

#### Association of Hospital Supply and Purchasing Officers Inc.

## Newsletter

# July/August 2008

## **CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Was held Friday 25th July - an evening of networking was enjoyed by all in attendance. An opportunity to catch up with retired members and to present to Wayne Hall his Life Membership certificate & plaque awarded in 2006. AHSPO Executive would like to thank the 24 sponsors.

#### WFRSITE

Are you aware we have a website? Have you visited it? Are you savvy with setting up and maintaining web sites? Would you be interested in working with the committee on the AHSPO website? If so please contact Russell either by phone or email to discuss

### LIFE MEMBER NOMINATIONS

Life membership is awarded in recognition of outstanding leadership, diligence and commitment to the Association. To be eligible, nominees are to have achieved a minimum of 10 years consecutive membership and to have served on the Committee for a minimum of one full term i.e. 2 years.

Full or Associate Members can now forward nominations for Life membership to Russell King. Substantial evidence must be provided in order to justify the nomination and sustain the requirements of the award.

#### 2008 CONFERENCE

"Privacy, Piracy & Provisioning." You may or may not be aware that Moama Bowling sustained major fire damage late June. The Executive met with Moama management on 24th July to discuss the viability of conference remaining on site. The Engineers report was not favorable for the venue to be up and running by conference time. The Executive checked all available venues in Moama, unfortunately no suitable venue was found. The venue will be "All Seasons Quality In" in Bendigo with the date remaining 22-24th October. All Exhibitors have been advised of the venue change.

## **CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP**

Further to advising that Aaxis Pacific are our Gold sponsor the following companies have been accepted as:- Silver Sponsors:- Baxter Healthcare; Covidien. Bronze Sponsors:- Livingstone international, 3M, Multigare Medical, Hendricks Instruments , Molnlycke Health Care, Unique Care, BOC, Kimberly Clark, Sutherland Medical, SCA Medical Hygiene; Networking Session Sponsor:- OfficeMax. Keynote Speakers Sponsors - J & J & Astra Tech. In the next addition we will acknowledge our Delegate sponsors and remaining sponsors.

#### **DELEGATE SPONSORSHIP**

The committee is offering to sponsor a conference package to delegates who would like to attend the annual conference. These are part of the sponsorship received from corporate members.

## Access to conference packages is now available

Delegates must work in the Supply & Store areas of a Public or Private Healthcare Institution. Departments budget will not accommodate attendance to the conference. Preferably to not have

previously attended the conference. Delegates can be either a member or non-member of the association. Applicants are required to submit in writing 25 plus words why they would like to attend the 2008 conference in Bendigo. Applications are to be forwarded to Russell King either by fax to 03 53203880 or emailed to <a href="mailto:russellk@bhs.org.au">russellk@bhs.org.au</a>. Closing date for applications is 8th September 2008.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

#### **Executive Election**

The following positions will be open for nominations at the AGM in Bendigo:- Vice President; Secretary; Committee Member 1 & Committee Member 2 for a 2 year period; Committee Member 3 for 1 year term. We ask all members to seriously think about nominating.

Affiliate Members -The 3-year moratorium will finish at the AGM this year. The committee is currently working on a proposal to address the Affiliate Membership. This will be forwarded to all our Full financial members 21 days prior to the AGM.

### **JOURNAL**

You should all have received the Winter edition of Journal. Our Editor is on the look out for photos of our workplace & staff, if it meets the criteria may make the cover. Please contact or email to our editor.

## **CONFERENCE EXHIBITORS STAND**

All Exhibitor stands have been filled, again this year the demand for stands was greater than stands available. This year 46 Exhibitors will be at the conference

## MEMBERSHIP REPORT

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

**Full Members** – Peter Mystakidis Austin Health, Angela McGarth Eastern Health; Nicole Argall Peter MacCallum, Victoria Turnball Victoria Parade Surgical Centre

Associate Members - No new members

**Corporate Members** – Medsurge Healthcare, Pharmatex Felton, Grimwade & Bosistos & Philips Healthcare

Membership – total registered membership 201

Full members: - 93 Financial Non Financial 0
Associate: - 3 Financial Non Financial 0
Affiliate: - 18Financial Non Financial 0
Corporate: - 79 Financial Non Financial 0

Life: - 7 Honorary:- 1

As you will note our membership has dropped. After numerous advices to members regarding unpaid subs those not financial have been removed from register.



## **AHSPO CALENDAR 2008**

Executive Meetings:

August 13th; Sept 10th; October 8th; Nov 14th CONFIRMED DATES

Wed 22nd- Fri.-24thOctober -Annual

Conference-All Seasons Quality Inn Bendigo

## YOUR COMMITTEE

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