Grateful for the past and excited for the future!

It has been twenty years since the collaboration between Pulsus Group and the Canadian Society for Plastic Surgeons began. Dr Peter Wyshynski was approached, in his capacity as President of the Canadian Society of Plastic Surgeons (CSPS), to discuss the potential of starting a Canadian journal in plastic surgery. Little did we know then that he had the desire and the skill to become the first Editor-in-Chief of this new *Journal*. He soon brought on board Dr John Taylor as his Associate Editor, and together they made a formidable team that provided the strong editorial leadership while Pulsus Group looked after the business aspects. It has been a rewarding relationship on many levels – for which we are profoundly grateful. We were pleased to acknowledge their dedication and present them with tokens of our appreciation at the 2011 Annual Meeting held in Vancouver, British Columbia.

In 2009, at the Annual Meeting in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Dr Don Lalonde expressed an interest in setting a new course for the *Journal*. The *Canadian Journal of Plastic Surgery* would be in for significant change, not the least of which was a change in ownership. It would be owned by the Society, who were willing to invest more time, energy, expertise and whatever else was required to have it become a journal

that truly represented them – one they could use, promote and be proud of.

It is now the dawn of the new era for the *Canadian Journal of Plastic Surgery*. The CSPS has taken on not only the ownership of the *Journal*, but also the risks and responsibilities inherent in this bold move. We have appreciated the foresight and tenacity of Dr Donald Lalonde during this transitional period and look forward to working with your dynamic Editor-in-Chief, Dr Edward Buchel, Associate Editors Dr Daniel Peters and Dr Douglas McKay, and the new Editorial Board as they set the direction and tone, and establish their new, ambitious and greatly improved 'red' *Journal*.

But most importantly, we are extremely optimistic that the CSPS has and will continue to harness its considerable energy and resources to put behind this remarkable team. It is now well and truly your *Journal* – read it, use it, publish in it, cite it, talk about it, improve it and, most importantly, champion it. The *Journal* has been turned over to you with a solid base and history – it is now up to you to build it a brilliant future.

Robert B Kalina,
Publisher