

# NATIONAL NEWSLETTER



## CIPHI'S FIRST ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

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*Did you know that the association had undergone four different name changes since 1913 before deciding upon the name of "Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors" in 1963?*

Welcome to Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors (CIPHI) first official electronic newsletter! The editorial staff's goal is to pass on timely information of national activities to the membership from the National Executive Council (NEC) and yourselves. The Newsletter will become another communication medium which will compliment the profession's other national communication tools, namely CIPHI's Website and Environmental Health Review.

Regular issues of the newsletter will be pub-

lished and the newsletter staff welcomes any suggestions, comments, submissions of articles or photos that you would like to



share with the members. Also if you want to have the NEC provide you with further information or clarification on a topic matter that that may be of interest to the rest of

the membership then let us know.

Also, the NEC is opening the suggestion box for possible names to the newsletter. Are you satisfied with the title 'National Newsletter' or would you prefer something else that is more catchy? Submit your creative thoughts and who knows, you may be featured in the next newsletter!

So, without further adieu we hope you like this first edition. The only direction to go from here is up!

Victor Mah  
Editor

## CORE COMPETENCIES FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH PROFESSION



Recent Public Health events in Canada have shown there is a strong need to prepare the Environmental Public Health workforce to address the complex environment of the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The development of Core Competencies for all Public Health Professionals will strengthen and enhance the Public Health System in Canada by defining measurable core functions and competencies that guide Public Health Practice.

A Steering Committee has been formed with support from the Public Health Agency of Canada to develop core competencies for the Environmental Public Health Profession. This is an exciting opportunity for health protection professionals to determine their future directions. The National Executive Council and Board of Certification of CIPHI are leading this process on behalf of the profession.

Core competencies can be defined as the skills, abilities, knowledge and attitudes necessary for a modern-day Public Health workforce. These skills are common to all Public Health Professionals and are fundamental to delivering core Public Health Services.

The National Executive Council of CIPHI is committed to keeping you informed about this project and I encourage you to check the CIPHI website [www.ciphi.ca](http://www.ciphi.ca) to find out more as it becomes available. Look for regular updates in the coming months on the progress of this project and the answers to frequently asked questions.

*Claudia Kurzac*  
CIPHI National President



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## NOTICES OF MOTION

The 2005 CIPHI Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, September 26, 2005 at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

As per Section 45 of the CIPHI Constitution and Bylaws, Notices of Motion to amend the By-Laws must be sent to the Executive Secretary–Treasurer at

least ninety (90) days before the meeting at which the amendment is proposed. A copy of the proposed amendment shall be mailed to every Member of the Institute sixty (60) days prior to the meeting. For those mathe-



matically challenged like myself, this means amendments must be received by the Executive Secretary - Treasurer by Friday, June 24. A copy of the proposed amendment shall be received by members before Monday, July 25.

*Victor Mah, Editor*

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



It is that time of year again where we recognize our peers and those who have contributed to the profession.

Nominations for the following CIPHI

Awards, must be submitted, in writing, to the Awards Committee at least thirty (30) days in advance (before August 25) of the Annual General Meeting: Alex Cross, Alexander Officer, Environmental Health Review and the President's Award.

Nominations for the CIPHI Life Member Award Nominations should be submitted, in writing, to the National Office at least

sixty (60) days in advance (before July 25) of the Annual General Meeting.

Recognition of Honourary and 50 Year Members will also be presented.

Please refer to the CIPHI Website at <http://www.ciphi.ca/awards.htm> for further details and nomination forms.

Good luck to all nominees!

*Victor Mah, Editor*



*Alex Cross Award  
For Displaying the  
Highest Standard of  
Professional Practice*



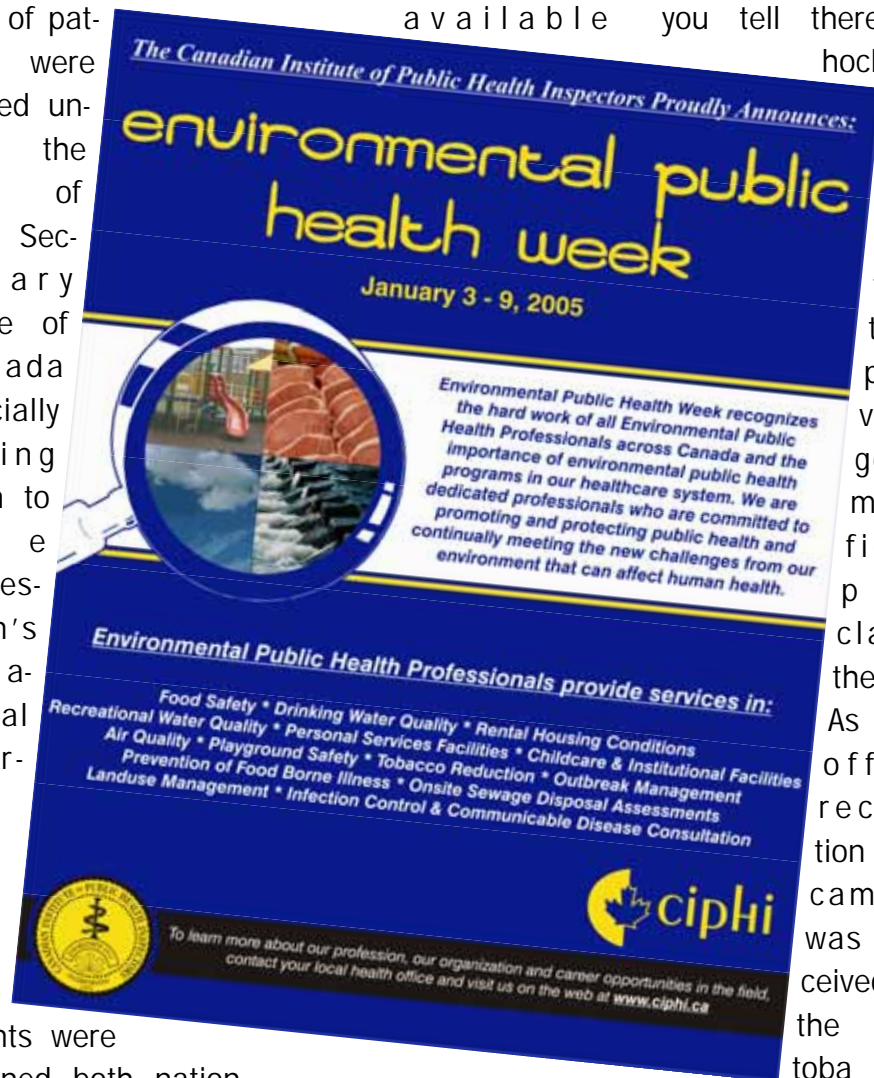
*Alexander Officer Award  
For Outstanding and  
Meritorious Achievement in the Field of  
Public Health*

# ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK 2005

On January 3–9, 2005, we celebrated the profession’s birthday. That’s right! On January 3, 1934 letters of patent were issued under the Seal of the Secretary State of Canada officially giving birth to the profession’s national charter.

was issued to kick things off. Portfolios have also been created to highlight the profession which are available

*the Champions ... We are the Champions ... No time for losers ... We are the champions of the world.* How can you tell there’s no hockey on CBC?



Events were planned both nationally and provincially. On the national stage, 2700 bilingual posters were circulated across Canada and a national news release

through your Branch. Provincially, here are some of the brief highlights of what some of you did to say *We are*

In Manitoba, the provincial government officially proclaimed the week. As well, official recognition of the campaign was received from the Manitoba Public Health Association.

Recognition in Alberta was received by the City of Calgary and the Calgary Regional Health Authority. The

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*“I ... designate the week of January 3-9, 2005 to be: ‘Environmental Health Week’ in Saskatchewan”*

*Hon. John Neilson  
Minister of Health*



*“I am pleased to recognize January 3-9, 2005 as Environmental Public Health Week”*

*Dave Bronconnier  
Mayor, City of Calgary*

## ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK 2005 CONTINUED ...

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Calgary Herald and Fort McMurray Today Newspapers ran articles after interviewing field inspectors and the local health authority. Ten and thirty minute interviews were also conducted with a local radio station in Fort McMurray.

In Ontario, the Woodstock Sentinel Review ran an article after interviewing district inspectors.

In Saskatchewan, local inspectors received well wishes from the public and obtained official proclamation of the

week from the Minister of Health. The week was also highlighted with a brief interview done on CKTV. There were also numerous reports of

Hats off to everyone for another successful birthday celebration!

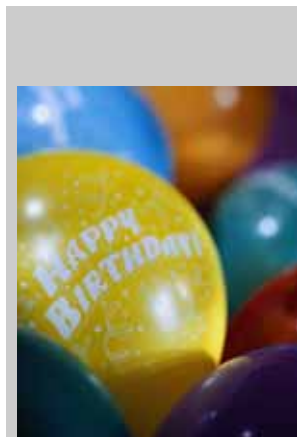
If you have ideas, suggestions or would like to help plan next year's birthday celebration your local



health regions promoting the week through bulletin boards and internal newsletters.

Branch Executive would love to hear from you.

Victor Mah, Editor



*"I ... do hereby proclaim the week of January 3-9, 2005 as Environmental Public Health Week"*

*Hon. Stan Struthers  
Minister of Conservation  
of Manitoba*

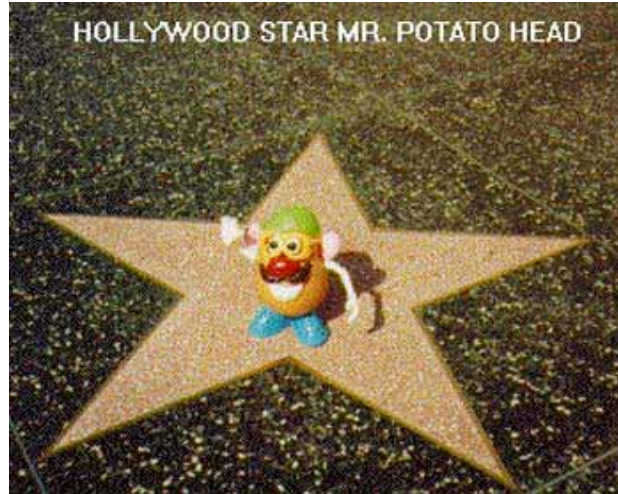


## PHI REALITY TV?

Congratulations to Mr. Robert Mancini from Winnipeg, MB for winning the acting role for a reality cooking show!

Back in November 2004, Frantic Films from Winnipeg posted a notice with CIPHI seeking candidates for a proposed half hour episode series titled "Pantry Raid" for the Food Network.

Robert will examine the kitchen, the habits, food preparation, and food storage of the chosen household. Problems are identified and solutions provided along with



another person who's specialty is space/storage organization.

There were 10 CIPHI members who applied and the three finalists were: Robert, Raegan Stockton (Moncton, NB) and Theresa Wawrykow (Canmore, AB). The membership would love to see your audition tape!

The film company starts shooting in 2 weeks and

Robert will keep us informed as to the details when they come available.

*Stéfane Gravelle, MB Branch President*

## STAR SIGHTING



Photo credit: Ken Cross

Photo of CIPHI member, Ken Cross in Saskatchewan on the movie set of the hit CTV comedy series *Corner Gas*. The facilities looked so real that Ken was going to close the place down for not having a food permit until the security guard escorted him off the set.

Nice try Ken!



# Membership/Renewal Application Form 2005

I hereby make application for Membership (see list below) in the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. This application implies that membership is to continue until resignation is tendered, or until membership is discontinued under the conditions contained in the By-laws of the Institute. (Complete sections with "\*" only, unless information has changed.)

\* Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \* Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Area Code Area Code

Present Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
Agency Street Address

Employer Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
City/Town Province

C.P.H.I.(C) Certificate #: \_\_\_\_\_ Year Issued: \_\_\_\_\_ How many years have you been a member of CIPHI? \_\_\_\_\_ \*

**Code of Ethics** - As a Member of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors, I acknowledge:

That I have an obligation to the sciences and arts for the advancement of public health. I will uphold the standards of my profession, continually search for truths, and disseminate my findings; and I will strive to keep myself fully informed of the developments in the field of Public Health.

That I have an obligation to the public whose trust I hold and I will endeavour, to the best of my ability, to guard their interests honestly and wisely. I will be loyal to the government division or industry by which I am retained.

That the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of health is one of the fundamental rights of every human being without distinction of race, religion, political belief, economic or social condition.

That being loyal to my profession, I will uphold the constitution and By-laws of the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors and will, at all times, conduct myself in a manner worthy of my profession.

My signature hereon constitutes a realization of my personal responsibility to actively discharge these obligations.

\* Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ \* Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please indicate the type of membership you require:

Regular  Student \$30.00  Retired \$30.00  Fraternal \$90.00  International \$75.00

\* Please circle branch you wish to belong to below: (Note: Province in which you reside unless you live in Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Yukon or outside Canada)

\* Note that GST is no longer being charged.

British Columbia	Alberta	Saskatchewan	Manitoba	Ontario	Quebec	New Brunswick	Nova Scotia/PEI	Nfld/ Labrador
\$145.00	\$125.00	\$115.00	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00

(includes Registration)

\* Payment is made by:

- Cheque
- Money Order
- Employer (cheque attached)
- Payroll Deduction
- Spousal (2 PHIs/home)

- send forms together & deduct \$30 for one person, only one E.H.R. subscription will be received.

Credit Card:  Visa or  MasterCard

Number on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make cheques payable to C.I.P.H.I. and forward your application by postal service to:  
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The Newsletter encourages submissions of articles, pictures and announcements. The Editor reserves the right to reject articles, announcements, letters, advertisements, and other items that are not consistent with the goals and purposes of the Institute.

The National Executive Council has the authority to provide general direction respecting the content of the Newsletter and in consultation with the Editor, to set policies regarding administrative matters of each issue. The Editor shall have the general authority to select material for publication in the Newsletter.

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Environmental Health Foundation of Canada			✓					✓	✓
Board of Certification			✓						✓
International Federation of Environmental Health									✓
Website	✓				✓		✓		
Finance	✓	✓			✓				
Membership					✓	✓			
Advocacy			✓	✓	✓				
Constitution & By-laws	✓						✓	✓	
Awards		✓		✓					
Strategic Marketing Plan Implementation Committee		✓			✓	✓			
Conferencing Liaison									✓
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F.P.T. Food Safety						✓			
Environmental Public Health Week		✓	✓						
National Newsletter	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				✓
Accreditation									✓
Core Competencies				✓	✓				✓
Data Management		✓							✓

✓ Denotes chairperson of the committee

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*CIPHI is not-for-profit and is the only professional association representing environmental public health professionals including public health inspectors and environmental health officers.*

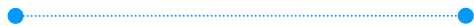
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**ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH QUOTES**

*I believe that there is no limit to Environmental Public Health, or the health issues we as a professional can address.*

*nfok, December 2003*

*We are like a cop. Not too many like to see us but as soon as there is a problem ... we are the first ones called.*

*Rod, January 2004*