



Brockville and District Shrine Club welcomes Dr. René St-Arnaud Director of Research for Shriners Hospitals for Children Canada as the guest speaker at the May 24th General Meeting.



Dr. René St-Arnaud will speak on “The Research Centre of Shriners Hospitals for Children – Canada”.

Seating is limited, “This is a presentation you don’t want to miss”

Please contact Noble Bob Fraser 613-802-4783 or e-mail Rfraser16@cogeco.ca no later than Saturday May 20th to confirm that you and/or your lady will be attending.

Meal costs: \$20.00 per person / \$35.00 a couple

***Semi Casual / Summer Dress Attire with Fez
(Tie and Jacket Optional, No Shorts or Jeans)***

I look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday May 24th.

Sincerely and Fraternaly

Noble President Rob Smith

René St-Arnaud, Ph.D.

Dr. René St-Arnaud graduated from Laval University (Quebec City, Canada) with a Ph.D. in Physiology in 1986. Following post-doctoral training in molecular biology at the University of Ottawa (86-88) and at the State University of New York at Stony Brook (88-89), Dr. St-Arnaud joined the Genetics Unit of Shriners Hospital for Children — Canada, in 1989. In 2015, he was named Director of Research and became the inaugural appointee to the Francis Glorieux Chair in Pediatric Musculoskeletal Research.

Dr. St-Arnaud also holds cross-appointments as a tenured Full Professor of Medicine, Surgery, and Human Genetics at McGill University. Dr. St-Arnaud has held a competitive Scholarship from the Quebec Medical Research Council (FRSQ) from 1991 to 2004, and was awarded the Fuller-Albright Young Investigator award from the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (1997), the Outstanding Investigator Award in the Bone Field from the International Bone and Calcium Institute (1997), and the Excellence Award from the Foundation for Research on Children's Diseases (2003). For his contributions to bone health research, he received the C.P. Leblond Career Award from the Network for Oral and Bone Health Research in 2016.

His research, peer-review funded by Shriners Hospitals for Children, the Canadian Institutes for Health Research, and the US National Institutes of Health, focuses on the transcriptional control of gene expression in osteoblasts and on vitamin D metabolism in development and disease. He has published over 130 peer-reviewed articles in scientific journals and authored 40 book chapters. Dr. St-Arnaud holds seven medical invention patents.

A respected researcher in the bone field, Dr. St-Arnaud regularly involves himself as a volunteer leader. He chaired the Gordon Conference on Bones & Teeth in 2005 and served as Councilor for the American Society for Bone and Mineral Research (2006-09). He was Director of the Network for Oral and Bone Health Research from 2008 to 2012, President of the Association of Osteobiology (2008-12) and the President of Advances in Mineral Metabolism (2011-2013). He currently serves as Chair of the Canadian Council on Animal Care, the national organization responsible for setting, maintaining, and overseeing the implementation of high standards for animal ethics and care in science throughout Canada.