

Registrar's Announcement Council Election Results

Regular Elections – Districts 3, 4 & 5
By-Election – District 2

Registered Denturists:

I am pleased to announce the 2020 Election results for the College of Denturists of Ontario.

District 2 (By-election) – Norbert Gieger, Denturist – Acclaimed



Born and raised in Port Colborne, Norbert has resided and practiced there for over 40 years, as sole owner of Norbert Gieger Denture Clinic. After completing his education and graduating in the first class of Denturists (Denture Therapists) in 1978, it was evident he would return home to serve his community. This service driven attitude was cultivated early, and the Dental profession was a natural fit, as he grew up in a Dental Laboratory setting which was owned and operated by his father. Upon opening his main office, he also had a second office in Ridgeway until 2019, serving that community and beyond.

His interest in the advancement of the profession has accelerated proportionately as his involvement with the College has increased. He has served and been involved with the College in various capacities beginning with the transition from a hands-on College Exam, as an Examiner, to the current OSCE format as an Assessor. He was on the original team of Denturists who wrote and developed the various OSCE stations and has contributed in this manner over the years. He also served as a Non-Council member of the ICRC (Inquiries, Complaints & Reports Committee) for seven years, work he found very interesting and fulfilling, serving the public in a different capacity. He currently sits on the Patient Relations Committee.

His other involvement is broad reaching and always with a passion for improving the quality of life of his community, businesses, and residents. He currently serves on the BIA, the City Environmental Committee, and Save the Lighthouse Committee. He is also active in his church and sits on its Council.

Mr. Gieger will complete the remaining 2 years of the 3-year term for this position (the seat was open for one year) starting June 19, 2020.

District 3 – Paul Karolidis, Denturist – Acclaimed



Paul Karolidis has been practicing in District 3 since obtaining his licence in 1994. He has also been an active member of the College of Dental Technologists since 1993 and holds a licence to practice Denturism in the state of Maine since 2007. Currently, he is a full-time professor at George Brown College and has been since 2000 having taught in both the Denturism and Dental Technology programs. He graduated from both Dental Technology and Denturism programs at George Brown as well as having achieved a BA in Gerontology from Laurentian University. Over the years he has become a qualified international instructor of the Ivoclar BPS system and Candulor Swissdent system as well as having lectured on prosthodontics procedures nationally and internationally on behalf of himself, various companies and organizations.

Mr. Karolidis begins a three-year term on June 19, 2020.

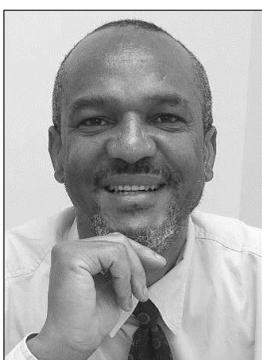
District 4 – Christopher Reis, Denturist – Acclaimed



Christopher Reis is a graduate of George Brown College Denturism program, 2013. Since he was little, Christopher had a passion for creating and building things. He also had an interest in teeth and how they functioned. After graduating and getting licensed, Christopher pursued his career by operating his own denture clinic in Toronto, Ontario. Christopher attends seminars to enhance his skills and knowledge to provide his patients with high quality denture treatments. Over the past few years, he serves on the professional advisory committee for the Dental Administration program at George Brown College. He is a member of the Denturist Association of Ontario and Denturist Association of Canada. When Christopher is not in the office, he enjoys travelling, spending time with family and friends as well as playing golf.

Mr. Reis begins his second three-year term on June 19, 2020.

District 5 – Garnett A. D. Pryce, Denturist – Acclaimed



Garnett Pryce was born in Jamaica, where he grew up and was trained as a Dental Technician. He worked in the field for several years prior to migrating to Canada.

On arriving in Canada, Garnett worked in various Dental Laboratories before purchasing Keat Dent Laboratory in 1993, which he owned and operated until 2002 when he enrolled in George Brown College Denturism Program. He has always thought that being able to deliver services directly to the public would allow him to make a more valuable contribution and improve the lives of the denture wearing population.

While in school Garnett was a student representative, and a winner of the Ben Sweet award for most outstanding pre-clinical and academic student and graduated with honors.

Garnett has always been involved in various organizations over the years and was awarded the Black History Month Community award for 2008 where he received a citation from then Premier Dalton McGinty.

A firm believer in giving back to his Profession, he has served on various committees of the CDO between 2008-2017. They include Inquires, Complaints and Reports (ICRC), Patient Relations (PR) and Discipline Committees. He has also been an Instructor teaching part-time in the Denturism program at George Brown College (2008-2010), and Trillium College (2011-2016). He is currently a Senior Instructor at Oxford College with responsibility for the Removable Partial Denture Department.

While teaching and actively engaged in private practice and family life, Garnett still tries to get in a round of golf and watch his favourite sports on TV as often as possible.

He looks forward to his new role representing District 5 on Council, contributing in whatever way he can.

Mr. Pryce begins his three-year term on June 19, 2020.

On behalf of the College, I would like to thank these individuals for their willingness to stand for election to Council. The work of Council is central to the mandate of the College and the willing participation demonstrated by those who stand for election is an essential part of professional self-regulation.

Sincerely,

Dr. Glenn Pettifer
Registrar and CEO

