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CANADIAN UROLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

Spring News Letter

Dear Member :

This news letter may be, at least in part, redundant. You have already been well informed concerning the annual meeting June 4th to 7th, 1967, in Montreal. We hope that by now you have *pre-registered*. This meeting should be outstanding. We hope to see you here in Centenary Year to take part in what we expect will be an outstanding meeting, and to enjoy a remarkable experience of our time — Expo '67.

Your Executive met at the Chateau Laurier Hotel, Ottawa, on January 17, 1967. Many items of business were considered. Dr. Clarence Schneiderman submitted a very satisfactory interim financial report. He explained that, in spite of our sound position, higher registration fees would be required for this Annual Meeting. It has been customary that city meetings are more expensive than those held at resorts. The special and unusual features of the meeting in Centenary Year '67 make the cost even higher. We feel, however, that there will be no one who will not agree that the additional cost is more than justified. The programme which you will receive in the near future will provide all details concerning the social events, as well as the scientific papers. In our opinion, both the scientific and social programmes are outstanding and in keeping with Centenary Year excellence.

The Executive in its January meeting considered the subject of prize essays for residents and men in practice for five years or less. It was agreed that further study was required and the subject was tabled with the understanding that it remain under active committee study.

Increasing emphasis on continuing education has resulted in consideration of the role which your Association might play in promoting a Canadian seminar in Urology. It has been suggested that this could serve as a refresher course for practising urologists, as well as a programme for residents in preparation for specialist examinations. A committee is studying this and it would be appreciated if you would complete and return a questionnaire which you will receive on this subject.

A preliminary report was received from Historian, Dr. W. P. Hogarth, and Associate Historian, Dr. David Swartz, on progress made in the compilation of material for a publication on "The History of Urology in Canada". The country has been divided into areas and some fifteen members have agreed to co-operate with co-editors Hogarth and Swartz in providing appropriate material. The editors, having thrown out a wide net, hope to pull in area catches not later than December 31, 1967.

Overtures from your sometimes disturbed secretary have led to consideration of the appointment of a full time executive secretary. The increased membership (now over 250) and the more demanding nature of the assignment have resulted in a generally favourable response from the Executive. No conclusions have been reached but your secretary has been requested to explore the matter with other specialist groups.

In conclusion, we want you here in Montreal June 4th to 7th, 1967, to enjoy the hospitality for which the Province of Quebec is renowned, to participate in what should be an excellent meeting of the Association, and to examine the wonders of your world at Expo '67. The increased tempo of Expo '67 publicity in all areas obviates the need for further comment on this remarkable event. May we, however, reiterate the words of Expo — "Visit Expo '67 to see the life of your time — and have the time of your life".

Sincerely,

KENNETH J. MACKINNON, M.D.

Secretary

P. S. : If you have not yet pre-registered, please do so *today*. If you have not received confirmation from the hotel, please notify us immediately.

K. J. M.

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