

## Words of Wisdom by Werle!

Greetings, all! Welcome to the first edition of the "No Bones About It" Section of Orthopaedics Newsletter. Thank you to both Judy and Stephanie for assembling the newsletter which we hope to produce every 2-3 months. I'm not sure I have too many words of wisdom, but thanks for the snappy title, Judy.

The academic year to date has been very busy for the Section. Some of the highlights include: (a) Recruitment process underway for an Arthroplasty/Trauma surgeon at SHC; (b) Recruitment process underway for a Quality Improvement Lead for Orthopaedics (this is a new position within the Section supported by the Department of Surgery); (c) Senior Surgeon Policy Committee participation by several members: Iain Russell, Nick Mohtadi, and myself; (d) Budgeting process for the Section of Orthopaedics lead by Research and Finance Manager, Tommy Chan; (e) COREF Research grant competition in progress; and (f) Revamp of the Section of Orthopaedics Organizational Chart with the development of a new Executive Committee. Thank you to all members that are participating in these activities on behalf of the Section.

A comprehensive Strategic Planning Retreat for Orthopaedics is coming up on January 26-27, 2019. This professionally facilitated retreat at the Banff Centre will focus on our mission and vision for the next 5 years. It will include discussions on clinical care delivery such as OR allocation processes and the latest information on the Department's Senior Surgeon Policy. Education and the transition to Competence by Design, as well as, Research Portfolio planning will be key components of the sessions. You will be receiving more information about this important Section activity in the next few weeks. It is my hope that we will have full attendance as we discuss these important issues. Saturday accommodation and an evening dinner will be provided.

As we enter the Christmas season, I encourage all of you to come out and celebrate with your family at the Orthopaedic Holiday Brunch being held at Pinebrook Golf and Country Club from 10:30 am – 1:00 pm on Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Finally, on behalf of the Section of Orthopaedics, I wish you all a wonderful holiday season and best wishes for a happy and healthy 2019!

## Education – Making the Grade!

- Thanks to Drs. LeBlanc and Armstrong for their dedication with implementation of Surgical Foundations
- Drs. Bouchard, Parsons, and Le attended the Royal College CBD workshop and Subspecialty Committee Meeting
- CBD implementation will be for July 2020
- Welcome to our new residents Drs. Abbott, Benavides, Lukenchuk and Morrison
- Thanks to Brown Enterprises for sponsoring our resident Escape Room Challenge
- Congratulations to Dr. Buckley for his PGME Award for Resident Mentorship



## Research – Skeletal Mentions!

- Congratulations to the Winners of the McCaig Clinician "Speeding Dating" Collaboration awards: Drs. Bois & Boyd; Rezansoff & Yadid-Pecht; Johnston & Pauchard; Dhaliwal & Manske; Salo & Krawetz
- RFA for two \$20K Orthopaedic Surgeon driven research proposals will be announced soon
- Coming up in Spring 2019 we will be accepting applications for new and renewal research assistant salary matching awards
- Statistics for Orthopaedic Research half day course will be on December 8, 2018 – preregistration required – contact Judy Crawford
- Thanks to all who submitted COREF Applications – awardees announced in early 2019!

## Kudos Korner – Congratulations go to .....

- Stephanie Schapansky, Tommy Chan, and Dr. Richard Ng, welcome to the Calgary Orthopaedics Family!
- Dr. Dodd for being the orthopaedic representative at the recent Wood Forum on Foot and Ankle Health hosted by the McCaig Institute
- Dr. Mohtadi for his grant from the Workers Compensation Board (Alberta) "A randomized clinical trial comparing three methods of ACL: Patellar tendon, quadruple semitendinosus/gracillis and double-bundle semitendinosus/gracillis grafts 10 year follow-up"
- Dr. Schneider – (a) for being named one of Avenue Magazine's Top 40 Under 40 for her groundbreaking research that is changing surgical practice and improving patient outcomes; and (b) for her WCB Grant "Does early weightbearing for stable ankle fractures accelerate fracture healing and return to pre-injury function"
- Some recent publications:
  - Gibson, Sabo. Can pain catastrophizing be changed in surgical patients? A scoping review. Can J Surg 2018;61(5):311-318
  - Kooner, Sheehan, Kendall. Development of a simple multidisciplinary arthroplasty wound-assessment instrument: the SMARt Wound Tool. Can J Surg 2018;61(5):326-331
  - Ng, Shabani-Rad. Results of Octaplex for reversal of warfarin anticoagulation in patients with hip fracture. Can J Surg 2018; DOI: 10.1503/cjs.018017
  - Saini, Railton, Boyd, Sadrzadeh, Powell. Concordance between laboratories in metal ion testing in patients with metal-on-metal hip implants. Can J Surg 2018; DOI: 10.1503/cjs.015717