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Message from the President



Dr. Brent Beyak

President, Association of
Prosthodontists
of Canada

I am very honored and pleased to address you as APC President this year. I would firstly like to thank all of you that have been actively involved in this Association over the past years. Since the inception of the Association in 1973, a great many of you have 'done your time' so to speak, and I appreciate the firm foundation and present day situation you have left us with. We are trying to build on your past success and continue to make the APC a vital and current resource for our members.

Specifically, I would like to thank our Past President, Dr. Bernie Legatto. His initiative and foresight was largely responsible for the recent and successful joint meeting with the Canadian Association of Periodontists held in Kelowna, British Columbia. I am sure you enjoyed the camaraderie and educational experiences this venue afforded. Bravo and well done.

I would also like to thank the ongoing efforts of a few of our membership that hold ongoing positions in our national representation and communications efforts. Drs. Effrat Habsha (*Frontline* Editor), James Taylor (COSA Representative) and Henry Levant (USC&LS) have been doing yeoman's service and deserve our thanks and recognition as they continue in these largely thankless tasks. Thank you.

Our Association continues to grow stronger, largely due to the efforts of our Administrator, Christine Wyatt. Our presence and accessibility on the Web are becoming vital to our sustainability as a group. I recommend you make the website (www.prosthodontics.ca) a regular stop as we are actively trying to update and

modify as issues arise. Right now, for example, the recently proposed "Memorandum of Understanding" regarding the licensure of Internationally Trained Dental Specialists is available under the archive section. Our response is also there and I am sure this will generate some discussion, the more the better. Issues like this seem to arise with little warning and it is through the website that we hope to keep you current. Make sure your profile is updated, particularly with your email address as we are working on 'email blasts' as a communication tool. This will only get better over time and help solidify our identity nationally.

I am also pleased to announce that Nobel Biocare and Biomet 3I has recently joined our Membership Benefits Program, along with longstanding supporters like Straumann Canada, Ivoclar Canada and Quintessence Publications in offering significant supply discounts to our membership. You only need to show your membership card to your local direct sales representative to receive these benefits. We are actively talking to other companies for similar support as well and hope to expand this program to the point where you can't afford to not be a member! Check out the website for details.

Finally, I want to remind you that our next AGM will be held jointly with CARDP in Vancouver. The dates are September 10 – 13, 2008 and I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Wishing you all the best in the upcoming holiday season and throughout the year.

Brent Beyak



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Editor's Message

by Dr. Effrat Habsha



Dr. Effrat Habsha

Editor, Association of
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It's hard to believe another year has gone by and the Holidays are just around the corner! The past year was a very successful one for the APC under the leadership of Dr. Bernie Legatto, the enthusiastic APC Executive Council and our APC administrator, Christine Wyatt. Dr. Legatto and his team successfully organized a joint meeting with the Canadian Association of Periodontists this past September in Kelowna, British Columbia. The meeting was extremely well run and attended. Congratulations Dr. Legatto for a very successful year as APC President!

You may have noticed that communication via emails and the quality and usability of the APC website have significantly improved over the last several years. This is largely due to our Administrator, Christine Wyatt. Christine's technical savvy, organizational skills, efficiency and professionalism has been paramount in the running of our organization. Please refer to page 5 for more information about the APC website, www.prosthodontics.ca as well as important registration information.

As you all know, there are many benefits to being a member of the APC. These benefits include National representation, reduced journal subscription rates and significant product discounts just to name a few. Please refer to page 4 for a comprehensive list of benefits and I would urge all Canadian Prosthodontists to join the APC if you haven't already done so.

As always, I encourage you to submit content that is close to your heart, (related to our profession, that is) to share with our membership. Dr. John Zarb's article regarding Diagnostic Coding touches on a very interesting concept and tool for improving clinical research and moving closer to evidence based dentistry. If you would like to share your thoughts or have any questions for Dr. Zarb related to this topic, feel free to contact him at jzarb@buildyoursmile.com.

Congratulations to APC member Dr. Robert Carmichael on his recent appointment to the position of Chief of Dentistry & Director of the Ontario Cleft Lip and Palate/Craniofacial Dental Program at the Bloorview Kids Rehab Centre and to APC Past President Dr. Izchak Barzilay on a recent award from the University of Rochester.

I am looking forward to another year with the APC under the leadership of Dr. Brent Beyak. Dr. Beyak's passion for our profession and dynamic personality is sure to shake things up this year and I certainly look forward to it!

With Regards,
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Benefits of Membership

There was a time when a unique group of individuals like us, wanted to find and associate with like-minded professionals in an effort to pursue not so common interests as well as have some group security. There are instances where we need a group voice, for right or wrong to have any input at all in the little things that come to try us as a profession. The only way to have a strong voice in any matter that may present is to have a strong Association, in whatever form that may take. But really, in today's environment, there seems to be a plethora of groups, prosthodontic or not that are vying for your attention. What sets the APC apart?

1) National Representation – The APC is the recognized national voice for our chosen profession, you don't join, you don't get a say. We are well represented in ongoing issues and communications with the CDA. While each of you have a voice in the CDA if you hold CDA membership, you also have another, possibly more focused input through the APC.

2) APC Logo Advertising - Members may use the APC logo for advertising in the media, including yellow pages, as well as including it on your letterhead. The file may be downloaded from this website.

3) The APC Membership Directory – This is an invaluable resource in member-to-member communications. Updated immediately online and published bi-annually with names, addresses, and practice information.

4) The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry – included in your membership is a subscription to the JPD, one of the founding journals of our profession.

5) Other Journal Subscriptions – APC members receive special pricing on our official journal, the *International Journal of Prosthodontics* (\$78.00/yr) as well as other Quintessence Publications, *Quintessence International* (US\$95.00/yr), *International Journal of Oral and Maxillofacial Implants* (US\$120.00/yr), *International Journal of Periodontics and Restorative Dentistry* (US\$150.00/yr), *Quintessence of Dental Technology* (US\$60.00/yr).

6) Front Line – The regularly published newsletter of the APC. This current and timely publication is an effective way to communicate to the other members of the APC. Everything from Executive communications, articles and announcements pertaining to the organization of our profession, classified advertising and distribution of other informative and editorial matters.

7) Saleable Products – Looking for that hard to find official APC ball cap? Or a distinctive cast gold alloy (only a prosthodontist would say that) lapel pin to round out that next ensemble you put together for the opera? We have these and other items available.

8) Continuing Education – As members of the APC we are able to join or attend scientific sessions of many other Prosthodontic Organizations like the American College of Prosthodontists at discounted rates.

9) Discounts with Manufacturers

a. STRAUMANN CANADA - Members of the APC now receive a straight 10 % discount on any product from STRAUMANN CANADA.

b. IVOCAR CANADA - We have also negotiated a 10% discount on all Lab products (except alloy and denture tooth forms) as well as 10% off all CE courses from IVOCAR CANADA.

c. BIOMET 3I-Members of the APC are entitled to a 10% discount off all products excluding ARCHITECH PSR products (this offer may not be combined with any other promotional offer or discount).

You must show proof of APC membership to your local STRAUMANN or IVOCAR representative at time of order to receive this ongoing benefit. We are also currently negotiating with several other companies for similar relationships.

10) Mailing List Distribution – The APC regularly receives requests from other prosthodontic organizations for the membership list in order for you to receive timely information about CE courses or other publications of interest such as SPEC-TRUM. Without membership to the APC, you may not receive these.

We have a great opportunity to make the APC a strong and vital organization and voice for Prosthodontics, all it takes is you.

Making a Case for Diagnostic Coding

by John P. Zarb BA, DDS, MSc, FRCD (C)



Dr. John Zarb

Central Councilor,
Association of
Prosthodontists of Canada

Clinical oral health research has focused on narrowly defined efforts designed to answer specific questions. It has had to rely largely on manual record review in small patient populations. This has severely limited the scope of clinical research in dentistry. No systematic methodology has been established that will allow the transparent integration of clinical research into the patient care, dental practice, and educational environment. As a result, little normative, diagnostic, and patient care outcome information is available, and patient care is largely experience driven. Likewise, meaningful information is lacking on the association of systemic and oral conditions, or the outcome of the care that we provide as it is related to the conditions that we treat. The lack of an integrated patient care outcome environment has slowed the introduction of new therapies while allowing potentially less and/or non-effective treatment modalities to gain acceptance.

Diagnostic codes are a comprehensive computer readable list of all of the identified conditions or diagnoses made during a patient visit. This structured approach enhances patient communication, tracks clinical outcomes and monitors best practices. Medical diagnostic code utilization has become a requirement in today's advanced technological environment where quality of care outcomes are closely monitored. With the diagnostic codes in place the dental profession will move a step further towards practicing evidence based dentistry and ultimately improve oral health care.

**RENEW YOUR APC MEMBERSHIP ONLINE AT
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Season's Greetings!

It's time to renew your APC membership again. Payment is due by Jan 1, 2008.

Did you know that if you renew your dues online before Jan 1st, 2008, you'll get a \$25 discount? Go to <http://www.prosthodontics.ca> and use the website generated forms to pay by cheque or to fax in a credit card number. Online credit card transactions are available this year for the first time.

Regular fees apply online after Jan 1st, 2008.
Late fees apply after Jan 31, 2007

Please return the enclosed form via regular mail or log into the members area of the APC website to renew your membership for 2008.

If you renew online, we encourage you to pass the membership form along to any colleagues

who may wish to join us.

You may also notice some other changes to the website. We've set up separate mirrored French and English web pages for quicker downloads and better readability in the menus. This is a brand new function of our updated JPD site content management system. Unfortunately, some of the more advanced functions such as the event and dues registrations, news feeds, forums and certain online forms must remain in English for now, but we are working on providing translation services for those applications as well.

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If you have any questions, please email me at administrator@prosthodontics.ca or telephone.

Regards,
Christine Wyatt
APC Administrator
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Congratulations to APC members



APC member, Dr. Robert Carmichael

Dr. Robert Carmichael was appointed in July 2007 to the position of Chief of Dentistry & Director of the Ontario Cleft Lip & Palate/Craniofacial Dental Program at the new Bloorview Kids Rehab in Toronto. Bloorview Dentistry is a multidisciplinary service which brings together specialists in pediatric dentistry, orthodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, prosthodontics, speech and language pathology, social work, psychology, ENT, pediatric nutrition and radiology. Its primary role is to provide dental care for children, adolescents and young adults with special needs such as congenital and acquired anomalies, whose treatment is best managed in a multidisciplinary outpatient environment. Services are also provided for children with feeding disorders, saliva management problems, and for the construction of protective headwear for children with seizure disorders. Dr. Carmichael is responsible for management of the Cleft Lip & Palate/Craniofacial Dental services throughout Northern Ontario. Bloorview Dentistry takes an active role in the clinical training of students ranging from dental assistants and dental hygienists, to hospital dental residents, postgraduate students and fellows. The department was recently designated a Scholarship Center by the International Team for Implantology.



APC Past President, Dr. Izchak Barzilay

Congratulations to Dr. Izchak Barzilay for recently being awarded the Division of Prosthodontics 2007 Alumni Award from Eastman Dental Center, University of Rochester in recognition of outstanding loyal support and contributions to the Eastman program and the oral health profession.

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Message from the Past President



Dr. Bernie Legatto

Past President, Association of
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of Canada

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, my fellow colleagues for the privilege and honour of serving as your President. I have greatly appreciated the support and guidance I have received throughout the past year.

Planning our own AGM conference in a number of years was a primary focus for me. I also wanted to gather individual feedback from the membership and share our concerns. It is essential that we as an organization have a sense of what is most important to us as a national organization and what the N. B. issues are. I would encourage the future presidents to continue this dialogue.

We will continue to use the website as a forum for discussing issues such as foreign trained specialists on our web site. We're collecting views expressed from across the country on the website. It has been an efficient and effective way to stay on top of the most pressing issues we face.

I would like to sincerely thank Dr. James Taylor for his dedication, hard work and devotion to this association and his work on the COSA committee. I would also like to thank Dr. Zarb and Dr. Henry Levant for working on the USC & LS Committees.

I would also like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Executive for its work. The efforts of volunteers like you play an integral role in improving our visibility not only to our members but to the public.

Thanks to our administrator, Christine Wyatt, who has brought stability and continuity to our association. I would recommend that Christine be present at not only our Executive Meetings but the AGM as well. She can contribute guidance and perspective from a historical basis and help address ongoing concerns.

I need to give a huge thank you to the organization committee, especially Dr. Ron Shupe, his wife Lane and business partner Alison Hall.

Last but not least, I want to thank Dr. Randy Mazurat for his service on the APC Executive over the past years as well as for Past President. His advice has been invaluable.

The interim executive held a conference call on March 28/07. In the future, I would like to suggest that executive initially meet in person as it makes for a cohesive group.

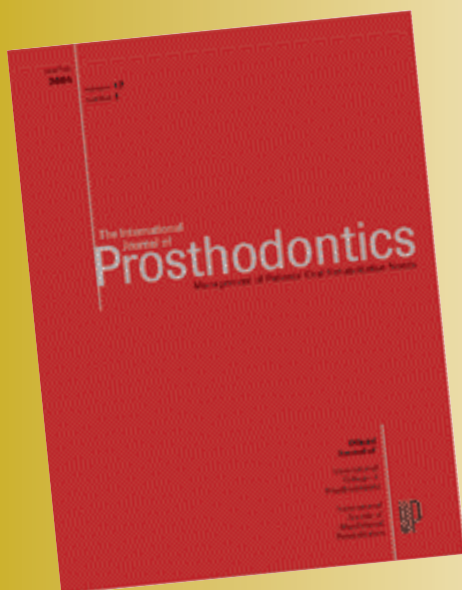
This year's AGM conference was co-sponsored in an attempt to bring our association members closer together. This is something that I would like to open for consideration in the future and I welcome feedback from you.

I will strive to support next year's executive in every way I can. I wish all of you the best of luck.

Our organization APC is in good hands and getting stronger.

Thank you
Dr. Bernie Legatto

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