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2. WCSfN GRASS TRAVELING SCIENTIST LECTURE

November 19, 2004  Dr. Samuel David, Ph.D., Professor, McGill University
Title: "Rust-proofing the brain to prevent neurodegeneration"
Location: Theatre C, 2nd floor Basic Medical Sciences Bldg, 730 William Ave.

3. WCSfN AGM

November 19, 2004  WINNIPEG CHAPTER SOCIETY FOR NEUROSCIENCE AGM MEETING
Time: 1:15-2:00PM,
Location: Theatre C, 2nd floor Basic Medical Sciences Bldg
Agenda: Executive Officers Nomination/Election
RECEPTION to follow WCSfN meeting on the 2nd floor, BMSB.
4. WCSN POSTER DAY

November 19, 2004  
WCSfn Poster Day  
**Time:** 2:00-4:00PM  
**Location:** Concourse, 2nd floor Basic Medical Sciences Bldg.

5. OTHER NEUROSCIENCE MEETINGS HELD IN 2004

**University of Manitoba (Bannatyne/Fort Gary/St. Boniface Campus)**

**May 19**  
Dr. Alaa El-Husseini, "DICTATING SYNAPSE FORMATION, SPECIFICITY AND ACTIVITY BY ASSEMBLY OF SPECIFIC POSTSYNAPTIC ELEMENTS"

**July 12**  
Dr. Alexej Verkhratsky School of Biological Sciences, The University of Manchester  
Samuel Weiner Distinguished Lecturer  
"Endoplasmic Reticulum Calcium Signaling And Neuronal Function"

**July 13**  
Dr. Alexej Verkhratsky School of Biological Sciences, The University of Manchester  
Samuel Weiner Distinguished Lecturer, Sam Cohen Auditorium,  
"Neuronal-Glial Interactions - An Overview"

**August 27**  
Dr. Garnette Sutherland, Professor of Neurosurgery  
University of Calgary  
The Joe Doupe Memorial Lecture:  
"From Human to Robotic Hand"

**November 12**  
Ronald R.T. Tasker Senior Neurosurgeon, Department of Surgery, University of Toronto, Toronto General and Toronto Western Hospitals, Toronto, Ontario  
"Chasing Birds"

**November 15**  
Dr. Zhi-cheng Xiao, Department of Clinical Research  
Singapore General Hospital, Singapore  
"Neurite Outgrowth Inhibitors at odes of Ranvier"  
The Sixth Annual Norman Hill Lecture

**Location:** NRC IBD  435 Ellice Avenue Winnipeg MB

**February 13**  
Kris Malisza  
NRC IBD – MR Research & Development  
"Functional MRI of Fetal Alcohol Syndrome"

**June 16**  
Kevin Whittingstall  
Dalhousie University  
"Integration of EEG and fMRI"

**December 17**  
Jane Lawrence  
NRC IBD – MR Research & Development  
"Functional MRI of the rat spinal cord"

**Location:** Health Sciences Centre, 730 William Avenue Wpg., MB

**January 9**  
Pediatric Neurology

**January 16**  
Dr. Michael West, Suzanne Ronald and Dr. Ryner Lawrence (National Topic: MR Spectroscopic Imaging of Gliomas in Patients Research Council) Treated by Gamma Knife Radiosurgery

**January 23**  
Dr. Michael Goytan  
Topic: Spondylodiscitis

**January 30**  
Dr. Ross Stimpson  
Topic: Critical Care of Neurosurgical Patients

**February 6**  
Kathy Doerksen (A5 Ward)  
Topic: The Role of TCS’s in Detecting Vasospasm

**February 13**  
Dr. Liam Murphy (Endo)  
Topic: The Pathogenesis of Pituitary Adenoma
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5. BRAIN AWARENESS WEEK 2004

Brain Awareness Week 2004 activities were minimal this year. Drs Jean Paterson and Fiona Parkinson obtained the promotional package and made some presentations to graduate and high school students. The pencils and brain-shaped erasers were distributed to junior students as an encouragement to developing an interest in brain research. The T-shirts were given as a door-prize.

6. WCSfN AWARDS

Graduate students and postdoctoral fellows nominated for awards - None issued during 2004
# 7. WCSfN Financial Report

**Opening balance**: 3,640.47

### Revenue
- Membership Dues: 105.00
- Bank Interest: 1.87

**Total Revenue**: 106.87

### Expenses
- Brain Awareness Event: 100
- Awards/Prizes: 60.00
- Honorary Awards: 0
- SFN Meeting Expenses: 408.28
- Office Expenses: 30

**Total Expenses**: 598.28

**Closing Balance**: 3,149.06

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