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Conference flags outside
Hotel

Holmenkollen

CPATH 2009 Satellite Meeting Report

Oslo was fantastic! This issue will photo highlights from the CPATH satellite meeting at the WPATH conference.

It was very surreal to travel literally half way around the world to a landscape that was so similar to British Columbia's!

Many thanks to Kayla Landau who helped to organize the CPATH meeting!

Thank you also to Lin Fraser, Trevor Corneil and John Chan who allowed me to use their photos for this issue.

Thanks to all of you who have sent me updates over the past year or so.

This is the 15th and final issue I am writing and will now turn it over to Trevor's capable hands!

All the best,

Gail

Gail Knudson
MD, MPE,
FRCPC



Member Spotlight—Dr. Julian Young

Dr. Julian Young PhD, RCC is a Registered Clinical Counsellor who lives in Victoria and practices in the areas of gender identity and sexual dysfunction. He serves as the Membership Chair of CPATH. He has spent endless hours creating data bases for the membership as well as updating information, renewing memberships and encouraging new membership....and how do I know this? He is my husband and I see him editing the membership list daily! Thank you for your work in keeping the process running smoothly.



Oslo Sights



Hotel Holmenkollen at night



View from Hotel Holmenkollen



Oslo City Hall interior



Norwegian Parliament Building



Oslo summer night



Norwegian motifs





....so why do we travel half way around the world and host a meeting for 16 people in conjunction with the WPATH meeting?

...so why do we have a cocktail reception and invite the WPATH Conference Organizing Committee and Executive Council?

...so why do we travel in a herd around the WPATH conference and give out Canadian pins?

We do this for many reasons:

In order for us to *create a strong international presence*, it is important for us to be seen as a national entity. As CPATH, we are able to do this.

The organizing committee kindly listed our meeting in the symposium program also *increasing our exposure*.

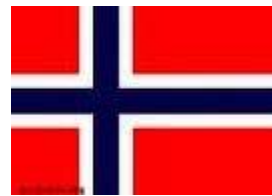
The cocktail party was a success in that it is a chance for all of us to *socialize and network*. As you know, we live in a huge country and do not bump into each other very often! It is also an opportunity to meet the Local Organizing Committee as well as the Executive Council of WPATH and makes our ideas known.

We invited two speakers to present about access to care in Norway and Sweden. This allows us to compare and contrast in order to improve our local system.

We had a wonderful Australian psychiatrist attend our cocktail party. He was so impressed by our organization that he came to the CPATH meeting the next morning. He was so inspired by this that he gathered all of the Australian/New Zealand delegates and met on Sunday morning! They are going to continue to meet and model their organization on ours!

Many thanks to all made this meeting a huge success!

Gail Knudson MD, MPE, FRCPC
CPATH Meeting Chair





CPATH Meeting Attendees

Back row: Drs Lorne Warneke, Richard Wassersug, JJ Miles,
Oliver Robinow, Marria Townsend and Greta Bauer.

Front row: Drs Donna Hendrickson, Trevor Corneil and Gail
Knudson

Missing: Drs Solomon Shapiro and Julian Young





Guest Speakers



Cecilia Dhejne, MD

Dr Dhejne is a consultant psychiatrist and clinical sexologist who has been working in the field of transgender health for many years. In 1999, she founded the Gender Clinic at the Karolinska University Hospital/ Huddinge in Stockholm where she continues to be involved in the assessment and treatment of people with Gender Identity Disorders. She also works as a consultant psychiatrist at the Center for Andrology and Sexual Medicine at the Karolinska University Hospital/ Huddinge.

Dr. Dhejne spoke on access to care in Sweden.



Ira Hebold Haraldsen, M.D. Ph.D

Dr. Haraldsen is the Medical Director and chief psychiatrist of the Gender Identity Clinic at Rikshospitalet University Hospital, the main tertiary care hospital in Norway. Ira received her medical degree at the University of Bonn, Germany in 1985. She began working with the Norwegian transgender community in 1995. She is the lead investigator of the *SOBER* (Sex on Brain European Research) project. Dr. Haraldsen is a member of the Institute of Psychotherapy in Norway.

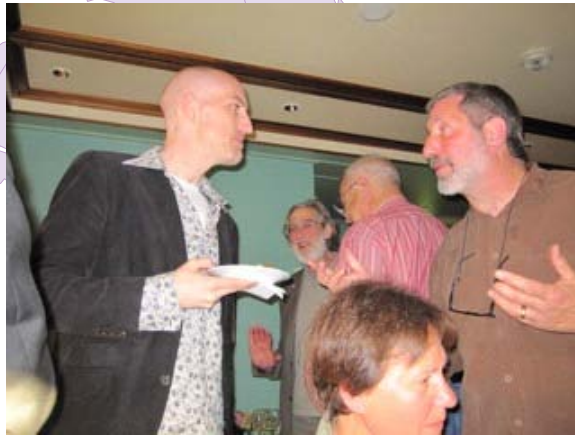
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CPATH Cocktail Party



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CPATH Members at WPATH



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