YESTERDAY saw the passing of Judith Liauw, community pharmacist, President of the Tasmanian Branch of the Pharmacy Guild of Australia and PSA member.

“Judith was at the forefront of modern community pharmacy in Australia,” a statement from the Guild said.

“She was an intelligent, gracious and committed woman who made an enduring contribution to pharmacy and the broader health system,” the Guild added.

In addition to her official industry functions, Judy, a community pharmacist with 30 years experience, had been the director and manager of the Westside Pharmacy in Ulverstone, Tasmania since 1985.

“Judy was unstinting in supporting and promoting rural pharmacy as well as doing everything she could to help early career pharmacists become established,” said PSA president, Warwick Plunkett.

Throughout her distinguished career, Judy also held positions including National Councillor at the Pharmacy Guild of Australia, the Chair of the Guild’s Women and Young Pharmacists Committee, the Chair of the Australian Association of Consultant Pharmacy, Chair of the Guild’s Government Relations and Policy Committee, as well as being the only pharmacist on the 13-person External Resource Group for the Department of Health and Ageing’s National Primary Health Care Strategy.

Last week the Guild National Council voted unanimously to elect Judy as an honorary life member - making her only the third woman to be honoured as such in the organisation’s 80 year history.

In her resignation letter to the Guild, written earlier in the month, Judy said “I hope I have left a legacy of participation by the women and young pharmacists in the rural regions to excel in spite of the apparent barriers faced.”

PSA support presentations

THE Pharmaceutical Society of Australia has released a new range of presentation packs for members, which promote greater community interaction and support.

Developed by the PSAs Practice Support Unit, the health promotion presentations cover a range of topics including ‘Asthma: managing your child’s medicines’, ‘Dose Administration Aids’, ‘Home Medicines Review’, ‘Head Lice’ and ‘Weight Management’.

The presentations are designed as an easy-to-use tool for community

Calling NSW Assistants

THE Pharmacy Guild is reminding the industry that its NSW Pharmacy Assistants’ Conference is set to kick-off on 28 Aug in Bondi.


The conference is also a chance for assistants to network with fellow colleagues and industry members. Priced at $105pp, the Guild has advised that places are filling up.

For more info or to register visit


WIN A KOHL PENCIL

Every day this week, Pharmacy Daily is giving readers the chance to win a kohl pencil from the latest Honey Comb pencil display, courtesy of Total Beauty Network.

Exclusive to Designer Brands is a range of makeup pencils for eyes and lips offering the hottest fashion colours in creamy, yet defining formulas.

Designer Brands Lip Pencils are luxuriously soft, offering incredible definition without bleeding.

For your chance to win your very own kohl pencil this week, simply send through the correct answer to the daily question below:

Name 3 other lip products in the Designer Brands range?

Send entry to: comp@pharmacydaily.com.au.
The first correct entry received each day will win.


Congratulations to yesterday’s lucky winner: Fiona Fahey from Impact Organisation.

Pharmaceutical Defence Limited

REPORT!

All Pharmacists please remember to REPORT any incident to PDL no matter how inconsequential it may seem at the time.

It is a requirement of your Professional Indemnity policy!

Phone: 1300 854 838
Indigenous health group

**Today** marks the commencement of a new national body titled, the ‘Indigenous Allied Health Australia Incorporated’ (IAHA). Launched by the Minister for Indigenous Health, Rural and Regional Health and Regional Service Delivery, Warren Snowdon,

**Infusion pump recall**
The US Food and Drug Administration has ordered the recall of Baxter Healthcare’s Colleague Volumetric Infusion Pumps (CVIP).

**PSA walk-a-thon**
**This** week the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia launched its very own staff walk-a-thon. Designed as a “lead by example” health improvement exercise, the walk-a-thon aims to calculate how many times PSA staff members can walk the distance around Australia before PAC10 in Oct.

“Over the many years of the Rural Pharmacy program there has been a concerted effort to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students to choose pharmacy as a career,” said Chair of the PSA’s Rural Special Interest Group, Karolyn Hushtag.

However, there have been many barriers to achieving these goals and pharmacy has worked very hard to overcome them.

“But many issues were out of the scope of what pharmacy organisations alone could rectify so PSA welcomes the opportunity to work with the Indigenous Allied Health Australia Incorporated partnership on achieving the goals of the National Indigenous Health Workforce Training Package,” she added.

To view the IAHA website go to www.indigenousalliedhealth.com.au.

**Measles watch**
**AN** avid soccer fan has returned from South Africa with measles, prompting health officials at The International Society for Infectious Diseases to urge healthcare practitioners to be on the lookout for measles symptoms in persons having returned from FIFA.

The 24-year-old man presented to a Darwin doctors’ surgery with a fever, rash, respiratory symptoms, conjunctivitis and Koplik’s spots, and tests soon after proved he had contracted measles whilst in South Africa (where at present there is a mass outbreak of the virus).

It is most likely the man contracted the disease whilst in South Africa and tests soon after proved he had contracted measles whilst in South Africa (where at present there is a mass outbreak of the virus).

“However, there have been many barriers to achieving these goals and pharmacy has worked very hard to overcome them.

“But many issues were out of the scope of what pharmacy organisations alone could rectify so PSA welcomes the opportunity to work with the Indigenous Allied Health Australia Incorporated partnership on achieving the goals of the National Indigenous Health Workforce Training Package,” she added.

To view the IAHA website go to www.indigenousalliedhealth.com.au.

**Dispensary Corner**
**Tasty** afternoon snack? An Indian man, Zaver Rathod, recently had a near death experience after ingesting a poisonous snake to win a bet. Rathod had initially killed the reptile after it had struck one of his friends, and upon telling his work mates of his conquest a bet was made that he could not eat his own kill.

Rathod accepted the bet of approx AU$1.75, and chased down on the snake’s cold, raw body.

Not surprisingly, only hours later he was rushed to an emergency room suffering severe nausea and vomiting.

Fortunately doctors were able to remove the contents of his stomach before the snake’s still-active poison entered his system, which would have killed him in a matter of hours.

**Get** in quick for a cheap iPad.

An email currently doing the rounds of healthcare professionals Australia-wide is offering recipients the amazing chance to scoop themselves a brand new iPad for just $1.50.

Now to the cynical eye, one may be suspicious of an email that arrived and contained a subject line that made such grand claims.

Nonetheless, the email delivers on its bold promise, directing readers as to the method with which to obtain an iPad for under two dollars.

Unfortunately for all you tech savvy Mac aficionados out there, the iPad is in fact produced by Kendall Curity, and its humble design pre-dates the iPad by many, many, many years.

Stay across it all with advice that matters.
Were you 1 July ready?

Who’s helping you understand the new award for community pharmacy?

The value of membership - Join the Guild

www.guild.org.au
major sponsor

The Pharmacy Guild of Australia

packages from only $2995 per person

2010 offshore business conference

enjoy a family holiday and earn CPD at the same time

penang malaysia

“the recipe for success”

27 september to 3 october 2010

educational sessions will earn CPE/CPD points

also proudly supported by our gold sponsors

also proudly supported by our silver sponsors

and our bronze sponsors

call (03) 9535 3666 for more information or visit www.guildevents.com.au