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President's Message

APC: Nationally representing and serving Canadian Prosthodontists for over 30 years



Chris Wyatt

President,
Association of
Prosthodontists
of Canada

Dear fellow Canadian Prosthodontists,

It is with great pride and a sense of excitement that I look forward to representing you and our national organization, The Association of Prosthodontists of Canada. I have a lot to live up to with the fruitful efforts of our past president, Dr. Izchak Barzilay, over the past year. Under his leadership, APC has increased membership benefits, initiated the new prosthodontist mentorship program, and is exploring the possibility of a "Technician Alliance".

As in the past, APC members are expected to subscribe to the *Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry*, which is our commitment as a sponsoring organization.

Dr. Brent Beyak, Western Regional Councilor, has been actively negotiating APC membership benefits from implant, dental supply, and insurance companies. We can look forward to hearing about how these programs can be accessed in an upcoming Frontline.

APC is committed to the *Journal of the Canadian Dental Association* in providing material ("Clinical Practice" articles, "Point of Care" questions, and abstracts) for a "Special Prosthodontic Issue". This is your chance for publication fame and potential increased referrals from general dentists and other specialists across the country. Please e-mail me directly (cw Wyatt@interchange.ubc.ca) or through the APC website (www.prosthodontics.ca) if you are interested in writing material for the JCDA in 2005 or in the future.

Our APC website, with the help of Dr. Paula Yliheikkila, continues to grow in functionality and content with the joint venture undertaken with the *Journal of Prosthodontics*. Next year you will be asked to update your website profile and have the opportunity to update your membership online.

The 2005 annual general meeting will be held at the joint CARDP-APC scientific session in Quebec City. The venue is the Quebec Hilton, so set aside September 14-16 on your calendar. On behalf of APC, Drs. Barzilay, Habsha, Dong, Levent and I will be presenting topics related to clinical prosthodontics. If any other APC members are also lecturing or providing table clinics, please contact me so we can promote your efforts in *Frontline*.

Our goal is to represent all of the prosthodontists in Canada; however, to achieve this we need your support by joining or renewing your APC membership. To this end, *Frontline* has been sent to APC members, students in prosthodontic programs in Canada and the United States, as well as those Canadian prosthodontists who have yet to join their national organization.

I hope to achieve a lot for APC over the coming year with the help of an enthusiastic group of executive and regional councilors.

Sincerely,

Chris Wyatt BSc, DMD, MSc, FRCD(C)



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Editor's Message

by Peter Stutman



Dr. Peter Stutman
Past Editor, APC

I have just arrived home from Ottawa where our association held its annual meeting in conjunction with the American College of Prosthodontists. Our annual general meeting was a great success. The room filled beyond capacity and the interactions were numerous and very open. Many topics were on the agenda, topics that affect all of us directly.

So why am I writing about this meeting? Because if you were not there – you had no input into our future!

The dental regulatory authorities recognize the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada as the voice of Prosthodontics and Prosthodontists across Canada. The voice is all our voices expressing what we believe in. Yes members of APC are able to express themselves and give direction any time by e-mail, snail mail, telephone

and fax directly to the executive but direct contact at these general meetings is the most effective means to be heard.

Having a voice is just part of your ability to effect direction to our profession. Being part of the executive as a councilor or line executive is perhaps more effective as you are involved in the direction of APC on a more intimate level. Our success as an organization was not an accident, it involved many of us being actively involved and expressing our selves. It is time to get active in APC.

Get involved, stay involved and enjoy the comradeship of an organization and profession here that has a major affect on dentistry in Canada.

Peter Stutman

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Izchak Barzilay

Past President,
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Dear colleagues,

It has been a very busy year for the APC executive. We have been involved in many activities and have initiated several new programs. It is a pleasure for me to hand over the presidency to Dr. Chris Wyatt and I know that he will continue working in his usual way towards the betterment of the APC.

The experience of being president has allowed me to interact with many of you across the country and I

feel that the prosthodontic bonds that have been formed provide for a solid foundation on which future endeavors can be based. I wish Chris much success in the next year and I know that he can count on everyone's help to carry out his programs.

Best Regards

Izchak Barzilay DDS, MS
Past President APC

Prosthodontic Review Course at the University of Toronto

by Izchak Barzilay

APC was involved in several programs over the past year. One of the programs that took place late in the year was a review course for the prosthodontic residents at the University of Toronto. This course was aimed at helping the residents prepare for the RCDC fellowship exams. For established prosthodontists, November was the last opportunity to take the interim exam and indeed many of our members signed up for the examination. Dr. George Zarb approached me about getting involved in this course and after hearing about the type of course that he had in mind, I asked about the possibility of involving the APC in the program. George agreed to this request and a review course was put together for prosthodontic residents as well as APC members who wanted to participate. The course took place over two days in early November and involved 20 minute lectures on prosthodontic topics as determined by the list of suggested topics provided by the RCDC. Everyone in attendance presented to the group. APC members came in from across the country and from overseas

(Pierre de Lamontagne came in from Kuwait). The course was very helpful for those who were taking the exam and for those who just wanted an update on the current state of prosthodontics. All participants provided handout materials so those taking the exam could review materials at their leisure.

All who participated in the course found it a very positive experience. The outcome of the course was that it would be valuable to hold this course on a regular basis to help out student members and any of those who want an update on the current literature. It is based these positive comments that APC should consider participating in the sponsorship of such an event in the future. This was time and money well spent.

Izchak Barzilay DDS, MS
Past President APC

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APC Annual General Meeting & Presidential Dinner



APC Members attending the AGM



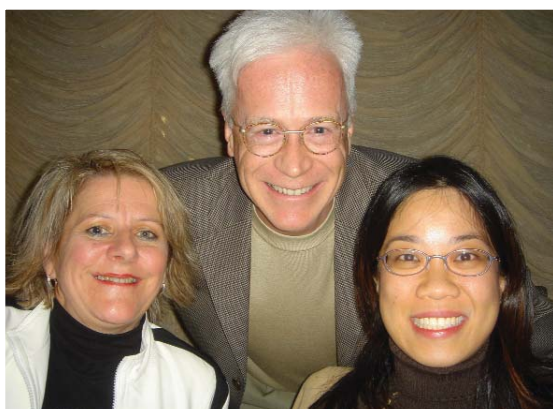
Dr. I. Barzilay presenting the Past President Award to Dr. M. Moscovitch



Dr. D. Chaytor receives his President Award



APC members together with Dentsply Representatives



Drs. C. Wyatt, L. Payant & C. Dong



Drs. C. Wyatt, R. Mazurat and B. Beyak (with dinner napkin)



Prosthodontic Classmate Reunion (Drs. C. Dong, J. Zarb & F. Albert)

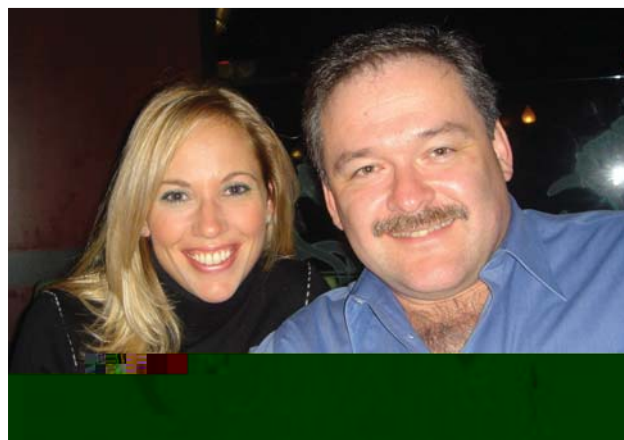
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President Chris Wyatt and Christine Wyatt



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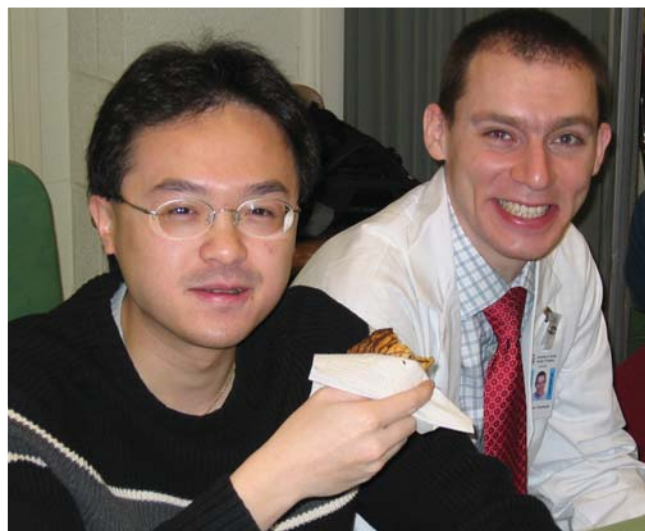
Executive members ready for executive dinner



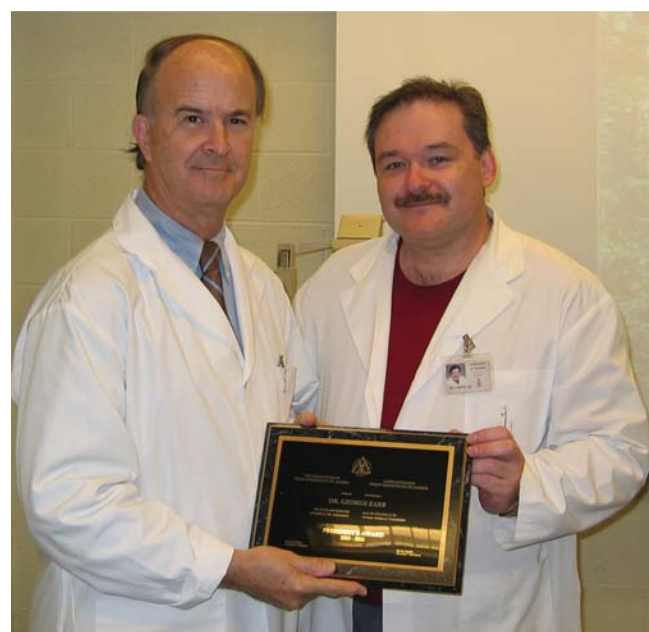
Prosthodontic Review Course



APC members and Prosthodontic graduate students at break during the meeting



Prosthodontic Residents



Dr. George Zarb receives his President Award during the review course



Prosthodontic Residents

Executive Meeting in Ottawa

At the end of October the APC held a joint meeting with the ACP in Ottawa. The scientific sessions were of particular value and the exhibits brought to light many new products and concepts. There were several Canadians on the podium to showcase “prosthodontics Canadian style” and the meeting was considered a success.

The APC met for an executive meeting which was followed by the annual general meeting. Many topics were discussed which included the current programs as well as initiatives to promote the specialty within the dental community as well as within the community at large. Over the next year, these initiatives will be brought to the attention of our members and with the help of certain individuals, these programs should be quite helpful in assisting us in our daily prosthodontic practices. Programs already in place include the mentorship program and well as the benefits of membership program. Mentorship allows our new members the opportunity to create relationships with established prosthodontists in their provinces and thereby help in the setting up of their practices. The benefits package as put together by Dr. Brent Beyak together with the help of Francine Albert and Peter Stutman, continued to grow

in its depth. A list of the benefits is included in this frontline and should be looked over closely by those prosthodontists who are not members of the APC. One purchase from one of our benefits benefactors will more than cover the cost of membership.

Other programs that are being investigated include a dental technician alliance. This concept is under investigation and will be discussed at upcoming meetings.

The annual general meeting was attended by over 40 members (we only expected 25) so the meeting was lively and full of good discussion. The meeting also gave special attention to several very special people who have been involved in our association since the beginning. Drs. George Zarb, Doug Chaytor, and Don Kepron were awarded presidential awards for their service to the APC over the years. It is because of these visionaries that we enjoy the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada as much as we do.

Izchak Barzilay DDS, MS
Past President APC

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