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## Changes at MAHCP

As many of you know there have been several changes at MAHCP. A major change for us is the Retirement of a longstanding Labour Relations Officer (LRO). At the end of June Barb Johnson announced her



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retirement with her last day in the office August 31, 2007. It will not be the same without Barb. Prior to becoming an LRO, Barb had been an active and involved MAHCP member. She not only spent several terms on the Executive Council in a number of roles including twice as President. She was also a Vice-President on the Board of the Canadian Federation of Labour and held a seat on the Manitoba Labour Board as a union representative. Through all her years as a member Barb was a dedicated Staff Representative.

Barb began her career in Health Care in June of 1968 as a Laboratory Technologist /X-Ray in Gillam Manitoba. Eventually moving to Winnipeg and working at the Victoria Hospital Lab for seventeen years and left from the position of Charge Technologist. Barb came to work for MAHCP in 1991 as our second LRO. Barb's organizational skills are legendary, her dynamic personality and her passion for the membership. Barb takes with her a wealth of knowledge and skill. As Barb would say "We're talking... 40 years here!" She will be missed.

Heather Pappin has been MAHCP's Receptionist/ Secretary/Clerk for the past 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years. She is the voice that we hear when we call the office. Heather came to us as a temp from Kelly Services and she stayed. When I think back on all that



Heather Pappin

Heather has been through with us and all of the support that she has provided to the staff, the Executive Council, and the membership it is a very impressive list. Heather is passionate about sports, particularly hockey. She also spends many hours volunteering working with children. It is her passion for the kids that takes Heather away from us. She is headed back to school in the fall to further her education down a different career path. We wish her every success.