

6.3 Continuing Education Committee Annual Report 2018

This past year has been another successful year of new and educational lectures as well as fun times!

Our goal is always to provide informational and fun but also interesting lectures. No one wants to give up their Saturdays for something that is a snoozer! We do our best to provide topics that will enhance your daily duties.

Our *spring session* started with Dr. Hoda Hosseini from Clear Care Periodontal & Implant centre that offered us updated and fresh perspectives on the team approach to implants when the treatment plan is extraction as the only option. She was funny and surprisingly upbeat for such an early speaker! She does have a young child though... we are grateful for interesting and fresh speakers.

Our next speaker from the same office is an icon in dentistry; Dr. Marshall Hoffer! He is an excellent and entertaining speaker that has literally travelled the world speaking about Prosthodontics. His work is amazing; I have seen some of his restorations that seem impossible! He provided us a look into the role of the Prosthodontist and the RDA and their role in the practice. He is always an engaging speaker and full of well scripted knowledge.

These speakers were followed by the rescheduled (2nd) AGM due to low attendance in the initial MDA convention AGM. The bylaws have since been changed to accommodate for those changes in the bylaws within the Manitoba dental association relating to not permitting CE credits for annual general meetings for the dentists and assistants.

Our fall session included Dr. Armajit Rihal, Kathy Purves and Dr. Charles Meltzer. Dr. Rihal is a well known and exceptional speaker. We literally ran out of time and will certainly invite him back anytime and soon! His knowledge and expertise in cosmetic dentistry is truly his passion that is very evident.

Kathy Purves our Infection control 'guru' is always educational and excellent with new and improved information. She is a huge advocate with obvious passion for the goal of influencing the dentists to engage in new and improved procedures for our safety and the safety of our patients. She comes with excellent education in the knowledge of Infection control and new procedures.

Dr. Charles Meltzer provided an interactive and interesting lecture in the area of stress in the workplace. He commented during his research surprisingly, that we had lots of stress in our industry. As well all know there are many influences in our practices that are relative to our daily stresses. Take care of yourself first and foremost ... and stretch, stretch, stretch!

Although the Continuing Education committee has been my passion for more than a couple years now, I am passing the torch to Kelly Reilly. I am confident she will provide excellent opportunities for our learning pleasure. We always welcome comments and requests to enhance our continuing education processes, please feel free to comment or ask for particular areas of interest at: mdaa@mdaa.ca

Respectfully Submitted,
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