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## UPCOMING NSHE EVENTS FOR 2015

- **NSHE Annual Trade Show/ Conference**  
Kearney Holiday Inn  
April 30-May 1
- **NSHE Annual Golf Outing**  
Lochland Hills  
Hastings, NE  
June 25-26
- **Fall Telehealth Location TBD**  
Sept 15
- **NSHE Annual Fall Meeting**  
LaVista Conference Ctr  
Omaha, NE  
Oct 22

### A Letter from the President

It's a new year and we are off to a great start beginning with a successful Winter Telehealth Conference. With the topic of "Planning Design and Construction". We are extremely fortunate to have many professionals, within our own organization that are willing to share their expertise with each of us.

As the new president for 2015 I am honored to work with so much talent. During these past few years as a NSHE member I have been able to meet and network with many people around the state. This is what I value most within our organization. It's an organization for healthcare industry leaders and engineers to share knowledge and help each other grow, while meeting the challenges of an ever changing climate in the delivery of safe patient care and regulatory compliance.

For a minimal membership fee facility leaders and vendors can take advantage of conferences and webinars to earn CEU's and contact hours to gain knowledge for successful management and certifications. For those that choose to, I highly recommend taking advantage of the information provided to gain the knowledge to become a Certified Healthcare Facility Manager (CHFM).

The last two years our chapter has received the status of gold level in partnering with ASHE to be a voice in the healthcare industry. With the help and support of everyone in our membership we have the opportunity to become a Platinum level chapter. This achievement not only assists ASHE through advocacy communication to make our voices be heard but provides many additional benefits to our membership. ASHE provides a wealth of information and support for us. Platinum level affiliation will bring us benefits in additional complimentary waivers for the CHFM exams, ASHE annual conferences, ASHE memberships and more.

As you can see becoming a member of NSHE carries many benefits. It's easy to join, reasonably priced and provides a wealth of information. How can you help? Join us, view the NSHE website, check us out on LinkedIn, or just email us with any suggestions or recommendations. If you are already a member, help us to reach out and promote NSHE membership to those who have not taken this opportunity, and share your thoughts, knowledge, experience, or questions and concerns with the rest of us that want to learn. Invite others to join in on the educational teleconferences.

Sincerely

Rod Chambers, NSHE President 2015

## NSHE Financial Update

2014 was another year of growth for the Nebraska Society of Healthcare Engineers (NSHE) association. Attendance at the annual trade show, golf outing and education sessions has been very strong. There has been very good growth in both hospital members and associate members.

The financial statement for 2014 reflects the growth and excitement of NSHE. As you can see on the attached income statement, the association had a positive cash flow over the course of the year. The cash balance started the year at \$7447 and we ended the year with balance of \$12,206, an increase of \$4759.

Besides membership dues, the annual trade show is a source of revenue for the association. The trade show event provides excellent education and networking opportunities for all involved. The annual golf outing brings in a small amount of net revenue, which is good, but revenue generation is not a goal of this education and networking event.


Wages are for our part time Secretary, who makes all of the events happen throughout the year. She also coordinates with our national group, ASHE, so that we can take advantage of all the resources they have to offer.

Office expenses are for many types of expenses including insurance, postage, website fees, tax return fees, attorney fees, etc.

The travel and education expenses are primarily related to the cost to send two board members to the annual ASHE convention. Part of our affiliation with ASHE requires us to have at least two board members attend the convention each year.

The board authorized an increase in the membership dues for 2015. The intent for the extra revenue is to continue to increase the quality of our speakers at the many events sponsored by NSHE. We have been fortunate in the past to have individuals and organizations volunteer their time for presentations. While we will continue to pursue volunteer speakers, we feel the association can benefit from either paid speakers or at least paying travel expenses for speakers that come from outside our region.

If you have any specific questions about the finances of NSHE, please feel free to contact our Treasurer, Don Sheets, or any of the board members.

 [2014 Income Statement](#)

# NSHE Highlights

## NSHE Winter Telehealth

Find all of the educational sessions from the NSHE Winter Telehealth Conference on our website at [nsheweb.org](http://nsheweb.org) under Resources



### A special thank you to our speakers

Colby Vetter, JE Dunn

Jeff Monzu, Leo A Daly

Jon Hilton, Farris Engineering

Scott Kirchner, Altus Architectural Studios

Jason Studt, JE Dunn

Skanda Skandaverl, CHI Health

Kevin Taylor, CHI Good Samaritan

Ken Witt, Fremont Health

### Hospital Highlights Corner

Have any fun facts, historical events, or big news about your hospital? Let us know so we can share it with the membership!

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## In Conclusion...

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