

# THE CUTTING EDGE

## REGION IX NEWSLETTER



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### Greetings from the Region IX Director Heather Nymeyer

The organizing committee for the NSH 33<sup>rd</sup> S/C definitely hit a home run with the organization and hosting of this event. For those of you that may not be aware, the 33<sup>rd</sup> S/C was to be held in Dallas but due to some logistic problems this event had to be moved to Denver. Planning and execution of an event of this size takes years to complete, but the NSH office and Denver organization committee only had a couple of years and they showed everyone what good team work can accomplish. Congratulations.

This year's S/C also celebrated the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the *Journal of Histotechnology*. The first half of the banquet was dedicated to the journal and to show current and past editors our appreciation for all their hard work. The banquet then continued with the annual award presentation. Congratulations to Michael Ho (Toronto Sick Children) and May Chin (Surrey Memorial) for being recognized for their contributions to their facilities. A complete list of winners is included in this newsletter.

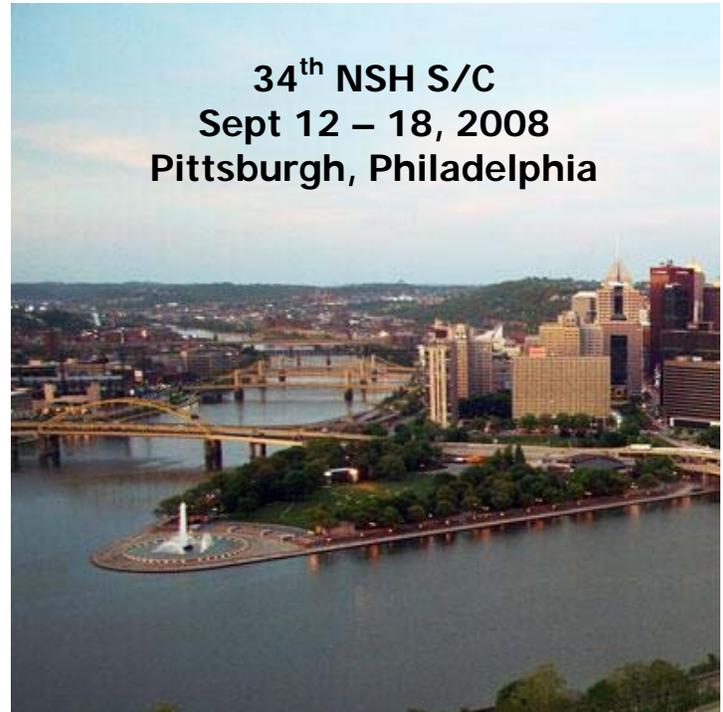
This year we had 85 attendees register from Region IX and they represented BC, Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec, Nova Scotia, PEI and Newfoundland. Our annual regional meeting was held on Oct 27<sup>th</sup> and we had 49 registered attendees present.

Just like any meeting, some business had to be completed and this included the re-election of Michelle Shackleton as our treasurer and the official appointment of Ann Lynde as secretary. Also at the meeting the amendments to our Region IX bylaws were passed and you will be able to review these new bylaws soon on our website ([www.nshregionix.org](http://www.nshregionix.org)).

There were several other milestones reached this year and these included Region IX having the largest number of members present during the T-shirt contest; our newsletter receiving the Award of Merit and Region IX received 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the recruitment of new member. Congratulations Region IX, 60 new members over the last year.

At next year's S/C in Pittsburgh, the NSH presidents, vice president, treasurer, secretary and regional director's positions will be announced. If you are interested in running for any of these positions, you can review their job descriptions and obtain a nomination form from the NSH website ([www.nsh.org](http://www.nsh.org)). Deadlines for nomination are Feb 2008.

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### 34<sup>th</sup> NSH S/C Sept 12 – 18, 2008 Pittsburgh, Philadelphia

#### Connecting Great Ideas and Great People

For many of us, we associate Pittsburgh as the home for the Pittsburgh Steelers, Penguins and Pirates and for a short time in September 2008, Pittsburgh will be the host city for the 34<sup>th</sup> NSH S/C.

The NSH staff and local organizing committee are busy putting the finishing details together for next year's meeting. The NSH website has some details available now and these will continue to be updated on the website as details are finalized.



## Education Update

It is hard to believe that the Annual S/C has come and gone already. I hope that those people who attended had a good time and learned a lot. I found it a very good conference this year. It was great seeing people who you only get to see once a year, and to talk with some of the experts in the field, who were able to advise me on a couple of technical problems I was having. It was also great to see so many Canadians at the S/C, including a large number who attended the Region IX meeting on the Saturday. This year I actually left myself lots of time to visit the exhibits which was quite good-gave me time to check out all of the new stuff which came out over the past year. It also gave me time to talk with the various vendors who support Region IX throughout the year, especially those who participate in our annual Education Day. There have been a number of vendors who are interested in putting on smaller workshops across the country in co-operation with Region IX which is terrific. Discussions with the various vendors are in the early stages but I think they will be quite good. I will keep you posted as things develop.

Speaking of developments, we have finalized a date and location for the next Region IX Education Day. It will be held in Moncton, NB on June 6 and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at the Ramada Crystal Palace. We have a committed speaker (Vickie Kalscheur) and a topic (use of the microwave in the Histology lab) for a third lecture. Additional speakers and topics will be announced in the New Year. I would like to thank Bill Scarrow from Moncton for his help in finding a location. It is greatly appreciated. Also, Bill, Lexie Barkhouse and Joy Howell from Halifax, have been terrific in suggesting topics.

It had been suggested that we team up with Maritech for our Education Day in 2008. After a number of discussions between myself and Greg Dobbins in PEI as well as with members of the Region IX Executive, various Region IX members and a number of the vendors who support Region IX it was felt, for a variety of reasons, that at this point we would host our own Education Day as we have in the past.

I hope everyone had a great Christmas and all the best in 2008. See you in Moncton in June.

**Mark Elliott** [mark@nshregionix.org](mailto:mark@nshregionix.org)  
Region IX Education Committee, Chair

## NSH Teleconference Schedule

2008

[www.nsh.org](http://www.nsh.org)

**The 2008 teleconference schedule is now available on the NSH website ([www.nsh.org](http://www.nsh.org)).**

**For a single price (\$1100/11 sessions or \$275.00 each), all your lab staff can participate in the teleconferences and receive CEUs. One contact hour will be credited to all participants**

**CEU for NSH members can be viewed on line, while non members can apply to have their CEUs sent to them for a fee. Non-members should consider joining since the fee for CEU certificates is more than a NSH membership.**

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## Future Dates NSH S/C Dates

**34th Annual Symposium/Convention**  
September 12-18, 2008 in Pittsburgh, PA

**35th Annual Symposium/Convention**  
October 3-8, 2009 in Birmingham, AL

**36th Annual Symposium/Convention**  
2010 ~ Seattle, WA

**37th Annual Symposium/Convention**  
2011 ~ Cincinnati, OH

**38th Annual Symposium/Convention**  
2012 ~ Vancouver, BC Canada

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## **Region IX By-laws Approved**

At the 33<sup>rd</sup> Region IX Meeting members voted to accept the proposed bylaws distributed in September 2007. The approved Bylaws can be viewed on the Region IX website ([www.nshregionix.org](http://www.nshregionix.org)).

## NSH Strategic Planning Session 2007

Minnie Downie from the Fraser Health Authority in British Columbia, was the session leader for this year's strategic planning session. Minnie presented to the board members the different elements needed in a strategic plan to reach a successful outcome. During this session the board identified four areas that needed addressing;

### 1) Executive office staff and facility

At last years strategic planning session, the number of executive office staff and the NSH office facilities were found to be inadequate for the increased work associated with the number of NSH membership; increased S/C attendees and requests for CEU processing, the NSH office staff and facilities. The issue around the facility has been successfully addressed and the board has approved the addition of one more office staff member.

### 2) Membership

There were two areas identified during this session; how to retain membership and how to increase membership.

- Retention of Membership: Each year around the S/C new member applications increase but many of these new members do not re-new their membership the following year. The board would like to uncover the reasons for this trend.
- Increase membership: Many Histotechnologists do not understand the benefits of becoming a member of the NSH and it is the board's objective to raise the awareness of the benefits associated with becoming a NSH member.

### 3) Internal Public awareness

It is important that the associated groups to the NSH are aware of the NSH but more important the awareness to the profession of Histotechnology. This portion of the strategic plan will include heightened awareness of Histotechnology amongst other clinical and diagnostic professions.

### 4) External Public awareness

Similar to the internal public awareness, this strategic planning session also identified the need to bring awareness of the Histotechnology profession to the general public, with the goal of improving professional status but also promoting Histotechnology as a career choice.

The NSH Board of Directors will be working very hard over the next 12 months to address the issues identified and implement possible solutions to deal with the areas listed above.

## Board of Directors and House of Delegate Summary Report

Some changes that were voted upon by the Board of Directors (BOD) and the House of Delegates (HOD)

- Membership renewals will begin in January 1<sup>st</sup> instead of June 1<sup>st</sup>. Membership renewals will be sent out in November for the following year. For members that joined or renewed their membership for 2007, they will have their expiry date extended from May 31<sup>st</sup> to Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 2007.
- Additional office staff
- Explore the possibility of using electronic voting for such events as election of officers
- The creation of committee status for formerly sub committee groups. These include previously classified sub-committees; Budget, Hard Tissue, Continuing Education, IHC Resource group, Legislation, Public Relation, Quality Control, and Membership.

### Anatomy of a Poster

Matthew Canil  
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When I first considered the idea of submitting a poster for the 32nd Annual NSH Symposium/Convention in Phoenix, the project seemed daunting. I wanted to create a poster that would generate interest and educate other professionals in a particular facet of histology. Posters are also a great way to participate in the convention and interact with interested professionals. Your first task is to determine a good topic for your poster. Sources of poster topics are pathologists, co-workers or journal articles. You want a topic that you find interesting and you would feel other people would find fascinating and enlightening. Topics such as new staining techniques, innovations in immunohistochemistry or unique case studies are some of the more popular topics. The topic I finally came up with was Toluidine Blue staining of ganglion cells for frozen rectal biopsies. I determined an easy, staining method for the identification of ganglion cells in frozen sections of rectal biopsies. This staining method was very beneficial to our pathologists in the diagnosis of Hirschsprung's disease in children. After determining my topic, a staff pathologist and I determined study guidelines for testing my new staining technique. I found working on a poster is a great way to foster relationships with pathologists, clinicians and other technologists as you all work together on a common project. Over a six month period I was able to use this new staining technique for about 20 patients and, along with the pathologist, determined the effectiveness of the new techniques. After collecting all of the data, I set out to put my poster together using four sections (1) Abstract, (2) Materials and Methods, (3) Results and (4) Conclusion. There are many great references on how to write a scientific paper so I will only go into some of the details I have discovered while presenting my project in poster form. I used Microsoft PowerPoint™ to assemble my poster since it is easy to insert and arrange text and pictures, and prints very well in large poster size.

The poster format lends itself to images much more than text, your audience would much rather look at a large number of interesting images than read great deals of text. Don't be afraid to use colour, a black and white poster is boring and wouldn't attract much attention. Proofread, proofread, and proofread . . . a poster with spelling and grammar errors looks unprofessional. Finally, your poster is a reflection of you so have some fun with it!

**Editor's Note:**

Matthew's Anatomy of a Poster article has ideal timing for others to consider submitting an abstract to next year's meeting in Pittsburgh or maybe for the 35<sup>th</sup> S/C. Deadline for abstract submission is Dec 14, 2007. For complete submission poster details visit the NSH website ([www.nsh.org](http://www.nsh.org)).

## Our 2007 Region IX Award Recipients

The Region IX Awards Committee would like to thank everyone that put in an application for the Region IX Awards - if you were not the lucky recipient for any of the awards this year, we encourage you to apply again next year!



**Region IX Ventana Medical Systems  
Immunohistochemistry Award**



**Region IX Vision Bio Systems  
Immunohistochemistry Award**



**Surgipath Award of Excellence**

**Michael Ho  
Hospital for Sick Children  
Toronto, Ontario**

The Region IX meeting in Denver Colorado, became, what I consider, the proudest moment in my professional career. To be recognized by my peers in Canada, and be awarded these very prestigious awards, was the ultimate compliment. I would like to thank all those involved in making this possible. In particular, my thanks go out to; the executive and awards committee, I realize the amount of hard work that goes into this process, Surgipath Canada, who has been a long time partner in the success of Region IX. To Ventana Medical Systems, and VisionBiosystems, now Leica, for joining our team and giving us the opportunity to reward our Canadian Histotechnologists for the incredible work they do. Finally I would like to encourage all our members to take the time to identify your colleagues, and nominate these deserving technologists for their level of excellence.

Michael Ho

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**Congratulations to May Chin from Surrey Memorial Hospital, BC for winning the following awards:**

- **Creative Waste Solutions, Inc.  
Newsletter Contributor Award**



- **2007 Region IX T-shirt Design Winner  
(Sponsored by Inter Medico)**

## Region IX 2007 Vendor Plague of Appreciation was awarded to Tina Ng, from Somagen Diagnostics for their continued support to Region IX



Somagen Diagnostics was incredibly honored this year to be chosen by the NSH Region IX members and executive to receive the Vendor Appreciation Award at the NSH S/C in Denver. Somagen is dedicated to continuing to support Region IX and the Canadian Histology industry. We at Somagen value all the relationships we have developed through the years and look forward to continuing our commitment to the Histology industry.



Thank-you,  
Tina Ng, Product Specialist



**Dako Immunohistochemistry/In-situ Hybridization**

**Mark Elliott  
James Hogg iCAPTURE Centre  
Vancouver, B.C.**

I feel deeply honoured to have been awarded the inaugural DAKO IHC/ISH award this year. To be recognized by my peers in such a manner is greatly appreciated. I would like to thank DAKO for sponsoring this award and urge everyone to nominate anyone you think is deserving of recognition for any/all of the awards available.

Mark Elliott



**Region IX Histotechnology Student Scholarship Award  
(Sponsored personally by Reg Sidhu, Leica Microsystems)  
Margeaux Leckie  
2007 BCIT Med Lab Program**



From Left to right Dr Krikler, Janet Tunnicliffe (NSH Vice-President, Tom Wells (Region IX Membership Chair and BCIT instructor), Margeaux Leckie, and Rose Clarke (Region IX Awards Chair

Receiving the region IX Student Histotechnology Scholarship is an honour and a privilege. Before I made the decision to return to school and obtain my RT, my career in Histology had already begun as I was already working as a Lab Assistant and Autopsy Technician. I have always had a keen interest in Histology and find it to be a very fascinating field of study. I am excited to say that upon graduation I have accepted a permanent position in the Histopathology department at Surrey Memorial Hospital! Although I knew returning to school was the direction I wanted my life to take, it was still a big decision and a long journey. Having the help of scholarships such as the Region IX Student Histotechnology award made the journey that much easier, and knowing I had the support of others already working in the field was fantastic. Thank you for your assistance and encouragement in my educational pursuit.

Margeaux Leckie

The executive committee and Region IX members would like to thank all the sponsors of these awards. If you would like to nominate yourself or if you know an NSH member that is deserving of being recognized for their hard work, visit the Region IX website for complete details on each of these awards and for the nomination forms. [www.nshregionix.org](http://www.nshregionix.org)

## Job Opening:

Supervisor of Histology at SERHA in Moncton, New Brunswick. For further information contact Bill Scarrow ([William.Scarrow@serha.ca](mailto:William.Scarrow@serha.ca)).

**NSH Region IX would like to thank Surgipath Canada for their continued sponsorship of *The Cutting Edge Newsletter*.**



## NSH Awards Messages from our Region IX Winners

### BIOGENEX AWARD FOR STANDARDIZATION IN IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY



I would like to thank The National Society for Histotechnology for their BIOGENEX AWARD FOR STANDARDIZATION IN IMMUNOHISTOCHEMISTRY. I am honored to be the recipient of this prestigious award. This award has helped fund my attendance to the NSH Symposium this year in Denver. I was impressed with everything that I saw. The workshops and exhibits were excellent. The pursuit of education and knowledge was apparent by the excitement in the air. I met many histotechnologists from many different parts of the world and I found that we all share common goals in providing the best health care possible. I encourage everyone to try to attend future NSH conferences.

Thanks  
May

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### Ventana Medical Systems Immunohistochemistry Award

I have been there, done that, and now I have the T-shirt. This was the "icing on the cake". Although I did know that I was nominated for this award, I was totally shocked when my name was announced as the recipient of this award, during the Awards Banquet. On reflection, to be honored with this national award, considering all the equally deserving, and very knowledgeable technologists, makes me very humble. I would like to thank the NSH awards committee and Ventana Medical Systems for my selection. My passion for my profession, histotechnology, and in particular immunohistochemistry continues to grow. As I have mentioned, please take the time to identify your colleagues, and nominate these deserving Canadian technologists for their level of excellence at the national level.

Michael Ho



## Newsletter of the Year Merit Award Region IX "The Cutting Edge"



It is a great honour to receive this award. The development, production and success of the Region IX newsletters is due to the hard work of my co-editor, Mark Elliott and to everyone that has contributed articles, puzzles, announcements et. There are a few new ideas being developed for the newsletters and hopefully these will be available in the Winter edition. Thanks again for this award.

Heather Nymeyer  
Co-Editor

I would like to thank everyone who has helped in putting this newsletter together. Heather and I could not do it without the help we have received from all those people who have submitted material to be included in newsletter-without you there would be no newsletter.

Mark Elliott  
Co-Editor

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## Region IX Winner T-shirt Contest



If there was an award for the region attending with the most T-shirts, this would have certainly been awarded to Region Thanks to InterMedico for sponsoring this year's T-shirts.

Thanks everyone for submitting the numerous pictures to the newsletter from the Symposium/Convention. Due to the number received and to limit the size of the newsletter, it is not possible to publish all the pictures. In the near future a collection of these pictures will be available on our website for everyone to enjoy.

**In Memoriam  
Sandra Smith  
1960-2007**

The Staff at Somagen Diagnostics mourns the loss of Sandra Smith who passed away on September 20, 2007 after a brief illness.

Before starting her career with Somagen, Sandra trained as a medical laboratory technologist in Saskatchewan and worked for various laboratories in both Saskatoon and Calgary while raising her son and daughter with her husband, Greg. Sandra started her career in the In Vitro Diagnostics field with Somagen in 1997 as a Product Manager. Sandra started working part time but soon became full time and was promoted through the ranks to Director of Sales and Marketing. Sandra's creativity was a unique influence in the industry and she developed many strong relationships not only in Histology but in many areas of Laboratory Medicine.

Sandra was dedicated to both her family and her career with boundless enthusiasm and energy, she had an inspiring influence on everyone she came into contact with. Sandra will be truly missed.

Submitted by Tina Ng

*The Executive Committee and Region IX members were deeply saddened to learn of Sandra's passing. Certainly at any Region IX event, Sandra's presence was noted by her smile and her willingness to assist Region IX in any aspect. Sandra will be missed.*

*On behalf of the Region IX membership, we send our condolences and deepest sympathy to Sandra's family and friends.*

*Heather Nymeyer, Region IX Director*

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- Reflect both Canadian and North American articles pertinent to the practice of Histotechnology
- Publish articles that are beneficial to our discipline.
- Promote communication between Region IX members and members of the other NSH Regions
- Provide a medium for exchange of information among members.

*Contributions are welcome.*  
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