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News from the Four Toronto ODA Component Societies and the Toronto Academy of Dentistry

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MESSAGE FROM TORONTO CENTRAL

Hello Everyone,

Spring is here and with it comes new life. Flowers are blooming, trees are budding and Toronto Central continues to blossom. We have been ecstatic with the involvement by our executive and our members alike. The executive has been hard at work dealing with the latest issues that affect us as members along with organizing a year filled with valuable activities.

Our member's nights have proven to be a huge success. The quality of the lectures has been optimal and the attendance is at an all time high. If you have yet to attend any of these exciting nights, be sure to make yourself available for the next one. On April 24, 2006 Dr. David Farkouh will be presenting "A Medley of Pediatric Dentistry".

The Toronto Central Dental Society Honors and Awards night will be held on the evening of June 20. Come and honor your colleagues – long-term members of the ODA as well as the volunteers who have served unselfishly. This is sure to be a memorable event.

The official close of the 2006 session for Toronto Central is May 31. It has been a pleasure serving you as President...such a pleasure that I will be doing it again for the 2007 session. Once again, the executive and I promise to put together a fantastic year.

Warm Regards,

BRUNO L. VENDITTELLI



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

When I was asked for a message from the president to accompany this newsletter, my thoughts were not related at all to dentistry, but rather to the special time of year it is.

For those in the GTA, we were gifted by the amazingly mild winter with little to have been concerned about over the past few months. Nevertheless, at this time of year, for those early morning risers, it's wonderful to see the sun rise so much earlier and set later. This new light certainly rejuvenates the spirit and encourages the crocuses and tulips at the front of our office to blossom.

What is very special for me is that my eldest daughter, Melissa, was born on March 21 and so with the beginning of a new season is a reason to celebrate and give thanks. This year marked her 21st birthday and allowed me an excuse to fly to Nova Scotia to share in her celebration.

I would have to say that I have a lot to give thanks for and at this time I would encourage us all to take stock, take a look around and give thanks for what we all have and all too often take for granted. This is a time to look at our health and consider change if needed; look at our mental attitudes towards ourselves, our families, friends, clients and others; look at our emotional well-being and our spiritual side; look at what we do for our communities. This is a time to celebrate and give thanks for an exceptional profession and livelihood.

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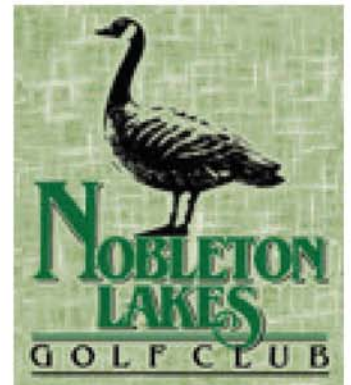
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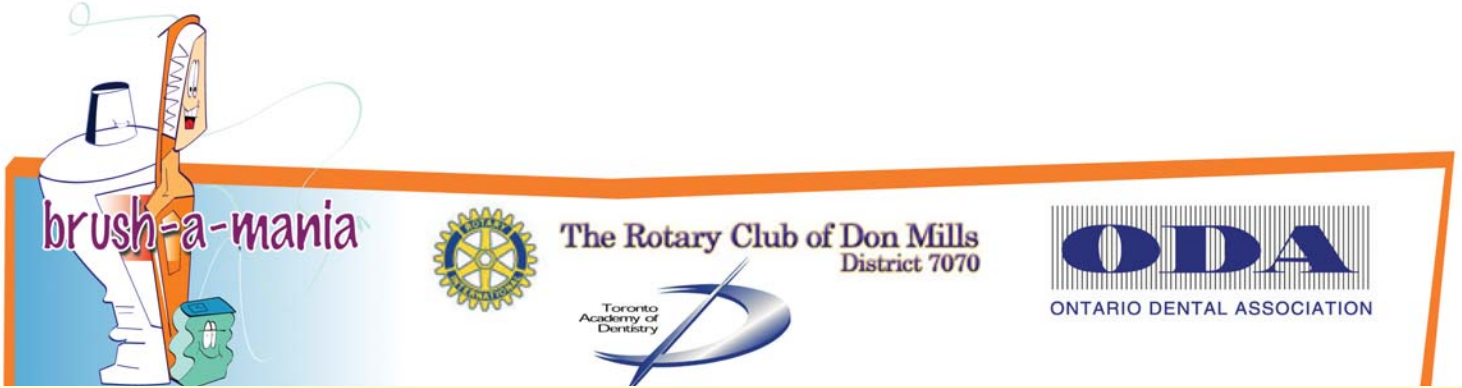
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REPORT FROM TORONTO EAST DENTAL SOCIETY



Brush-a-mania 2006



The Toronto Academy of Dentistry's annual harbinger of spring, the event known as Brush-a-mania, has just wrapped up for the sixth year. If the goal of a public health education initiative is to reach out to as many members of the public as possible, then this program continues to be an overwhelming success. In its inaugural year, the event was enjoyed by 5,000 school children across the City of Toronto. This year, Brush-a-mania benefited 50,000 children, and has begun to expand across the province. This event is co-organized by the

Academy and by the Rotary Club of Toronto-Don Mills, and volunteers from both organizations pool their efforts to teach school children in a fun and interactive way about the benefits of preventive dental health and nutrition. New for this year was the presence of the Colgate dental van at a number of schools. As always, thanks and gratitude are extended to the 130 dentists who volunteered their time and efforts to make this program the success that it is. Thanks also go out to our corporate sponsors, whose generosity has again allowed each participating child to receive a 'dental loot bag'. Finally, the Brush-a-mania organizing committee, headed as always by Dr. Raffy Chouljian, is to be commended for another very successful event. If you are interested in volunteering in your area next year, please contact the Academy.

ALLAN KATCHKY

UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO Awards of Distinction Gala

This year the Awards of Distinction Gala hosted by the Faculty of Dentistry of the University of Toronto was held at the Granite Club. The Honourees, Drs. Jay

Bacher, Heliane Canepa, Christena Chruszez and Dr. William Gordon McIntosh, exemplify the best of the best. It was a pleasure for the Academy to put together a table to celebrate these individuals and to assist in this wonderful evening. The Academy was represented by Dr. Shayne and Lisa Lipton, Dr. Jack and Debbie Wasserman, Dr. Flavio & Janet Turchet and Dr. Tim Milligan and Josie Cuda along with our Executive Director, Mara Busca-Bedford.



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The Academy especially wishes to thank and congratulate the co-chairs, Dr. Aldo Boccia, Dr. Barry Cbapnick, Ken Croney and Donna McLean along with their committee members for a job well done in raising monies for U ofT research endowment and providing this wonderful venue in which to share our friendship.

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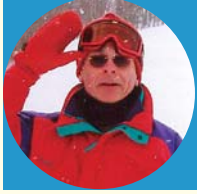
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ACADEMY SKI DAY –

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The Academy, in conjunction with The Canadian Cardiac Rehabilitation Foundation (CCRF), met at Osler Bluffs along with friends from the University of Toronto Alumni, Alpha Omega and the Dental Industry. The day was nothing short of spectacular, with clear crisp brilliant deep blue skies and fresh powder on all the runs. The bus arrived around 9:30 a.m. and delivered a full load of enthusiastic skiers and snowboarders. Lessons were provided for those who were new to the sport.

About 11 a.m. the annual race was set with many participants. There were prizes for the fastest three men and women but also a special



prize for the most committed. Although the winning time of 24 seconds was impressive, even more impressive was the most committed with a time of 1 minute & 45 seconds. A special mention goes to Patrick Cowdrey, son of Doug & Mary Anne Cowdrey, and also to Mary Venditti and all the others who took part in this race.

This day is not just about skiing, but rather about having fun and all the while raising money for the CCRF. So besides a great breakfast with smoked salmon, fresh fruit and much more, a wonderful lunch, après ski with beverages and appetizers, the day was full of silent auctions and a 50/50 draw which actually collected \$1900 with the help of Mara & her enthusiasm.

Each ski day brings about new adventure and an opportunity to celebrate & balance a busy life with playtime amidst our work and family life. The day was a total success with the CCRF, under Judy Carlyle's guidance, remaining the winner. I am looking forward to seeing you and your family and friends next year.

A special thanks to Ken Croney and to our friends at the Royal Bank for their sponsorship and continued support.



ACADEMY CURLING BONSPIEL – FRIDAY MARCH 3rd, 2006



On Friday March 3rd, the Academy held its annual curling Bonspiel at the Thornhill Golf & Country Club, a familiar & friendly spot!

We attracted rinks from as far away as Windsor and Kingston and it was a pleasure to see many faces from previous Bonspiels. Even more importantly, there were new faces, some of whom had never threw a rock or swept a broom.



For those of you who don't curl — it's a fun game!! I know, because I am one of those who don't, but I represented the West Toronto Dental Society along with Drs. Sam Salama, and Monica and Trevor Muntwyler. What's wonderful about the others, is that they are there to teach and help. Skips like Shawn Suenaga of Kingston and Ron Beveridge were just two of the groups that led by their example to make our day a success.

Eleven rinks of dentists, their staff and friends, along with three rinks from the dental industry had a great day. People like Fraser McTavish, John Wistoski and Mitch Van Rassel were among those in the industry who enjoyed the day and everyone is a winner. There are three trophies given: firstly, the McTavish Trophy, won by the rink of Shawn Suenaga, Gord Lansdown, Alan Shiozaki and Pius Kim; Secondly, the Woollett Trophy was won by the team of Peter Matthews, Fraser McTavish, Don Baker and Jim Graszat; and

finally the Hing Trophy, representing the Academy societies, was won by the team of Monica & Trevor Muntwyler, Sam Salama and Tim Milligan.



The day is packed full but there is plenty of time to meet and talk with the team you just played as you enjoy a beverage or simply great conversation.

It seems the day moves by ever so quickly and then the spectacular buffet with Prime Rib, roast pork, lobster, salmon, sushi and much, much more! Special thanks to Mara Busca-Bedford, Pat McCance and Tom Warchuk, for their efforts in making the bonspiel a success.

As well, our friends at the Royal Bank, David Bowen, Randal Cronkite, Michael Stoltz and Nadia DiFelice, were very competitive and beat us!!! They also helped to sponsor the event and that's very much appreciated. We look forward to seeing you — and hopefully others — next year for this wonderful event.

SUBMITTED BY TIM MILLIGAN

ROYAL COLLEGE OF DENTAL SURGEONS OF ONTARIO: REPORT **DR. MARVIN KLOTZ, COUNCILLOR, DISTRICT #11 (TORONTO CENTRAL)**



MARVIN KLOTZ
Vice President, RCDSO

I love this job with RCDSO – its interests, full of twists and turns, exciting and best of all important to the health of our profession and the public. There are few idle moments in the life of the College. Here are a few of the highlights of what's been happening since the beginning of the New Year. Please refer to the winter issue of Dispatch for more details.

- Council has approved, in principle, the production of a new CD-ROM based continuing education course on management of dental emergencies, in co-operation with the dental faculty at the University of Toronto. The Quality Assurance Committee made this recommendation based on the incredible success of the first CD learning package, Medical Emergencies in the Dental Office. Watch for an expanded story about this project in the spring issue of Dispatch magazine in mid-May.
- Council has directed the Executive Committee to strike a working group to report back to Council later this year with options to ensure the long-term financial security of the College's professional liability program. Working group members will include representatives from the Executive Committee, the Professional Liability Program Committee, the Finance & Administration Committee, and senior staff.

While Ontario has enjoyed the lowest premiums in the country for many years, the increasing pressures on the insurance sector in North America are forcing up premiums, narrowing coverage and increasing the deductibles in other jurisdictions. While the program has never been in better shape, the need to provide a financial safety net that is adequate to ensure the financial future of PLP's is imperative.

The College's annual registration fee of \$1,560 has an insurance component in it. Until the end of 2005, anywhere else outside the province where dentists insured themselves, the insurance was \$1,641, on top of which members had to pay licence fees.

In 2006, our fees remain at \$1,560, including malpractice insurance, with a deductible of \$2,000. While in the rest of the country, insurance has gone up to around \$2,100, with a deductible of \$2,500, and then on top of that dentists would still have to pay their licence fees. Not a bad record.

- In quick response to the government's new incorporation legislation changes the College organized a series of roadshows around the province bringing top legal and accounting experts together to address some of the thorny questions. A DVD version of the presentation in Toronto is now available for sale at \$75 for members and \$275 for non-members. Included in the package is a copy of all the PowerPoint presentations and updated forms needed for incorporation. If you are interested contact Aureore Sutton at the College at 1-800-565-4591 or asuttonrcdso.org.
- In March, Council ratified the actions of the Executive Committee to form a working group of experts to review the Proposed New Regulatory Framework for Cells, Tissues and Organs for Transplantation with a budget not to exceed \$20,000.00.

- Within a month or so, the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council (HPRAC) will have released its advice to the Minister of Health on proposed recommendations on changes to our governing legislation, the Regulated Health Professions Act. As College Registrar Irwin Fefergrad says in his column in the winter issue of Dispatch: "I believe virtually all recommendations from this College to HPRAC will show up, in some way, in those recommendations."
- Pandemic updates are never from the top of the news. The College posts the most current information available on its Web site as soon as it is received from the Ministry of Health through its important Health Notices. In fact, there is a special area on our Web site called just that. Look for the icon on the right hand side of our home page. These Important Health Notices are the key way the Ministry will be sending out important updates on infectious disease outbreaks, such as influenza, and other vital information about infection control, to health-care providers across the province. Let's hope we never have such an emergency – it won't be pretty.
- Every year about 1,200 incidents are reported to PLP. Every wonder what happens to those reports? Check out the feature in the winter issue of Dispatch that explains what happens, from when a report is made to PLP, through the civil action and trial. Fortunately few incidents go that far.
- Some public hospitals, government facilities and other institutions are asking dentists/dental specialists, who hold privileges with that place or who provide dental services there, to sign agreements or contracts. The bottom line is that the College advises members in this situation to obtain their own legal advice before signing any agreement that potentially exposes their own personal assets, or compromises their professional standards or requirements. Check out the winter issue of Dispatch for full details.
- Last year the Ontario government commissioned a comprehensive study on access to professions for internationally trained professionals, by former provincial court judge George Thomson. He was asked to review the regulatory community's current appeals process, and to develop a set of common principles and best practices for a fair registration and appeals process.
- His report was released late last year. As the feature story in the latest issue of Dispatch reports, Thomson's recommendations will have no impact on our current processes. By all measure of fairness, transparency, disclosure and objectivity, our registration process passed the test.
- The spring issue of Dispatch will be in the mail around mid-May, along with the 2006 version of the Source Guide to Dentists and Specialists in Ontario. Also check out our Web site at www.rcdso.org for the latest information from the College.
- The future is not what it used to be. Learn, adjust, think and choose wisely- choice is the key to success, however defined.

Be well.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE WEST TORONTO DENTAL SOCIETY



**DR. BOB
GREENBAUM**
President,
West Toronto Dental
Society

Spring is around the corner and we are looking forward to a long hot summer. The West Toronto Dental Society honored its Past Presidents at a reception held February 9th at the Miller Tavern. The O.D.A. membership awards will be presented on May 18th at the Lambton Golf Club. Fifty year pins have already been presented to Drs. Walter Matulak and Walter Sydoruk. Forty year pins will be presented to Drs. Martin Gelfand, Silver Holmberg, Olga Kolton, James Lees, Peter Rival, Arthur Ross, Nestor Snihura and Peter Wozniuk. Forty five year certificates will be presented to Drs. Larry Koven, David Miller, Stanley Ross, David Strain and Sherwin Tucker. Thirty five year certificates to Drs. Ronald Agar, Raymond Karka, Teresa Nowak, Winsome Smith, Luciano Stirpe and Richard Styka. Thirty year certificates go to Drs. Patrick Chan, Abe Gabel, Kojo Lamptey, Felix Ntiforo, Richard Parnes, David Slavkin and Ben Venditti. Twenty five certificates go to Drs. Joseph Fishbayn, Eugene Kryshtalskyj and Alice Kazmierowski.

I would like to recognize the contribution many of our executive members make to the practice of dentistry. Dr. Tim Milligan is presently the President of the Toronto Academy of Dentistry; Dr. Mark Douglas is a member of the O.D.A. Education Core Committee; Dr. Bohdan Kryshtalskyj sits on the Quality Assurance Finance and Property Administration Committees of the RCDS as well is head of surgery at the Trillium Health Centre; Dr. Vageesh Sabharwal is the Treasurer and International Chair of the South Asian Dental Association; Dr. Mel Gardner is on the Editorial Board of Oral Health, and Dr. Kim Nguyen is on the Executive of the Vietnamese Dentists Association.

I thank all the members of the Executive with their help in the past year and I know that under the leadership of Dr. Jody Zajacz we will have a great program next year. The strength of any organization depends on its members working together. Anyone wishing to attend an executive meeting please call 416-536-9535.

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North Toronto Dental Society

Welcome to North Toronto's section of the Toronto Academy of Dentistry newsletter. Our component society has had a busy year and is committed to offer even more interesting programs in the future.

It is through our fine representatives on our executive that we are kept informed of current issues affecting us as dentists: Our mediations chair, Dr. Arthur Dunec has kept us informed of the changes to the ODA mediations manual. Our RCDS rep, Dr. Sven Grail has provided a valuable channel for communications between the RCDSO and our society. Our Academy representatives, Dr. Nelly Himmel and Dr. Phil Novack continue to update us on matters at the Toronto Academy of Dentistry. And our ODA Councillors, including Dr. Arnie Weingarten, Dr. Alan Winnick, Dr. Katherine Ing and Dr. Phil Novack represent the interests of North Toronto at the ODA Governing Council last November. Our treasurer, Dr. Dick Ito has done a remarkable job looking after the finances of the society and North Toronto is happy and grateful that our situation is sound and this allows us to explore other ways to benefit our membership.

Thanks as well to Dr. Lynn Tomkins, our ODA liason whose knowledge has been invaluable as a resource person.

All our continuing education nights have been interesting and informative including an endo night with Dr. Wayne Pulver on January 12th, and on March 30 '06 a New Dentistry Forum on digital radiography with Dr. Grace Petrikowsky. There was also scheduled an Eat and Learn evening on Implants on May 4th with Dr. Phil Novack entitled "Creating the Foundation for Implant Success". Thanks to Dr. Mohsen Kermanshahi and his committee for arranging this program. All these evenings offer tremendous continuing education value for our members in an eat and learn evening format.

The highlight of this year's oral health month program for North Toronto is anticipated to be hosting a booth at Yorkdale Shopping Mall. This is scheduled to be held from Apr. 16 to 22. This display allows dentists to promote dentistry, good oral health and their practices. This program required much organization and participation from members and the society wishes to thank Dr. Elliott Schwartz for organizing this Oral Health Month project. Those dentists

wishing to participate in this program, to educate the public about optimal oral health, and to promote themselves and their practices are urged to contact Dr. Elliott Schwartz via e mail at eachschwartz@rogers.com for more information.

This coming June 7th North Toronto will be hosting our annual Honours and Awards Night. This is a wonderful opportunity to spend time with your colleagues, enjoy a fine meal and pay tribute to dentists for their years of membership and service to our profession. Certificates will be presented to ODA members who have reached special milestones. Congratulations to all recipients. Their names are listed below.

In addition the Award of Merit will be presented to Dr. Arnie Weingarten. Come join us for this special evening an invitation is included in this newsletter.

Are you interested in photography, political activities, continuing education, social activities, website postings, Brushmania activities, or community involvement? You may find what you are missing at your component society. North Toronto is looking for an editor to contribute to this newsletter. There is an opening for political action dentists to help raise the profile of dentists within the different levels of government and there is assistance and guidance available. Please contact me for more information via e mail at drsheldonc@gmail.com.

Would you like to present a lecture to your fellow North Toronto dentists? Dr. Mohsen Kermanshahi, our continuing education chairman, arranged a fantastic series of eat and learn events this past year. If you have some special interest to share with your colleagues please contact him via e mail at skyviewonline@yahoo.ca

North Toronto's executive meets four times a year, in the evening over dinner. We are interested in offering even more programs and directing our energy and our resources into providing even more member benefits. If you would like to find out more about what North Toronto can do for you, your practice and your profession, please contact me at 416 225 7221. The time commitment is small, and you have the chance to channel your creative talents into something which will prove to be valuable to yourself and to other members.

The future looks very bright at North Toronto. I invite you to join us on this exciting path.

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ODA AWARDS

The North Toronto Dental Society wishes to congratulate the following ODA members in tribute to their years of membership in our ODA. Certificates and awards will be presented at our annual Honours and Awards Night, June 7, 2006. For further details see invitation included in this newsletter.

25 YEAR AWARDS

Dr. Steven Howard Brown
Dr. Ian William Fleming
Dr. Ricky Felix Kochman
Dr. Abraham Kohl
Dr. Lyon Jacob Schwartzben
Dr. Jeffrey Bernard Shelson
Dr. Ligita Aija Steimanis
Dr. Dennis Daye Yokota
Dr. Vahe Manook-Pezeshkian

35 YEAR AWARDS

Dr. Gameel Ibrahim El-Faizy
Dr. Edward Carl Jurczak
Dr. Arthur Gordon Kamin
Dr. Norman Stephen Kapitain
Dr. Mai-Liis Karro
Dr. Leslie Laszlo Kovari
Dr. Dagmar Le Francois
Dr. Stanley Howard Waese

45 YEAR AWARDS

Dr. Bernard Jonathon Bassett
Dr. Alan Gabriel Green
Dr. Saul Kendal
Dr. Ouk Lee
Dr. Robert Keith Linghorne
Dr. Marvin David Mecklinger
Dr. Murray Wagman

30 YEAR AWARDS

Dr. Igino Camillo Cervini
Dr. Hung Bon Wah Der
Dr. Jeffrey Stanley Erlich
Dr. Paul Michael Jesin
Dr. Jeffrey Wayne Lewin
Dr. William David Shuster
Dr. Fernando Antonio Simone

40 YEAR AWARDS

Dr. David Cowan
Dr. Hart Alexander Harvey
Dr. Erik Langenholt
Dr. Hubert Thomas Lee
Dr. William John Ramage
Dr. Tuulikki Soili Vierema

50 YEAR AWARDS

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Dr. Samuel Harold Brown
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To all members of North Toronto Dental Society!

You and your spouse/guest are cordially invited to attend
the ANNUAL HONOURS AND AWARDS DINNER
of the North Toronto Dental Society

to be held at the Bayview Golf and Country Club
25 Fairway Heights Drive, Thornhill, Ont.
On Wednesday, June 7, 2006
at 6:30 PM

Honourees celebrating their 40th, 45th or 50th year as ODA members are invited gratis.
The registration fee for spouses/guests and other dentists, including those celebrating their
25th, 30th, and 35th year as ODA members is \$65.00 per person.

Name(s): _____
Guest(s): _____
Phone: _____
Fax: _____
E-mail: _____

Meal Preference: Beef Fish Other

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