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As a member of the American College of Prosthodontists, you belong to the organization that represents the specialty of prosthodontics and ensures national recognition of the specialty.

ACP membership gives you a voice in shaping the specialty's future in organized dentistry, in the dental industry, and with the public.

Active engagement in the ACP provides a measurable return on investment through lifelong learning, evidence-based research, and networking opportunities. Your membership is a symbol of your dedication to excellence in patient care.

## Greetings!

"WHEN THE GOING GETS TOUGH, THE TOUGH GET GOING!!" (Joseph .P. Kennedy)

Dear Colleagues,

Due to the new unbelievably powerful technology, the world, our life and profession, as we knew them, are quickly changing. This may scare and confuse someone who is not used to or likes such rapid changes, but instead of surrender we, all together, must surf this huge wave and take advantage of it.



Please lend me your ears and eyes in this case, "No worries !!! The ACP can easily be your surfing instructor and strongly help you during your learning curve. The Board of Directors meets regularly. We study the reality and figure all possible scenarios. We discuss the best option for dentistry and prosthodontics, always keeping our members and the patients they serve at the forefront. In our ranks, we have some of the best experienced prosthodontist instructors you may want to know and seek out. Our Central Office staff is composed of knowledgeable, committed professionals, and they function like a powerful space telescope scanning the fairer skies of our profession, looking for all potential improvement and challenges which may happen.

In Orlando, we will have another annual Meeting in which the ACP crew will take care of

you all, as students, educators, clinicians, participants. We want you there and we need you there! You do not have to miss it, we must be an all in one single powerful committed professional group. Please find all of the meeting information on our website, [www.gotoapro.org](http://www.gotoapro.org). There you may find anything you are looking for about the ACP galaxy, prosthodontics, our 2015 Annual Meeting.

The International Reunion will take place on Wednesday October 21, 5:00 - 6:00 PM. There we will inform you on many things including how to create International Sections.

See you in Orlando!!  
Your Director,  
Lino Calvani

## News From Around Your Region

### Hong Kong

Dr. Edmond Pow, a Global Alliance Affiliate of the College, has been awarded the 2014 Judson C. Hickey Scientific Writing Award in the Dental Technique Category for his article entitled "Management of excessive movable tissue: A modified impression technique." The article, which Dr. Pow co-authored with Dr. Michael Shum, was published in the August 2014 issue of The Journal of Prosthetic Dentistry. It advocates the use of a modified impression technique to overcome the problem of excessive movable tissues for fabrication of maxillary complete denture. Dr. Pow is currently the Postgraduate Programme Director in Oral Rehabilitation of the Faculty of Dentistry in The University of Hong Kong.



### Welcome New and Reinstated Members

Ms. Elahe Behrooz

University of Toronto

Dr. Karthigasen Somana

Toorak, Australia

### Meaning of Leadership: Three lessons and more for a growing Prosthodontist

Many years ago while night-clinic teaching at Tufts University in Boston, one of the undergraduate students I was helping at the chairside, asked me how was it to be a Prosthodontist, as he was trying to figure which specialty program was a good fit for his hand skills and dreams. At that time, Professor Gino Passamonti, Director of the PG Prosthodontic Department was pounding us all with a lot of work, therefore I was not ready to answer the student as I was really stressed. However, I barely remember the conversation and turned almost immediately on the post and core he was building up for his patient. I was very young and I had no experienced subjective philosophical reasons and powerful rational of what I was feeling. And I apologize for that.

Time went by, and quite a few years ago, I was treatment planning with a student in the Phillips Williams Library at Tufts. I didn't realize that Dr. Lloyd Miller, one of the greatest clinical minds in the prosthodontic community, was right behind me listening and watching. As soon as I realized he was there, I immediately stood and apologized as I didn't see him. Once the student left, he gave me a two hour thorough understanding of his past, present and future professional plans, and at the end, he told me with his eastern accent: "... son, you grew up man, now you are leader!" Embarrassed, I answered too fast: "Thank you Sir, but I am not a leader as I am not famous like you!" He looked at me smiling for a while, then patting on my face like a father said: "Lino, you don't need to be famous to be a leader!" and at that time I learned three lessons which now I am forwarding to all students: first, take your time before talking, second, he was right... and third, prosthodontists, more or less, are all leaders.

Hence, today, after 35 years of professional experience I would answer the student in the night clinic: "Son, if you feel you want to devote yourself to a really difficult, challenging, and rewarding profession, you are right on the money!" Then, as a father, I would pat on his shoulder saying: "...and if you will be able to become a prosthodontist, you will be also a leader no matter what!" I would just say to Dr. Lloyd: "Thank you Sir!"

Prosthodontics is an old and glorious specialty. With the continuous treatment planning exercises we face daily, the new digital technology, and new materials' research, the only specialty evolving at the highest pace, in my humble professional experience and opinion "the most comprehensive and therefore possibly important" of all specialties.

Dear Leaders, I hope to see you soon at our ACP International Members' reunion in Orlando, and you all have a nice August!

Your Director,  
Lino Calvani

## Continuing Professional Education - 3 Ways to Earn CE Credits



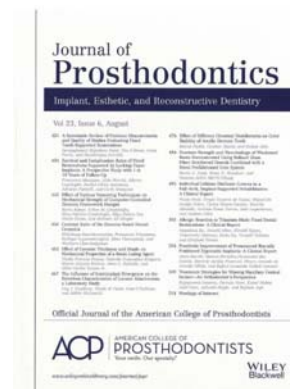
### Annual Session in Orlando - Fun in the Sun!

The 45th Annual Session heads to Orlando, October 21-24. Join us at the premier prosthodontic meeting of the year. [Click here](#) to review the



### Prosthodontic Review Course - San Francisco

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### Online CE from the Journal of Prosthodontics

Members can receive online CE credit from selected articles from the *Journal of Prosthodontics*.

schedule at-a-glance, the scientific program, and to register for the meeting. [Book your hotel now](#) as rooms are selling out quickly!

The meeting will be held at the Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld.

to become board certified, and dental professionals who are interested in the specialty. This course is designed to reinforce the key prosthodontic treatment approaches that meet esthetic and functional goals expected by patients and clinicians. [Register by Sept. 1.](#)

After logging into the [College website](#), click the CE credit link at the bottom of the page. Once on the Wiley Health Learning page, you'll need to create an account to keep a record of your activities and certificates. Happy learning!

## Present to Your Peers! Member Speaker Forum Deadline Extended

ACP members are encouraged to submit an abstract for oral presentation at the Member Speaker Forum, which will take place on Friday, Oct. 23 at the ACP Annual Session. Time allotments are limited and papers will be selected based on scientific content, submission date, and available time. [Read the submission guidelines carefully.](#) [Applications](#) are due by **Aug. 19.**



## NPAW 2015 Wrap Up - Save the Date April 3-9, 2016

National Prosthodontics Awareness Week had numerous activities from coast to coast! The recap of activities is available [here](#) and don't forget if you need ideas for an outreach anytime of the year, the NPAW/PR Toolkit is always available as a resource.



Save the date for NPAW 2016: April 3-9, 2016. Please share with us what outreach activities you have planned during the year and document your activity with photos. Send all NPAW activity information and photos to Nathalie Williams by [email](#).

## ACP Position Statements

ACP Position Statements serve as valuable resources for members and staff communicating ACP policy on key issues. Position statements are issued on scientific, clinical, and other important topics related to oral health, dentistry, and the dental specialty of prosthodontics. It is important to note that ACP position statements do not represent the opinions of all individual ACP members. There are currently [over 15 position statements](#).

## New Affinity Programs - Discounts for Members

Affinity Programs are an ACP member benefit, offering exclusive services and prices through selected vendors who have experience working with prosthodontists. For more details and a complete list of current programs, visit the [Affinity Programs](#) page.



### Website Design and Hosting

PBHS offers website design and is a leading provider of online search engine marketing services for the prosthodontic community. PBHS has helped over 6,000 dental specialty practices create a strong Internet presence with state-of-the-art website design, Search Engine Optimization (SEO), and social media marketing services. Their team of experts will help you create a professional, engaging website that will establish trust and confidence with both current and potential patients.



### Student Loan Assistance

Many ACP members are burdened with student loan debt. As a new ACP Affinity Program, SoFi may be able to reduce the cost of that debt. SoFi refinances student loan debt at lower rates than federal and/or private options, saving their dental borrowers \$30K on average. The main benefits include low rates, simplicity, no fees, and a welcome bonus.



### HIPPA Compliant Email

Brightsquid Secure-Mail is the trusted leader in secure communication, providing HIPAA compliant solutions for medical and dental professionals including: Unlimited HIPAA Compliant Secure Messaging and Data Storage, Secure Patient Referrals, Unlimited 500MB Attachments, Enhanced Image Studio, Keep Your Current Email Address, and more. Get your exclusive ACP members only special today: the first two months are free, then pay only \$24.99/month (37% savings). Go to [www.brightsquid.com/acp](http://www.brightsquid.com/acp) to take advantage of this special promotion. **(Please note that this special will expire on August 31, 2015.)**

### Did You Know?

The mission of the ACP Education Foundation is to secure and steward resources with the aim of advancing prosthodontics. The ACPEF provides funding to support education, research, and growth of the specialty and discipline of prosthodontics.



*Advancing prosthodontics through education and research*

The Foundation was established in 1985 and partners with the College to provide members with educational resources and information necessary to maximize their training and education to further the specialty.

## Annual Appeal: Building a Stronger Community

The Annual Appeal support program specifically allows the Foundation to underwrite programs not covered by active major gift commitments and grow its endowment.

The funding highlights for 2014:

- Supporting 290 residents to attend the Annual Session
- ACP educational resources for 620 residents including administration of a mock board exam that was taken by 376 students
- Sharry Awards Competition for original student research
- Biannual dental educators meetings



The [2015 Donor Recognition List](#) is posted and updated monthly. Is your name here?

## In Memoriam

[Dr. William Mowery](#)

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## Greetings!

### ACP in Chicago; Digital Excellence and the Flicks of the Tail

Dear Friends!!

Easter and Passover holy days have passed and I would say we are on our way into the springtime, and approaching the summer with such speed... But since this is a very small globe, we know well that while in some continents it is getting warm, in others it is cold and rainy. Anyway, no matter the weather forecast, which was very cold this year in Chicago, we organized our first Digital Dentistry Symposium, and it was fantastic to see how many professionals registered and filled up the hall! The question is.... why? Because things are quickly changing, and professionals understand it well, since they are smart, and want to keep updated. Someone would say... time changes too fast... but the digitization of the world and of our profession is here, and there is nothing we can do. The digital dawning is increasingly peeping out of our offices, and lives, showing realities which were fantasies just a few months or even days ago. The old, is already smelling old, and no matter its last flicks of the tail, its destiny is marked. We envision another better professional world and the time for it is speeding up.



The next ACP Digital Dentistry Symposium is being organized and you will know about it soon in detail.

The ACP Digital Leadership is simply the best, we will keep working for you, stay with us!

Thank you from your Director, and have a peaceful life!!

-- Lino Calvani, DDS, MS, FACP



ACP 2015 Digital Dentistry Symposium

### Out of the Director's Box:

Globalization and Mondialization: The world is getting very small, while individuals are getting very big.

A relatively brand new word, French origins, "Mondialization," is quickly spreading, and it's looking for its own space in all dictionaries to explain with the difference between it and Globalization. Globalization is the process of international integration arising from the interchange of culture, in all its practical aspects: transportation, trade, communications, which generates interdependence. Mondialization, is the increase and intensification of this interdependence among all world nations and communities, and their economic and political realities.

What does it mean to our profession? It means that we should be very much aware that our way of thinking must change from province to world. Huge jump! But digital evidence shows that this reality is ongoing for us all, and there is no way we can stop it or slow it down. For some, this may sound unfamiliar and uncomfortable. But we must change and grow. For example, it is not enough to share opinions with our young generations to understand they think on another scale, and they are the future. From simple individuals, we are becoming worldly individuals, worldly-professionals, and we must be well aware of it. This means responsibility, huge responsibility, as whatever we do and say, may echo worldwide in seconds, thus affecting others' lives and professions.

What do you think about this? [Send me a note.](#)

The ACP is leading with bright minds the field of reconstructive dentistry. In fact, it is so much involved in both in the US and worldwide, acknowledging and supporting the best professional initiatives of all its members to improve their global and mondial working capabilities and possibilities.

Looking forward to seeing you to our next International Members Reunion in Orlando, Florida, on October 21. Have a nice life and count on us.

## News From Around Your Region

### Canada

The Royal Canadian Dental Corps celebrates 100 years.

The Royal Canadian Dental Corps (RCDC) has supported the Canadian Armed Forces and our Allies in every major combat, peacekeeping, and peacemaking mission around the world for the last century including WWI, WWII, Korea, the Balkans, and Afghanistan. A core role of the RCDC is to ensure that Canada's soldiers, sailors, and aviators are fit and ready to carry out their missions, and to restore them should they come into harm's way. The RCDC is celebrating its Centennial in 2015. National events will take place in Ottawa May 11-13, 2015, and include the Centennial Golf Tournament; the Centennial Military Clinical Symposium; a Parade, Ribbon Cutting, and Reception at the





Canadian War Museum for their exhibit "100 Years of Canadian Military Dental Services"; and finish with the Centennial Gala at the Chateau Laurier.

## Singapore

ACP members Dr. Ansgar Cheng and Dr. Neo Tee Khin are the Co-Managing Directors of the Specialist Dental Group. SDG has been awarded the Singapore HEALTH (Helping Employees Achieve Life-Time Health) Bronze Award 2014. The Singapore HEALTH Award is presented by the Health Promotion Board to give national recognition to organizations with commendable Workplace Health Promotion (WHP) programs. It honors organizations that strive to help their employees lead healthy and vibrant lives. The multi-specialty practice has won numerous awards in the last four years.



Dr. Cheng



Dr. Neo

## Resident Leadership

Dr. Vince Lee is the Region 7 representative on the Resident/Graduate Student Committee. Dr. Lee is a second year resident at the University of British Columbia. Residents in the Region are encouraged to [contact Dr. Lee](#) with news of NPAW and any resident concerns.



## NPAW is Next Week!

[National Prosthodontics Awareness Week](#) is almost here! It's not too late to do your part to promote the specialty and your practice! We hope our international members been inspired by the weekly NPAW tips in the Wednesday Wake-up Call. Be sure to check out the [NPAW Implementation Plan](#). In the [NPAW Toolkit](#), on pages 4-12, are quick ideas to get you started. Don't forget the PR Tips that start on page



30. Please let us know what you do during NPAW and document your activity with photos! If you plan an activity outside of NPAW, that's great! Keep the momentum going and tell us what you're doing. Send all NPAW activity information and photos to Nathalie Williams by [email](#).

### Prosthodontics Career Handout and Video

The ACP has updated the [Prosthodontics Career Brochure](#). Feel free to download, print, and distribute to students at dental school presentations during NPAW or anytime of the year. If you outreach with an ASDA chapter in your community, make sure to have these on hand for any joint activities such as a Lunch and Learn. Also available is a [video](#) of the brochure you can show pre-lecture and afterwards on your practice website.



### Products for Your Practice

APRIL SPECIAL!  
25% off the ACP Oral Cancer Screening Combo

April is [National Cancer Control](#) month. The [Oral Cancer Screening Combo](#) includes the Oral Cancer Screening CD and 2 packs of "Hidden Risk: Oral Cancer" brochures. Inform your office and your patients about this increasingly prevalent disease with a CD featuring a video demonstrating an oral cancer screening exam, along with pertinent resources for clinicians. The consumer brochure is the perfect addition to patient information packets in your practice. Was \$40, now \$30!



### Prosthodontic Review Course

September 12-13; University of the Pacific Dental School, San Francisco; 15 CE

This two day course is intended for practitioners who would like to stay up to date on the latest trends as well as prosthodontists and residents who are

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### Annual Session 2015: Save the Date to Join Us in Orlando

The 45th Annual Session of the ACP heads to Orlando, October 21-24. Join us at the premier prosthodontic meeting of the year. Click [here](#) to review the schedule at-a-glance and the preliminary scientific program. You can [book your hotel](#) now. The

planning to become board certified, and dental professionals who are interested in the specialty. This course is designed to reinforce the key prosthodontic treatment approaches that meet esthetic and functional goals expected by patients and clinicians. The ACP has reserved a very limited room block to accommodate meeting attendees on a first come, first served basis. When the room block is sold out, attendees are encouraged to use travel websites to find the best available rates downtown. [Book your room now.](#)

meeting will be held at the Renaissance Orlando at SeaWorld.

Meeting registration will be open in May.

### Apply for 2015 ACP Spokesperson Network

It's time to shine the spotlight on our specialty! Think lights, camera, action in Orlando. ACP members can apply to receive professional media training, pose for headshots, film TV Interviews, and learn PR Skills during the 2015 Annual Session in Orlando. Training will take place Oct. 21 & 22.

15 private practice prosthodontists will be chosen from applicants to attend the ACP Spokespersons Training Course and learn:

- How to prepare for a media interview
- How to communicate a message under bright lights, with cameras rolling and in front of peers
- How to get a great sound bite
- How to ensure that you are identified as a prosthodontist in print or on camera.

If chosen, the \$722 registration fee includes one individual TV Interview for personal and professional use to promote your practice on the topic of digital dentistry. Prosthodontists with 1-15 years in private practice are encouraged to apply. Check the [criteria here](#). "You'll love it," Dr. Karen Bruggers said. "This is the best CE course I've taken, second only to my residency," Dr. Elaine Torres-Melendez added. [Apply to represent your ACP Region today.](#)



### Sharry Research Competition

The 2015 John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition will be held on Oct.



### Member Speaker Forum

What have you been working on recently? An eager audience awaits you at the ACP

23 at the ACP Annual Session in Orlando. Sponsored by the ACP Education Foundation, the Prosthodontic Research Competition is held to stimulate and acknowledge original research in prosthodontics by students.

The ACP Research Committee strongly encourages all programs to participate in this competition. Abstracts are due by June 1. Please read the [submission guidelines](#) carefully.

Annual Session, October 21-24 in Orlando. Share your latest work with your peers by submitting an abstract for oral presentation at the Member Speaker Forum, which will take place on Oct. 23. Abstracts will be reviewed for approval, and presenters will be notified no later than Sept. 10.

Please review the [guidelines](#) before filling out the [application](#), which should be returned to [education@prosthodontics.org](mailto:education@prosthodontics.org) by Aug. 5.

### In Memoriam

[Dr. Robert E. Gillis](#)



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## Greetings from Region 7 Membership Director Dr. Calvani

### The ACP Annual Session in New Orleans was Simply Excellent!

Dear Friends, New Orleans brought us in a world of professional analysis which taught us that nothing of what we do is really perfect. Perfection is the aim of our Profession, but the highway to perfection is far from being easy to navigate.

Mistakes, uneasy choices, clinical investigations and treatment planning lead us every day in our offices to treatments which have to face the reality that despite our best will we are humans, and we make mistakes. The excellent Scientific Program organized by the Program Chair Dr. Carl Driscoll reminded us we must be always be humble and consistent in achieving the best of our clinical performances, all in all for the best of our patients' health and for the glory of our beloved Specialty., I will never stop saying that all the Workshops, the Table Clinic Competition, Breakfast Meetings, Receptions, Dinners, Exhibits, and other activities the ACP is able to organize is unbelievable, and they are all and every time perfectly organized by a team of exceptionally experienced, motivated and focused Directors, Committees, Task forces, Staff Members and Managers who move with synergy and passion.

The next 2015 ACP Meeting will be held in Orlando Sea World, on November 21-24. The Venue is incredible; the Scientific Program is astonishing, and full of unique Speakers. Let's go to Orlando, one of the most futuristic and interesting Cities in the US, where water creatures meet land and us. Let's always cultivate our Annual Meeting, to keep professionally updated and to meet once more and again our classmates, former Faculty and best friends! Let's mark it on our Calendars!!

Thank you from your Director, and Happy New Year wherever you are on this little Globe!!



Lino Calvani

## News From Around Your Region

### Canada

#### Association of Prosthodontists of Canada (APC) Interim Executive Meeting Held During the ACP Annual Meeting

The Association of Prosthodontists of Canada was present at the ACP Annual Meeting. The Association took advantage of this occasion to hold their Interim Executive meeting. The APC counts over 150 members and is considered to be Voice of Prosthodontists of Canada.



Pictured from left to right: Dr David Chvartzsайд, Dr Ian Thornton, Dr David Lalande, Dr Caroline Nguyen (Vice President) , Dr Nancy Dubois (President) , Dr Brent Winnett (Secretary-Treasurer), Dr Micheal Barczak, and Dr Chris Wyatt

Dr. Brian K.S. Kucey, International ACP Fellow, will assume the position of Secretary of the PCSP (Pacific Coast Society for Prosthodontics) in 2015 and invites all ACP members and guests to the 80th Annual Meeting of the PCSP June 24-27, 2015 in Deer Valley, Utah.

Details of the meeting can be obtained from the PCSP website: [www.pcsp.org](http://www.pcsp.org)



Dr. Brian Kucey

#### Royal Canadian Dental Corps Prosthodontists in Attendance at the 2014 ACP Annual Meeting

A group of prosthodontists from the Royal Canadian Dental Corps (RCDC) was in attendance at the ACP Annual meeting in New Orleans this past November. They were pleased to see Dr. Agar embrace the tradition of wearing the poppy in remembrance of the fallen soldiers. The poppy is worn from the 1st of Nov to 11 Nov, Remembrance Day (also known as Poppy Day). It is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth of Nations member states since the end of the First World War to remember the members of their armed forces who have died in the line of duty of the fallen soldiers. Remembrance Day is observed on 11 November to recall the end of hostilities of World War I on that date in 1918. The red remembrance poppy has become a familiar emblem of Remembrance Day due to the poem In Flanders Fields. These poppies bloomed across some of the worst battlefields of Flanders in World War I; their

brilliant red colour became a symbol for the blood spilled in the war.



Pictured from left to right:  
Back row: Major Ian Thornton (Edmonton, AB), Major Richard Kratz (Resident, University of British Columbia), Major Peter Walker (Resident, University of British Columbia).

Front row: Colonel Kevin Goheen (1 Dental Unit Commanding Officer, Ottawa, ON), Dr John Agar, Lieutenant-Colonel Nancy Dubois (RCDC Prosthodontic Practice Leader, Petawawa, ON), Major David Lalande (Valcartier, Québec), Major Brent Winnett (Ottawa, ON)



As you can see in this photo, the RCDC prosthodontists are fond of Dr. Agar, just like all the ACP members.

### Welcome New Members!

A big welcome to the new members in Region 7!

Dr. Pooja Garg	Sydney, Australia
Dr. Terry J. Lim	Calgary, Alberta, Canada
Dr. Leslie P. Laing Gibbard	Toronto, Canada
Dr. Bryce Peter Adamson	University of Toronto
Dr. Nora O. El-Mowafy	University of British Columbia
Dr. Kevin Aminzadeh	
Dr. Aws S. ArRejaie	Dammam, Saudi Arabia
Dr, Amal Rashad Abulsamh	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
Dr. Mohammad Jamal Abdin	
Dr. Vaughn AT Suite	Arima, Trinidad and Tobago

### Award Winners from Region 7!

The American College of Prosthodontists, through its awards program, formally recognizes individuals whose



contributions to the specialty or to the College are outstanding and substantial. The ACP is proud to announce the following recipients from Region 7:

- Dr. Urs C. Belser - Distinguished Lecturer Award

### Annual Session Portraits

More than 400 member portraits were captured during Annual Session, and the photos are accessible now online. The photos have been split into two sites, for members with last names beginning [A to L](#) and [M to Z](#). Photos appear in alphabetical order.

Consider using your new photo for your profile on social networks such as LinkedIn and Facebook, as well as practice and academic websites, speaking engagements, and more. When you pick your favorite, be sure to [forward it to the ACP](#) so it can appear with your listing on the [Find A Prosthodontist](#) search.



We look forward to seeing you next year in Orlando, October 21-24!

### Membership News

Renewing is easier than ever. Just click on the ["Renew Your Membership" link](#) and login. The website dues payment functionality is available to members 24/7 in order to accommodate your busy schedules. You may also fax your renewal to (312) 573-1257. If you have any questions regarding your 2015 Dues Invoice, please [email](#) ACP Membership Director, Adam Reshan.



### Join Us in Chicago During the Mid-Winter Meeting of the Chicago Dental Society

Registration is open for the new ACP symposium "Harness the Power of Digital Dentistry." This day and a half course, Feb. 23-24, is designed for dental professionals who want to learn state of the art digital dentistry solutions for the treatment of restorative patients. The course brochure, agenda, and registration are available [here](#).



### National Prosthodontics Awareness Week on an International Stage

PR for Your Practice ~ Make Your Plans NOW!  
It's a great time to start thinking about plans to celebrate the sixth year of NPAW. There are so many different activities that you can do to spread the word





about your practice and the specialty.

As a prosthodontist you are a specialized dentist with advanced training in oral health issues and you are committed to improving patient results. Spread the word about who you are and what you do!

Check out the [NPAW](#) page at GoToAPro.org for the toolkit and archives full of ideas that you can use in your community. The 2015 toolkit will contain Simple Tips for Prosthodontists in Private Practice and expanded Tips for Working with Local News Media.

### ACP Education Foundation Founders Society Award

In the spirit of its founders, the ACP Education Foundation honors individuals who have made a significant impact on the growth and development of the Foundation and demonstrated an extraordinary level of commitment to the specialty. The Foundation's Board of Directors selected Dr. Litvak for his legacy, vision, leadership, service and dedication to the Foundation and the specialty of prosthodontics.



2014 Awardee  
Dr. Harold Litvak

### Out of the Director's Box:

Are we "Professionally Hungry and Foolish enough?"  
Are we Digitally Smart?

Hello!!

In Las Vegas I had the chance to share with some friends the concept of "Professionalism," which I'd like to share with you too. When I face my coffee at 05:00 in the morning, I am not the only one whose brain-wheels start to speed up. But which is the real speed of our professional life?

Let's answer the title's two questions.

The word "professional" derives from "to profess" which means, "claim, declare, promise, say, teach." Therefore, we must really believe in what we do if we want to say or teach something to someone!

Just to bring forward the people defined as "smart" like Steve Jobs, Fortune Global defines them with three adjectives as - smart humans are those in whose hearts and brains there are alchemy of intellect, ambition, and uncanny ability to peer around corners!" - Jobs once quoted: "Stay hungry, stay foolish!" That was his idea of being smart. According to his results, he was not wrong! Thus, what does it mean to be "Professionally Hungry and Foolish?" How can we profile a hungry and foolish professional? When can we be accepted in the Hall of Fame of the Hungry and Foolish Professionals?

We have to peer around corners. We had better plan our treatments with care before any

clinical action, to avoid all possible "surprises" our Profession often gifts us! Use patience in evaluating with care our choices, in collecting data, and the more we can foresee all possible problems and the limitation of the oral system, the better we can peer around our corners. Does this take some time to learn? Yes! Does digital technology helps us in this job? Yes!! Does digital technology change our way of working in the office and in the Labs? Yes! Does this scare some of us? Yes, always when science accelerates there are people who are afraid!

Can we stop digital technology from being active part of our professional life? Probably not. It is up to us the how to ride this bull, as our kids already do it so nicely with their little smartphones and mini-laptops that seem 10 thousand-times more powerful than all the LEM computers which landed on the Moon in 1969.

Will all this make all of us "digitally smart?" Try, and you will see what happens! Our kids are pretty sure of the final result. Thus said, you may want to go to Chicago to our February 23-24 ACP Digital Dentistry Symposium, if you are not scared to improve your ability to be really "digitally smart."

Thank you Steve Jobs!  
Lino Calvani

### In Memoriam

Dr. Reno A. Ahlvin, Jr.  
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## Greetings from Region 7 Membership Director Dr. Calvani

### NEW ORLEANS 2014! Where Prosthodontists Will Meet and Enjoy Science, Jazz, Soul Music, and much more!!

Join us for an exciting Scientific Program filled to the brim with amazing lectures and phenomenal prosthodontists who will excite the audience through innovative and visionary topics. This will be an extraordinary opportunity for all members to enhance their skills in many aspects of our profession.

New Orleans is a beautiful location and the venue, simply perfect. This city is an incredible melting pot of cultures, able to give the best of the best food, music, and much more. Just walking in the old streets, getting into one of its historic bars, may drive you all into a different dimension, in which warm sounds, unusual lights, and a lot of history, will get you lost back to the future.

The ACP Team is ready to see you and I am looking forward for you to join me at our **International Region 7 Membership Reunion, which will be held Wednesday, November 5, at 5:00 p.m.** We will enjoy our get together!

This is New Orleans, as I already said, our next yearly, "Briefing Time!!" We will definitely enjoy it, the program is fantastic and the location, it is simply splendid! Let's get there!

Looking forward to seeing you; have a nice trip to NOLA!  
Lino Calvani



## News From Around Your Region

Canada

The 2014 Annual General meeting (AGM) of the Association of Prosthodontists of Canada (APC) was held at the Journées dentaires internationales du Québec - May 23-27.

The Journées dentaires internationales du Québec (JDIQ) is the Ordre des dentistes du Québec (ODQ) annual meeting. Over 12,000 dental health providers attended the JDIQ this year. For the 2014 AGM, the Association des prosthodontistes du Québec (APQ) graciously offered the APC to join their group during this event. All sessions featured simultaneous translations from English to French.



APC President,  
Dr. Nancy Dubois

There were two full days of lectures dedicated to a full range of prosthodontic topics. The lectures occurred on Monday, May 26 and Tuesday, May 27, 2014 with the following speakers: Dr. Clark Stanford (Pros. University of Iowa, USA); Dr. Efrat Habsha (Pros. Toronto, Canada); Dr. Richard Toth (Pros. Virginia, USA); Dr. Ken Malament (Pros. Boston, USA); Michael Schreck, CDT (Montreal, Canada- in French); Dr. Chris Marchack (Pros. Los Angeles, USA); Dr. Mark Lin (Pros. Toronto, Canada); Dr. Hassan Moghadam (OMFS, Ottawa, Canada).

The AGM marked the arrival of the new APC executive committee. The new president, Dr Nancy Dubois took over the lead from the now Past President, Dr Bernie Linke.

Executive :

Dr. Nancy Dubois - President  
Dr. Bernie Linke - Past President  
Dr. Caroline Nguyen - Vice President  
Dr. Brent Winnett - Secretary-Treasure

Councilors:

Dr. Stuart Richardson (Atlantic)  
Dr. Michael Barczak (West)  
Dr. Tonino Ciocca (Central)  
Dr. Pierre Boudrias (Central)

Editor:

Dr. Caroline Nguyen

This year the National Dental Specialty Examination (NDSE) in Prosthodontics was administered for the Royal College of Dentists of Canada (RCDC) with both written and oral components. After successfully completing the written portion of the examinations, the oral portion was administered in June whereby 23 candidates were examined. The examination team was made up of 15 examiners who worked diligently over a two-day period. Successful candidates can apply for licensure in prosthodontics in their respective provinces.



Chief Examiner,  
Dr. Izchak Barzilay

At the end of the June session, Dr. Manning, Chief Examiner for the Prosthodontic NDSE since 2009, passed the baton to Dr. Izchak Barzilay, the new Prosthodontic Chief Examiner. Dr. Manning was instrumental in the implementation of many major changes ordered by the RCDC over the past few years. He faced strong challenges with his usual dedication and professionalism.

The direction of the examination team falls under a new group of examiners including:

- Dr. Izchak Barzilay as Chief Examiner

- Dr. Francine Albert as Co-ordinator of the Oral Examination
- Dr. Bernie Linke as Co-ordination of the Written Examination

## Costa Rica

Dr. Peter Aborn moved to Costa Rica after 20 years of practicing in New York. In order to practice dentistry in Costa Rica, you must work one year in a remote and impoverished area of the county. He was assigned to work in Talamanca. In 2005, after disastrous flooding, help was desperately needed and Talamanca Projects (Proyecto Talamanca) was created. Dr. Aborn serves as the Director and is currently developing a new association: Asociación Proyectos Especiales de Salud



Talamanca. This association plans to expand treatment services, develop nutrition, education and prevention programs, research on the health problems of Bribi and Cabecar populations, and establish community-owned health clinics. A presentation about the history, activities, and plans for Talamanca can be found [here](#). To contact Dr. Aborn about the Asociación he can be reached by [email](#).

## INTERNATIONAL Meetings in Motion! EUROPEAN NEWS!!

Two excellent International Meetings took place in Italy in September: the European Association for Osseointegration (EAO) with over 4,000 attendees in Rome and the Italian Academy of Esthetic Dentistry (IAED) Meeting, held in Monastier di Treviso, 15 minutes outside Venice.



Dr. Calvani (center) with the IAED Council

Many sponsors crowded both meetings and the two beautiful venues. Fantastic ACP Speakers such as Drs. Lyndon Cooper, Tom Taylor, HP Weber, Joseph Kan, and more, moderated and lectured at their prestigious podiums. Topics ranging from Implants, Digital Tech, and Clinical expertise were the best expression of their knowledgeable presence and the outcome was an undoubtable success.

The ACP and its members are always on the front line to express the best prosthodontic culture. The need for such a presence is of paramount importance to spread the word about prosthodontics worldwide, as a tough economic moment has put many professionals out of reach. That is why their presence is like a magnet, due to their well-known expertise in our field.

Have a nice day!  
Lino Calvani

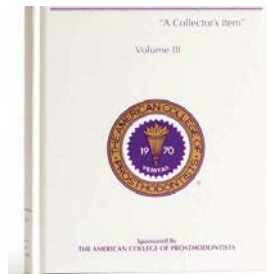
## Welcome New Members!





### Social Media Toolkit

The revised [Social Media Toolkit](#) is available. Have you been hesitating to get involved on any of the popular social networking sites? Well, here's a handy guide to follow with instructions and reasons to join each site with a focus on using social networks in your practice.



### Classic Articles

Did you know there were 3 volumes of the Classic Prosthodontic Articles? Thanks to ACP Past-President Dr. Steve Bergen, [Volume 3](#) is now back in circulation and available for purchase.



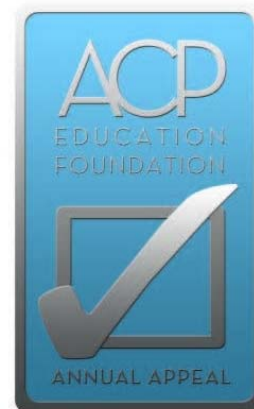
### Calendar & Contacts

The ACP has an [event calendar](#) for Section events, CE, and the Annual Scientific Sessions.

If you're looking to reach a US [Section Officer](#) their contact information is also available on the College website.

### 2014 Annual Appeal Update

ACPEF Annual Appeal Co-Chairs, Drs. Mark Hutten and Alvin Wee recently announced that the Annual Appeal Committee has raised over \$50,000 of their \$125,000 goal to the 2014 Annual Appeal. Contributions to the Annual Appeal help fund student scholarships, research initiatives, ACP networking events, Prosthopedia, and other ACP and ACPEF initiatives. All [donors](#) to this effort will be recognized at the upcoming ACP Annual Session in New Orleans. Donors of \$250 or more will receive a ACPEF pin.



### In Memoriam

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