Scenes from the PDC
Watch some live dentistry, eat some apples, take a massage break and check out some products in the exhibit hall.

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By Sierra Rendon, Dental Tribune

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When the educational sessions end and the exhibitors shut down for the day, tonight’s party will begin. The Friday Night Social Event will take place from 6:45-10 p.m. here at the Vancouver Convention Centre. Enjoy an evening of Neil Diamond hits performed by Nearly Neil and the Solitary Band. There will also be snacks and beverages available. Cost to attend is $11.

In addition, the Olympic Cauldron, found on the Jack Poole Plaza, will be lit tonight from 6–10. Bring your camera as this is one event that does not come around often.

Light up your night

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The Olympic Cauldron will be lit tonight from 6–10 p.m. in Jack Poole Plaza. (Photo/Provided by the PDC)
Live on stage today: finding the optimal physiologic bite

One of the most important and fundamental skills a dentist can have is the ability to find the optimal physiologic bite. Bite optimization is based on the sound principles of mandibular occlusion, which allows the oromandibular system to rest sufficiently and to optimally function upon demand. It is the science and art of determining and maintaining specific relationships of the entire body's structures.

This morning at 9 a.m., Clayton A. Chan, DDS, will present "Obtaining a Physiologic Bite for Optimal Function."

This Live Dentistry Stage demonstration will show three bite techniques: cheek retraction, Myomonitor Tens and K7 Jaw Tracking. The clinician will learn these techniques and be able to easily apply them after learning the key scientific principles of physiologic bite recording. More live demonstrations of the optimized bite will be done at the Triumphant Athletics Group booth (Agility Guard).

Be sure to stop by the Silent Auction for the BC Dental Association in the center aisle of the exhibit hall. Kathy Alexander, from left, Avril Bain and Joilene Bordewick can answer any questions you may have.

Take a walk through the Crest Oral-B presentation (booth No. 741), and you’ll get to try mouthwash, toothpaste and an electric toothbrush. You’ll also get to take some samples home.

Artist Reg Parsons creates the sculptures at booth No. 1325.

Clayton A. Chan, DDS, speaks Thursday on "Obtaining a Physiologic Bite for Optimal Functions." You can see his presentation again at 9 a.m. today. (Photo: Sierra Rendon, Dental Tribune)