As President of the Association for the next year, I hope to focus on key issues relevant to our strategic plan 2014 – 2019. As my mandate will focus on the execution of the current plan’s objectives, I am also actively involved in the search and execution of the strategic planning firm that will assist the CUA in crafting a plan for the next five years from 2019 – 2024.

Renaming our specialty?
I have heard from several people that they feel strongly about including the word surgery in describing our specialty. I am personally in favour of this and have discussed the idea at the executive level of our association. While still under discussion, I felt it important to open this up to the membership. I also feel strongly that the uniqueness of our specialty should encompass the fact that we proudly do both medical and surgical urology in Canada. Over the next few months we will canvass the whole CUA board as well as our membership as to whether we should proceed with renaming ourselves and our specialty and then how to best describe us. Some of the ideas so far include urologist/urologic surgeon and the specialty being urology/urological surgery. I look forward to hearing from the wider membership before we move forward. Feel free to email your comments at president@cua.org

Community Urology Focus Groups
In September, two of the planned ten focus group meetings took place: one in Vancouver under the direction of our VP Education, Dr. Alan So, and the other in Niagara-on-the-Lake under the direction of our Treasurer, Dr. Ricardo Rendon. The purpose of these city-wide focus groups conducted by a strategic planning firm is to gain insight into the needs of two-thirds of our membership and to:
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Canadian Urology Residents – we are asking for your input on how CUA can best serve you during your residency.

Don’t be shy, reach out to your new Residents’ Committee representatives with suggestions, comments and even complaints to help CUA identify how to use its resources to benefit your education and career in urology.

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Congratulations to the urology programs of Alberta, British Columbia, Dalhousie, McMaster, Montreal, Ottawa, Queens, Toronto and Western Universities!

CUA is proud to announce that 100% of their participating residents are CUA members and each program will receive one complimentary registration for a chosen resident to attend CUA’s 74th Annual Meeting in Quebec.

Contact Denise Toner for additional details.

denise.toner@cua.org

With the continued financial stability that the CUA has experienced this past year, we remain focused on achieving the initiatives set forth in our strategic plan. Three major initiatives have received funding approval from the Board of Directors:

1) Increase Member Engagement: the CUA has secured funding for a major pan-Canadian focus group of community urologists. From the Atlantic Provinces, through the Prairies and westward to Vancouver, the CUA is inviting community urologists (members and non-members) to provide feedback into how the association can better meet their professional needs. Under the leadership of Dr. Frank Papanikolaou, Chair of the Community Urology Committee, and our strategic planning firm, Power Research Inc., a fully detailed report will be presented to the Board in June 2019 for discussion on how best to further engage community urologists and find the best value proposition for their membership.

2) Become the pre-eminent urological resource for health care professionals: the CUA is moving forward with a major revamp of our website. Healthwise, a Toronto-based company has been hired to assist with the site overhaul. Interviews with key stakeholders: members, staff and partners in industry, have been conducted to identify shortcomings. The new site will be designed with a goal of adding value to a member’s clinical practice with the hopes of easily addressing all members’ educational needs.

3) Be the Voice of Urology in public and health policy: funding for a Core Urology Curriculum has been approved by the Board. Under the guidance of Dr. Keith Rourke, Chair of the Post-Graduate Training Committee and Dr. Trustin Domes, Chair of the Canadian Undergraduate Urology Curriculum Committee (CANUUC), along with the CUA, are working to ensure that we have a core curriculum in urology, one that will ensure the highest educational standards!

We are also exploring other initiatives, such as the possibility of a Community Urology Foundation that would compare to the CUASF research foundation. Once the results from the community focus groups are in, the CUA will have a much better idea of where to channel our efforts to better meet the needs of the community urologists.

This is my last year as CUA Treasurer, my term ends in June 2019, and I have the pleasure of passing the baton to my friend and colleague, Dr. Wassim Kassouf. I hope to leave the Association on solid footing to be able to achieve the goals that will be set forth in the upcoming strategic plan 2019 – 2024.

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President’s message continued from cover page

- Explore how the CUA is effectively supporting community urologists and how to improve support
- Identify how the CUA can better engage/involve community urologists in the CUA
- Understand how to support community urologists’ education needs
- Understand how to support community urologists to use the community urologists grants
- Explore how community urologists are using the CUA website and how to improve it

The results of the focus groups will be presented at the CUA 2019 Annual Meeting in Quebec City as well as in the CUAJ. If you are interested in participating in some of the upcoming focus groups please contact Raffaella.leroux@cua.org.

CUA 2019 Annual Meeting

Regarding the CUA Annual Meeting in Quebec City, the scientific program is progressing extremely well and we will have an outstanding scientific meeting. You will also start hearing about the extraordinary social events planned (refer to page 16). Following up on a lot of excellent suggestions the format of the meeting will be changed in 2019 with full day scientific sessions Saturday, Sunday and Monday and will end with the President’s banquet on Monday night. Mark your calendars for June 29-July 1st. See you all in Quebec!

Visit cuameeting.org for regular meeting updates!
Update from the CUASF Scientific Council

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2018 grants.

CUASF Early Investigator Research Scholarship
The objective of the Canadian Urological Association Scholarship Fund (CUASF) Early Investigator Scholarship is to provide financial support for Urologic Research to be conducted in Canada. The successful recipient referred to as “Early Investigator Scholar” will be remunerated up to $40,000 for one year.

The award recipients this year were:

Alex Kavanagh
University of British Columbia
*Antimicrobial Photodynamic Therapy for Prevention and Treatment of Catheter Associated Urinary Tract infection*

Patrick Richard
University of Sherbrooke
*Surveillance of Complex Renal Cysts - The SoCRAtiC trial: A pilot study*

Peter Zhan Tao Wang
Western University
*Portable Endoscopic Simulator: Impact on Urological Education*

Ryan Flannigan
University of British Columbia
*Investigating Genetics of Sertoli Cell Only Syndrome Using Precision Transcriptomics*

CUASF Career Development Award for Research
The CUASF Career Development Award provides financial support for Urologic Research conducted in Canada by those individuals having early success with grants and the potential to become international leaders in research in their particular subspecialty of urology. This grant will issue one award per year up to $100,000 for up to five years; to cover operating expenses, but not investigator salary.

The award recipient this year was:

Lysanne Campeau
McGill University
*Modulation of Degenerative and Apoptotic Processes of the ProNGF/p75NTR Interaction in DVD*

CUA–Astellas Research Grant
The objective of the CUA Astellas Research Grant Program is to support peer-reviewed research that promotes excellence in urological research with the ultimate goal of improving patient care. The funding for the Grants will be provided by Astellas.

The award recipients this year were:

Luis H.P. Braga
McMaster University
*Exploring User Requirements for the Design of an Electronic Patient Decision Aid for Guardians Making Treatment Decisions about Congenital Adrenal Hyperplasia*

Peter Metcalfe
University of Alberta
*Novel Administration of Mesenchymal Stem Cells in a Chronic Animal Model with Partial Bladder Outlet Obstruction*

Ryan Flannigan
University of British Columbia
*Investigating YBX2 Mediated Regulation in Non-Obstructive Azoospermia*

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CUASF Early Investigator Research Scholarship deadline: March 1, 2019

CUASF Career Development Award for Research deadline: March 1, 2019

CUA-Astellas Research Grant deadline: February 28, 2019

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2018 grants.
CUA-CUOG-Astellas Research Grant

The CUA-CUOG Astellas Research Grant Program has been established to support high quality, independent and innovative investigator sponsored research in prostate cancer. The award recipients this year were:

Fanny Gaignier
Laval University
Inducing Tumor Eosinophilia to Favor Prostate Cancer Immunotherapy

Jan Rudzinski
University of Alberta
The Preclinical Development of a Formulation to Silence The Expression of a Novel Protein Required for Prostate Cancer Metastasis

Hanan Goldberg
Princess Margaret Cancer Center
Impact of Putative Chemo-Preventative Agents on Prostate Cancer Diagnosis and Outcomes Among Patients with a Negative First Biopsy

Amine Louins
University of Montreal
Inhibition of SCD1: Strategy for Improving Therapeutic Response and Delaying Resistance in Prostate Cancer

CUA-CUOG Astellas Research Grant deadline: April 3, 2019

CUASF – Bladder Cancer Canada Research Grant

The objectives of CUASF-BCC Grant Program are to fund bladder cancer research in addition to providing support for bladder cancer patients and raising awareness of this disease. The award recipients this year were:

Yves Fradet
Laval University
Targeting PD-1 and TIGIT Pathways for the Immunotherapy of Bladder Cancer?

Louisa Ho
University of British Columbia
To Validate a Smartphone App-Based Acoustic Uroflowmeter Against a Commercially Available, Standard Laborie Uroflow Meter in a Controlled Clinical Setting in an Adult Urology Patient Population

Marie–Pier St. Laurent
University of Laval
Cortical Responses to Visual Triggers in Urgency Urinary Incontinence Demonstrated Through Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging

CUASF – Bladder Cancer Canada Research Grant deadline March 31, 2019

CUA-Pfizer Incontinence Fellowship Award

Our goals for CUA-Pfizer Incontinence Fellowship Award is to promote and facilitate the most comprehensive and contemporary clinical training in incontinence and to foster scientific discovery and innovation in urology in Canada by supporting research projects during a clinical fellowship in incontinence. The award recipient this year was:

Hilary L. Brotherhood
University of Calgary
Investigate TURP Readmission Rates in the Calgary Zone

CUA-Pfizer Incontinence Fellowship deadline: April 3, 2019

CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant

The ultimate goal of the CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program is to improve patient care or further understanding the biology of urologic diseases in functional urology. The CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant Program will recognize and highlight outstanding resident research/care enhancement projects. The award recipients this year were:

Louisa Ho
University of British Columbia
To Validate a Smartphone App-Based Acoustic Uroflowmeter Against a Commercially Available, Standard Laborie Uroflow Meter in a Controlled Clinical Setting in an Adult Urology Patient Population

Marie–Pier St. Laurent
University of Laval
Cortical Responses to Visual Triggers in Urgency Urinary Incontinence Demonstrated Through Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging

CUA-Pfizer Urology Resident Grant deadline: April 3, 2019

CUA-SIU International Scholarship Program

The objective of the CUASF-SIU International Scholarship Program is to foster the improvement of urological care in developing countries, through the financial support of the international urological fellow trainees planning to return to their home country. The award recipient this year was:

Albrahim Mahmoud Ibrahim
McGill University
Percutaneous Renal Access Skills Transfer from the Virtual Reality Environment to the Operating Room

CUA-SIU International Scholarship Grant Deadline: April 3, 2019

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The Nominating Committee has the responsibility to ensure that all positions on the CUA Board of Directors are filled at the Annual General Meeting in June. We would appreciate names of CUA Members who would be willing and able to fill the positions listed below. Only Active and Senior Members may serve as Committee Chairs. Only Active Members may serve on the CUA Board of Directors. Although the Committee will be responsible for asking the individual if he/she is willing to serve the Association, it would be helpful if you could include a few sentences about the nominee re: why they would be suitable for the position. Also, please be advised that we will accept self-nominations.

The positions open for nomination this coming year are as follows:

CUA Vice-President-Elect: (1-year term, President in 2022)
CUA Secretary-Elect: (1-year term, Secretary in 2022)
CUA VP Communication-Elect: (1-year term, VP in 2022)
CUASF Scientific Council Chair: (4-year term)
CUA Guidelines Committee Chair: (4-year term)
CUA Community Urology Committee Chair: (4-year term)
CUA Executive Member at Large: Ontario (3-year term)
CUA Executive Member at Large: Quebec (3-year term)
CUA Historian: (5-year term)

Please forward the names of potential candidates to Dr. Gerald Brock, Chair, Nominating Committee (corporate.office@cua.org).

Deadline date for submission: April 27, 2019

Any voting Member present at the Annual General Meeting is entitled to make additional nominations.

1. Additional nominations for Officer Positions will only be accepted if the name(s) had previously been brought forward to the Nominating Committee prior to the previously announced deadline date of April 27, 2019. No further nominations will be considered after this date.
2. Such nominees must either be present at the Annual General Meeting to accept the nomination or have provided written confirmation of their willingness to accept the nomination that is immediately viewable by the chair at the time of the nomination.
3. In the event that more than one (1) eligible candidate is nominated for a position, the successful candidate will be determined by anonymous ballot. Nominees present at the Annual General Meeting are entitled to vote.
In a conscious effort to reduce the amount of e-mails received by the Corporate Office, CUA members will now receive a Teaching Thursday e-mail every week and a Member Monday e-mail every other week. We would like to hear back from you on whether or not we are effectively communicating with our members, feel free to reach out and let us know your comments: nadia.pace@cua.org. With our Member Monday blasts we are always looking to feature the great work and feats of CUA members so please share, we would love to feature YOU.

Of course you can also start or continue to follow us on Twitter | LinkedIn | Facebook and we are on Instagram too! Be sure to follow our highlights, pics and stories.

And in case you missed it – here is what you should be looking out for:

**Key highlights from ESMO will be presented LIVE from MUNICH**
Monday October 22, 2018
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm EST

11th Annual Atlantic Uro-Oncology Group (ACUOG) Meeting
October 26-27, 2018
Halifax Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, NS #ACUOG18

CUOS | Canadian Uro-Oncology Summit 2019
January 10-12, 2019
Westin Harbour Castle Hotel Toronto, ON #CUOS19

Men’s Health Summit
January 19, 2019
Omni King Edward Hotel, Toronto, ON #MHS19

The Juravinski Cancer Centre and Walker Cancer Centre Uro-Oncology Forum 2019
March 1-2, 2019
Queen’s Landing, NOTL, ON

It’s never too early:
Go ahead and use #CUA19 for everything related to the CUA Annual Meeting in Quebec City.

**YOUrology – your stories**
We can share YOUR stories on our social media outlets and printed newsletters along with e-newsletters. We want to hear about your projects, accomplishments, travels, commitments, new family additions, or anything else you’d like to share with the CUA community. The CUA membership is close-knit and we want to be able to share in each other’s lives and successes. Send your news submissions to nadia.pace@cua.org

Get your news on line and follow us for CUA content: #MemberMondays #CUAJournal #StudentServices

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The Guidelines Committee continues to work diligently to both improve the guideline development process and provide high-quality guidelines relevant and useful to urology practice.

Thus far in 2018, we have published guidelines or best practice reports (BPRs) on:

- Care of the normal foreskin and neonatal circumcision in infants
- Investigation and management of antenatally detected hydronephrosis
- Management of Peyronie’s disease and congenital penile curvature
- Investigation and management of chronic scrotal pain
- Follow up of patients after treatment of non-metastatic renal cell carcinoma
- Management of male lower urinary tract symptoms/benign prostatic hyperplasia

All of these documents are available on the CUA (cua.org) and CUAJ (cuaj.org) websites in both English and French. Furthermore, read-only summary slides are also available for downloading on the members-only section of the CUA site.

And there is more on the horizon. We are currently developing or updating guidelines/BPRs on:

- Management of hemorrhagic cystitis (due out this fall/winter)
- Surgical management of MIBC (due out this fall/winter)
- VTE prophylaxis
- Neurogenic bladder
- Management of urethral stricture
- Follow up of pheochromocytoma
- Follow up algorithms for metastatic RCC
- Imaging in prostate cancer
- Management of the large sporadic angiomyolipoma
- Postoperative surveillance of upper tract urothelial cancer
- Sports and the solitary kidney

If there is a particular topic not on this list for which you feel a guideline would be beneficial, or if you are interested in participating in guideline development, don’t hesitate to contact me at akapoor@mcmaster.ca.

Where appropriate, we are aiming to move to the GRADE approach to summarizing evidence and making recommendations. As such, you may have questions on the GRADE process. Any member who would like to learn more can view the archived CUA workshop in the members-only section of the CUA website.

One last note, at the most recent GC meeting in June, part of the discussion focused on the definition of a consensus statement. We define it as a thorough analysis of a medical issue by a panel of experts. Its main objective is to advise physicians on the best possible way to address the issue. As per the NIH, “a consensus statement synthesizes new information, largely from recent or ongoing research, that may have implications for re-evaluation of routine medical practices; it does not provide specific algorithms or guidelines for practice.” A consensus statement can be developed via live meeting of the expert panel or through the Delphi process using questionnaires. The term “consensus” reflects the majority opinion of panelists, but does not necessarily indicate unanimity. Alternatively, a guideline sets out a specific course of action.

The CUA requires that all consensus statements must have proper representation in the authorship (geographic and multidisciplinary [the latter where appropriate]), as well as transparency regarding authorship conflicts, writing credit (outsourced by a medical editor or written by the physician group), and industry funding.

Again, please contact me at akapoor@mcmaster.ca with any questions.
CUAJ – A Megaphone for Canadian Urology

Dr. Robert Siemens
CUAJ Editor-in-Chief
Kingston, ON
Member since 2000

If the CUA is the voice of urology in Canada, then we at CUAJ take pride in being an amplifier or “megaphone” for that voice. As such, we showcase the work of some of Canada’s top investigators and provide you with the latest relevant clinical practice guidelines — including recent guidelines/best practice reports on followup of patients after treatment of non-metastatic renal cell carcinoma, investigation and management of chronic scrotal pain, and management of male lower urinary tract symptoms/benign prostatic hyperplasia. And there are several more guidelines expected to be published in the next few months, such as management of hemorrhagic cystitis, surgical management of MIBC, and VTE prophylaxis. All of the guidelines as of 2017 are available in both English and French.

In addition, this year we published two CUA-supported practice supplements on common urological issues that are less well-covered by most journals (“orphaned” topics) — Practical Clinical Management of Chronic Urologic Pain: Tips from our Friends and Transitioning Children with Urological Issues into Adulthood (read the full supplements at cuaj.ca [Supplements & Abstracts tab]). Two more of these similarly themed supplements are scheduled for release in 2019, one on penile lesions and one on urologic trauma. If you identify a strong clinical need for such an “orphaned” topic supplement, don’t hesitate to contact the CUA Office of Education.

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Continuing Professional Development Committee Report

Dr. Bobby Shayegan
Chair, Continuing Professional Development
Hamilton, ON
Member since 2012

Members of the CUA CPD Committee met at our annual meeting this past June in Halifax to discuss new committee members, our grant winners, and several new ideas for accredited programs. It was a very productive meeting that has resulted in several action items to enhance our Office of Education which continues to provide several accredited programs to our members.

I would like to welcome new members: Ashley Cox (Halifax, NS), Christopher Morris (Guelph, ON), and Matthew Roberts (Ottawa, ON). I would also like to thank the CPD members that have completed their terms and have graciously volunteered their time to review several CUA meetings over the years: Ben Chew, Richard Baverstock, Andrew Feifer, Ethan Grober and Jean-Baptiste Lattouf.

The CPD committee has reviewed 3 applications that were submitted for this year’s CUA Community Urologist CPD Grant Program. Because of the high-quality of these submissions, it was decided to award all applicants. Congratulations to all!

Jill Hudson, Fredericton, NB
Mount Sinai/WPATH Live Surgery Training Course for Gender Affirming Surgery $7,000

Liam Hickey, Fredericton, NB
Hands on MRI/US Fusion guided biopsy $2,800

Zachary Klinghoffer, Toronto, ON
GreenLight Laser Enucleation of the Prostate $2,800

The CPD Committee has discussed several new ideas for accredited programs, particularly orphan topics which are not typically sponsored by industry. From this discussion stemmed 2 new programs in the areas of Ultrasounds and Penile Lesions. The orphan topic supplements published this year have shown to be successful. The Chronic Pelvic Pain supplement led by Curtis Nickel has sparked discussions about updating our consumer handbook with a chapter on this topic. The Transition Care supplement led by Peter Anderson & Ashley Cox has had a high number of article downloads and table of content views.

We love hearing from our members about new educational programs that meet their needs. Please reach out with any of your ideas!
In order to ensure that we attract the most cutting-edge research and that it gets to readers in as little time as possible, we now follow an Epub ahead-of-print model, in which accepted manuscripts are published electronically on our website and cited on PubMed well ahead of their official issue-based publication date. We currently have ahead-of-print issues posted up until March 2019. Like many leading bio-medical journals, this model allows researchers to disseminate their findings almost immediately after peer-review, without the delay inherent in publication.

As added value to our readers, we continue to offer Section 3 CPD credits of the Maintenance of Certification (self-assessment) program with the RCPSC six times per year, potentially providing 18 of the mandated 25 Section 3 credits annually. All of the current CPD-accredited papers can be accessed via the CPD Credits tab on our website. If you haven't availed yourself of this option to access Section 3 credits, you really need to consider quickly trying it out via https://cuaj.ca/index.php/journal/pages/view/cpd_credits.

With regard to upping the technology ante, we are trying to increase CUAJ’s presence on social media and are also collaborating closely with our web host to revamp the website and make it both more appealing to the eye and more user-friendly. The upgraded version will be responsive by default, meaning it will be mobile-friendly for those who want to catch up on their reading on the go. Further, there will be changes made to streamline much of the back-end work for editors and reviewers as well, making the entire peer-review-to-publication process more efficient.

If you have any ideas on ways to improve the journal, we'd love to hear from you. Don't hesitate to contact our Managing Editor at adriana.modica@cua.org.
CBD101: The Beginning

The beginning of my tenure as the CUA Post-graduate committee chair happens to coincide with the beginning of the competency by design (CBD) curriculum in urology. This curriculum is the culmination of over 2 years of work by at least 30 people across Canada, skillfully quarterbacked by the Past-Chair of the Post-graduate training committee, Dr. Andrew MacNeily. The rationale for this change was to address gaps in both teaching and assessment found in the current “time-based” model. Although urology residency training in Canada is exceptional, it is hoped that CBD will ensure global competence upon graduation, increase accountability and help change the “failure to fail” culture of the current model. This move to competency based medical education will result in changes to residency training experiences, the Royal College examination, residency program accreditation and even your continuing professional development! While many in the Canadian urology community are aware of these changes, some of the CUA membership may not be as familiar with CBD and it may be worthwhile recapping the current status of CBD in urology.

Starting July 1 our new PGY1 residents embarked upon a competency based educational curriculum. The cornerstones of the urology CBD curriculum are our 39 Entrustable Professional Activities (EPAs). EPAs represent the key identifiable tasks that when performed independently and in unison define a competent urologist. These EPAs are dispersed across four stages of training: transition to discipline (TTD), foundations of discipline (FOD), core of discipline (COD), transition to practice (TTP). The transition to discipline has 4 EPAs and will act as an orientation to residency and span 1-2 months in the early phase of training. Foundations of the discipline (FOD) contains 8 EPAs and will mirror the content of the previous surgical foundations curriculum. FOD will help residents in the early years training develop the “foundational” surgical skills to succeed as a more senior urology resident. The core of the discipline will be the main basis of urologic training and contains 21 EPAs covering the urology-specific competencies that define the bulk of the work performed by a urologist. The final stage (transition to practice) occurs after the Royal College examination is written and is comprised of 6 EPAs. This stage is meant to prepare residents for autonomous practice. EPAs defined at each stage of training are meant to provide clear expectations regarding the skills and abilities residents need to acquire prior to progressing through training. Typically, EPAs will progress from smaller tasks to bigger tasks as trainees’ move through the four stages of training. Assessment will now move toward a more frequent and targeted formative approach rather than high-stakes summative assessments. It is anticipated that this approach of multiple observations, on multiple days, by multiple observers in everyday clinical settings will provide a clearer picture of resident progress. Surgical logbooks also will now be a required part of residency training.

While this change has been billed as the biggest change in medical education in over a century, in all likelihood this “seismic” change will happen gradually as our current PGY1’s progress through training. Over the next few years the post-graduate training committee will work to identify gaps in training, what assessment strategies work best and what aspect of the curriculum need changing. We welcome your involvement.

Inaugural SIU-Mostafa M. Elhilali Award Recipient

Is granted to a scientist of excellent scientific and ethical standing, and the way the Société Internationale d’Urologie recognizes very important contributions to the field of urology and to its development.

We congratulate Dr. J. Curtis Nickel on this honour
The Canadian Urological Association Award is a lifetime achievement award that honors outstanding contributions made to Canadian urology and to the Canadian Urological Association by an individual over the course of many years. This year, a deserving CUA member, Dr. Peter Anderson was honored with receipt of this award. Dr. Anderson has been heavily involved in actualizing and progressing the Canadian Urological Association’s vision, mission and core values over the last decade. He has been intricately involved in the development of both of the CUA’s strategic plans.

Dr. Anderson is a past president of the Canadian Urological Association (2014). He was primarily responsible for the inauguration and initiation of the Canadian Urological Association Office of Education in his capacity as CUA Vice-President of Education from 2007-2011. He has been a member of multiple Canadian urology Association committees over the course of his time on the executive and as a CUA member.

The CUA awards committee was unanimous in its selection of Dr. Anderson for receipt of the CUA award that was awarded at the president’s banquet in Halifax during our last annual meeting.

Award presented by Dr. Stuart Oake with Dr. Peter Anderson (award recipient).

Congratulations to Dr. Anderson, a well deserving recipient of the CUA Award.
Corporate Office Report

Corporate Office Team

The CUA staff consists of seven full-time employees; Tiffany Pizioli, Nadia Pace, Raffaella Leroux, Denise Toner, Tal Erdman, Howard Perlman and Adriana Modica. The CUA was gifted with a wonderful intern student, Ms. Venezia Rota, who assisted in several events including the CUA 2018 annual meeting. We all enjoyed working with her and wish her well in her future studies!

Corporate Office Retreat 2018

For three consecutive years, the CUA has organized a corporate office retreat with select members of the Board. The purpose of the retreat is to ensure that the CUA 2014 – 2019 strategic plan is reviewed and that the CUA remains on course to carry out its goals. We thank Dr. Fred Saad (President), Dr. Hassan Razvi (Secretary), Dr. Ricardo Rendon (Treasurer) and Dr. Wassim Kassouf (Treasurer-Elect) for taking the time to meet with our team and discuss proactive ways to achieve our goals.

As President for the next year, Dr. Saad aims to continue the focus on engaging community urologists and to build on the vision of the CUA as a true representation of all Canadian urologists.

Please read the Community Urology Committee section of this newsletter for an update on a major CUA-led initiative across the Country to engage community urologists.

Together, we will ensure that the CUA remains “The Voice of Urology in Canada”.

The CUA will begin a search for a new firm to conduct the next strategic plan that will lead the way from 2019 – 2024.

CUA Historic Archives Website Nearing Completion

The History Committee is in the final stage of completing the CUA historic archives website. The Committee is grateful for the help of all those involved in this project, including the CUA corporate office staff.

We are planning to have both English and French versions ready by the Spring of 2019, and are continuing to accept artifacts and publications relevant to the history of the Canadian urology.
HALIFAX 2018
73rd Annual Meeting
June 23-26
73e Congrès annuel
23-26 juin
Welcome Reception
Saturday, June 29, 2019 • 1800-1900 • Quebec Convention Centre
As tradition demands it, start the CUA Annual Meeting with friends, colleagues and wine!

Fun Night - Relive the best of the ‘80s
Sunday, June 30, 2019 • 1900-2300
The Voltigeurs de Québec Armoury (Manège militaire de Québec)
The location for the evening’s event is a National Historic Site of Canada originally constructed between 1885 and 1888, partially destroyed by fire in 2008, the Armoury has been reimagined today as the only multifunctional hall of its kind in Québec that can accommodate large-scale events. Crop your hair and wear your best fluorescent accessories for our CUA19 Fun night! Come immerse yourself in costume in the effervescence of the ‘80s and dance to pop, rock and new wave classics that marked the decade! The venue is just a few steps away from the HQ hotel Hilton Quebec.

CUA President’s Reception and Banquet
Monday, July 1, 2019 • Hotel Hilton Quebec
Come celebrate dressed to the nines and prepare to be wined and dined at our President’s Reception and Banquet. Quebec boasts one of the best gourmet scenes in North America, local chefs combine French-Canadian heritage to fine local products to create unforgettable meals so we invite you to come enjoy an evening with friends and colleagues to recap the weekend’s events. The evening’s entertainment will want to make you hit the dance floor in style! Formal attire required.

Make it your rendez-vous!

Opening of registration
October 31st 2018
Opening of abstract submission
October 31st 2018
Abstract deadline
January 7th 2019
Early Bird registration
March 14th 2019
Deadline prize essay submission
March 14th 2019
Late breaking abstracts
March 14th 2019
Registration regular deadline
May 16th 2019
Hotel cut-off
May 28th 2019
Closing on-line registration
June 18th 2019

Future CUA Meetings
2020
June 27-30
Victoria, BC

2021
June 26-29
Niagara Falls, ON

2022
June 25-28
Charlottetown, PEI

2023
June 17-20
Montreal, QC