

# The 1997-1998 American Optometric Foundation Annual Report

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# Message from the President



As we approach the next century, the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) is poised to become the most important philanthropic force in optometric research and education in the world.

We have achieved significant growth in the past year, most notably in corporate funding of the prestigious Ezell Fellowship program. With considerable support from our friends in the corporate world, AOF was able to increase both the amount and number of fellowships offered. During the 1998-99 academic year, AOF is proud to support nine outstanding graduate students who demonstrate a serious commitment to pursuing careers in academic optometry. As you note their credentials and accomplishments in our Annual Report, you will agree that these exceptional students are the future leaders of our profession. Many of the more than 200 former Ezell Fellows have gone on to distinguished careers in practice, teaching and research, thus moving the profession forward in a way that allows all of us to be proud to be optometrists.

In addition to the Ezell Fellowship program, AOF continues to offer a wide range of important scholarships and grants for students and faculty in areas such as excellence in contact lens practice, soft contact lens research, and critical financial aid for those in need. This year we will expand our roster to include a new research grant in ophthalmic lenses, as well as ethics and mode of practice. All of the individuals who benefit from these programs are listed in our Annual Report.

We have been hard at work to build an endowment that will be the pride of our profession. Our goal is to build a twenty million-dollar endowment which will generate one million dollars worth of funds per year for research and education in optometry. With over 20,000 optometric practitioners in the United States and many more around the world, this goal is within our reach. As our endowment grows, we will be able to use the interest from our investments, rather than the corpus itself, to sustain our programs and venture into funding innovative teaching programs at our schools and colleges of optometry.

AOF is grateful for the support of its affiliate, the American Academy of Optometry. The Academy continues to affirm its commitment to AOF in both its short and long range plans. A recent survey of Academy members showed that while many of the respondents knew of the AOF, few were familiar with

our mission and how we serve our profession. Please take the opportunity to read through our Annual Report and get to know us better. This is Your Foundation.

While corporate funding has increased significantly over the past year, individual giving has yet to reach the next plateau. If only 10,000 (less than one-half) of the optometrists contributed an annual donation of \$100, AOF would have the twenty million-dollar endowment within our lifetime.

I send my heartfelt gratitude to those of you who have sustained the AOF for so many years. I also thank our new friends who have recently joined us in our mission. To those of you still contemplating, I urge you to take action today. With your support, there is no limit to what we can accomplish together. Let's make AOF the pride of our profession for the new millenium!

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sarita Soni". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

P. Sarita Soni, O.D., M.S.

President

# Meet the AOF Board of Directors

## **Earl L. Smith III, President**



Earl Leo Smith III, OD, MS, Ph.D., FAAO, is a professor of optometry and physiological optics at the University of Houston's College of Optometry. He received his bachelor of science, OD, master of science, and Ph.D. from the University of Houston. His numerous awards include the AOF Ezell Fellowship, a National Institutes of Health post-doctoral fellowship, the University of Houston Amoco Teaching Excellence Award, and the AOF's Glenn A. Fry Award. Since 1987, he has held the Greeman-Petty distinguished professorship in vision development.



## **George W. Mertz, President-Elect**

George W. Mertz, OD, FAAO, is director of academic affairs for Vistakon, a division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Products, Inc. In his current role, he is responsible for coordinating Vistakon's technical and educational programs with academic institutions in optometry and ophthalmology.

Despite his long experience in the field, optometry was not Dr. Mertz's first career choice. He graduated from the University of Kansas in 1969 with a bachelor's degree in petroleum engineering and worked for the Standard Oil Company of California for nearly three years before pursuing optometry.

Since graduating from the University of California at Berkeley School of Optometry in 1975, Dr. Mertz has immersed himself in clinical research and professional education programs in the contact lens industry. He has held executive management positions in several contact lens manufacturing companies, and in 1980, he participated in landmark research at the Cornea and Contact Lens Research Unit, University of New South Wales, in Sydney, Australia, where he studied the physiological response to extended-wear soft contact lenses.

In 1990, Dr. Mertz joined Vistakon as the manager of clinical research and product analysis in its Research and Development Division. In addition to being a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry, he is a charter member of the International Society for Contact Lens Research. He has published more than 25

technical articles on contact lenses and has lectured throughout the world on a variety of contact lens-related topics.



**Sidney I. Greenberg, Secretary/Treasurer**

Sidney Greenberg, OD, FAAO, served as an optometrist in the U.S. Navy, where he was a Lieutenant Commander. He is currently in private practice in Russellville, Alabama.

**William R. Baldwin, Board Member**

Dr. Baldwin, O.D. Ph.D., is the CEO of the River Blindness Foundation in Wilbraham, MA. He has previously served as President of New England College of Optometry and Dean of the Colleges of Optometry at Pacific University and University of Houston. Dr. Baldwin received his O.D. from Pacific University, and his doctorate in physiological optics from Indiana University.

Dr. Baldwin has been actively involved with numerous optometric organizations throughout his career. He has previously served on the Board of Directors of the Association for the Schools and Colleges of Optometry (ASCO), the National Association for the Professions, the Ophthalmic Research Institute, the National Society to Prevent Blindness, as well as the American Optometric Foundation. Dr. Baldwin has received many honors including the Presidents Medal, New England College of Optometry; the Distinguished Service Award, American Optometric Association (1991); Distinguished Scholar, National Academies of Practice (1993), the Louisa Lee Schuyler Lifetime Achievement Award, Prevent Blindness America (1995); and the Distinguished Service Award from the U.S. Public Health Service (1998).



**Joan M. Exford, Board Member**

Joan M. Exford, OD, FAAO, is an optometrist in private practice in Boston, MA. Dr. Exford formerly served on faculty at the Massachusetts College of Optometry and Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary. She received her masters in optometry from Indiana University and her doctorate in optometry from Pacific University in Oregon.

Among her many distinctions, Dr. Exford was a member of the Executive Council of the American Academy of Optometry from 1982-1996, where she served as President from 1993 to 1994.

Currently, she serves on the boards of Prevent Blindness America and The Borish Center for Ophthalmic Research, as well as the American Optometric Foundation. Dr. Exford has received the Woman of Vision Award from the Massachusetts Society to Prevent Blindness in 1985 and was named Optometrist of the Year by the Massachusetts Society of Optometrists in 1994.

**Richard M. Hill, Board Member**

Richard M. Hill completed his optometric and graduate degrees in physiological optics at the University of California, Berkeley. Since 1964, he has served on the faculty of the College of Optometry at The Ohio State University &ndash; for seven years as dean, and is now emeritus. In 1996, he was designated Optometrist of the Year by the Ohio Optometric Association. His research interests have included neuro-physiology of the visual system, visual psychophysics, and physiology of the eye. He has published more than 250 referred reports in the ophthalmic literature, and has received the Gold Medal of the British Contact Lens Association and the Charles F. Prentice Medal of the American Academy of Optometry.



**Alfred A. Rosenbloom, Jr., Board Member**

Alfred Rosenbloom, OD, MA, DOS, FAAO, is the Founder and current Director of Low Vision Services for The Chicago Lighthouse in Illinois. He is also Adjunct Professor in the Department of Ophthalmology at the University of Illinois Medical Center. Dr. Rosenbloom was formerly Dean and President of Illinois College of Optometry, where he also received doctorates in optometry and ocular sciences. He is a Diplomate of the Low Vision Section of the American Academy of Optometry.

In addition to his appointment to the AOF Board of Directors, Dr. Rosenbloom serves on the boards of the American Foundation for the Blind, the National Accreditation Council for Agencies serving the Blind and Visually Handicapped, and the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Blindness. Dr. Rosenbloom has received many honors including the Louisa Lee Schuyler Lifetime Achievement Award from Prevent Blindness America (1997), Lifetime Achievement Award from the Chicago Lighthouse (1996), the Distinguished Service Award from the American Optometric Association (1995), and the William Feinbloom Memorial Award from the American Academy of Optometry.

**Jacques Stoerr, Board Member**

Jacques Stoerr began his 18-year career with Essilor in 1981, serving as Director of Professional Relations for the Varilux Corporation, a subsidiary of Essilor International. In that role, he promoted the use of progressive lenses by commissioning clinical studies and research grants for universities and by communicating the results to the industry.

After only a few years, he was promoted to Vice President of Marketing and subsequently became President of the Varilux Corporation. In 1989, Mr. Stoerr moved to the East Coast to become President of Silor Optical, another subsidiary of Essilor. In 1991, he became President of Essilor of America, Inc. where, in addition to the United States, he was responsible for the Canadian, Mexican, and Central American markets. In 1998, Mr. Stoerr became the Chairman of Essilor of America, Inc.

He received the 1999 Visions of a Winner Award by Prevent Blindness America in recognition for his contributions to his community as well as to programs that advance eye health. Mr. Stoerr serves on the boards of the Optical Industry Association and Transitions Optical, Inc.

#### **Peter Bergenske, Board Member**

Dr. Peter Bergenske is currently in private practice in Middleton, Wisconsin. A second generation optometrist, he practiced for ten years in partnership with his father, who passed away in 1988. As of January 1, 1997, he has joined his practice with two other successful optometric practices to form Isthmus Eye Care.

Dr. Bergenske obtained his Bachelor's Degree from the University of Wisconsin in Madison. He graduated with honors in 1978 from the School of Optometry at the University of California, Berkeley and returned to Wisconsin to practice. In addition to providing patient care, Dr. Bergenske enjoys active involvement in clinical research, having served as a clinical investigator for numerous contact lens products.

A diplomate of the American Academy of Optometry's Section on Cornea and Contact Lenses, Dr. Bergenske is the Immediate Past Chair of the Section. He has served the Academy on many committees, including chairing the Communications Committee and serving on the Select Committee on Ethics and Professionalism. He has been actively involved in the Academy's Leadership task force and has participated in each of the Leadership workshops presented by that group. From 1982 to 1988

he served as the Director of the Optometric Technician Program at Madison Area Technical College where he developed and taught several courses for paraoptometric. He has lectured throughout the United States and Canada and has published numerous articles on contact lens related issues.

Dr. Bergenske has twin teenage sons and enjoys cycling, plays the guitar, speaks German, and is a Level 2 certified USA Hockey referee.



**P. Sarita Soni, Past President and Executive Council Liason**

P. Sarita Soni, OD, MS, FAAO, is a professor of optometry and visual sciences and the associate dean for research and the graduate programs at the Indiana University School of Optometry in Bloomington, Indiana. She received her bachelor of science in ophthalmic optics from the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology, Manchester, England. She was awarded a doctorate in optometry and a master of science in pathology by Indiana University. Dr. Soni is the co-director of the Borish Center for Ophthalmic Research at Indiana University. Her career has maintained a balance between clinical education, research, and institutional and professional service.

**Lois Schoenbrun, Ex-Officio member**

Lois is Executive Director of the Academy, the American Optometric Foundation and the Ophthalmic Research Institute, with responsibility for leading staff in carrying out the policies set by the governing bodies of each. Lois also works closely with the volunteer leadership in planning for the future of the organizations.



Lois has been with the Academy since June of 1996. She has fourteen years of medical association experience, and has earned the Certified Association Executive designation.

In her spare time, Lois practices the Korean martial art of TaeKwonDo with her ten year old son. Both have earned black belts.

**Christine Armstrong, Foundation Director**

Christine Armstrong has been with the American Optometric Foundation since June 1999. As the Foundation Director, Christine is responsible for the daily activities of the Foundation. She ensures

the coordination of all scholarships, grants, and fellowship programs. Christine assists the Board of Directors in developing long-range fundraising goals and implementing strategies to increase AOF's endowment.

# William C. Ezell Fellowships

Rockville, MD - The American Optometric Foundation (AOF) announces the 1998-1999 William C. Ezell Fellowship recipients. Bausch & Lomb, CIBA Vision, Essilor, and Vistakon join the AOF as corporate sponsors of the Ezell Fellowship program.

## Bausch & Lomb-Ezell Fellowship



**Nikole  
Himebaugh, OD**

**School of  
Optometry  
Indiana  
University**

**Research Focus:** the evaluation of procedures used on orthokeratology patients

**Quote:** "I aspire to the level of academic excellence set forth by this remarkable group. Throughout my career, I hope to make similar contributions to the profession of optometry in both teaching and research."

## CIBA Vision-Ezell Fellowship



**Marjorie  
Jeandervin, OD,  
MS**

**School of  
Optometry  
The Ohio State  
University**

**Research Focus:** videokeratography and the etiology of myopia

**Quote:** "Receiving an Ezell Fellowship is a very prestigious honor that every graduate student in vision science would be proud to receive. This award has given me the opportunity to discontinue outside employment and focus full-time on clinical vision research."

## Essilor-Ezell Fellowship



**Ashley  
(Kuang  
Mon) Tuan, OD, MS**

**School of Optometry  
University of  
California, Berkeley**

**Research Focus:** visual function after cataract surgery

**Quote:** "The Ezell Fellowship allowed me to participate in an exciting low vision teaching opportunity in China. I am grateful for AOF and its support, which will help the efficiency and depth of my education as I pursue a career in optometric teaching and research."

## Vistakon-Ezell Fellowship



**Kelly Kinney**

**College of  
Optometry  
Ohio State  
University**

**Research focus:** The evaluation of clinical assessment in dry eye

**Quote:** "The Ezell Fellowship represents the faith my colleagues have in my abilities to contribute significantly to our profession. As a two-time recipient, I strive to excel at the level set by my predecessors and beyond."

## AOF Ezell Fellowships

 <p><b>Brad Fortune</b> School of Optometry, University of California, Berkeley</p>	<p><b>Research focus:</b> Visual function and electrophysiology in diabetes</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> "The American Optometric Foundation, through its support of the Ezell Fellowship and other programs for our profession, has helped me further in my career as an optometric clinical researcher and educator."</p>
 <p><b>Per Lundmark</b> Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto</p>	<p><b>Research Focus:</b> non-invasive methods for detection of functional and anatomical anomalies of the visual system</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> "The Ezell Fellowship will provide important financial support for the completion of my study and my Ph.D. degree."</p>
 <p><b>Luke Mahon</b> School of Optometry, University of California, Berkeley</p>	<p><b>Research focus:</b> The physiological basis of asymmetrical color vision outputs of opponent/nonopponent mechanisms</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> "[The Ezell Fellowship] has allowed me to focus on my research without diverting unnecessary time into obtaining funding from other sources of employment."</p>
 <p><b>Tonya Thomas, OD</b> School of Medicine Indiana University</p>	<p><b>Research Focus:</b> biotransformation and antioxidant enzymes in diabetic ocular tissue</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> "[The funding of] this fellowship tells me, other optometric colleagues, and the basic scientific community, that AOF supports persons interested in research and the academic side of optometry, which is essential in keeping the profession strong."</p>
 <p><b>Suresh Viswanathan</b> College of Optometry</p>	<p>neurons to the light-adapted ERG response</p> <p><b>Quote:</b> "The continued financial support that I have received through the Ezell Fellowship for the past three years has allowed me to focus on my work and make great progress towards achieving my academic goals "</p>

The recipients were selected on the criteria of scholarship, research and teaching. The AOF Board of Directors enthusiastically took official action conferring these prestigious Fellowships at their June meeting held in Indianapolis, IN.

**Areas of research focus include:** the physiological basis of asymmetrical color vision outputs of opponent/nonopponent mechanisms (**Mahon**); visual function after cataract surgery (**Tuan**); the contribution of different inner retinal neurons to the light-adapted ERG response (**Viswanathan**); visual function and electrophysiology in diabetes (**Fortune**), the evaluation of clinical assessment in dry eye (**Kinney**); the evaluation of procedures used on orthokeratology patients (**Himebaugh**); videokeratography and the etiology of myopia (**Jeandervin**); non-invasive methods for detection of functional and anatomical anomalies of the visual system (**Lundmark**); biotransformation and antioxidant enzymes in diabetic ocular tissue (**Thomas**).

**The Ezell Fellowship Program**, named after the founder of AOF, William C. Ezell, OD was established to provide an opportunity to talented post-graduate researchers who wish to pursue careers in optometric research and education. To date over 200 William C. Ezell, OD Fellowships have been awarded since the inception of the program in 1949.

**AOF President Sarita Soni**, OD, FAAO stated: "support of such exciting research will have relevance not only to the eye care profession but to the general public as well. The AOF Board is extremely pleased with these candidates and the topics they have chosen to investigate. By awarding these Fellowships, we entrust the individuals to contribute and remain active in the profession as well as in the Foundation."

**The American Optometric Foundation**, founded in 1947, is the oldest and largest international philanthropic organization devoted to the advancement of optometric education and research.

For more information on programs offered by the American Optometric Foundation, please contact:

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# Awards & Scholarships for 1998

## Vistakon Award of Excellence

Christopher Carver, OD	Southern College of Optometry
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Sheri Roggy, OD	Univ. of Missouri - St. Louis, School of Optometry
Javier Zamora, OD	University of Houston, College of Optometry
Lisa Renee VanDerbeek, OD	Pennsylvania College of Optometry
Brett Ringger, OD	Northeastern State University, College of Optometry
Irena Shteynberg, OD	Nova Southeastern University, College of Optometry
Dylan Foss, OD	Illinois College of Optometry
Michelle Wika-Chaney, OD	Pacific University, College of Optometry
Joseph C. Pfondevida, OD	Southern California College of Optometry
Tara Richrmond, OD	Michigan College of Optometry
Avila Cox, OD	University of Waterloo, School of Optometry
Laura Leanne Pugh, OD	University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry
Aaron Lawrence, OD	The Ohio State University, College of Optometry
Miguel A. Pagan Santana, OD	Inter American University of Puerto Rico, School of Optometry
Kaaryn Pederson, OD	University of California - Berkeley, School of Optometry
Roselyn Jeun, OD	The New England College of Optometry
Mirka Morin, OD	University of Montreal, School of Optometry

## Dr. Henry Hofstetter Scholarship Award

Linda Knapp, OD	Indiana University, School of Optometry
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## Gary P. Gross, OD, Memorial Scholarship

Lisa Michele Campbell, OD	University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry
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## Vincent Salierno Scholarship

Aaron Anderson	Southern College of Optometry
Alan Barber	Univ. of Missouri - St. Louis, School of Optometry
David Morrisse	University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry
Bobby B. Decker	Northeastern State University, College of Optometry
Andrew O. Iteghie	Inter American University of Puerto Rico, School of

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<b>Vistakon</b>	

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(gift or pledge of \$10,000+)

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<b>Total Assets</b>	\$1,010,916
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	7,697
<b>Net Assets</b>	
Board-designated Endowment	534,537
General Unrestricted	13,941
Temporarily Restricted	296,741
Permanently Restricted	158,000
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	\$1,003,219
<b>Revenue, Support, and Gains:</b>	
Unrestricted	\$ 300,084
Temporarily Restricted	92,879
<b>Total Revenue, Support, and Gains:</b>	392,963
<b>Expenses</b>	
Program	\$ 131,157
Fundraising	68,385
General and Administrative	82,711
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 282,253

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