

### Canadian

## Urological

### **Association**

#### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WINTER EXECUTIVE MEETING

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Treasurer, Dr. Jack Sales reported that the Canadian Urological Association is in a healthy financial situation. The Association has \$204,629 in cash with another \$20,000 expected in receivable annual dues. The meeting in Winnipeg resulted in a net profit of \$73,634 to the Association. Dr. Sales proposed that \$100,000 of the funds within the Canadian Urological Association account be transferred to the CUA Scholarship Fund.

Dr. Normand Sullivan presented an outline of the local arrangements for the 1993 meeting. Corporate support for the 1993 meeting has been strong and it is hoped that the 1993 meeting will once again show a profit for the Association. Because a full brochure for the meeting has been drawn up it was felt that a formal Spring Newsletter would not be printed this year. In lieu of a Spring Newsletter, this insert will be included with the mailing of the meeting announcement. Dr. Bazinet reported on the Scientific Program Committee activities. One hundred and thirty-six abstracts were received. Thirteen quest speakers have been invited to the June meeting. Eighty-two abstracts were accepted for presentation. Two workshops have been arranged for Sunday, June 20, 1993. These are a laparoscopic training laboratory and a course on Endourology. It is hoped that it will be possible to arrange a third course on transrectal ultrasound.

Dr. Auld reported that this year's resident meeting will be held at the Chateau Montebello and will be sponsored by Proctor and Gamble. Visiting professors for the resident program are Dr. Darracott Vaughan and Dr. Said Awad. In 1992, 18 residents attended the residents' program representing eight of the 11 programs in the country.

Dr. Hosking reported that 11 candidates had applied for membership in the Canadian Urological Association. At the present time there are 610 members, six of whom are honorary, 85 of whom are senior and 493 who are active. The 1994 meeting will be in Jasper Park Lodge. The 1997 meeting had been originally arranged for the Chateau Frontenac in Quebec City, but because of concerns about difficulty with housing commercial exhibits, it was felt by the Executive that the meeting in 1997 should be moved to the Hilton Hotel in Quebec City to be held from June 21-26, 1997. Dr. Sales presented a complete submission regarding consideration of London, Ontario for the Canadian Urological Association meeting in 1999. The proposed amalgamation of the CUA annual meeting with the BAUS annual meeting in 1996 was discussed. It was felt that the CUA should hold a full meeting in Canada in 1996 and send a delegation to the British meeting. It was proposed that the Empress Hotel in Victoria would be the most appropriate site for a 1996 meeting if facilities were available. These proposals will be submitted to the membership for a final decision in June.

Dr. Robinette reported that MOCOMP forms have now been discarded in place of a small pocket diary. It is hoped that by making MOCOMP activities easier to document that more complete participation in this program will be achieved. A Job Registry is still being maintained by the CUA. Job Registry forms will be mailed out along with the Spring Newsletter and it is hoped that all job opportunities which are identified in this way will be channelled through divisional directors, particularly for the benefit of urologists in training. It is hoped that all urologists in the community will participate in providing data for the CUA Job Registry.

Dr. Trachtenberg reported that two CUA Scholarships were awarded last year, one to Dr. Martin Gleave and another to Dr. Fred Saad. The reserves of the Foundation are presently \$400,000 and will be increased to \$500,000 with the additional \$100,000 to be transferred from the Canadian Urological Association account. It is the aim of the Association to establish a fund of \$1,000,000 within the next five years. Two companies have agreed to donate \$30,000 a year for a period of three years each for support of scholars. Companies providing such a high level of support for the CUA Scholarship Foundation will be honored annually at the President's Banquet with the award of a plaque and presidents of such companies or their representatives will be asked to participate in making the actual awards to the CUA scholars.

Dr. Ramsey reported on the Training, Education and Evaluation Committee. New training requirements for Urology are two years of core training and three years of Urology as of July, 1994. The objectives of the Royal College for Core Training have been approved. The Final Examination in Urology will continue to be held in September. A Specialty Specific FITER has been developed and will soon be introduced for use across the country. As Chairman of the Prize Essay Committee he announced that this year's award goes to Dr. Brock for his paper on Peyronies disease.

Dr. Elhilali reported that the next meeting of the International Society of Urology is scheduled to be held in Sydney, Australia in 1994. Montreal has submitted a proposal to host the meeting in 1997 but as yet, no response has been obtained from the International Society.

Dr. Ramsey reported on the activities of the Canadian Prostate Health Council. This is a group endorsed by the Canadian Urological Association with a mandate to promote awareness and education of prostate diseases to physicians and the general public. An extensive review of current activities was provided including production of video instruction tapes, booklets and films.

Dr. Morales presented a proposal for changes to the By-Laws. It is proposed that a Finance Committee will be established and that one of the members of this Committee should also be the Treasurer of the Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Foundation. A copy of the By-Laws change as approved by the Executive will be circulated with the Spring Newsletter and will be voted on by the general membership at the Annual Business Meeting of the Association in June.

CUOG members have been sent a questionnaire regarding the practice of rectal examinations and measurement of prostate specific antigen. It was felt it would be worthwhile sending this questionnaire to all members of the CUA and this questionnaire has therefore been included with this Newsletter. Hopefully it will be possible to present the results of your opinion at the June meeting.

# SEE YOU IN SAN ANTONIO!

A reception will be held for all CUA members on Monday, May 17, 1993 from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. in Conference Room 16 in the Marriott Rivercentre in San Antonio, Texas. President Mostafa Elhilali and Glenna invite all CUA members attending the AUA Annual Meeting in San Antonio to join them at this function.

#### **CUA JOB REGISTRY**

A form is enclosed with this newsletter requesting details of current or projected job opportunities in Urology in Canada. If you know of any job opportunities, please complete and submit this form. Information which is collected will be provided to all program directors across the country, and will be available on request for any members of the CUA.

#### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Association mailings to the following members have been returned with addresses marked as incorrect. If any members know of the current addresses of the following individuals, please forward this information to:

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#### **BY-LAWS CHANGE**

At the Winter Executive Meeting in Montreal, a By-Law Change Proposal was presented and was agreed upon by the Executive. In accordance with the requirements of the constitution of the Association, this by-law proposal is circulated to all members. All members are encouraged to read this By-Law Change Proposal which is printed below. This By-Law change will be presented to the Association for approval at the Annual Business Meeting in June.

# BY-LAWS COMMITTEE BY-LAW ADDITION PROPOSAL

The following by-law addition is proposed for the CUA Constitution and By-Laws to be added as Section 14 of article VI.

#### SECTION 14. FINANCE COMMITTEE

- a) The Finance Committee shall consist of the President, the Treasurer, the Local Arrangements Chairman for the forthcoming annual meeting of the Association, and one member elected by the membership of the Association.
- The Chairman of the Finance Committee will be the Treasurer of the Association.
- c) The member elected by the Association shall also be the Treasurer of the CUA Scholarship Foundation, and will be required to submit an annual report in writing to the Executive Committee and shall report to the members annually at the Business Meeting of the Association in that capacity. He will be eligible for re-nomination and re-election annually not exceeding four terms of office.
- d) The purposes of the Finance Committee shall be:
  - To develop short and long term financial plans for the Association for submission to the Executive.
  - ii) To develop and maintain a database of companies and other agencies which have provided financial support to the Association, and the contact persons in those companies or agencies.
  - To establish lines of communication between the Association and companies or agencies providing financial support to the Association.
  - iv) To coordinate fund raising efforts for the Association, the annual meeting and for the Scholarship Foundation.
- e) The Chairman shall submit an annual report in writing to the Executive Committee, and shall report to the members annually at the Business Meeting of the Association.