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Congratulations to Past President Dr. Sender Herschorn and his team for an outstanding 2011 annual meeting in Montreal!! His scientific committee lead by Dr. Armen Aprikian produced an educational and entertaining academic event. Local organizing committee led by Serge Carrier and Francois Bénard put together a great social meeting (Montreal is such a great place!) and who knew Dr. Darrel Drachenberg was the next “Hendrix”!!

Welcome to all the new members of the CUA and to the new CUA executive – this organization continues to evolve and grow but it will always rely and depend upon the volunteerism of the membership who put tireless hours into the day to day running and organization of the association and the annual meeting. Thank you to all those individuals who have served the Association and who are moving on to new challenges in their careers. Our strong, newly minted, Corporate Office in Montreal, is going to be central to our future success as an organization and provider of ongoing continuing medical education in Canada. We all live in a new fiscal reality, as does the CUA. The CUA and its membership will adapt to these changing environments and continue to produce strong, educational annual meetings and provide benefits for its membership.

Lastly, mark on your calendar now the 2012 Annual Meeting of the CUA in Banff and the historic Banff Fairmont Resort, June 24-26, 2012! Drs. Jay Lee and Trevor Schuler have put together an outstanding list of guest speakers and will educate and distract you from the glorious natural beauty outside! Drs. Howard Evans and Marty Duffy know how to party like nobody else I know and trust me when I say their social agenda will keep you entertained! Lastly the spectacular natural beauty of Banff National Park needs little assistance in enticing you to come next June. Take some extra time off, bring family, (there are those mandatory summer OR closures anyway) stay a while and enjoy all the natural beauty Alberta has to offer!

### Dates to remember:

**November 1, 2011** - Abstract Submission Opens

**January 13, 2012** - Abstract Submission Deadline

**February 20, 2012** - Abstract Acceptance Notification

**March 1, 2012** - Prize Essay Submission Deadline

**April 30, 2012** - Early Bird Registration Deadline

### Congratulations to our 2011 Prize Essay Competition Winners!

#### In the Basic Science Category:

- Dr. Annie Imbeault, CHUQ, Université Laval, Québec, QC, Canada  
“Surgical Option for Urethral Reconstruction: An Autologous Tissue-Engineered Tubular Graft” (MP-09.09)

#### In the Clinical Urology Category:

- Dr. Zachary Klinghoffer, McMaster Institute of Urology, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada  
“Cost-utility of radical nephrectomy versus partial nephrectomy in the management of small renal masses: adjusting for the burden of chronic kidney disease” (MP-02.22)