



Spine Society of Australia
Graeme Brazenor, President
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Dear Professor Brazenor,

April 20th, 2012

As President of the Canadian Spine Society (CSS), I would like to extend an invitation to the members of the Spine Society of Australia to join us at the **2014 Scientific Conference of the Canadian Spine Society** scheduled for **February 26 - March 1, 2014** at the Fairmont Chateau Lake Louise, in Lake Louise, Alberta, Canada.

The CSS was founded in 2000 and has met annually since 2001. The membership includes the committed Orthopaedic and Neurosurgical spine surgeons in Canada as well as many of the leading non-surgical spine care specialists. The meeting is a mixture of scientific presentations, clinical symposia and poster sessions. There will be papers from every major university spine program, as well as from some of the community-based members.

The social portion of the agenda is an essential part of the meeting, as it facilitates open discussion and a free exchange of ideas. Since its inception, the CSS has been "family friendly". The Conference is structured to contain sufficient academic hours to meet Continuing Medical Education (CME) accreditation and still allow ample time for personal pursuits. We have avoided evening scientific sessions and have instead devoted the time to more congenial activities.

Lake Louise is one of the premier ski areas in Canada and the Conference will offer the chance to enjoy some of the best runs in the Canadian Rockies. The Conference begins on Wednesday, February 26th with our Opening Reception and the scientific program will extend from Thursday morning to noon on Saturday, March 1st, 2014 and you are welcome to come early and stay late if you wish to combine professional participation with an outstanding recreational opportunity.

As members of a sister Society, I am happy to offer you the same reduced Conference registration fee we charge to our own members, which is \$525 CDN. Attached is a copy of the most recent Conference program brochure (Feb 2012) to give you an idea of what to expect in 2014.

If you are able to accept this invitation on behalf of the Spine Society of Australia, then it would be appreciated that early notification be provided, so that we can plan accordingly and so further details can be forwarded by the event co-ordinator.

I hope you will be able to join us at Lake Louise in 2014.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Broad".

Robert Broad, M.D., FRCSC
President, 2011 - 2013
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