Canada/Botany 2015 des plus réussies à Edmonton. Cette importante réunion a nécessité une coordination efficace avec un nombre d'autres sociétés scientifiques. Merci à notre présidente sortante, Deena Errampalli, ainsi qu'à l'équipe du comité organisateur local présidé par Stephen Strelkov pour tous les efforts consacrés au déroulement fluide de l'événement. Nous avons aussi lancé notre nouveau site Web qui a nécessité, de la part de notre editrice, Melanie Kalischuck, et de notre éditeur adjoint, Michael Holtz, ainsi que du comité du site, énormément de temps et d'efforts. Le degré d'implication de nos bénévoles est

impressionnant. Dernièrement, Bruce Gossen s'est offert pour déménager bénévolement plusieurs boîtes supplémentaires de *Maladies des grandes cultures au Canada* afin d'alléger le fardeau d'entreposage de notre distributeur.

David Joly a mis sur pied une équipe de bénévoles prêts à organiser la réunion de 2016 de la SCP à Moncton, et Gurcharn Brar, étudiant diplômé, de concert avec Mary Ruth McDonald, a proposé quelques idées passionnantes pour les ateliers. Jim

Menzies et Fouad Daayf ont commencé à planifier la réunion de 2017 qui se tiendra à Winnipeg. Vikram Bisht, notre secrétaire aux adhésions, travaille toujours d'arrache-pied pour inciter les membres à renouveler leur adhésion et à enrôler de nouveaux membres. Ce sont quelques exemples d'activités et d'initiatives rendues possibles grâce au dynamisme et à l'engagement des membres qui sont prêts à donner de leur temps et à fournir les efforts nécessaires à l'amélioration de notre société. Il y en a encore beaucoup d'autres qui organisent les réunions régionales, qui siègent à divers comités, qui préparent et mettent en œuvre les plans stratégiques, qui publient notre bulletin et qui font de nos publications, comme la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie*, les produits renommés qu'ils sont devenus.

Je voudrais, dans le cadre de ce message, signaler le travail d'un bénévole dévoué et de longue date : Robin Morrall. Depuis 2004, Robin est rédacteur de section pour l'Enquête phytosanitaire nationale (EPN) et, depuis 2005, il en est le coordonnateur national. Au fil des années, Robin s'est dévoué sans compter à cette lourde tâche. Il démissionnera de ces deux fonctions le 1^{er} mai 2016. Nous cherchons actuellement de nouveaux bénévoles pour pourvoir à ces postes et notre présidente désignée, Odile Carisse, coordonne la recherche en vue de trouver un nouveau coordonnateur national. Si vous avez l'occasion de remercier Robin pour les efforts qu'il a déployés durant toutes ces années, s'il vous plaît, faites-le. En plus de son travail relatif à l'EPN, Robin

a siégé au conseil d'administration de la SCP et en a été président en 1993-1994. En outre, il a été un des éditeurs du très populaire livre de la SCP *Maladies des grandes cultures au Canada*, et a été nommé,

en 2000, membre associé de la Société. Robin ainsi que tous les contributeurs et rédacteurs ont fait de l'EPN une excellente source d'information doublée d'un fonds historique des plus complets et des efforts sont en cours, de la part d'Odile Carisse,

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pour le rendre plus accessible aux moteurs de recherche. Je suis très chanceux de compter Robin Morrall parmi les gens qui m'ont conseillé. Quand j'étais étudiant de premier cycle à l'Université du Manitoba, nous avons travaillé sur une maladie des lentilles avec Claude Bernier. Robin adore l'agriculture et tout ce qui se rapporte à la phytopathologie. Quand j'ai eu l'occasion de visiter les champs de producteurs avec Robin, il me faisait remarquer une douzaine de choses relatives à la culture précédente, à la fertilité, aux mauvaises herbes, aux sources d'inoculum, au développement du couvert végétal, à l'épidémiologie ainsi que plusieurs autres aspects des cultures et de l'environnement (et moi qui pensais que ce n'était qu'un champ de lentilles — eh bien, j'ai appris quelques trucs!).

J'ai hâte de travailler avec plusieurs de vous dans le courant de l'année. S'il vous plaît, faites-nous savoir quand vous tiendrez vos réunions régionales. J'essaierai d'y assister, soit en personne ou par vidéoconférence. Je vous demande également de penser sérieusement à vos collègues qui mériteraient d'être nommés pour un des nombreux prix décernés par la SCP. C'est bien de reconnaître l'excellence de nos membres, des étudiants diplômés prometteurs et de nos collègues. Vous pouvez trouver la description des prix sur le site Web de la Société. S'il vous plaît, transmettez vos nominations au président du comité des prix, Ron Knox (Ron.Knox@agr.gc.ca) avant la date limite de décembre.



Minutes from the 86th Annual Meeting of Members Canadian Phytopathological Society

July 28, 2015

12:20 pm - 1:20 pm at the Shaw Conference Centre, Salon 8;
and 7:45 pm - 8:15 pm at Fort Edmonton,
Edmonton, Alberta

1. Welcome remarks from the President (Errampalli)

Deena welcomed the members and guests present at 12:20 p.m.

2. Determination of a Quorum (Errampalli)

There were 95 CPS members present at the meeting. A quorum, which requires 25 CPS members, was achieved.

3. Moment of Silence for deceased members in 2014-2015 (Errampalli)

A moment of silence was observed to remember our recently deceased members and colleagues

- Raoul Robinson (1928-2014) - tribute can be found in *CJPP* 37(1), 2015
- Colin McKeen (1916-2014) – tribute can be found in *CJPP* 37(2), 2015
- Prithwi Raj Verma (1940-2015) - tribute can be found in June 2015 *CPS News*

4. Adoption of the 86th Annual Meeting of Members on July 28, 2015 agenda

Motion: To approve the agenda for the 86th Annual Meeting of Members

Moved/Seconded: Barry Saville/Khalid Rashid. Carried.

5. Adoption of Minutes from the 85th AGM in Minneapolis, MN, USA, Aug 10, 2014 (*CPS News* September 2014)

Motion: To approve the minutes from the 85th CPS Annual General Meeting held August 10, 2014 in Minneapolis, MN, as published in *CPS News*, Volume 58, pages 101 to 116, September 2014 issue

Moved/Seconded: Simon Shamoun /Sarah Hambleton. Carried.

6. Adoption of Minutes from the Special members meeting on the CPS Transition to the Canada Not-for-Profit Act held in Minneapolis, MN, USA, Aug 10, 2014 (*CPS News* December 2014)

Motion: to approve the minutes from the Special Members Meeting on the CPS Transition to the Canada Not-for-Profit Act, held in Minneapolis, MN, on August 10, 2014, as published in Volume 58 pages 140-143 of the *CPS News* December 2014 issue.

Moved/seconded: Denis Gaudet/ Coreen Franke. Carried.

7. President's Report (Errampalli)

In 2014-15 the CPS Board was very involved in many activities. The most important of all was that CPS has successfully transitioned to the new Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act on September 18, 2014. CPS remains in a very good financial position.

CPS membership has gone up from 302 to 374 since last the AGM in 2014. In 2014-15, a new membership category was introduced for technicians, who can join by paying 50% of the regular member fee. Also, student members pay 50% of the regular member registration at the annual scientific meeting. A multi-year membership renewal option has been introduced.

The New CPS website went live on 15 January 2015 and was redesigned to give a new look and the Board hopes that you find the new format and content helpful. Science Policy Committee reports that a Code of Practice relating to inoculum and field research has been posted on the CPS website for review.

On recommendation from the Information products committee, CPS printed 1500 copies of the book *Diseases of Field Crops in Canada (DFCC)* and these copies are estimated to last for three years. *Diseases and Pests of Vegetable Crops in Canada (DPVCC)* is sold out and a high quality scan of the book has been posted on the CPS web in 2015. A series of small volumes on diseases of vegetable crops in Canada are being developed by some of our CPS members.

Through the International Cooperation Committee, CPS invited 9 plant pathologists from 6 different countries to be members in 2014-15. The invited members are promoting CPS in their own countries.

Our society journal, *CJPP* is doing well. The Board appointed Stephen Strelkov as the Associate-Editor-in-Chief in 2014. The *CJPP* citation index reached 1.1, which is a very good position to be in. Ashlynn Merrifield, representative of Taylor & Francis, the publisher of the *CJPP* gave a brief update on the performance of the journal and outlined upcoming initiatives by the publisher. CPS has enjoyed a very positive relationship with Taylor & Francis during the past 6 years and we hope to negotiate a new contract for 2017.

I stated my hopes of developing collaboration among Canadian and international plant protection societies and similar disciplines in my CPS Vice-president election proposal in 2012. I am pleased that the CPS has forged new collaborations during 2014-15. About 10 significant collaborations are published in the *CPS News* June 2015 issue.

This year, the CPS is meeting with 12 other plant societies from Canada and the United States in Edmonton under Botany 2015 from July 25-29, 2015. With an estimated 1650 delegates, this will be the largest gathering that the CPS has ever participated and co-located in. CPS was very involved in organizing of the two CPS-co sponsored symposia with national and international speakers at the joint meeting. A special thank you goes to Tom Hsiang for organizing Next Generation Sequencing symposium while Errampalli organized the Induced Resistance symposium. CPS also raised funds for these two symposia. A new initiative for the CPS at this meeting is the inclusion of student members as the co-moderators at the contributed papers sessions and I hope this will continue in the future. I thank the 2015 CPS Local Arrangements Committee at Botany 2015, Steve Strelkov (chair), Sheau-Fang Hwang, Mike Harding, and Ileana Strelkov, for raising funds for CPS activities including the CPS banquet and awards ceremony that was held at Fort Edmonton on July 28. A special thank you goes to Ileana, who made arrangements for a fabulous banquet.

The Awards Committee worked very hard and selected the awards winners for this year. A report from the 2015 Awards Committee is published in the June *CPS News*.

Strategic Planning Committee is working very hard to provide you with a 4th Strategic plan this coming year. Most of these items were included in the President's message(s) in September and December 2014 and March and June 2015 issues of *CPS News*. Thank you to all committee chairs and members, the Board and the membership for your contributions, without which we could not have accomplished so much in one year. In closing, I enjoyed working with you and thank you for your confidence in allowing

me to lead you, promote you nationally and internationally and to journey with you this past year. Presented by Deena Errampalli, CPS President (2014-15).

8. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statement (Conn)

8.1 Financial Statement

- Full audited reports provided to Board and are included in Appendix 1
- Society continues to be in a very good financial position
- Statement of operations reviewed
- 2014 was a good year for investments
- \$364,000 in non-restricted funds (general funds)
- Total assets \$510,000 including assets (mainly books for which money owed)
- Investments include GICs and bond funds
- Board approved investing additional \$50K in bond fund

8.2 Auditor's Report 2014

Motion: to formally approve the auditors report for 2014

Moved/Seconded: Mary Leggett/ Larry Kawchuck - Carried

8.3 Appointment of Auditors for 2015

CPS would like to use the same auditor in 2015. The company name has changed.

Motion: to approve the firm of BDO Chartered Accountants as auditor for 2015

Moved/Seconded: Odile Carisse/Barry Saville - Carried

9. Report of the Financial Advisory Committee (Elmhirst)

CPS Budget forecast is appended to the minutes as Appendix 2

Our society is in excellent financial shape. Our society has operated at a net profit of \$35-40,000 a year since 2009, mainly due to income from the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology and book sales. If current trends continue, our 5-Year Budget projects a \$0.5 million surplus in the General (non-restricted) Fund by 2019.

This means that we are able to undertake new projects and initiatives that will benefit our membership and advance the profession of plant pathology. The Financial Advisory Committee has made several suggestions to the board for their consideration, one of which, to raise the amount of the Student Travel Award from \$500 to \$1000, the board has approved already. The board has pledged support for a public relations strategy, also, which will be developed in consultation with our Public Relations Committee.

The new Strategic Planning Committee (2016-2021) will be sending a survey to the membership in the coming year and I encourage members to submit your ideas.

I would like to thank our Treasurer, Ken Conn, for re-designing the 5-Year Budget document so it is easier to read. I would like to remind everyone that the 5-Year Budget numbers are simply projections and the "best guesses" of Treasurer Ken Conn and the Financial Advisory Committee, based on current information and are subject to change.

We will be nominating a new member of the Financial Advisory Committee at next year's AGM, so I urge anyone who thinks this would be of interest to them, to consider volunteering for this position.

Respectfully submitted by:

Janice Elmhirst

Past-President and Chair of the Financial Advisory Committee 2014-15

Motion: to approve the report of the Financial Advisory Committee

Moved/Seconded: Sue Boyetchko/Robin Cameron. Carried.

10. Report on the implementation of the 3rd strategic plan (Errampalli)

Deena Errampalli presented a report on implementation of the 3rd strategic plan (2011-2016) and the progress achieved during 2014-15. Many goals have been accomplished and the details of the report are included in Appendix 3.

11. Proposed By-Law Changes (Errampalli)

- 11.1 Appointment of Associate Editor-in-Chief for the CJPP
- 11.2 Roles and responsibilities of Associate Editor-in-Chief for the CJPP
- 11.3 Roles and responsibilities of Website Editor
- 11.4 Roles and responsibilities of Assistant Website Editor
- 11.5 Other editorial corrections and changes

- The Proposed By-law Changes were published in the June 2015 edition of *CPS News*, which was sent to the membership on July 5, 2015 by e-mail.
- Deena reviewed the proposed By-law amendments for the members present.

Motion: To approve the proposed amendments to the by-laws as published in *CPS News* June 2015.
 Moved/Seconded: Khalid Rashid/ Gary Peng.

Discussion: Two additional amendments were suggested during discussion:

Under By-law 31, Committees, section 3 - Awards Committee, subsection e: (currently reads: "The Awards Committee shall invite nominations for the various awards from Society members by December 10th each year. The invitation shall normally be made via an announcement in the December issue of *CPS NEWS*"): Amend to indicate the specific awards that the committee needs to invite nominations for by December 10th each year.

Under By-law 31, Committees, section 8 – Financial Advisory Committee, subsection h: (currently reads: "The committee shall be responsible for overseeing the implementation of the CPS 5-year Strategic plan.") -

Change to: "The committee shall be responsible for reviewing the CPS 5-year Strategic plan"

Motion: To approve the proposed amendments to the bylaws, as amended.

Moved/Seconded: Khalid Rashid/ Gary Peng. Carried

12. Approval of annual reports from committees and representatives

Standing Committees

12.1 Awards Committee (*CPS News* Sept 2014)

12.2 Nominating Committee (*CPS News* June 2015) (Elmhirst)

- Janice submitting Nominating Committee report for approval as published in June *CPS News* with the following amendments: Based on her contribution to the organization of the Botany 2015 meeting, Deena Errampalli to be named co-chair of the future meetings committee and to be added to the LAC; to Remove Elizabeth Hudgins from the Future Meetings Committee and to add Gary Peng to FAC retroactive to 2014/15.

Motion: To accept the Nominating Committee report, as amended.

Moved/Seconded: Barry Saville / Andrew Wylie. Carried.

12.3 Future Meetings Committee (*CPS News* June 2015) (Rashid)

Khalid Rashid outlined the upcoming meeting locations for CPS:

- o June 12-15, 2016: Moncton NB
- o 2017: Winnipeg, Jim Menzies chair of the LAC
- o 2018: A suggestion under consideration is to co-locate the meeting to Boston, with APS and the International Congress of Plant Pathology. In a straw poll of members present at the AMoM, 25 members voted in favour of Boston and 4 members opposed.

- 12.4 Journal Editorial Board Committee (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.5 Membership Committee (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.6 Science Policy Committee (*CPS News* June 2015)

Motion: to approve the annual reports of standing committees as published in *CPS News* June 2015 issue and presented by the committee representatives at this meeting.

Moved/Seconded: Ken Conn/ Mike Harding. Carried.

Subject Matter Committees

- 12.7 Workshops and Symposia (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.8 Local Arrangements 2015 (Errampalli, Strelkov)

Scientific Program: over 1600 delegates have registered to attend the Botany 2015, Science and Plants for People meeting from July 25-29, 2015 in Edmonton, Alberta. The scientific program had a total of 1396 abstracts! There were 13 special addresses, 689 papers, 480 posters, 22 symposia with 191 symposia speakers, 3 colloquia, 6 discussion sessions and 17 workshops.

The CPS LAC at the Botany 2015 wishes to thank all CPS attendees and sponsors for their support, which ensured a successful meeting in Edmonton. The sponsorship funds were used to support various meeting related activities, including the banquet, which was free to all members of the CPS. The banquet and awards ceremony were held at Fort Edmonton Park on the evening of Tuesday, July 2015. Nearly 120 CPS members and their guests attended the banquet and awards ceremony. The gracious support of the following sponsors is gratefully acknowledged: Platinum Level – Saskatchewan Pulse Growers, BASF; Gold Level – Cargill, Pioneer, DuPont, Bayer Crop Science, Novozymes, Alberta Pulse Growers, Dow Agrosiences; Silver Level – BioVision, Western Grains Research Foundation, SeCan, 20/20 Seed Labs Inc., Monsanto, DL Seeds, Alberta Canola Producers Commission, Arysta LifeScience, AgQuest, Crop Production Services Canada, Western Grains Research Foundation, FMC; and other contributors - Government of Alberta, Agriculture and Rural Development, University of Alberta, and the Canadian Phytopathological Society.

- 12.9 Information Products Marketing (*CPS News* June 2015) (Howard)
 - Ron Howard presented an update from the Information Products Marketing Committee.
 - The committee is deliberating on how to republish *DFCC*.
 - Working on revisions to *DPVCC*, which will be broken into 8 books; close to the first draft stage of the first book on greenhouse crops; hopefully ready next year in hard copy and digital formats
 - Mary Ruth McDonald is working on a root and bulb vegetable book.
 - Looking for helpers and photo contributions

12.10 Report on the planning of the 4th CPS Strategic Plan (*CPS News* June 2015) (Leggett)
Mary Leggett reviewed activities of the strategic planning committee, which is preparing the next 5 year strategic plan for the period 2016-2021. The 13 member strategic planning committee is doing a terrific job. CPS has hired a facilitator and as result, the committee has gathered more information than we've ever had before. The chair and the facilitator held 2 feedback sessions, one with the Board and the second with the CPS Regional group chairs. The general member survey received 109 responses and a follow-up survey is under preparation and will be sent to membership in the fall 2015.

- 12.11 International Cooperation (*CPS News* June 2015)

Motion: to approve annual reports from Subject Matter Committees as published in the *CPS News* June 2015 issue and presented by the committee representatives at this meeting.

Moved/Seconded: Mary Leggett/Robin Cameron Carried

Other Reports

- 12.12 Canadian Plant Disease Survey (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.13 CPS Website (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.14 Report on ISPP (*CPS News* June 2015)
- 12.15 Plant Canada (Errampalli)

This year we are meeting with Plant Canada. Our next meeting with Plant Canada will be in 2019; location to be determined. Deena Errampalli will be the President of Plant Canada for 2014-18.

- 12.16 Interaction with other Canadian Professional Societies (Errampalli)

Closer ties with the Entomological Society of Canada (ESC) were developed by exchanging the Table of Contents (ToC) of the societies newsletters (i.e., the ToC of *CPS News* is published in the ESC Newsletter and the ToC of the ESC newsletter is published in *CPS News*). CPS encourages regions to interact with regional groups of the plant protection societies.

Motion: to approve annual reports from other committees as published in the *CPS News* June 2015 issue and presented by the committee representatives at this meeting.

Moved/Seconded: Sue Boyetchko/Ken Conn. Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m., to be re-convened later in the day at the CPS Banquet, Fort Edmonton.

The Annual Meeting of Members was re-convened at 7:30 p.m. at Fort Edmonton, July 28, 2015

- 12.17 Update from Taylor & Francis (Ashlynn Merrifield)

Ashlynn Merrifield, from Taylor & Francis, publisher of the *Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology*, presented an update on the *CJPP* to the members present

- The *CJPP* Impact factor has risen to 1.119
- Number of uncited papers decreased in 2014
- Suggestions to improve citations: publish review articles, special issues on hot topics, renowned authors; free access articles – campaign for topical or highly downloaded articles
- Recent developments and services for *CJPP* to consider were reviewed, including Reviewer locator, ORCID, Interactive PDFs, and Altmetric data

13. Resolutions Committee (Rashid)

Khalid Rashid presented 2 resolutions on behalf of the Resolutions Committee:

On behalf of the Canadian Phytopathological Society, we would extend a sincere thanks and appreciation to the Botanical Society of America, Plant Canada, all the Scientific Societies participating in the Botany 2015 conference, and the Local Organizing Committee for planning, organizing and executing the successful meetings and accommodating the large number of participants in the various concurrent sessions of these meetings. Special thanks to all volunteers from the various societies for organizing and chairing symposia, oral and poster sessions, and for the hundreds of presenters and exhibitors who made this a successful conference.

Moved/Seconded: Khalid Rashid/Janice Elmhirst. Carried

On behalf of the Canadian Phytopathological Society and the general membership, we extend a warm and sincere thanks to the Outgoing Board Members, and the Society members who are leaving the various Committees for their dedicated and much appreciated services to the Society.

Moved/Seconded: Khalid Rashid/Janice Elmhirst. Carried.

14. Other items

14.1 Awards Ceremony (Errampalli)

Awards were presented to the winners of the various CPS awards. Refer to the Awards Committee report for details.

14.2 Recognition of Outgoing Board and Committee members (Errampalli)

After a hiatus of seven years, this year, the CPS Board has resurrected the presentation of certificates of appreciation to those members who have made significant contributions to the society. On behalf of the CPS membership, Deena Errampalli presented a framed certificate of appreciation to the following:

- Janice Elmhirst – Past President (2014-2015)
- Larry Kawchuk - Director-at-large (2013-2015)
- Lorne Adam- Website editor (2011-2015)
- Khalid Rashid- Membership Secretary (2006- 2013)
- Curt McCartney- Outgoing *CJPP* Section Editor (2010-2013)

15. Installation of new Members on Standing Committees (Errampalli)

Membership of standing committees, subject matter committees and ad hoc committees reviewed and Installed for 2015/16.

16. Installation of Board of Directors for 2015-16 (Errampalli)

President: Brent McCallum
President- elect: Odile Carisse
Vice President: Denis Gaudet
Past President: Deena Errampalli
Secretary: Gayle Jespersen
Treasurer: Ken Conn
Membership Secretary: Vikram Bisht
Sr. Director-at-large: Barry Saville
Jr. Director-at-large: Khalil Al-Mughrabi

Deena Errampalli, the Outgoing President, presented the CPS gavel, a symbol of the authority and right to act officially in the capacity of the CPS President for 2015-16, to Brent McCallum.

17. Remarks from Incoming President (McCallum)

Thanks to our President for the past year, Deena Errampalli. Deena has worked very hard over the past year on a number of initiatives on behalf of the CPS including; helping to organize the Botany 2015 meeting, establishing collaborative ties with other Canadian and International scientific societies, working with the website editors and committee to launch the new website, and many other projects. The CPS is built on the contribution of volunteers such as Deena and others working hard throughout the year. The CPS is in good shape financially, we have an excellent journal in The Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology thanks to Dr. Zamir Punja and his excellent team of section editors, the CPS has a wonderful new website, we have great sustaining associates, and we have a strong and dynamic membership. I am honoured to be your CPS president and hope to continue to build this very strong society.

Brent McCallum presented Deena Errampalli, outgoing president, with an engraved plaque.

18. Adjournment.

Motion: to adjourn the 86th CPS AMOM at 8:15 pm.

Moved/: Brent McCallum

Appendix 1 - CPS Financial Statements for Year End Dec. 31, 2014 /Auditor's Report

The Canadian Phytopathological Society Inc.
Statement of Financial Position
December 31, 2014

	December 31						December 31					
	2014						2013					
	General Fund	BSPA Fund	GAA Fund	GSTA Fund	ORA Fund	OYSA Fund	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
ASSETS												
CURRENT												
Cash	\$ 25,493	\$ -	\$ 906	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 26,399	\$ 66,606	\$ 316,150	\$ 35,242	\$ 19,936	\$ 2,982
Investments (Note 4)	300,610	3,670	23,029	5,034	4,950	3,182	340,475	316,150	316,150	35,242	9,312	2,982
Accounts receivable	35,242	-	-	-	-	-	35,242	12,913	12,913	19,936	5,399	2,982
Inventory (Note 5)	19,936	-	-	-	-	-	19,936	9,312	9,312	5,399	2,982	2,982
HST rebate recoverable	5,399	-	-	-	-	-	5,399	2,982	2,982	5,399	2,982	2,982
Investments (Note 4)	-	18,704	-	24,814	24,890	14,255	82,663	67,348	67,348	82,663	67,348	67,348
	\$ 386,680	\$ 22,374	\$ 23,935	\$ 29,848	\$ 29,840	\$ 17,437	\$ 510,114	\$ 475,311	\$ 475,311	\$ 510,114	\$ 475,311	\$ 475,311
LIABILITIES												
CURRENT												
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$ 12,977	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,977	\$ 12,883	\$ 16,130	\$ 12,977	\$ 12,883	\$ 12,883
Deferred revenue	10,215	-	-	-	-	-	10,215	16,130	16,130	10,215	16,130	16,130
Interfund payable (receivable)	(950)	(451)	6,301	(1,488)	(1,036)	(2,377)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	22,242	(451)	6,301	(1,488)	(1,036)	(2,377)	23,192	29,013	29,013	23,192	29,013	29,013
FUND BALANCES												
General Fund	364,438	-	-	-	-	-	364,438	323,938	323,938	364,438	323,938	323,938
Restricted Funds	-	22,825	17,634	31,336	30,876	19,814	122,484	122,360	122,360	122,484	122,360	122,360
	364,438	22,825	17,634	31,336	30,876	19,814	486,922	446,298	446,298	486,922	446,298	446,298
	\$ 386,680	\$ 22,374	\$ 23,935	\$ 29,848	\$ 29,840	\$ 17,437	\$ 510,114	\$ 475,311	\$ 475,311	\$ 510,114	\$ 475,311	\$ 475,311

The Canadian Phytopathological Society Inc.
Statement of Operations and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	December 31 2014					December 31 2013	
	General Fund	BSPA Fund	GAA Fund	GSTA Fund	ORA Fund	OYSA Fund	Total
REVENUE							
Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology (Schedule 1)	\$ 62,137	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 62,137
Information products (Schedule 2)	29,647	-	-	-	-	-	29,647
Investment income	15,010	438	2,617	602	593	380	19,640
Membership dues	17,330	-	-	-	-	-	17,330
Donations	290	345	250	1,180	70	80	2,215
Regional meetings	2,210	-	-	-	-	-	2,210
Annual national meeting	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	126,624	783	2,867	1,782	663	460	133,179
							159,196
EXPENDITURES							
Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology (Schedule 1)	25,460	-	-	-	-	-	25,460
Travel	16,703	-	-	-	-	-	16,703
Office and general	12,168	-	-	-	-	-	12,168
Awards	4,109	300	4,131	2,000	-	-	10,540
Information products (Schedule 2)	10,304	-	-	-	-	-	10,304
Professional fees	8,329	-	-	-	-	-	8,329
Newsletter and website	5,528	-	-	-	-	-	5,528
Regional meetings	3,120	-	-	-	-	-	3,120
Annual national meeting	403	-	-	-	-	-	403
	86,124	300	4,131	2,000	-	-	92,554
							129,256
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR	40,500	483	(1,264)	(218)	663	460	40,624
FUND BALANCES - BEGINNING OF YEAR	323,938	22,342	18,898	31,554	30,213	19,354	446,298
FUND BALANCES - END OF YEAR	\$ 364,438	\$ 22,825	\$ 17,634	\$ 31,336	\$ 30,876	\$ 19,814	\$ 446,298

Appendix 1 - Schedule 1

THE CANADIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY INC.

Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology

(Schedule 1)

Year Ended December 31, 2014

	2014	2013
REVENUE		
Author page charges	\$ 28,538	\$ 29,195
Royalties	17,245	14,888
Publisher support	8,829	8,699
Journal fees from members	7,525	10,045
	62,137	62,827
EXPENDITURES		
Editing and publishing	13,884	12,066
Editor office	8,600	8,600
Journal abstract translation	4,574	4,049
Bad debts (recovery)	(1,598)	(2,520)
	25,460	22,195
	\$ 36,677	\$ 40,632

Appendix 1 - Schedule 2

THE CANADIAN PHYTOPATHOLOGICAL SOCIETY INC.

Information Products

(Schedule 2)

Year Ended December 31, 2014

	2014	2013
REVENUE		
DFCC sales	\$ 24,455	\$ 12,074
DPVCC sales	4,982	-
PPC sales	210	118
MGCC sales	-	320
	29,647	12,512
EXPENDITURES		
Printing, marketing and other direct costs	9,208	10,258
DPVCC costs	1,096	-
	10,304	10,258
	\$ 19,343	\$ 2,254

Appendix 2 - CPS Budget 5 Year Forecast, 2015

GENERAL FUND (non-restricted)											
	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	2019 Budget	
REVENUE											
Membership dues	22,018	23,355	19,695	20,937	17,330	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
CJPP	57,771	55,321	65,734	62,827	62,137	61,000	61,200	61,400	61,600	61,800	61,800
Information products	10,185	30,015	11,518	12,512	29,647	11,000	19,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Annual national meeting	13,483	22,333	158,299	48,599	-	20,200	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	10,000
Regional meetings	1,970	-	-	-	2,210	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Investment income	3,908	2,092	5,107	5,709	15,010	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Donations	120	2,115	600	1,140	290	300	300	300	300	300	300
	109,455	135,231	260,953	151,724	126,624	125,500	213,500	209,700	209,900	209,900	120,100
EXPENDITURES											
CJPP	27,345	22,481	35,935	22,195	25,460	27,400	28,100	28,700	29,500	30,100	30,100
Travel	7,189	7,208	7,219	12,834	16,703	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
Office and general	5,638	5,767	7,477	9,725	12,168	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Awards	100	409	4,798	4,634	4,109	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Information products	1,494	30,832	5,169	10,258	10,304	5,000	9,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Professional fees	8,890	8,778	7,640	9,354	8,329	9,500	10,000	10,000	10,500	10,500	10,500
Newsletter and website	426	564	46	8,277	5,528	6,000	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Annual national meeting	900	3,221	123,220	46,643	403	20,200	95,000	95,000	95,000	95,000	5,000
Regional meetings	600	300	1,250	1,450	3,120	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
	52,582	79,560	192,754	125,370	86,124	103,600	179,600	177,200	178,500	178,500	89,100
PROFIT/LOSS	56,873	55,671	68,199	26,354	40,500	21,900	33,900	32,500	31,400	31,000	
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	173,713	229,384	297,583	323,937	364,437	386,337	420,237	452,737	484,137	515,137	
Profit/loss from:											
CJPP	30,426	32,840	29,799	40,632	36,677	33,600	33,100	32,700	32,100	31,700	
Annual national meeting	12,583	19,112	35,079	1,956	(403)	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	
Regional meetings	1,370	(300)	(1,250)	(1,450)	(910)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	
Information products	8,691	(817)	6,349	2,254	19,343	6,000	10,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	

Appendix 3 - The 3rd Strategic Plan Implementation Report for 2014-15

This report represents the summary of the 3rd CPS Strategic Plan (2011-2016) by goal for 2014-15. The Strategic Plans have provided the Society with an excellent directional guide since 2000, and have helped in focusing activity. The vast majority of the goals initially set out have been addressed to some extent. Many of the goals will, however, be ongoing and will probably reappear in the next Strategic Plan. It is important that the accomplishments of the last four years are maintained and built upon in the coming years.

Vision:

We are a diverse, proactive and dynamic professional scientific organization committed to creating and sharing knowledge of plant pathology in Canada and beyond.

Mission:

The CPS/SCP encourages and supports research and education in plant pathology, heightens public awareness of the importance of plant diseases and the benefits of controlling them, and serves as a forum for discussion of policies and strategies affecting all aspects of plant pathology in Canada.

GOAL 1: MEMBER SERVICES - to foster professional development for Society members.

1.1. CPS/SCP Website.

General. **Redesign and revamp CPS/SCP website (High Priority) - Completed**

The website was completely redesigned in 2014 by Modern Earth, a web designing company. The CPS Website Committee has populated the site with pertinent information from the old web site and launched the new website on January 15, 2015. Refinements and improvements have been ongoing, with improved format and content. The Board has appointed **Melanie Kalischuk** as the Web Editor and **Michael Holtz** as the Assistant Web Editor for a three year term beginning 2015. Updating the web site with suggestions from the Board of Directors is on-going.

1.1.1. **Job Placement opportunities - Ongoing**

Currently members are placing the calls/opportunities in CPS News via e-mail and by posting on the new CPS/SCP website, beginning 2015.

1.1.2. **Mentorship through CPS. The objective was to find Mentors - Ongoing**

The Board has discussed this issue in 2014-15. Unfortunately little progress was made. Some questions related to mentoring will be included in the mini-survey that will be distributed electronically to the membership in 2015-16.

1.1.3. **Foster Industry/Public Collaboration - Partially Completed**

URL or web Links of Agri-industries were posted on the new CPS Website in 2015. The committee has been dormant for some time. Terms of Reference for the CPS Public Relations Committee have been established in 2014-15. This committee is to bring report to the 4th Strategic Planning committee in 2015.

1.1.4. **New disease/pathogen awareness item on the CPS website**

This will be followed up in 2015-16.

1.1.5. **Research News Highlights of CJPP**

This will be followed up in 2015-16

1.1.6. Establish Members-Only section - Completed in 2014

Refinements and improvements have to be made

1.2. Professional Development at Annual Meetings

1.2.1. Evaluate effectiveness of annual meetings

The Board of Directors discussed of possibility of sending a survey by e-mail within one or two weeks after each annual meeting of members in 2014-15. Development of questionnaire with include questions on what people would like to see in the future in the way of professional development/workshops at annual meetings will be carried out in 2015-16.

1.2.2. Support workshops and training

Please see 1.2.1. regarding inclusion of questions on workshops/training of interest in survey. Support and encourage LACs of CPS Annual Meetings to consider workshops, with LAC to contact Board of Directors for discussion of workshop finances. Errampalli (President) communicated this to the 2015 LAC, and CPS sponsored (financial and organization) two symposia at Botany 2015: one with the Mycological Society of America (MSA) and Plant Canada and the second with the Canadian Society of Plant Biologists (CSBP) and Plant Canada.

1.3. Promotion of Regional Meetings and services

1.3.1. Fund and promote regional events

Guided by this 3rd Strategic Plan, the CPS has committed to building on the success of regional meetings. Errampalli (President) attended CPS regional group meetings in person and offered greetings/presentation and updates from CPS during 2014-15 and encouraged the organizers of the upcoming meetings to organize workshops and training for regional members and, if required, to contact the Treasurer with detailed requests for support for such activities. CPS-Maritime and CPS-SK regional groups had made use of the funds from CPS in 2014-2015. A new feature in 2014, Calendar of events, which include the dates of the Regional meetings was introduced in CPS News in 2014-15. Also, the dates were published on the website.

1.3.2. Joint regional meetings with other groups

Ensure that local arrangements committees are aware of this goal. Errampalli mentioned this during her presentation to different regional groups in 2014-15. The only regional groups that have joint meetings are PPSA (AB) and CPS-SK, approx. once every three years. PPSA or CPS-BC meets immediately before or after the Western Forum, when possible. In 2014, PPSA met just before the Western Forum in Canmore, Alberta, October 27-29, 2014. Conversations have begun to hold Ontario Pest Management (OPMC), SORA-CPS and Ent. Soc. of Ontario in 2016 in November or in the future. This needs to be discussed with the Regional reps

Goal 2: COMMUNICATIONS - to provide a forum for the collection, discussion and dissemination of information pertaining to all aspects of plant pathology and to activities of the CPS/SPC.

2.1. Strengthen support for regional, national and international meetings

2.1.1 Assist regional meetings organization

In the fall of 2014, Deena started a new Calendar of Events section in the September 2014 issue of CPS News, in which regional meeting dates have been included. The Calendar of Events is to be forwarded to Webmaster to post on the website in 2015-16.

2.1.2 President or designate attends meetings - Ongoing

President attended regional meetings in 2014-15.

2.1.3. Review mandate of International Cooperation Committee

TOR for the International Cooperation Committee completed 2014. In 2013-2014, 5 free one-year memberships were awarded and in 2015, 9 memberships from 6 countries in Asia, Europe and North America were awarded. Committee is active.

2.1.4. Increase international role

In 2014-15, Errampalli promoted CPS on the international stage: 1. Deena Errampalli, CPS President, was invited as a Guest of honour at the 11th European Foundation for Plant Pathology (EFPP) international conference in September 2014 in Krakow, Poland; 2. She presented a plenary talk and fulfilled many dignitary functions at the conference; 3. CPS brochures were displayed at the Congress; 4. one member of EFPP has joined CPS in 2014 and EFPP presented a one-year honorary membership to Errampalli.

2.1.5 Regularly hold joint meetings with other professional societies

In 2014, CPS met jointly with APS in Minneapolis, MN, USA. In 2015, CPS held meetings with 12 other plant societies - Botany 2015 with a theme "Science and Plants for People", in Edmonton, AB. In 201, CPS co-sponsored two symposia: one with the Mycological Society of America and Plant Canada, and the second with the Canadian Society for Plant Biologists and Plant Canada. Both symposia featured national and international speakers.

2.1.6 Encourage graduate students and post-docs to attend regional and annual meetings

CPS approved to present 3 annual student scholarships of \$1500 each in 2011-12. Since then, these scholarships were awarded and presented at the AMOM each year. Beginning 2015, graduate students were offered 50% off of the regular registration fees at the AMOM. This was announced by Deena Errampalli at the regional meetings (PPSA, CPS-BC, CPS-SK, CPS-SORA, CPS-MB) and also in the December 2014 issue of *CPS News*.

2.2 Continue to improve quality and impact of CJPP

The impact factor for CJPP was maintained around 1.0 in 2014, and has gone up to 1.1 in 2015, which is a good accomplishment for *CJPP*. Thanks to Editor-in-Chief, Zamir Punja and committee for good work.

2.2.1 Increase mini-reviews and special topics

Deena has solicited a review article from Jennifer Thomson, Glenn Anderson Lectureship Award Winner at the 2014 APS-CPS joint meeting, and it will be published in 2015. Also, Deena has requested CPS co-sponsored symposia speakers at Botany 2015 to prepare review articles for a special edition of *CJPP* to be published in 2016-2017, and six speakers have agreed.

2.3 Enhance and diversify content of CPDS

2.3.1 Encourage survey and report submission

CPDS is now on-line on CPS website.

2.3.2 Solicit more articles from under-represented areas for CPDS

Deferred to 2015-16 Board.

2.3.3 Complete electronic database

Gayle is to look into finding a third party to work on developing CPDS database and indexing in 2015.

2.4 Expand content and use of website

2.4.1. Add new features to website

CPS Website with new features went live on January 15, 2015. Updating the website will be dynamic and will continue.

2.4.2 Review responsibilities and roles of website editor

Effective January 2015, the web Editor will be Melanie Kalischuk, and Michael Holtz Associate Editor. They will work with the Junior and Senior Directors-at-Large. Roles and responsibilities for the website committee are in the new By-Laws.

2.4.3 Membership survey

Membership survey, which is a part of planning for the 4th strategic plan was conducted in the spring of 2015. Data is being analyzed.

2.4.4 Review resources for website

CPS now has Facebook and twitter. Host domain renewal is due in August 2015 and will be renewed.

2.4.5 Create a database of plant pathology resources in Canada

We have some links but do not have a database. Future Boards need to work on this. Also, add this to 2015 membership survey to determine if there is any interest.

2.4.6 Provide timely information about meetings, etc.

The Board has investigated development of a CPS meeting registration webpage that could be linked to PayPal. Ken Conn, CPS Treasurer, indicated that this will save a lot of money for the Society as compared to contracting it out to a third party. Brent McCallum, President-Elect, suggested a web page that was used for a Fusarium workshop and has initiated correspondence with the Web Editor in June, 2015.

2.5 Support production of specialized publications

2.5.1 Revise *DPVCC*.

Diseases and Pests of Vegetable Crops in Canada (DVPCC) is sold out and out of print. A high quality scan has been posted on the CPS website in 2015. Smaller volumes on specific crops/pests combinations are being developed.

2.5.2 Encourage members to write non-journal publications

2.6 Multi-promotional materials - *Completed*

2.6.1 Make brochures, stationary, posters, etc.

All the promotional materials are being used by the Board and members, as required.

2.6.2 Improve newsletter (e.g. broaden the circulation beyond CPS members, include paid advertising, improve readability of the electronic version, adopt some of the features of the APS newsletter)

The Board has decided not to use advertising in the newsletter. In 2014-15, Deena as the President sent out issues of *CPS News* to the presidents of Canadian and International plant pathology/ protection societies (EFPP, Polish Phytopathological Society, British Plant Pathology Society, American Phytopathological Society, Phytopathological Society of Mexico, etc.), as time permitted.

Goal 3: ORGANIZATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS - To ensure the long-term operational and financial viability of the society.

3.1 Critically assess current strategic plan

3.1.1 Assess action steps

The review of the 4th year of the 3rd plan was completed in December, 2014. The 2014-2015 Board has appointed a 4th CPS Strategic Planning Committee and Mary Leggett (past CPS president and current CPS member) as the Chair of the committee. Mary has formed the 13-member committee that represents various CPS regions: Federal and Provincial governments, students, regular members, past and current Board members. Deena sent the updated 3rd strategic plan with Board comments to the new Strategic Planning Committee in March 2015.

3.1.3 Critique the steps in developing the strategic plan

This evaluation of 3rd Strategic Plan, which will be completed in June 2016, will be carried out by 2016-17 Board.

3.1.4 Review the strategic plans of other societies

In Jan/Feb 2015, Deena requested that Mary Leggett and her committee review the APS Strategic Plan and glean items that can be adopted to CPS in the 4th Strategic Plan.

3.2 Sustain and enhance member services

In 2014-15, Deena compiled the membership of the first three strategic planning committees and contacted some of the potential members. She identified Mary Leggett as the Chair in August 2014 and is thankful that Mary as agreed. Mary then formed the committee and they had their first committee meeting in December 2014.

3.2.1 Survey the general membership

In preparation for the 4th Strategic Plan, a survey of membership was conducted in the spring of 2015.

3.2.2 Maintain high level of services - Ongoing

Ongoing and hopefully more efficient with the new website launch. Members-only area and Board member area will be created. These will be password protected.

3.2.3 Enhanced activity and content of website

New website went live in January 2015. See goal 2.

3.2.4 Review services in other societies

Randy Clear reviewed in 2017. Online payment of CPS Membership dues is now available.

Goal 4: MEMBERSHIP - to increase the number and diversity of members in the society.

4.1 Recruit more graduate students and technicians

Beginning 2015, CPS is offering 50% off of membership fee to technicians. This new category was added to the 2015 membership form. Also, 50% off of registration fee is offered to the students, beginning 2015. We hope that this will increase student and technician participation.

4.1.1 Special deals for members (e.g. with registration)

4.1.2 Encourage students to attend regional meetings

Deferred to 2015-16 Board

4.1.3 Membership packages for students and technicians

Beginning 2015, CPS is offering 50% off of membership fee to the technicians. This new category was added to the 2015 membership form. Also, Beginning 2015, student members will pay 50% of the regular member registration fees.

4.1.4 Involve more students and technicians - *Ongoing*

President sent a message to the Regional reps and LAC to involve students and technicians in the Society related activities.

4.2 Encourage scientists, post-docs and grad students from other societies to join CPS

4.2.1 Dual membership deals with other societies

The APS has discount membership/groupmembership for developing countries.

4.2.2 Organize special sessions with interest to other groups (e.g. molecular biology)

In 2015, CPS and the Mycological Society of America (MSA), and also CPS and the Canadian Society of Plant Biologists will fund and co-sponsor two joint symposia at Botany 2015. Since August 2014, Deena has worked with the APS International Relations Committee to establish a symposium that is mutually beneficial to APS and CPS memberships.

4.2.3. Encourage foreign plant pathologists to join CPS

CPS President (Deena Errampalli) was invited as the "Guest of Honour" at the EFPP conference in September 2014 in Krakow, Poland. There, she presented a talk to delegates and also to the presidents and representatives of the Plant Pathology societies in Europe, and encouraged them to join the Society. One member joined CPS.

4.2.4 Get members from outside Canada

Initiative began in 2014. Also, the Board recommends that this item to be included in the 4th Strategic Plan (2016-2021).

4.3 Keep emeritus members involved in society

4.3.1 Encourage members to mentor graduate students and post-docs (e.g. create a list of mentors and their expertise on the CPS website; the mentors could be government, industry, emeritus scientists and scientists from universities)

In January 2015, based on the recommendations from the Board, the 4th Strategic Planning Committee has included one emeritus member on the committee. CPS acknowledges that the demographics are changing and there is need to keep emeritus members engaged and benefit from their knowledge and experience in plant pathology in Canada. Some suggestions include reduced registration fees (50% off of regular member fees) for emeritus or 1-day registration fee reduced by 50%, or banquet ticket alone. This needs further discussion. In 2014-15, CPS President contacted some emeritus members for feedback.

4.3.2 Collect and preserve historical information

In 2014, Deena contacted Denis Gaudet and Archives Canada. CPS has archived materials only until early 1990s. Once we receive a letter from the Charities Directorate, Deena and Gayle will send the new articles and By-laws (that were approved on Sept 18, 2014 under the new Canada NPF act), etc.,

to be archived. Also will compile CPS business meeting minutes, etc. and send then to Denis to be archived with Archives Canada. Also to include this item in the 4th Strategic Plan (2016-2021).

4.3.3 Involve members in public awareness - *Ongoing*

Need more input. Also to include this item in the 4th Strategic Plan (2016-2021).

4.4 Reduce number of lapsed memberships - *Ongoing*

4.4.1 Ask regional reps and emeritus members to make personal contacts

There was a drop in membership in 2014 to 302 members, but membership has increased to 347 by June 2015. Need to look at ways to improve the record. Also to include this item in the 4th Strategic Plan (2016-2021).

4.4.2 Identify reasons why members do not renew membership

The membership secretary (Vikram Bisht) along with the President and Past-President have contacted lapsed members and encouraged them to renew or find out why they have not renewed.

Goal 5: ADVOCACY - to promote public awareness of plant pathology in Canada

5.1 Strengthen public, government and professional communication

5.1.1 Make better use of website to communicate

5.2 Increase public awareness

5.2.1 Establish terms of reference for Public Relations Committee

Terms of Reference for the Public Relations Committee have been written and approved and the committee is planning to meet and develop a PR strategy in Year 5 (chair, Karen Bedford)

5.2.2 Develop public relations strategy

See 5.2.1.

5.2.3 Identify key meetings where CPS should be represented - *Ongoing*

A pull-up CPS banner was created. It is portable. It was displayed at the APS-CPS meeting at Minneapolis, MN in August 2014. It will be used at the Botany 2015 booth in Edmonton July 25-29, 2015

5.3 Deliver plant pathology education

There were no annual reports from this CPS Education Committee for the past two years.

5.3.1 Student Advocacy Committee

5.3.2 Document plant pathology education in Canada

Deferred to the 2015-16 Board to look into this. Also to include this item in the 4th Strategic Plan (2016-2021).

5.3.3 Have plant pathology material for teachers

5.3.4 Volunteers for science fairs

No action on this item.

Goal 6: ADVOCACY - to maximize input into relevant public policy issues affecting plant pathology and the agriculture and forestry industries in Canada

6.1 Identify issues and submit recommendation to government - Ongoing

Canadian Guidelines for plant pathogen field and GH trials (code of practice, CoP) was completed. The document was placed on the CPS website in January 2015. Suggestions are being solicited from CPS members and others interested in this, and the comments will be received by the CPS President (by e-mail link on the website) and the document will be updated by the Science Policy Committee with the suggestion, as required.

6.1.1 Prepare a list of government members

The Board did not believe this was worth pursuing.

6.1.3 Position papers on significant topics

See 6.1.1.

Report submitted by

Deena Errampalli,
President, Canadian Phytopathological Society.
July 2015

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Outgoing CPS President, Deena Errampalli, presents the CPS gavel to Incoming CPS President, Brent McCallum at the Annual General Meeting

RECOGNITION OF OUTGOING BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS



Deena Errampalli (CPS President 2014-15) presents a certificate of appreciation to Janice Elmhirst, Past President (2013-14).



Khalid Rashid receives a certificate of appreciation for his outstanding service as Membership Secretary (2006-2013)



Deena Errampalli presents a certificate of appreciation to Larry Kawchuck in recognition of his contribution as CPS Director-at-large (2013-2015)



Ébauche du compte rendu de la 86^e réunion annuelle des membres de la Société canadienne de phytopathologie

28 juillet 2015

De 12 h 20 à 13 h 20 au Shaw Conference Centre, Salon 8,
et de 19 h 45 à 20 h 15
au Fort Edmonton
Edmonton, Alberta

1. Mot de bienvenue de la présidente (Errampalli)
Deena a souhaité la bienvenue aux membres et aux invités présents à 12 h 20.
2. Établissement du quorum (Errampalli)
En tout, 95 membres de la SCP étaient présents à la réunion. Le quorum, qui nécessite la présence de 25 membres de la SCP, a été atteint.
3. Moment de silence à la mémoire des membres décédés en 2014-2015 (Errampalli)
Un moment de silence a été observé pour se souvenir de nos membres et collègues récemment décédés :
 - Raoul Robinson (1928-2014) — l'hommage peut être lu dans la RCP, 37(1), 2015;
 - Colin McKeen (1916-2014) — l'hommage peut être lu dans la RCP, 37(2), 2015;
 - Prithwi Raj Verma (1940-2015) — l'hommage peut être lu dans le numéro de juin 2015 de *CPS/SCP News*.
4. Adoption de l'ordre du jour de la 86^e réunion annuelle des membres (RAM) tenue le 28 juillet 2015.
Motion : approuver l'ordre du jour de la 86^e réunion annuelle des membres
Proposée/Appuyée : Barry Saville/Khalid Rashid. Adoptée.
5. Adoption du compte rendu de la 85^e réunion générale annuelle tenue à Minneapolis, MN, É.-U., le 10 août 2014 (numéro de septembre 2014 de *CPS/SCP News*).
Motion : approuver le compte rendu de la 85^e réunion annuelle des membres tenue le 10 août 2014 à Minneapolis, MN, tel qu'il a été publié dans le numéro de septembre 2014 du *CPS/SCP News*, volume 58, p. 101-116.
Proposée/Appuyée : Simon Shamoun/Sarah Hambleton. Adoptée.
6. Adoption du compte rendu de la réunion extraordinaire concernant le passage de la SCP à la Loi canadienne sur les organisations à but non lucratif, tenue à Minneapolis, MN, É.-U., le 10 août 2014 (numéro de décembre 2014 de *CPS/SCP News*).

Motion : approuver le compte rendu de la réunion extraordinaire des membres concernant le passage de la SCP à la Loi canadienne sur les organisations à but non lucratif, tenue le 10 août 2014 à Minneapolis, MN, tel qu'il a été publié dans le numéro de décembre 2014 du *CPS/SCP News*, volume 58, p. 140-143.

Proposée/Appuyée : Denis Gaudet/Coreen Franke. Adoptée.

7. Rapport de la présidente (Errampalli)

En 2014-2015, le conseil d'administration de la SCP a été intensément impliqué dans de nombreuses activités. La plus importante a été que la SCP a réussi, le 18 septembre 2014, son passage à la nouvelle Loi canadienne sur les organisations à but non lucratif. La situation financière de la SCP demeure saine.

Depuis la réunion annuelle de 2014, l'effectif des membres est passé de 302 à 374. En 2014-2015, nous avons créé une nouvelle catégorie de membres pour les techniciens qui peuvent dorénavant se joindre à la SCP pour 50 % de l'adhésion d'un membre en règle. Aussi, les membres étudiants paient 50 % des droits d'inscription d'un membre en règle à la réunion scientifique annuelle. Nous avons également mis en place une option de renouvellement de l'adhésion sur une base pluriannuelle.

Le nouveau site Web de la SCP a été mis en ligne le 15 janvier 2015. Sa refonte avait pour but de rafraîchir son aspect et le conseil espère que son nouveau format et ses nouveaux contenus vous seront utiles. Le Comité de la politique scientifique rapporte qu'un code de pratiques, relatif aux inoculums et à la recherche en champ, a été affiché sur le site de la SCP pour révision.

À la suite d'une recommandation du Comité pour les produits d'information, la SCP a imprimé 1 500 exemplaires de *Maladies des grandes cultures au Canada*. Ces exemplaires devraient durer trois ans. *Maladies et ravageurs des cultures légumières au Canada* est en rupture de stock et une version numérisée de haute qualité du livre a été affichée sur le site de la SCP en 2015. Des membres de la SCP élaborent actuellement une série de petits livres traitant des maladies des cultures légumières.

Par l'entremise du Comité de la coopération internationale, la SCP a invité, en 2014-2015, neuf phytopathologistes provenant de six pays différents à devenir membres. Ces derniers promeuvent la SCP dans leurs pays d'origine.

La revue de notre société, la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie* (RCP), se porte bien. Le conseil a nommé Stephen Strelkov rédacteur en chef adjoint en 2014. L'index de citation de la RCP a atteint 1,1, ce qui est excellent. Ashlynn Merrifield, représentante chez Taylor & Francis, l'éditeur de la RCP, nous a présenté une mise à jour des performances de la *Revue* et nous a exposé les grandes lignes des futures initiatives de l'éditeur. Au cours des six dernières années, la SCP a joui d'une relation des plus positives avec Taylor & Francis et nous espérons négocier un nouveau contrat pour 2017.

En 2012, dans le cadre de mon engagement électoral à titre de vice-présidente, je vous ai fait part de mes espoirs de développer des collaborations entre les sociétés de protection des plantes et de disciplines connexes canadiennes et internationales. Je suis heureuse que la SCP ait établi de nouvelles collaborations en 2014-2015. Une dizaine de collaborations importantes sont publiées dans le numéro de juin 2015 du *CPS/SCP News*.

Cette année, du 25 au 29 juillet, la SCP se réunit avec 12 autres sociétés canadiennes et américaines de protection des plantes à Edmonton sous l'égide de Botany 2015. Avec environ 1 650 délégués qui doivent y participer, il s'agira de la plus grande réunion à laquelle la SCP aura participé. La SCP s'est

impliquée au plus haut point dans l'organisation des deux symposiums qu'elle a cocommandité avec les conférenciers nationaux et internationaux. Je tiens à remercier Tom Hsiang tout spécialement pour avoir organisé le symposium sur le séquençage de nouvelle génération, tandis qu'Errampalli a organisé le symposium sur la résistance induite. La SCP a également recueilli les fonds pour ces deux symposiums. Une nouvelle initiative de la part de la SCP à cette réunion a été l'inclusion d'étudiants membres à titre de comodérateurs lors de la séance de présentation de documents, et j'espère que cette pratique se poursuivra. Je remercie le comité national organisateur (CNO) de Botany 2015, composé de Steve Strelkov (président), Sheau-Fang Hwang, Mike Harding et Ileana Strelkov, pour avoir recueilli les fonds nécessaires aux activités de la SCP, y compris le banquet de la SCP et la cérémonie de remise des prix qui se sont déroulés au Fort Edmonton le 28 juillet. Je tiens à remercier tout spécialement Ileana qui s'est occupé d'organiser un fabuleux banquet.

Le Comité des prix a travaillé très fort et a choisi les lauréats des prix pour cette année. Son rapport pour 2015 est publié dans le numéro de juin du *CPS/SCP News*.

Le Comité de la planification stratégique travaille d'arrache-pied pour vous présenter un quatrième plan stratégique dans le courant de la prochaine année. La plupart de ces points étaient inclus dans les messages de la présidente de septembre et de décembre 2014 ainsi que dans ceux de mars et de juin 2015 publiés dans le *CPS/SCP News*. Merci aux présidents et aux membres de tous les comités, au conseil et à tous les membres pour vos contributions sans lesquelles nous n'aurions pu accomplir autant en une seule année. En terminant, sachez que j'ai aimé travailler avec vous et je vous remercie de m'avoir fait confiance en me permettant de vous guider, de vous promouvoir tant sur la scène nationale qu'internationale et de cheminer avec vous durant toute cette année. Présenté par Deena Errampalli, présidente de la SCP (2014-2015).

8. Rapport du trésorier et état financier (Conn)

8.1 État financier

- Rapports complets des auditeurs présentés au conseil. Inclus dans l'annexe 1
- La Société jouit toujours d'une bonne santé financière
- Revue de l'état des opérations
- 2014 s'est révélée une bonne année pour les investissements
- 364 000 \$ en fonds non affectés (fonds général)
- Total de l'actif : 510 000 \$, y compris les biens (principalement des livres pour lesquels des sommes sont dues)
- Investissements incluant les CPG et les fonds d'obligations
- Le conseil a approuvé un investissement supplémentaire de 50 000 \$ en fonds d'obligations

8.2 Rapport de l'auditeur 2014

Motion : approuver officiellement le rapport des auditeurs de 2014

Proposée/Appuyée : Mary Leggett/Larry Kawchuck. Approuvée.

8.3 Désignation des auditeurs pour 2015-09-21

La SCP souhaiterait faire appel aux mêmes auditeurs en 2015. Le nom de la compagnie a changé.

Motion : approuver la firme de comptables agréés BDO pour 2015

Proposée/Appuyée : Odile Carisse/Barry Saville. Approuvée.

9. Rapport du Comité consultatif des finances (Elmhirst)

Les prévisions budgétaires de la CPS sont indexées au compte rendu, à l'annexe 2.

La santé financière de notre société est excellente. Depuis 2009, la SCP affiche un profit net annuel de 35 000 \$ à 40 000 \$, et ce, principalement grâce aux revenus générés par la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie* et les ventes de livres. Si la tendance se maintient, les prévisions sur cinq ans,

c'est-à-dire d'ici à 2019, tablent sur un surplus de 0,5 million de dollars dans le fonds général (fonds non affectés).

Cela signifie que nous pouvons entreprendre de nouveaux projets et lancer de nouvelles initiatives qui profiteront à nos membres et feront progresser notre profession. Le Comité consultatif des finances a fait quelques suggestions au conseil pour qu'il les étudie, dont une concernant l'augmentation de la bourse de voyage pour étudiant de 500 \$ à 1 000 \$, ce qu'il a déjà accepté. Le conseil s'est également engagé à soutenir une stratégie de relations publiques qui, aussi, sera développée de concert avec le Comité des relations publiques.

Dans le courant de l'année, le nouveau Comité de la planification stratégique (2016-2021) effectuera un sondage auprès des membres et je vous invite à soumettre vos idées.

J'aimerais remercier notre trésorier, Ken Conn, d'avoir allégé le document afférent au budget quinquennal, le rendant ainsi plus facilement assimilable. J'aimerais rappeler à tous que les nombres figurant dans le budget quinquennal ne sont que des projections et que les « meilleures estimations » du trésorier et du Comité consultatif des finances sont basées sur les données courantes et qu'elles sont sujettes à changement.

Nous nommerons un nouveau membre au Comité consultatif des finances dans le cadre de la RAM de l'année prochaine. Alors, si cette position est susceptible d'intéresser qui que soit, je vous invite à la postuler.

Respectueusement présenté par :

Janice Elmhirst

Présidente sortante et présidente du Comité consultatif des finances 2014-2015

Motion : approuver le rapport du Comité consultatif des finances

Proposée/Appuyée : Sue Boyetchko/Robin Cameron. Approuvée.

10. Rapport sur la mise en œuvre du 3^e plan stratégique (Errampalli)
Deena Errampalli a présenté un rapport sur la mise en œuvre du 3^e plan stratégique (2011-2016) et sur les progrès accomplis en 2014-2015. Plusieurs des objectifs ont été atteints et les détails du rapport sont compilés dans l'annexe 3.
11. Changements proposés aux règlements
 - 11.1 Nomination du rédacteur en chef adjoint à la RCP
 - 11.2 Rôles et responsabilités du rédacteur en chef adjoint de la RCP
 - 11.3 Rôles et responsabilités de l'éditeur du site Web
 - 11.4 Rôles et responsabilités de l'éditeur adjoint du site Web
 - 11.5 Autres amendements de forme et changements
 - Les changements proposés aux règlements ont été publiés dans le numéro de juin 2015 du *CPS/SCP News* qui a été transmis par courriel aux membres le 5 juillet 2015.
 - Deena a révisé les amendements proposés pour les membres qui assistaient à la réunion.

Motion : approuver les amendements aux règlements, tels qu'ils ont été publiés dans le numéro de juin 2015 du *CPS/SCP News*.

Proposée/Appuyée : Khalid Rashid/Gary Peng. Approuvée.

Discussion : Au cours de la discussion, deux amendements supplémentaires ont été proposés :

Sous le Règlement 31, Comités, section 3 — Comité des prix, sous-section e (dans sa forme actuelle : « Le comité des prix sollicitera des membres de la Société les mises en candidature pour les différents prix. Normalement, cette demande s'effectue dans le numéro de décembre du *CPS/SCP News*. ») : Amender pour préciser le prix pour lequel le Comité sollicitera les nominations, et ce, au plus tard, le 10 décembre de chaque année.

Sous le Règlement 31, Comités, section 8 — Comité consultatif des finances, sous-section h (dans sa forme actuelle : « Le Comité consultatif des finances sera responsable de superviser la mise en œuvre du plan stratégique quinquennal de la SCP. »).

Remplacer par : « Le comité sera responsable de la révision du plan stratégique quinquennal de la SCP. »

Motion : approuver tels quels les amendements proposés aux règlements.

Proposée/Appuyée : Khalid Rashid/Gary Peng. Approuvée.

12. Approbation des rapports annuels des comités et des représentants

Comités permanents

12.1 Comité des prix (*CPS/SCP News*, septembre 2014)

12.2 Comité des candidatures (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015) (Elmhirst)

- Janice a soumis le rapport du Comité des candidatures pour approbation, tel qu'il a été publié dans le numéro de juin du *CPS/SCP News*, avec les amendements suivants : Basé sur sa contribution à l'organisation de la réunion de Botany 2015, Deena Errampalli devrait être nommée coprésidente du Comité des réunions futures et affectée au CNO; Elizabeth Hudgins devrait être démise du Comité des réunions futures et Gary Peng devrait être affecté au Comité consultatif des finances, rétroactif à 2014/2015.

Motion : approuver le rapport du Comité des candidatures, tel qu'il a été amendé.

Proposée/Appuyée : Barry Saville/Andrew Wylie. Approuvée.

12.3 Comité des réunions futures (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015) (Rashid)

Khalid Rashid a passé brièvement en revue les endroits retenus pour les prochaines réunions de la SCP :

- 12 au 15 juin 2016 : Moncton, Nouveau-Brunswick
- 2017 : Winnipeg, Jim Menzies, président du CNO
- 2018 : Une suggestion à l'étude est de tenir une réunion conjointe à Boston, avec la SAP et l'International Congress of Plant Pathology. Au cours d'un vote d'essai avec les membres présents à l'assemblée annuelle des membres, 25 ont voté pour et 4, contre.

12.4 Comité de rédaction de la *Revue* (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015)

12.5 Comité d'adhésion (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015)

12.6 Comité de la politique scientifique (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015)

Motion : approuver les rapports annuels des comités permanents tels qu'ils ont été publiés dans le numéro de juin du *CPS/SCP News* et présentés à cette assemblée par leurs représentants.

Proposée/Appuyée : Ken Conn/Mike Harding. Approuvée.

Comités d'experts

12.7 Ateliers et symposiums (*CPS/SCP News*, juin 2015)

12.8 Comité national organisateur (Errampalli, Strelkov)

Programme scientifique : Plus de 1 600 délégués se sont inscrits pour assister à Botany 2015, sous le thème Science et plantes pour les gens, tenu du 25 au 29 juillet 2015 à Edmonton, en Alberta. Le programme scientifique ne comportait pas moins de 1 396 résumés! Il y a eu 13 allocutions spéciales,

689 articles, 480 affiches, 22 symposiums avec 191 conférenciers, 3 colloques, 6 séances de discussion et 17 ateliers.

- Le CNO de la SCP pour Botany 2015 souhaite remercier tous les membres de la SCP qui ont assisté à l'événement ainsi que les commanditaires pour leur soutien qui a contribué au succès de la réunion à Edmonton. L'argent des commandites a été utilisé pour soutenir les activités relatives à diverses réunions, y compris le banquet qui était gratuit pour tous les membres de la SCP. Le banquet et la cérémonie de remise des prix ont eu lieu au Fort Edmonton Park dans la soirée du mardi 28 juillet. Près de 120 membres de la SCP et leurs invités ont assisté au banquet et à la cérémonie de remise des prix. Le généreux soutien des commanditaires suivants mérite d'être souligné : Platinum Level — Saskatchewan Pulse Growers, BASF, Gold Level-Cargill, Pioneer, DuPont, Bayer Crop Science, Novozymes, Alberta Pulse Growers, Dow Agrosciences; Silver Level — BioVision, Western Grains Research Foundation, SeCan, 20/20 Seed Labs Inc., Monsanto, DL Seeds, Alberta Canola Producers Commission, Arysta LifeScience, AgQuest, Crop Production Services Canada, Western Grains Research Foundation, FMC, ainsi que d'autres contributeurs comme le gouvernement de l'Alberta, Agriculture et aménagement rural, l'Université de l'Alberta et la Société canadienne de phytopathologie.

12.9 Comité de la mise en marché des produits d'information

- Ron Howard a présenté une mise à jour issue du Comité de la mise en marché des produits d'information.
- Le Comité réfléchit à la façon de republier *Maladies des grandes cultures au Canada*.
- Ils travaillent à la révision de *Maladies et ravageurs des cultures légumières au Canada* qui sera scindé en huit tomes; le premier jet du premier tome, sur les cultures en serre, est presque terminé; ils espèrent le publier l'année prochaine en formats papier et numérique.
- Mary Ruth McDonald travaille à la rédaction d'un livre sur les légumes-racines et les légumes-bulbes.
- Elle cherche des gens pour l'aider ainsi que des photos.

12.10 Rapport sur la planification du 4^e plan stratégique (CPS/SCP News, juin 2015) (Leggett)

Mary Leggett a passé en revue les activités du Comité du plan stratégique qui prépare le prochain plan stratégique quinquennal pour la période 2016-2021. Les 13 membres du Comité font un travail formidable. La SCP a embauché un facilitateur et, en conséquence, le Comité a collecté plus d'information qu'il ne l'avait fait auparavant. Le président et le facilitateur ont tenu deux rencontres de rétroaction : une avec les membres du conseil et l'autre avec les présidents des groupes régionaux de la SCP. L'enquête auprès des membres a permis de recueillir 109 réponses et un questionnaire de suivi sera envoyé aux membres à l'automne 2015.

12.11 Coopération internationale

Motion : approuver les rapports annuels des comités d'experts tels qu'ils ont été publiés dans le numéro de juin du CPS/SCP News et présentés à cette assemblée par leurs représentants.

Proposée/Appuyée : Mary Leggett/Robin Cameron. Approuvée.

Autres rapports

12.12 Enquête phytosanitaire nationale (CPS/SCP News, juin 2015)

12.13 Site Web de la SCP (CPS/SCP News, juin 2015)

12.14 Rapport sur la Société internationale de phytopathologie (SIP) (CPS/SCP News, juin 2015)

12.15 Plant Canada (Errampalli)

Cette année, nous avons tenu notre réunion avec Plant Canada. Notre prochaine réunion avec cet organisme se tiendra en 2019; le lieu de la réunion n'a pas encore été déterminé. Deena Errampalli sera présidente de Plant Canada pour 2014-2018.

12.16 Interactions avec d'autres sociétés professionnelles canadiennes (Errampalli)

Nous avons établi des liens plus serrés avec la Société d'entomologie du Canada (SEC) en échangeant les tables des matières (TdM) de nos bulletins respectifs (c.-à-d. que la TdM de *CPS/SCP News* est publiée dans le bulletin de la SEC et que celle de la SEC est publiée dans le *CPS/SCP News*). La SCP encourage les régions à interagir avec les groupes régionaux des sociétés de protection des plantes.

Motion : approuver les rapports annuels des autres comités tels qu'ils ont été publiés dans le numéro de juin du *CPS/SCP News* et présentés à cette assemblée par leurs représentants.

Proposée/Appuyée : Sue Boyetchko/Ken Conn. Approuvée.

La réunion a été suspendue à 13 h 20, jusqu'à sa reprise à 19 h 30 au Fort Edmonton, le 28 juillet 2015.

12.17 Mise à jour de Taylor & Francis (Ashlynn Merrifield)

Ashlynn Merrifield, de Taylor & Francis, éditeur de la *Revue canadienne de phytopathologie*, a présenté aux membres présents une mise à jour relative à la RCP.

- Le facteur d'impact de la RCP a grimpé à 1.119.
- Le nombre d'articles non cités a décru en 2014.
- Suggestions pour améliorer les citations : publier des articles de synthèse, des numéros spéciaux sur des sujets chauds, des articles d'auteurs de renom, des articles en libre accès — rechercher des articles d'actualité ou fréquemment téléchargés.
- Application à la RCP d'innovations et de services récents ont été passés en revue, y compris Reviewer locator, ORCID, PDF interactifs et données relatives aux mesures d'impact alternatives.

13. Comité des résolutions (Rashid)

Khalid Rashid a présenté deux résolutions au nom du Comité des résolutions :

Au nom de la Société canadienne de phytopathologie, nous tenons à exprimer nos sincères remerciements à la Société américaine de phytopathologie, à Plant Canada, à toutes les sociétés scientifiques qui ont participé à Botany 2015 et au comité national organisateur pour avoir planifié, organisé, tenu une réunion aussi réussie et accueilli le grand nombre de participants tout au long des diverses séances concomitantes qui se sont déroulées au cours de ces réunions. Un merci tout particulier à tous les bénévoles des différentes sociétés qui ont présidé à l'organisation des symposiums, des présentations orales et d'affiches, ainsi qu'aux centaines de présentateurs qui ont contribué au succès de cette conférence.

Proposée/Appuyée : Khalid Rashid/Janice Elmhirst. Approuvée.

Au nom de la Société canadienne de phytopathologie et de ses membres en général, nous tenons à exprimer nos sincères et plus profonds remerciements aux membres sortants du conseil ainsi qu'aux membres qui quittent les divers comités pour les services dévoués qu'ils ont rendus à la Société et qui ont été appréciés au plus haut point.

14. Autres points

14.1 Cérémonie de remise des prix (Errampalli)

Les prix ont été remis aux différents lauréats dans les diverses catégories de prix de la SCP. Pour obtenir de plus amples renseignements, veuillez consulter le rapport du Comité des prix.

14.2 Reconnaissance à l'égard des membres sortants du conseil et des comités (Errampalli)

Après une interruption de sept ans, cette année, le conseil de la SCP a réintroduit la présentation de

certificats d'appréciation pour les membres qui ont contribué de façon notable à la Société. Au nom des membres de la SCP, Deena Errampalli a présenté un certificat d'appréciation encadré aux membres suivants :

- Janice Elmhirst — présidente sortante (2014-2015);
- Larry Kawchuck — directeur principal (2013-2015);
- Lorne Adam — éditeur du site Web (2012-2015);
- Khalid Rashid — secrétaire aux adhésions (2006-2013);
- Curt McCartney — rédacteur de section sortant, RCP (2010-2013).

15. Installation des nouveaux membres aux comités permanents (Errampalli)

Les membres des comités permanents, des comités d'experts et des comités *ad hoc* ont été passés en revue et installés pour 2015-2016.

16. Installation du conseil de direction pour 2015-2016 (Errampalli)

Président : Brent McCallum

Présidente désignée : Odille Carisse

Vice-président : Denis Gaudet

Présidente sortante : Deena Errampalli

Secrétaire : Gayle Jespersen

Trésorier : Ken Conn

Secrétaire aux adhésions : Vikram Bisht

Directeur principal : Barry Saville

Directeur adjoint : Khalil Al-Mughrabi

Deena Errampalli, la présidente sortante, a présenté le marteau de la SCP, un symbole de l'autorité et du droit d'agir officiellement à titre de président de la SCP pour 2015-2016, à Brent McCallum.

17. Allocution du nouveau président (McCallum)

Merci à notre présidente de la dernière année, Deena Errampalli. Deena a travaillé très fort durant son mandat sur une foule de projets au nom de la SCP, y compris l'organisation de la réunion de Botany 2015, à laquelle elle a gracieusement aidé sans compter, l'établissement de collaborations avec d'autres sociétés scientifiques, canadiennes et internationales, la refonte du site Web, à laquelle elle a travaillé avec les éditeurs et les membres du comité pour le lancer, et bien d'autres projets. La SCP est fondée sur la contribution de bénévoles tels que Deena et d'autres qui travaillent sans relâche durant toute l'année. La SCP est en bonne santé financière; nous avons une excellente *Revue*, merci à Zamir Punja et à sa formidable équipe de rédacteurs de sections; la Société a un tout nouveau site Web revampé; nous possédons des associés qui nous soutiennent et un système d'adhésion dynamique. C'est un honneur pour moi d'agir comme président de la SCP et j'espère continuer à édifier cette solide société.

Brent McCallum a remis une plaque gravée à Deena Errampalli, la présidente sortante.

18. Levée de la séance

Motion : ajourner la 86^e réunion annuelle des membres de la SCP à 20 h 15

Proposée/ : Brent McCallum



Annexe 1 : États financiers de la SCP pour l'année se terminant le 31 décembre 2013

— Rapport de l'auditeur

LA SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE PHYTOPATHOLOGIE INC.

État de la situation financière

31 décembre 2014

	31 décembre 2014					31 décembre 2013	
	Fond général	FMPE	FPGA	FDEG	FCER	FJCE	Totale
ACTIFS							
COURANT							
Encaisse	25 493 \$	- \$	906 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	26 399 \$
Placements (note 4)	300,610	3,670	23,029	5,034	4,950	3,182	340,475
Comptes à recevoir	35,242	-	-	-	-	-	35,242
Inventaire (note 5)	19,936	-	-	-	-	-	19,936
TVH recouvrable	5,399	-	-	-	-	-	5,399
							2,982
Placements à long terme (note 4)	-	18,704	-	24,814	24,890	14,255	82,663
	386 680 \$	22 374 \$	23 935 \$	29 848 \$	29 840 \$	17 437 \$	510 114 \$
							475 311 \$
PASSIF							
COURANT							
Comptes à payer et charges à payer	12 977 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	12 977 \$
Revenus reportés	10,215	-	-	-	-	-	10,215
Interfonds à payer (à recevoir)	(950)	(451)	6,301	(1,488)	(1,036)	(2,377)	-
	22,242	(451)	6,301	(1,488)	(1,036)	(2,377)	23,192
							29,013
SOLDES DE FONDS							
Fonds général	364,438	-	-	-	-	-	364,438
Fonds affectés	-	22,825	17,634	31,336	30,876	19,814	122,484
	364,438	22,825	17,634	31,336	30,876	19,814	486,922
	386 680 \$	22 374 \$	23 935 \$	29 848 \$	29 840 \$	17 437 \$	510 114 \$
							475 311 \$

ENGAGEMENTS (note 6)

AU NOM DU CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION:

Directeur

Directeur

LA SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE PHYTOPATHOLOGIE INC.
État des opérations et des variations des soldes des fonds
Pour l'exercice se terminant le 31 décembre 2014

	31 décembre 2014						31 décembre 2013	
	Fond général	FMPE	FPGA	FDEG	FCER	FJCE	Totale	Totale
REVENU								
Revue canadienne de phytopathologie (<i>annexe 1</i>)	62,137 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	62 137 \$	62 827 \$
Produits d'information (<i>annexe 2</i>)	29,647	-	-	-	-	-	29,647	12,512
Revenu de placement	15,010	438	2,617	602	593	380	19,640	8,541
Cotisations des membres	17,330	-	-	-	-	-	17,330	20,937
Dons	290	345	250	1,180	70	80	2,215	5,780
Assemblées régionale	2,210	-	-	-	-	-	2,210	-
Assemblée générale annuelle	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,599
	126,624	783	2,867	1,782	663	460	133,179	159,196
DÉPENSES								
Revue canadienne de phytopathologie (<i>annexe 1</i>)	25,460	-	-	-	-	-	25,460	22,195
Déplacement	16,703	-	-	-	-	-	16,703	12,834
Services professionnels	12,168	-	-	-	-	-	12,168	9,725
Prix	4,109	300	4,131	2,000	-	-	10,540	8,520
Produits d'information (<i>annexe 2</i>)	10,304	-	-	-	-	-	10,304	10,258
Bureau et frais généraux	8,329	-	-	-	-	-	8,329	9,354
Bulletin et site internet	5,528	-	-	-	-	-	5,528	8,277
Assemblées régionale	3,120	-	-	-	-	-	3,120	1,450
Assemblée générale annuelle	403	-	-	-	-	-	403	46,643
	86,124	300	4,131	2,000	-	-	92,554	129,256
EXCÉDENT DES REVENUS SUR LES DÉPENSES								
POUR L'EXERCICE	40,500	483	(1,264)	(218)	663	460	40,624	29,939
SOLDES DE FONDS - DÉBUT DE L'EXERCICE	323,938	22,342	18,898	31,554	30,213	19,354	446,298	416,359
SOLDES DE FONDS - FIN DE L'EXERCICE	364 438 \$	22 825 \$	17 634 \$	31 336 \$	30 876 \$	19 814 \$	486 922 \$	446 298 \$

Annexe 1 : Tableaux 1**LA SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE PHYTOPATHOLOGIE INC.****Revue canadienne de phytopathologie***(annexe 1)***Pour l'exercice se terminant le 31 décembre 2014**

	2014	2013
REVENU		
Page accusations de l'auteur	28 538 \$	29 195 \$
Redevances	17 245	14 888
Le soutien de l'éditeur	8 829	8 699
Journal frais des membres	7 525	10 045
	62 137	62 827
DÉPENSES		
Édition et de publication	13 884	12 066
Les frais de bureau de l'éditeur	8 600	8 600
Traduction revue	4 574	4 049
Les créances douteuses (récupération)	(1 598)	(2 520)
	25 460	22 195
	36 677 \$	40 632 \$

Annexe 1 : Tableaux 2**LA SOCIÉTÉ CANADIENNE DE PHYTOPATHOLOGIE INC.****Produits d'information***(annexe 2)***Pour l'exercice se terminant le 31 décembre 2014**

	2014	2013
REVENU		
DFCC	24 455 \$	12 074 \$
DPVCC	4 982	-
PPC	210	118
MGCC (DFCC - français)	-	320
	29 647	12 512
DÉPENSES		
Impression, de marketing et autres coûts directs	9 208	10 258
DPVCC	1 096	-
	10 304	10 258
	19 343 \$	2 254 \$

Annexe 2 - Prévisions budgétaires de la SCP pour les cinq prochaines années

GENERAL FUND (non-restricted)										
	2010 Actual	2011 Actual	2012 Actual	2013 Actual	2014 Actual	2015 Budget	2016 Budget	2017 Budget	2018 Budget	2019 Budget
REVENUE										
Membership dues	22,018	23,355	19,695	20,937	17,330	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
CJPP	57,771	55,321	65,734	62,827	62,137	61,000	61,200	61,400	61,600	61,800
Information products	10,185	30,015	11,518	12,512	29,647	11,000	19,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Annual national meeting	13,483	22,333	158,299	48,599	-	20,200	100,000	100,000	100,000	10,000
Regional meetings	1,970	-	-	-	2,210	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Investment income	3,908	2,092	5,107	5,709	15,010	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Donations	120	2,115	600	1,140	290	300	300	300	300	300
	109,455	135,231	260,953	151,724	126,624	125,500	213,500	209,700	209,900	120,100
EXPENDITURES										
CJPP	27,345	22,481	35,935	22,195	25,460	27,400	28,100	28,700	29,500	30,100
Travel	7,189	7,208	7,219	12,834	16,703	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000	14,000
Office and general	5,638	5,767	7,477	9,725	12,168	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Awards	100	409	4,798	4,634	4,109	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Information products	1,494	30,832	5,169	10,258	10,304	5,000	9,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
Professional fees	8,890	8,778	7,640	9,354	8,329	9,500	10,000	10,000	10,500	10,500
Newsletter and website	426	564	46	8,277	5,528	6,000	2,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Annual national meeting	900	3,221	123,220	46,643	403	20,200	95,000	95,000	95,000	5,000
Regional meetings	600	300	1,250	1,450	3,120	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500	4,500
	52,582	79,560	192,754	125,370	86,124	103,600	179,600	177,200	178,500	89,100
PROFIT/LOSS	56,873	55,671	68,199	26,354	40,500	21,900	33,900	32,500	31,400	31,000
CUMULATIVE TOTAL	173,713	229,384	297,583	323,937	364,437	386,337	420,237	452,737	484,137	515,137
Profit/loss from:										
CJPP	30,426	32,840	29,799	40,632	36,677	33,600	33,100	32,700	32,100	31,700
Annual national meeting	12,583	19,112	35,079	1,956	(403)	-	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Regional meetings	1,370	(300)	(1,250)	(1,450)	(910)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)	(1,500)
Information products	8,691	(817)	6,349	2,254	19,343	6,000	10,000	8,000	8,000	8,000

AWARDS

The following awards were presented at the CPS Banquet and Awards Ceremony on July 28, 2015 at Fort Edmonton, Alberta:



Mike Harding, Member of Awards Committee, and Deena Errampalli, CPS President, present OUTSTANDING YOUNG SCIENTIST (GORDON GREEN AWARD) to Curt McCartney (right)

OUTSTANDING YOUNG SCIENTIST (GORDON GREEN AWARD)

Dr. Curt McCartney, Research Scientist at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada Cereal Research Centre, Morden, MB

Dr. McCartney has made significant contributions to plant pathology in Canada through his outstanding research, mentorship, teaching, and contributions to the CPS. He graduated with a PhD in agriculture in 2002 from the University of Manitoba after which he worked as a Visiting Fellow at the Cereal Research Centre in Winnipeg. In 2006 he was hired as an Assistant Professor in the Department of Plant Sciences at the University of Saskatchewan and in 2010 Dr. McCartney was hired by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada as a Research Scientist at the Cereal Research Centre in Winnipeg. In his current role, Dr. McCartney has been conducting excellent research in the general area of genetic analysis of

wheat and oat. Dr. McCartney currently has over 20 research publications in highly reputable journals and one book chapter. He has been a leader in a number of different research areas and has a range of knowledge and skills usually found in someone with many more years of research experience. He is an excellent role model for the graduate students he mentored and the under-graduate students he taught. In the CPS, He has been a senior and junior director, Website Committee member, and Section Editor (Genetics and Resistance) for the Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology. He is currently the chair of the Website Committee and leading a project to review and renovate the CPS website. The Canadian Phytopathological Society is pleased to extend the **Gordon Green Award to Dr. Curt McCartney as OUTSTANDING YOUNG SCIENTIST** in recognition of his exceptional achievements.



Mike Harding, Member of Awards Committee, and Deena Errampalli, CPS President, present OUTSTANDING RESEARCH AWARD to Odile Carisse (right)

OUTSTANDING RESEARCH

Dr. Odile Carisse, Research Scientist at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, St Jean sur Richelieu, QC

Dr. Carisse is an internationally recognized scientist with a strong track record of ground breaking research on a range of pathogens and crops, focusing primarily on epidemiology and disease management of fruit and vegetable crops. She is the author/co-author of 80 papers in scientific journals, one book, 12 book chapters and review articles (mostly invited), 27 descriptions of apple and strawberry cultivars, and hundreds of factsheets, abstracts, and technology transfer publications. Dr. Carisse is a world leader in quantitative molecular aerobiology. One example of her many accomplishments is a DNA-based method for quantifying air-borne inoculum of *Botrytis squamosa*, a damaging pathogen of onion. This technique allowed for accurate quantification of air-borne inoculum in real time for use in disease management by producers. She is a senior editor for *Phytopathology* (2012–present) and in 2008 she was elected Chair of the Epidemiology committee of the International Society of Plant Pathology. In 2013, she was elected as foreign correspondent of the Académie d'Agriculture de France (French Academy

of Agriculture). She has been invited as scientific expert for the FAO to review research programs at the International Rice Research Institute, and in 2005 was the international expert invited by the French Minister of Agriculture and Ecology to chair the symposium 'Pesticide, Agriculture and Environment' in Paris, France. The resulting book served as a framework for the French policy on pesticide reduction. She has also served as an external scientific expert in many countries and many international organizations. She is the 2010 recipient of the award for 'Achievement in Grape Disease Management' from the French Phytopathological Society. She has supervised or co-supervised 20 MSc and PhD students, been a member of advisory committees for seven students, and external examiner for three PhD students in Canada, two from France. In the CPS, she has been a Director and an associate editor for the *Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology*. The Canadian Phytopathological Society/La Société canadienne de phytopathologie is pleased to award the **OUTSTANDING RESEARCH AWARD to Dr. Odile Carisse** in recognition of her exceptional accomplishments.



Dr. Allen Xue (right), winner of the ACHIEVEMENTS IN PLANT DISEASE MANAGEMENT AWARD, receives congratulations from Deena Errampalli and Mike Harding

ACHIEVEMENTS IN PLANT DISEASE MANAGEMENT

Dr. Allen Xue, Research Scientist at Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada – Eastern Cereal and Oilseed Research Centre, Ottawa, ON

Dr. Xue received his PhD from University of Guelph. After post-docs at University of Guelph and AAFC-Lacombe, he was appointed as a pulse crop pathologist at AAFC Morden Research Centre in 1994. He was known as a leader in pulse crop pathology in Western Canada until 2000, when he transferred to ECORC to lead the research program on cereal and soybean pathology. He is the senior author of four patents and has published over 100 peer-reviewed papers and book chapters and over 300 conference proceedings, disease survey reports and technology transfer articles. Dr. Xue has supervised four post-doctoral fellows and five visiting scientists, co-advised five PhD students and three MSc students. Dr. Xue has served as committee member and chair of several sub-committees of the CPS.

Dr. Xue initiated and led the original research on the identification, evaluation and development of

commercial formulations of a microbial biofungicide which provides an effective alternative to chemical fungicides for the control of Fusarium head blight (FHB). The biofungicide developed by Dr. Xue is made from the fungus *Clonostachys rosea* strain ACM941 and is patented in Canada and the USA. The development of ACM941 biofungicide is a ground-breaking achievement. When applied to crop residues, ACM941 was more effective than the fungicide at reducing the production of perithecia, fruiting bodies, the initial source of disease inoculum and responsible for generating epidemics in Canada. Dr. Xue worked closely with PMC BioPesticides to facilitate a Joint Regulatory Submission to PMRA and US-EPA, and also assisted in the commercialization of the technology which is now known as DONguard™ from Adjuvants Plus Inc. It will be commercially available in 2016. The Canadian Phytopathological Society is pleased to extend the **ACHIEVEMENTS IN PLANT DISEASE MANAGEMENT** award to **Dr. Allen Xue** for his outstanding contributions to the management of fusarium head blight.

CPS FELLOW

Dr. Denis Gaudet, Research Scientist, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada – Lethbridge Research Centre (retired)

Denis Gaudet was born and raised in Victoria, B.C., and studied botany at the University of Victoria. His first exposure to plant pathology was in his 2nd year where he was employed as a summer student in the Plant Pathology Section at the Pacific Forest Research Centre in Victoria. From his first day on the job, Dr. Gaudet was enthralled with the study of plant diseases. Dr. Gaudet pursued his MSc degree at Montana State University on the root and crown rot complex in sainfoin, and his PhD at North Dakota State University on the genetics of virulence and aggressiveness in *Ustilago hordei*, the barley smut fungus. After his graduation in 1982, he accepted a job at the AAFC Research Centre in Lethbridge. Over his career, Dr. Gaudet has made significant and important contributions to the understanding and management of many cereal diseases including snow moulds, smut and bunt diseases and stripe rust to name a few. His efforts have been recognized in the development of over 11 winter and spring wheat varieties, over 80 research publications, and numerous book chapters. He has also co-authored a book on snow moulds. Dr. Gaudet has been active in the International Working Group on Smuts and Bunts and has organized two of their International Meetings. He also provided the Conference Keynote Address at a recent meeting in China. He has established extensive international collaborations in the USA, France, Norway, Sweden, Japan, and China. He has twice served as President of the Plant Pathology Society of Alberta, as well as on the Awards Committee. He served as Chairman of the Organizational Committee for the 1988 CPS meetings in Banff, Alberta, and as the CPS-SCP Representative on the Plant Canada Organizational Committee for the Annual Meetings in Edmonton in 2005. He served on the Board of CPS as Director for two years and as Secretary for four years. He served as Section Editor for CJPP for five years. He has served on the CPS-SCP Historical Committee for the past 25 years, initially setting up the archiving of CPS documents and currently oversees this task. In 2004, he took lead in the writing and publishing *Plant Pathology in Canada, 1970-2008*, a sequel to I. L. Connors' *Plant Pathology in Canada-Pathologie*

végétale au Canada. This new book was published in 2010. Dr. Denis Gaudet is also very active as a volunteer in his community has been recognized for his community service by the AAFC Research Branch, The United Way, The City of Lethbridge, the Lethbridge Soccer Association, and the Lethbridge Regional Science Fair. He has also served the Big Brothers and Sisters and Bridges of Hope programs. Dr. Gaudet embodies the qualities, dedication, and passion for plant pathology that is highly valued by the Canadian Phytopathological Society. During his 33-year, professional career he has worked tirelessly and with great enthusiasm in many different capacities that have had a profound impact on the science of phytopathology and success of our Society. The Canadian Phytopathological Society is pleased to recognize **Dr. Gaudet as a FELLOW** for his outstanding service and contributions to the Society and the profession of plant pathology.



Deena Errampalli (CPS President) presents the 2014 CPS FELLOW AWARD to Denis Gaudet at the Botany 2015 'All Societies Celebrate' event on July 29, 2015

CPS STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD (\$500 each):

1. **Sherri Tedford**, University of Guelph Ridgetown. Her research describes the relationship between *Cercospora beticola* spore concentration, environmental conditions, and development of *Cercospora* leaf spot (CLS) of sugar beet in Southwestern Ontario. Her supervisor is Dr. Art Schaafsma at the University of Guelph's Ridgetown Campus.



Deena Errampalli presents a 2015 CPS Student Travel Award to Sherri Tedford

2. **Jill Dalton**, University of Guelph. Jill is examining the survival of resting spores of *Plasmodiophora brassicae* (cause of clubroot on canola and other *Brassica* spp.), and the effect of resting spore concentration on resistant cultivars. Her supervisors are Dr. Mary Ruth McDonald, University of Guelph, and Dr. Bruce Gossen, AAFC- Saskatoon.

Jill Dalton, winner of a 2015 CPS Student Travel award is congratulated by Deena Errampalli



PLANT CANADA STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD (\$500 each):

1. **Craig Moore**, University of Guelph. His research is aimed at verifying species distinctions in the genus *Botrytis* using genome sequence comparisons to identify loci that can be used to rapidly distinguish *Botrytis* species. His supervisor is Dr. Tom Hsiang at the University of Guelph.



Deena Errampalli (CPS President) presents a 2015 Plant Canada Student Travel Award to Craig Moore

2. **Justin Robson**, University of Guelph. In his research project, Justin is examining the potential for use of fumigation to reduce or eliminate *Plasmodiophora brassicae* from small infested areas in fields, quantification of disease progression in several *Brassica* spp., and the potential for use of split root technique to examine host-pathogen interaction and signaling within infected canola plants. His supervisors are Dr. Mary Ruth McDonald, University of Guelph, and Dr. Bruce Gossen, AAFC-Saskatoon.



Deena Errampalli presents a second 2015 Plant Canada Student Travel Award to Justin Robson



TAYLOR AND FRANCIS STUDENT TRAVEL AWARD (\$500):

Alireza Akhavan, University of Alberta. Alireza's research work investigates the population genetic structure, distribution, and fungicide sensitivity of *Pyrenophora teres* in western Canada is using an extensive collection of western Canadian isolates of *P. teres* to advance the understanding of the genetic diversity/variability of *P. teres* across western Canada. His supervisors are Dr. Kelly Turkington, AAFC-Lacombe and Dr. Stephen Strelkov, University of Alberta.



Alireza Akhavan receives the 2015 Taylor & Francis Student Travel Award from Ashlynne Merrifield



CPS SCHOLARSHIP (\$1500 each):

1. **Sara Stricker**, University of Guelph. Sara's research is aimed at management of fairy rings and snow molds in turf grass. Her supervisor is Dr. Tom Hsiang, University of Guelph.



Deena Errampalli presents a 2015 CPS Graduate Student Scholarship Award to Sara Stricker

2. **Abolfazl Hajihassani**, University of Manitoba. Abolfazl's research project focusses on the identification and population biology of a newly discovered nematode in western Canada that has the potential of adversely affecting the export of pulse crops. His supervisor is Dr. Mario Tenuta, University of Manitoba.



BEST STUDENT PRESENTATION:

1. **Ana Priscilla Montenegro Alonso**, University of British Columbia. Functional characterization of the barley smut fungus, *Ustilago hordei*, avirulence effector *UhAvr1*. Ana's supervisor is Dr. Guus Bakkaren.



2. **Jill Dalton**, University of Guelph. Effect of spore load on growth of clubroot-resistant canola. Jill's supervisor is Dr. Mary Ruth McDonald.



3. **Daniel Wilson**, McMaster University. Investigating the age-related resistance response of *Arabidopsis thaliana* to *Pseudomonas syringae* pv. *tomato*. Daniel's supervisor is Dr. Robin Cameron.



REPORT ON BOTANY 2015

'Science and Plants for People'

Local Arrangement Committee report

Report of the Botany 2015 Science and Plants for People, a joint Meeting of Canada and USA Plant Scientific Societies, held from July 25-29, 2015 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

This year, the Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS) met jointly with Plant Canada. Plant Canada is an umbrella organization for six Canadian plant societies including, Canadian Botanical Association (CBA), Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS), Canadian Society of Agronomy (CSA), Canadian Society for Horticultural Science (CSHS), Canadian Society of Plant Biologists (CSPB) and Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS). Plant Canada holds national scientific meetings once every four years, with one of the six member societies hosting the conference. This year, Plant Canada (with CBA as a host for 2015) co-organized its 1st international

meeting entitled "Botany 2015 Science and Plants for People " with the Botanical Society of America from July 25-29 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

A total of 14 plant scientific societies or organizations from Canada and the USA participated in the meeting: American Fern Society, American Bryological and Lichenological Society, American Society Plant Taxonomists, Botanical Society of America, International Association for Plant Taxonomy, Mycological Society of America, Society for Herbarium Curators, CBA, CPS, CSA, CSHS, CSPB and CWSS.



The Presidents or the representatives of the participating Canadian and American plant societies at Botany 2015, Science and plants for people meeting in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. Back row from left: Drs. Jon Shaw (President, American Bryological and Lichenological Society), Pat Herendeen (President, American Society Plant Taxonomists), Tom Ranker (President, Botanical Society of America). Middle row from left: Drs. Vincenzo DeLuca (President, Canadian Society of Plant Biologists), D. Jean Dodge (President, Mycological Society of America), Shahrokh Khanizadeh (Past President, Plant Canada), John Markham (President, Canadian Botanical Association). Front row from left: Drs. Samir Debnath (President, Canadian Society for Horticultural Science), Deena Errampalli (President, Plant Canada and President, Canadian Phytopathological Society), Mary Stensvold, (Secretary, the American Fern Society) and Karol Marhold (Secretary, International Association for Plant Taxonomy). Photo courtesy: Bill Dahl, BSA

Over 1620 delegates from five continents attended the Botany 2015, Science and Plants for People meeting from July 25-29, 2015 in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada and explored a wide-range of recent advances in plant sciences. The scientific program had a total of 1396 abstracts! There were 13 special addresses, 689 papers, 480 posters, 22 symposia with 191 symposia speakers, 3 colloquia, 6 discussion sessions and 17 workshops. At this meeting 23 field trips were organized.

The Plenary lecture of the conference titled, "Botany is cool: so why doesn't the public know that?" was presented by Ken Thomson from University of Sheffield, United Kingdom.

A highlight of the symposia at the Botany 2015 meeting was that co-sponsorship of a symposium by at least two different plant societies allowed for interaction and collaboration between different plant scientific societies.

From the meeting of the 14 plant societies, here we report highlights from the CPS and Plant Canada:

CPS and plant pathology activities at Botany 2015:

Poster sessions. All society poster session was held on Monday (July 27) from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. There were 42 posters under Host/plant Pathogen Interactions and Plant Health Management topic. CPS student poster competition was held at the same time and three winners were chosen.

CPS co-sponsored Symposia: On Monday (July 27) afternoon, CPS along with Plant Canada and CSPB has co-sponsored a symposium titled "Basic and applied approaches to improve disease resistance in plants" and was moderated by CPS President Dr. Deena Errampalli and Dr. Robin Cameron, a member of both CPS and CSPB. The co-moderator, Dr. Cameron gave a 15 minute overview at the beginning of the symposium. There were six talks. The first three talks were on the basic approaches to understanding the induced resistance: "Using DIR1 to investigate long distance signal movement during Systemic Acquired Resistance" by Dr. Robin Cameron (McMaster University, Canada) ; "The NPR1 Salicylic acid receptor: Trailblazing from basic science to commercialization" by Dr. Charles Despres (Brock University, Canada); "Putting it all

together: Modulation of the interplay between plant immunity and fungal virulence by environmental factors" Dr. Amir Sharon (Tel Aviv University, Israel). The next talk by Dr. Brad Day (Michigan State University, USA) provided a bridge between basic and applied research and the title of his presentation was, " Next generation solutions from the detection of plant pathogens: from genes to genomes to nanobiosensors". The last two talks focussed on the applied nature of the induced resistance in field and postharvest: "Use of chitosan and benzothiadiazole to control pre- and post-harvest diseases of grapes and fruit plants" by Dr. Gianfranco Romanazzi (Marche Polytechnique University, Italy) and "Induced resistance as a tool in plant disease management" by Dr. Deena Errampalli (Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Canada). This symposium was well attended. All these six symposia papers will be published in a special issue of CJPP in 2016.

On Tuesday (July 28), CPS along with the Mycological Society of America (MSA) and Plant Canada co-sponsored a symposium titled "What can next generation fungal genome sequencing do for you?" and was moderated by CPS member Dr. Tom Hsiang. The moderator, Dr. Tom Hsiang presented a 15 minute overview. Symposium speakers were Dr. Tom Hsiang (University of Guelph, Canada), "Introduction to fungal genome sequencing and assembly"; Dr. Louis Bernier (university of Laval, Canada), "Genome-wide analysis of yeast/mycelium dimorphism in a nonmodel pathogen"; Dr. Jo Anne Crouch (USDA-ARS, USA), "Genomics of *Colletotrichum* fungi impacting the production of food, fuel and fiber"; Dr. Ning Zhang (Rutgers University, USA), "Phylogenomic analysis and comparative genomics of Magnaporthales"; Dr. You Liang Peng (China Agricultural University, China), "Comparative genomics of the rice blast fungus *Magnaporthe oryzae*"; and Dr. Chris Todd Hittinger (University of Madison-Wisconsin, USA), "Saccharomyces evolutionary genomics and beyond".

Contributed paper sessions. On Tuesday afternoon (July 28) and Wednesday (July 29) morning four contributed paper sessions with a total of 28 papers were presented under the topic, the Host/plant Pathogen Interactions and Plant Health Management sessions.

Student co-moderators at the contributed paper sessions. New initiative for the CPS this year is to have a CPS student member to co-moderate with an experienced regular CPS member at each of the contributed paper sessions. This initiative was well received with many positive comments and CPS hopes to continue the inclusion of student members as the co-moderators in the future meetings.

Biocontrol session by CFBC Every second year CPS hosts a session on biological control organized by the Canadian Forum for Biological Control (CFBC). On Wednesday (July 29) afternoon, CPS hosted a contributed oral presentation session on biological control titled "Biological control of diseases and weeds", co-chaired by Mr. Andrew Wylie (CPS student member) and CFBC Vice- President Dr. Gary Peng (regular CPS member). Seven papers and three posters were presented under this topic.

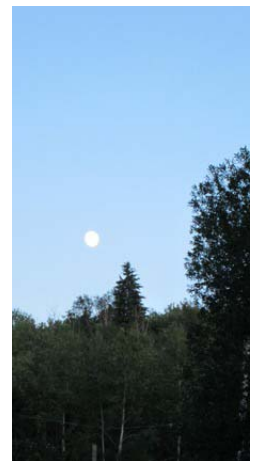
CPS Business meetings. The 2015 Annual Meeting of Members (AMOM) and lunch was held on Tuesday July 28, 2015 at the Shaw Conference Centre and Fort Edmonton in Edmonton, and over 100 members were in attendance. The minutes from the AMOM are published in this issue of *CPS News*. The CPS LAC at the Botany 2015 meeting wishes to thank all attendees and sponsors for their support, which ensured a successful meeting in Edmonton. The CPS Local Arrangements Committee for Botany 2015 raised funds to support various meeting related activities, including the banquet, which was free to all members of the CPS. The gracious support of the following sponsors to CPS is gratefully acknowledged: Platinum Level – **Saskatchewan Pulse Growers, BASF**; Gold Level – **Cargill, Pioneer, DuPont, Bayer CropScience, Novozymes, Alberta Pulse Growers, Dow Agrosiences**; Silver Level – **BioVision, Western Grains Research Foundation, SeCan, 20/20 Seed Labs Inc., Monsanto, DL Seeds, Alberta Canola Producers Commission, Arysta LifeScience, AgQuest, Crop Production Services Canada, Western Grains Research Foundation, FMC**; and other contributors - **Government of Alberta, Agriculture and Rural Development, University of Alberta, and the Canadian Phytopathological Society**. The CPS-only Banquet and Awards Ceremony was held at Fort Edmonton Park on the evening of Tuesday, July 2015. Nearly 120 CPS members and their guests attended the banquet and awards ceremony.

Snapshots from the CPS Banquet and Awards Ceremony at Fort Edmonton Park: A wonderful evening at a magical historic site

Banquet venue and jazzy entertainment



Fort Edmonton Park and Native Dancers



Plant Canada specific activities at Botany 2015:

Symposia: Plant Canada sponsored a symposium titled, Plant secondary chemistry: from biochemistry to applications, and along with other plant societies co-sponsored 6-10 symposia.

Plant Canada business meetings, certificates and awards: The 2015 Plant Canada Annual Meeting of Members (AMOM) was held on Sunday July 26, 2015 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton. Two new board members were elected during this meeting: Dr. Deena Errampalli, President and Tariq Akhtar, Treasurer and the new Board for 2015-16 were installed. The contact information for PC board can be found at <http://www.plantcanada.ca/>. The Outgoing Board members, Carol Peterson, Treasurer and Shahrokh Khanizadeh, the President were presented with certificates of appreciation for their contributions to Plant Canada over the past 4

years. On July 27, Plant Canada held a breakfast workshop, with over 40 participants, discussed was expanding the role for Plant Canada, such as advocating for plant sciences in Canada. Carl Douglas chaired the meeting. The recommendations from this workshop will be discussed at the upcoming Plant Canada Board meetings. The Plant Canada reception was held from 6:00 to 7:00 pm on July 29. At this reception, Yousef Papadopoulos and John Markham were recognized for their contributions as the Chair of the Plant Canada Local arrangements committee for 2011 PC Meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia and for Botany 2015 in Edmonton, respectively. Plant Canada also presented 12 student travel awards, two awards for each of the six societies under plant Canada umbrella. The New Board met on July 29, 2015 and set out preliminary goals to initiate discussions to publicize Plant Canada nationally.



Plant Canada Booth at Botany 2015 'Science and Plants for People'

Thank you to the organizers of the Botany 2015

meeting: On behalf of the CPS, I thank the organizers of the Botany 2015, Science and Plants for People conference that was held in Edmonton from July 25-29, 2015: Plant Canada Scientific Organizing Committee for Botany 2015 - Dr. John Markham (Chair of the Committee; Canadian Botanical Association), Dr. Samir Debnath (Canadian Society for Horticultural Science), Dr. Diane Edwards (Plant Canada), Dr. Deena Errampalli (Canadian Phytopathology Society) and Dr. Anja Geitmann (Canadian Society of Plant Biologists); the Botany 2015 Meeting Organizing Committee - the representatives from each of the 14 participating societies from Canada and USA and the major organizers of the meeting, the Botanical Society of America representatives, Tom Ranker (President), Amy Litt (Program Director), Bill Dahl (Executive Director) and Johanne Stogran (Director of Conferences); The local organizing committees (LAC) for each of the participating societies including for CPS, Dr. Stephen Strelkov (Chair), Dr. Sheau-Fang Hwang, Dr. Michael Harding, and Mrs. Rosa-Ileana Strelkov; to all the sponsors; and to all the delegates who have participated in the Botany 2015 meeting.

In closing, the Botany 2015, Science and Plants for people meeting In Edmonton, Canada was a great success, it provided the stage for an international perspective and North American specific focus and allowed for networking and discussion opportunities for the delegates and members belonging to 14 plant societies.

Respectfully submitted by,

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2015



'All Societies Celebrate' on the final evening of Botany 2015 at the Shaw Conference Centre in Edmonton

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations, Madam President!

Dr. Deena Errampalli President of Plant Canada

On July 26, 2015, Dr. Deena Errampalli was elected as the President of Plant Canada for a 4-year term 2015-19. Plant Canada, Federation of Canadian Plant Science Societies is a national umbrella organization for six Canadian plant scientific societies. The participating Canadian societies include, Canadian Society of Agronomy (CSA), Canadian Botanical Association (CBA), Canadian Phytopathological Society (CPS), Canadian Society for Horticultural Science (CSHS), Canadian Society of Plant Biologists (CSPB), and Canadian Weed Science Society (CWSS).

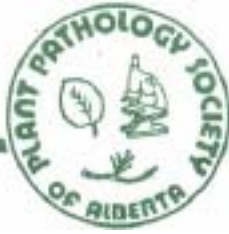
Dr. Errampalli is a Research Scientist (plant pathology) and Test-Site-Manager for Minor Use Pesticide Program at the SCPFRC, Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, Vineland Ontario. She studies postharvest pathology of tree fruits, induced resistance against diseases in crops and the development of integrated control of plant diseases. She has a degree in Botany from the Andhra University, in India and a M. Sc. (Agriculture) in Mycology and Plant Pathology from the Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, UP., in India and Ph.D. in Plant Pathology from Oklahoma State University in Stillwater, OK, USA. She was the president of Canadian Phytopathological society (2014-15) and the current Past President of CPS. She was a member of the Plant Canada Board of Directors from 2012-15. She is the section editor of Canadian Journal of Plant Pathology (2007 to present). Plant Canada is a not-for-profit corporation. The purposes of Plant Canada are: a. to organize and sponsor regular, effective scientific meetings and workshops under a national umbrella for plant science and related disciplines in Canada, b. to operate and maintain a strong communication network among Member Societies and their individual members and c. to be a strong and effective force for public education and advocacy in plant and related sciences. Plant Canada holds national scientific meetings once in a four years, with one of the six member societies hosting the

conference. Plant Canada along with the Botanical Society of America organized Botany 2015, Science and Plants for People meeting from July 25-29, 2015 in Edmonton, AB. Over 1620 delegates from 14 plant scientific societies from Canada and the USA participated in the meeting. The next Plant Canada meeting will be held in 2019. Plant Canada is a founding member of the Global Plant Council (GPC), which supports plant science internationally. Dr. Errampalli said, "I am honoured to begin my tenure as the President of the Plant Canada for 2015-2019 and thank the membership for giving me the opportunity to carry forward the vision and spirit of Plant Canada".

All the best, Dr. Errampalli!
August 10, 2015



**Dr. Deena Errampalli, President of Plant
Canada 2015-2019**



PPSA

**THE 36TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
PLANT PATHOLOGY SOCIETY OF ALBERTA
November 16 – 18, 2015**

The 36th Annual Meeting of the Plant Pathology Society of Alberta will be held November 16-18, 2015 in Lethbridge, AB. A summary of the agenda is as follows:

Monday (evening), November 16th – PPSA registration and welcome reception at the Best Western, Lethbridge

Tuesday (all day), November 17th – PPSA paper and poster sessions at the Lethbridge Research Centre. Annual evening banquet and awards ceremony at the Galt Museum and Archives

Wednesday (morning), November 18th - Annual PPSA business meeting and final paper session at the Lethbridge Research Centre.

Early registration deadline is **October 30, 2015**

Call for Papers and Posters

Abstracts are due November 6, 2015 and can be submitted to Nora Foroud (nora.foroud@agr.gc.ca and copy to ForoudNA@gmail.com)

Awards will be presented for best student and technician presentations. Please indicate on your registration form if you are a student or technician.

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CANADIAN PLANT DISEASE SURVEY (CPDS) Call for Papers

The call for contributions to the 2016 issue of the Canadian Plant Disease Survey has recently gone out to potential authors. More information about deadlines in both French and English can be provided from one of the section editors listed below.

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Did you know as a CPS member, you are also a member of Plant Canada <http://www.plantcanada.ca/> ?

Did you know that as a member of Plant Canada, you're also a member of the [Global Plant Council](#)?

What is the Global Plant Council?

The Global Plant Council (GPC) is a non-profit coalition of plant, crop, agricultural and environmental science societies from across the globe. It was founded in 2009 to provide a body that can speak with a single, strong voice in the policy and decision-making arena, at the global level. By connecting plant science organizations, we are bringing together all those involved in plant and crop research, education and training, to harness the wealth of knowledge and expertise found within our membership base to strengthen and facilitate the development of plant science for global challenges.

What does the GPC do?

The GPC currently has [29 Member Organizations](#) – of which Plant Canada is one – representing over 55,000 plant and crop scientists across Europe, North and South America, Africa, Asia and Australasia. By bringing these groups together, we promote collaboration and cross-communication between scientists and societies, with a focus on key projects in priority areas. Some examples include:

- *Diversity Seek (DivSeek)*: The GPC is working with partner organizations to bring together germplasm curators, plant and crop researchers, breeders and computational experts to unlock the potential of crop diversity stored in genebanks around the world. For more information, see www.divseek.org.

- *Plantae.org*: Together with the American Society for Plant Biologists, the GPC is helping to develop Plantae.org, a forthcoming digital networking platform that will provide researchers, students, industry professionals and educators with access to plant science news, research, methods, teaching resources, funding opportunities and more from across the globe.

- *Stress Resilience*: Together with the [Society for Experimental Biology](#), the GPC is hosting a [Symposium on Plant Stress Resilience in Brazil in October 2015](#). This meeting will bring together experts in this field to showcase new approaches and technologies, share research knowledge and expertise, and facilitate cross-cultural networking and collaborations. [Registration](#) and [abstract submission](#) are open, so please consider joining us!

- *Education and training*: The GPC is working with volunteers and organizations to identify and share tools and resources to train and inspire the next generation of plant scientists, as well as translate these materials into many languages to expand their global reach.

As well as these activities, the GPC coordinates and manages a [website](#), [blog](#), and a [monthly e-newsletter](#) to help its members stay connected and up to date with global plant science research. You can also follow us on Twitter at [@GlobalPlantGPC](#) (or in Spanish at [@GPC_EnEspañol](#)), or on [Facebook](#).

How can the GPC help me?

The GPC is directed by an [Executive Board](#) of leading figures from the world of plant and crop science research, and we also have a panel of elected representatives from each of our [Member Organizations](#). We encourage you to communicate with the leaders of your local plant science organizations so that they can feed back to us the issues, needs and opportunities faced by plant scientists in your region.

As well as our Executive Board, which meets on a quarterly basis, the GPC has a small [staff](#) that manages the day-to-day running of the Council. [Ruth Bastow](#) is our Executive Director, and [Lisa Martin](#) is the Outreach & Communications Manager – if you have any upcoming events, funding opportunities, or exciting news to share we will be pleased to help promote these via our website, newsletter and other outreach channels. In addition, you might like to contribute an article to our blog to raise awareness of an issue, important research, an event or project in your area.

The new online plant science community platform mentioned above is still in development and will be a fantastic resource when it is finished – stay tuned! The GPC website is also a useful source of information – we have a comprehensive [Events calendar](#) to help you find meetings, conferences, workshops and symposia to attend, and our [Resources area](#) provides a range of useful documents, reports, awards, funding opportunities and other information for plant scientists. You could also [sign up for our monthly e-Bulletin newsletter](#).

How can I help the GPC?

There are many ways you can help! Firstly, why not consider [making a donation to the GPC](#)? The GPC is not-for-profit and although our Member

Organizations pay an annual membership fee, our costs are not entirely covered by this income. We therefore seek donations – however big or small – from individuals, philanthropists, funding bodies or other organizations to help us continue the important work we do.

As a global organization we know that not everyone around the world speaks or understands English, yet the majority of resources for the plant sciences are written in English. If you speak another language and would be willing to help us translate resources such as teaching tools, videos, protocols and other documents into your mother tongue, we would love to hear from you!

Another way you might like to get involved with the GPC is to help raise awareness of the work we do. If you have been invited to speak at a local, national or regional plant science event in the coming months, and would like to say a few words about the GPC, we have some PowerPoint slides and resources to help you spread the word. We are also conducting a survey of research projects around the world that are associated with stress resilience in plants, and separately, we are also collecting information about maize research around the world. If you work in either of these areas, please tell us about your work!

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INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIONS

Indian Phytopathological Society 6th International Conference Plants, Pathogens and People

Dear CPS Members:

Greetings from Indian Phytopathological Society.

I am happy to inform that Indian Phytopathological Society is organizing 6th International Conference on “**Plant, Pathogens and People**” with the mission “**Challenges in Plant Pathology to benefit humankind**” at NASC Complex, New Delhi during February 23-27, 2016.

Important dates to remember

Abstract submission (open): September 01, 2015
Abstract submission (closing): November 30, 2015
Acceptance of abstract: within 10 days of submission of abstract
Early bird registration: September 01, 2015 to November 30, 2015
Registration (with late fee): December 01, 2015 to February 15, 2016
Spot registration: February 22-26, 2016

Find herewith attached first Circular of the conference for your kind perusal and active participation.

Thanking you

With regards

Yours sincerely,

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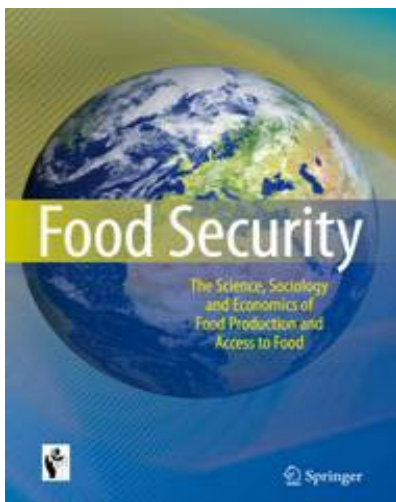
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PLEASE NOTE: The submission deadline for the December 2015 issue of CPS - SCP News is **November 27, 2015**. If you send photographs for publication in the CPS-SCP News, please ensure that you indicate that all individuals appearing in the photographs 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.



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