



american optometric foundation

annual report 2004-2005

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**The American Optometric Foundation (AOF)**  
**is a philanthropic organization**  
**which develops and provides financial support**  
**for optometric research and education**  
**in vision and eye health.**

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## letter from the president

In November I visited the University of Houston. The major reason was to meet with three of this year's Ezell Fellows and to recognize them in front of their faculty and peers. Meeting with these three young scientists energized me. It was exciting to hear about their research and their aspirations. Discussing their career plans was an opportunity to share my own experiences as a PhD student and, several years later, a post-doc looking for a position in research and education. Their achievements also motivated one of their faculty, Dr. Ruth Manny (herself a Former Ezell Fellow), to join the Presidents Circle.

Any of you who met this year's Ezell Fellows at the AOF Luncheon in San Diego or through other interactions will have been impressed by their credentials and drive. They remind us of why the AOF's mission is so important and what a great investment it can be for the entire profession. In 2005 it was our pleasure to make the first award from the George Mertz Fund to Dr. Loretta Szczotka in the form of an Ezell Fellowship. Industry, professional, and personal friends of George have contributed or pledged over \$200,000 to establish this fund. George would have been touched by this generosity and proud of our awardee. Loretta also joined the Presidents Circle in 2005.



Overall, it was a great year for the Foundation in which we received a number of significant donations. Bausch & Lomb recognized Drs. Richard Hill and Donald Korb as their 2005 Visionary Awardees. Dick and Don each pledged their \$20,000 award to the AOF, respectively completing the Fry Award and Mertz funds. Thank you both and thank you Bausch & Lomb for this great program that supports philanthropic organizations and recognizes excellence at the same time.

Last fall, the Foundation gratefully received a very generous bequest of over \$32,000 from the estate of Helen Langhoff. Ms. Langhoff's association with optometry is unclear, but this fabulous gift is probably the result of past professional services or friendship from a supporter of the AOF. If you played a role in this bequest, please let us know. Also, I encourage all of you, young and old, to consider the AOF in your estate planning. If you need further information or assistance, please contact the Foundation office. In 2005 I also had the opportunity to apply for a donation from the American Contract Bridge League Foundation, resulting in a \$5000 contribution.

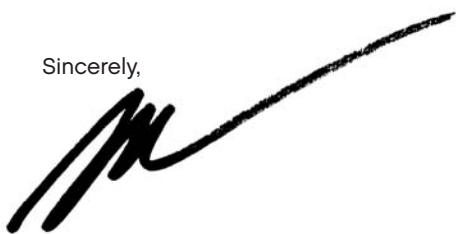
The Foundation welcomed AMO as a sponsor of an Ezell Fellowship. For several years, AMO has sponsored the AOF Luncheon and we welcome their additional support and the addition of their Chief Marketing Officer, Russell Trenary III, to the Foundation Board. Alcon also stepped up in a big way this year. Their Opti-Free Fountain in the Exhibit Hall raised over \$46,000 for the Foundation, of which \$30,000 was contributed by Alcon.

We look forward to building on this relationship. We are also grateful to Bausch & Lomb, CIBA, Essilor, and especially Vistakon for their support of the Foundation's programs. Without their generous corporate support the Foundation's portfolio would look a lot slimmer.

The Foundation welcomed a number of new and existing supporters in 2005. Dr. David Kirschen joined the AOF Board and hit the ground running. I thank Dave and the other Board Members for their hard work. Drs. Brett Bence, John Flanagan, Kathy Dumbleton, and Gordon Harris joined the Presidents Circle. Of course, I could take several pages to thank all of you that contributed through pledges, auction donations and winning bids, education honoraria, registration and dues contributions, or in memoriam gifts, but you can find your names on the ensuing pages of this Annual Report.

In closing, I would like to welcome Kristal Watkins as our Foundation Coordinator. Many of you will have been charmed by Kristal in San Diego and we are fortunate to have her talents working for the AOF. I would also like to remind you that this is the Academy's Foundation. In Lois Schoenbrun, the AOF shares a first-rate Executive Director with the American Academy of Optometry and receives considerable financial and in-kind support. This ongoing relationship has freed the Foundation to focus on new initiatives that are beginning to bear fruit. The financial statement on page 16 demonstrates that the Foundation is moving in the right direction, but needs and deserves your renewed support. As you read this report, please think about the ways in which you can invest in the future of optometry by contributing to the Foundation this year.

Sincerely,

A large, bold, handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mark Bullimore', written over a long horizontal line.

Mark Bullimore, MCOptom, PhD, FAAO  
President

ADVANCED MEDICAL OPTICS (AMO) —  
EZELL FELLOW



**Joy Martin, OD**  
University of Houston  
College of Optometry

**Research Focus:** Methodology for direct, non-invasive measurement of parafoveal capillary

leukocyte pulsatility using an adaptive optics scanning laser ophthalmoscope.

*“The American Optometric Foundation and the Ezell Fellowship will greatly support me in completing my retinal imaging and hemodynamics research goals and my Ph.D. The Ezell Fellowship program is a great encouragement to myself and other students who would like to become optometric educators and researchers.”*

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPTOMETRY  
SECTION ON CORNEA AND CONTACT  
LENSES (CCLS) — EZELL FELLOW

**David A. Berntsen, OD, MS, FFAO**  
The Ohio State University College of Optometry

**Research Focus:** Mechanisms in myopia progression in childhood and clinical evaluation of In Vivo soft contact lens optics.



*“It is a tremendous honor to receive an AOF William C. Ezell Fellowship and I thank the AAO Section on Cornea and Contact Lenses for sponsoring my particular fellowship. It is exciting*

*and motivating to be added to the list of previous Ezell Fellows, which includes nine of the authors I referenced in my first research publication as primary author. This award will be extremely helpful as I continue to pursue my education and research endeavors.”*

BAUSCH & LOMB — EZELL FELLOW

**Jason Marsack, MS**  
University of Houston College of Optometry

**Research Focus:** Investigation of optical aberration in the keratoconus cornea.



*“The generous support of the AOF has already advanced our efforts to design custom optics by providing support for laboratory equipment and supplies through the AOF-Vistakon Soft Contact Lens Research Grant. I am honored to receive the B&L Ezell fellowship and view it as a major benchmark in my young career. This award not only recognizes my efforts, but those of the many mentors who have supported me in the physiological optics and vision science program at the University of Houston, College of Optometry.”*

CIBA VISION — EZELL FELLOW

**Robert Wojciechowski, OD, MSc**  
Johns Hopkins University  
National Human Genome  
Research Institute



**Research Focus:** Quantitative Trait Locus (QTL) linkage analysis of refractive error and biometric ocular components in Ashkenazi Jewish and Amish populations.

*“I would like to thank the American Optometric Foundation as well as individual and corporate sponsors for their generous contributions to the Ezell Fellowship fund. I am honored to be among this distinguished group of scientists whose immense contribution to optometric science and education will help guide me in my future. By providing much-needed resources, the CIBA Vision – William C. Ezell Fellowship has allowed me to focus on my didactic studies and research goals.”*

MERTZ – EZELL FELLOW

**Loretta B. Szczotka-Flynn, OD, MS, FAAO**

Case Western Reserve University  
Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics



**Research Focus:** Research project defining factors and mechanisms of inflammatory and mechanical complications of silicone hydrogel continuous wear (CW) contact lens use.

*"The AOF has once again honored me as a William C. Ezell Fellow for the 2005/2006 academic year. I am especially touched that the AOF has honored me as the first George W. Mertz Scholarship Award Recipient as part of the Ezell Fellowship. I knew George well and it is an honor to be named as a research fellow in his name, especially since my interest in extended wear contact lenses was one of his passions as well. This Ezell Fellowship greatly assists me in devoting time to my goal of pursuing advanced training in clinical research."*

ESSILOR – EZELL FELLOW

**Lisa Ostrin, OD**

University of Houston College of Optometry

**Research Focus:** Studying human and monkey dynamic and static accommodation using objective methods of measurement and the effects of various pharmacological agents on the accommodative system.



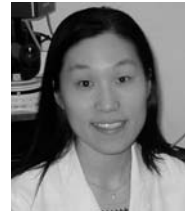
*"I would like to thank the American Optometric Foundation and Essilor in their support of my research through the Ezell Fellowship. It is truly an honor to receive this prestigious award that*

*many of our distinguished deans, professors and researchers have also held. This award will help me towards my long term goal of pursuing clinical research in optometry and vision science."*

VISTAKON – EZELL FELLOWS

**Ling Chi Huang, OD**

University of Houston  
College of Optometry



**Research Focus:** Expression and functional activities of anti-microbial peptides at the ocular surface and functional roles of the epithelial-derived anti-microbial peptide LL-37 at the ocular surface.

*"It is an honor to be chosen by AOF as an Ezell Fellow. I am committed to fulfilling the expectations of an Ezell Fellow and look forward to the stimulating challenges ahead in fulfilling my academic research aims. The continued sponsorship and support provided by VISTAKON to the optometric community is essential in encouraging basic and clinical research critical to the furtherance of optometry. I am very grateful for the opportunity and support afforded to me in making my contribution to this endeavor."*



**Danielle M. Robertson, OD**

University of Houston  
College of Optometry

**Research Focus:** Gene regulation of corneal epithelial homeostasis, tissue engineering and gene therapy, and ocular surface reconstruction in patients with bilateral limbal stem cell deficiency.

*"Support from the American Optometric Foundation and corporate sponsors through the W.C. Ezell Fellowship program provides a unique opportunity to promote the next generation of clinician scientists. The furthered development of talented clinician scientists within the field of optometry is vital to maintaining excellence in clinical, bench, and transitional research. Your continued support is greatly appreciated."*

**WILLIAM C. EZELL FELLOWS**

In 1947, inspired by the need to advance optometric research and education, William C. Ezell founded the American Optometric Foundation. As a means to fulfill his vision, AOF established the William C. Ezell Fellowship, which to this day continues to provide financial support to postgraduate students who plan to pursue an academic career in optometry and vision science.

Over the past half-century, AOF and the Ezell Fellowship program have helped make optometric education what it is today. AOF salutes its 2005-2006 Ezell Fellows.

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Steven Kastenbaum



*Dr. Michael Harris (right) presents Dr. Mark Rosenfield with the 2005 Michael Harris Family Award for Excellence in Optometric Education.*

*Names in bold indicate Ezell Club Members.  
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 LENS EZELL FELLOWS

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| <b>2003-2004</b> | Melissa Bailey         |
| <b>2004-2005</b> | Loretta Szczotka-Flynn |
| <b>2005-2006</b> | David A. Berntsen      |

*Names in bold indicate Ezell Club Members.*

*\*current Ezell Fellow*

**2005 GLENN A. FRY LECTURE AWARD**

**Purpose:** To recognize a distinguished scientist or clinician for her or his current research contributions. The recipient is invited to present a special paper at the American Academy of Optometry's Annual Meeting.

**Suzanne Fleiszig, OD, PhD, FAAO**  
University of California-Berkeley  
School of Optometry

**2005 MICHAEL G. HARRIS FAMILY  
AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN OPTOMETRIC  
EDUCATION**

**Purpose:** To recognize an optometric educator who has demonstrated ongoing and consistent excellence in education of optometry students and/or advancement of optometric education.

**Mark Rosenfield, MCOptom, PhD, FAAO**  
The State University of New York  
State College of Optometry

**2005-2006 VISTAKON RESEARCH GRANTS**

**Purpose:** To support basic or clinical research in the area of soft disposable contact lenses.

**\$25,000 GRANT:**

**Joseph A. Bonanno, OD, PhD, FAAO**  
Indiana University School of Optometry  
Tear Oxygen Tension beneath Silicone Hydrogel  
Contact Lenses

**\$10,000 GRANT:**

**Barbara Fink, OD, PhD, FAAO**  
The Ohio State University College of Optometry  
Contributions of Silicone Hydrogel Lens Thickness,  
Lens Permeability, and Tear Exchange to Corneal  
Oxygen Supply

**2005 GEORGE MERTZ CONTACT LENS  
RESIDENCY AWARD**

Financial support by VISTAKON®

**Purpose:** To promote the practice and development of the field of optometry by providing incentive and support to talented optometric residents who demonstrate a passion and commitment to practice, research and education.

**Jason Robert Chin, OD**  
New England College of Optometry

**2005 SHELDON WECHSLER  
CONTACT LENS RESIDENCY AWARD**

Financial support by VISTAKON®

**Purpose:** To promote the practice and development of the field of optometry by providing incentive and support to talented optometric residents who demonstrate a passion and commitment to practice, research and education.

**Lynette Johns, OD**  
New England College of Optometry

**2005 TERRANCE N. INGRAHAM PEDIATRIC  
OPTOMETRY RESIDENCY AWARD**

Financial support by VISTAKON®

**Purpose:** To promote the practice and development of the field of pediatric optometry by providing incentive and support to talented optometric residents who demonstrate a passion and commitment to practice, research and education in the field of children's vision.

**Elise Harb, OD, FAAO**  
New England College of Optometry

**2005 ANTOINETTE MOLINARI  
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**Purpose:** A rotating, regional scholarship designed to assist an exceptional student who has extraordinary financial needs and, as such, would have difficulty meeting the financial requirements of attending optometry school. The student must maintain a 3.5 or higher grade point average at the time of application.

**Guadalupe A. Mejia**  
Indiana University School of Optometry

**2005-2006 VINCENT SALIERNO SCHOLARSHIP**

**Purpose:** A rotating scholarship that is awarded to the student chosen by the faculty as most deserving financially and educationally. The scholarship is renewed through the student's fourth year of optometry school, provided that the student remains in good standing and maintains a 3.0 grade point average or higher for all course work in optometry school.

**Kimberlee Sakai**  
Southern California College of Optometry

**2005 VISTAKON AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE  
IN CONTACT LENS PATIENT CARE**

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding student clinicians who have demonstrated excellence in contact lens patient care during their optometric education.

**Charles Rottinghaus**  
*Illinois College of Optometry*

**Stephanie Ann Farnsworth**  
*Indiana University School of Optometry*

**Kelly Elizabeth Kingsbury**  
*Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University*

**Scott Krauchunas**  
*New England College of Optometry*

**Holly M. Holt**  
*Northeastern State University College of Optometry*

**Timothy Thomas**  
*Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry*

**Abby Campbell**  
*The Ohio State University College of Optometry*

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*Pacific University College of Optometry*

**Michelle L. Beachkofsky**  
*Pennsylvania College of Optometry*

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**Kelli Y. Shaon**  
*University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Optometry*

**Delia E. Flores Lebron**  
*Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry*

**Zareen Charania**  
*University of Waterloo College of Optometry*

**Isabel Moreau**  
*Université de Montréal Ecole d'Optométrie*

**2005 ACUVUE EYE HEALTH ADVISOR  
STUDENT CITIZENSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

**Purpose:** To recognize outstanding student clinicians who best exemplify ideal eye care standards of practice.

**Joseph A. Pruitt**  
*Illinois College of Optometry*

**Guadalupe Mejia**  
*Indiana University School of Optometry*

**Vincente A. Calderon**  
*Inter American University of Puerto Rico*

**Rebecca S. Major**  
*Michigan College of Optometry*

**Jennifer Stewart**  
*New England College of Optometry*

**Caleb J. Schoonover**  
*Northeastern State University College of Optometry*

**Parres Harris-Roberts**  
*Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry*

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**Tracey Jacobsen**  
*Pacific University College of Optometry*

**Desinee Drakulich**  
*Pennsylvania College of Optometry*

**Paula Tran**  
*Southern California College of Optometry*

**Brad Wicklund**  
*Southern College of Optometry*

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*University of Alabama-Birmingham School of Optometry*

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*University of California-Berkeley School of Optometry*

**Shane Fontenot**  
*University of Houston College of Optometry*

**Carrie Wright**  
*University of Missouri-St. Louis College of Optometry*

**Yves Duhaime**  
*Université de Montréal Ecole d'Optométrie*

**Krista Flynn**  
*University of Waterloo School of Optometry*

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***We express our deepest gratitude to the individuals and corporations whose support sustains the American Optometric Foundation. Their extraordinary generosity and leadership enable AOF to fulfill its mission.***

## PRESIDENTS CIRCLE

The American Optometric Foundation's Presidents Circle was established in 1997 to recognize donors who contribute gifts of \$10,000 or more. This contribution can be in the form of a one-time gift or a long-term pledge. AOF is deeply grateful for the ongoing commitment from this special group of donors.

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*AOF supporters enjoy the speakers at the 2005 AOF Research Luncheon: (left to right) Dave Sattler, Dr. Karla Zadnik, Dr. Kathryn Dumbleton and Dr. Brett G. Bence.*



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## GIFTS BY WILL – PLANNING FOR OPTOMETRY’S FUTURE

Contributions received through bequests are a vital part of our planned giving program and help endow future programs and initiatives. A donor may choose to designate the American Optometric Foundation as the recipient of a bequest through his/her will by naming AOF to receive a specific dollar amount or a percentage of the residual estate. Gifts by will enable a donor to make a significant contribution to AOF while retaining full control of his/her assets.

To include a bequest to the American Optometric Foundation in your will, we suggest this simple statement: “I give, devise, and bequeath to the American Optometric Foundation, 6110 Executive Boulevard, Suite 506, Rockville, MD, 20852, the sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (or \_\_\_\_\_% of my residual estate, or otherwise describe stocks, bonds, real estate, or other assets) to be used for general purposes (or describe a specific purpose).

## LEGACY SOCIETY

The Legacy Society recognizes the following individuals who have informed us that the American Optometric Foundation is designated as a beneficiary of a bequest through their will:

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*Proud grandfather, Dr. Mark Eger, is excited about winning the “Teddy Bears” quilt created and donated by Dr. Karla Zadnik. The perfect gift for his new grandchild.*

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*Dr. Richard Hill (left) and Dr. Donald Korb (right) with Paul G. Howes, Bausch & Lomb Senior Vice President and President of the Americas Region.*



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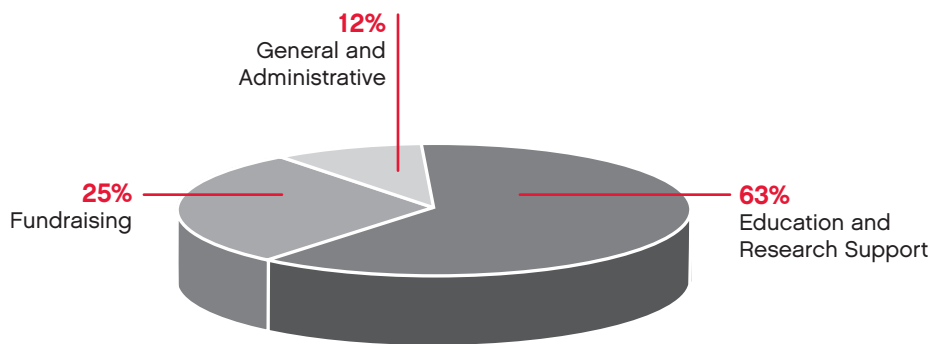
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|   | 2004 - 2005        | 2003 - 2004        |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| Total Assets                            | \$1,568,502        | \$1,249,432        |
| Total Liabilities                       | \$1,709            | \$12,510           |
| <b>Net Assets</b>                       |                    |                    |
| Board-Designated Endowment              | \$404,367          | \$396,669          |
| General Unrestricted                    | \$71,665           | \$21,605           |
| Temporarily Restricted                  | \$910,906          | \$639,430          |
| Permanently Restricted                  | \$179,855          | \$179,218          |
| <b>Total Net Assets</b>                 | <b>\$1,566,793</b> | <b>\$1,236,922</b> |
| <b>Revenue, Support, and Gains</b>      |                    |                    |
| Unrestricted                            | \$186,172          | \$144,963          |
| Temporarily Restricted                  | \$433,369          | \$225,276          |
| Permanently Restricted                  | \$637              | \$618              |
| <b>Total Revenue, Support and Gains</b> | <b>\$620,178</b>   | <b>\$370,857</b>   |
| <b>Expenses</b>                         |                    |                    |
| Education and Research Support          | \$183,244          | \$222,222          |
| Fundraising                             | \$73,034           | \$75,268           |
| General and Administrative              | \$34,029           | \$29,706           |
| <b>Total Expenses</b>                   | <b>\$290,307</b>   | <b>\$327,196</b>   |

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