## **President's Report**

## **Annual General Meeting, April 14, 2007**

Since our last general meeting, the board of directors has been working hard on behalf of the Nova Scotia Chemists' Society's members. The Board has met frequently to plan and promotional activities for the society. We did take the summer off.

We continue to make membership a main focus, but we have also started planning our next step. We have adjusted our focus slightly and have petitioned the provincial government for new legislation to set up a professions act similar to what has been done in the province of Quebec. We have not received a positive response to this idea, but we will continue to press this idea.

To increase the society's visibility and membership we have continued to work on the following activities.

- We have continued to develop the society's web site.
- We have been visiting corporations where chemists work to make them aware of our society.
- We have participating in the CSC conference forum on professionalization in chemistry on May 30<sup>th</sup> at the World Trade and convention centre in Halifax. Since that time a National Advisory Committee on the Profession of Chemistry in Canada has been established. Myself and Gordon Boyce are the Societies representatives on this committee. The committee has been meeting, by telephone conference, every one or two months to discuss common concerns. A summary of the committee's activities should be available on the CSC website soon.

It is still our aim to proceed with full legislative recognition of our society, which will make it the governing body for chemists in Nova Scotia. This would include licensing powers.

Respectfully submitted

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