Howdy Y’all! Welcome to Texas. Most of you who know me know that I am not the most Texan of Texans, but as a born and bred Texan, I am looking forward to having you as our guest in San Antonio.

This year the meeting will begin for some of you with the latest edition of the Diplomate Preparatory Course. This year’s lineup of speakers and topics looks really interesting. If you haven’t signed up, space is limited.

The Section events officially lead off with the Diplomate Candidate’s Orientation Breakfast bright and early on Wednesday. We have a robust list of candidates going through the Diplomate process, and we look forward, hopefully, to bringing in several new Diplomates this year.

Our Section Symposium this year will feature “The US Military Approach to Treating Corneal and Ocular Surface Disease and Refractive Surgery in the Armed Forces.” This
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Symposium will be very interesting indeed.

We encourage all Section members to attend not only the Section Symposium, but the Section Awards Session. This year, the Founder’s Award will be awarded to Jerome A. Legerton, OD, MS, MBA, FAAO. The Max Schapero Memorial Lecture Award will be presented to Helen Swarbrick, PhD. The Schapero Award is the Section’s highest honor, and I look forward to hearing Helen’s lecture.

The Reception to Honor the Past Chairs and the Awardees will follow the Awards Program. So, plan on joining us for that event.

The New Diplomate Reception is held Friday night, and will be held in a truly historic location. Come to the events to find out where.

Finally, the Section Business Meeting takes place Saturday morning. It is important for the Diplomates to attend this year as we have a bylaws change to vote on and a new group of Section Leadership to induct. Hopefully, the distances will be shorter this year and the weather will be better. No bus rides to the convention center! Yeah! I look forward to seeing you all deep in the heart of Texas.
From the Diplomate Award Chair - Louise Sclafani, OD, FAAO

The diplomate process is a challenging yet rewarding experience. It takes a lot of work on behalf of the candidates and dedication from those Diplomates who help us in the process. A few reminders that we ask all active candidates to follow:

- Please read through the diplomate guidelines as located on the AAO website [http://www.aaopt.org/Fellows/Sections/CCLRT/Diplomate](http://www.aaopt.org/Fellows/Sections/CCLRT/Diplomate)
- Active candidates are required to attend the Section Breakfast On Wednesday
- It is your responsibility to contact me if you are are taking the practical or written tests during the annual meeting in San Antonio
- If you are attending, I would like to meet with all active candidates to discuss your progress and any questions that you may have regarding case reports and tests. I will be contacting all active candidates via email by 10/19/2018, but please reach to me if you have not heard from me. lousessclafani@yahoo.com

I look forward to seeing all at the meeting and hoping that we will be inducting new members to our elite group.

**Wednesday AM Breakfast**

Start the meeting “Bright and Early” by joining established Diplomates and brand new candidates for all the pertinent and “last minute” details as well as great fellowship and friendship. Wednesday = Grand Hyatt - Lone Star Ballroom A, 2nd Floor

**Written Examinations - Wednesday morning**

Those who have fulfilled the requirements to sit for written examinations will have this great “pleasure” on Wednesday=Grand Hyatt: Travis A, 3rd Floor -details on page 10.

**Practical Examination - Thursday afternoon**

The practical examination will be held at the Rosenberg campus. Please meet in the “motor lobby” of the Grand Hyatt hotel at 11:30 AM. The bus will leave promptly at 11:45 AM.

**Oral Examinations**

Calling all Diplomate Candidates! We have two, maybe three candidates sitting for their oral examination this year! Things are “picking up” as our candidates have been busy making progress. Candidates and examiners will be contacted personally with time/date/place.

**New Diplomate Examination and Recognition**

In many ways, the “life-blood” of the Section are the new Diplomates. New candidates are informed, existing candidates are examined and those finishing the process will be recognized! This will be a year to REMEMBER for those in the process, please come and be part of a very unique VENUE and participate in the excitement!
2018 Awards Presentations

The CCLRT Section Awards Ceremony celebrates our shared passion for excellence in corneal or contact lens research and technology. One of the innovators of modern contact lens fitting, Jerome Legerton, will be honored for his innovation in contact lens design and manufacturing. Helen Swarbrick will then deliver the coveted Schapero Lecture. One of the traditions of the Cornea, Contact Lenses and Refractive Technology Section is honoring very special individuals and their accomplishments within our field.

The Max Schapero Memorial Lecture

The Max Schapero Memorial Lecture was established in 1972 to honor the memory of Max Schapero who was a dedicated member of the Section and the Academy. The award is given to a clinician, researcher, or scholar who has made a significant contribution to the cornea and contact lens field by virtue of their publications, lectures, or research efforts. Helen Swarbrick, PhD will be receiving this recognition and presenting at the Section awards meeting.

Wednesday 4:00-5:00 PM
HBG Conv Ctr Rm 214 Meeting Level

The Founders Award

This award is in memory of, and in honor of, those Academy Fellows who founded the Contact Lens Section of the American Academy of Optometry. The award is to be presented to an individual, group, or company who has made an outstanding contribution to the clinical aspect of the art or science of contact lens fitting. Jerome Legerton, OD, MS will be presented with the Founders Award at the Section Awards meeting.

2018 Section Business Meeting

Please show your desire to participate in an vibrant, growing section by coming to the section business meeting Saturday morning.

- Hear reviews of the health and direction of the Section
- Vote on changes to the By-Laws to
  - Clean up language for assumption of Chair position by Vice-Chair
  - Combine Secretary and Treasurer into one position
- Elect new officers/executive committee
- Hear Case presentations from other Diplomates (CE provided)

Saturday
7:00-8:30 AM
HBG Conv Ctr Rm 210
Meeting Level
2018 Section Symposium
The U.S. Military Approach to Treating Corneal and Ocular Surface Disease and Refractive Surgery in the Armed Forces

San Antonio has been home to a consistent U.S. military presence for nearly 300 years. It’s why it’s called Military City USA®. It’s also home to the Department of Defense’s largest medical center at Joint Base San Antonio Fort Sam Houston. The Section on CCLRT has invited the nation’s top cornea and contact lens military specialists and surgeons to present how cornea and ocular surface disease and refractive surgery is practiced in their hands and on our armed forces.

Objectives:
• Develop basic understanding of the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force Refractive Surgery Programs
• Describe the refractive surgery techniques used in the U.S. Army and U.S. Air Force
• Understand medical contact lens indications and fittings in the U.S. Army
• Develop an understanding of protocols and approaches to treating patients with severe ocular surface disorders at the military’s only U.S. burn center.

Speakers/Topics: Moderator - Loretta Szczotka-Flynn OD, PhD
• State of Refractive Surgery in the US Army * Gary L. Legault, MD, MAJ
• Treatment of Ocular Burns * Anthony Johnson MD, COL (ret.)
• Anterior Segment and medical contact lens fits * Christopher Alferez OD, FAAO, MAJ, USAF
• Refractive Surgery in the Air Force * Matthew Caldwell, MD, LTC, USAF, MC
NO WATER!

The Section continues to embrace and empower practitioners to bring a solid, clear and lasting message that “Water and Contact Lenses do Not Mix!” The Section has once again made it possible for Section members to obtain contact lens “Stickers” to be used as our members continue to pass this important public health message to the patients we care for. Stickers are available for “boxes” (One roll marked “R” and one roll marked “L”) as well as a roll of stickers unmarked for solution boxes, bottles or to use on training sheets as a reminder, documentation that the discussion took place.

In an effort to more effectively distribute rolls of stickers to our clinical Diplomates, you should have received a box through the mail at your practice. If you did not receive a shipment, please come to the Section Suite or the Business Meeting to receive your supply of “No Water Stickers.”

Recognizing a Friend, Servant & Leader

Steven Grant, OD - 1944-2018

It’s sad for me to reflect on Steve Grant’s legacy. Our professional paths are forever linked because we had similar goals professionally and we were lucky to achieve them with each other’s help. We both wanted to become diplomates and the peer pressure (or support) to succeed drove us both to become Section Chairs.

Steve held leadership positions in every organization he supported: the California State Board of Optometry, the National Academies of Practice in Optometry and numerous civic organizations in his community. He was most proud, however, of our Section. He understood why it was hard to achieve and saw the indisputable value of becoming a diplomate. He always wore his Section pin with pride and mentored many future diplomates. Steve will always fondly be remembered as our “chair of vice;” he made sure the suite was always well stocked with “munchies & booze.” He was also frequently responsible for organizing our wine donation to the AOF silent auction in support of our Ezell fellowship.

I will miss my “optometric buddy” but always smile for his gift to me of friendship and encouragement. Please toast him sometime at the annual meeting & be grateful for his gift to us.

—Glenda Secor
Getting Ready for the Meeting

Diplomate Preparation Course TUESDAY November 6, 2018

The Cornea, Contact Lenses and Refractive Technologies (CCLRT) Section is offering its sixth annual preparatory course, designed to assist current and potential candidates in preparing for and completing their diplomate requirements. Topics have been selected to enhance preparation for a successful completion of the various portions of the CCLRT diplomate process. This includes topics that will assist you in writing case reports and in taking the written, practical, and oral examination portions.

Five hours of continuing education credit will be awarded (COPE Approval Pending). If you submit your application for starting the CCLRT diplomate process during the symposium, the $100 Diplomate application fee will be waived.

Tuesday 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM * Grand Hyatt - Bonham B - 3rd Floor

• 11:00 AM - noon  *  Research Update  *  Danielle Robertson OD, PhD
• Noon - 1:00 PM  *  LUNCH for attendees, speakers and section leadership
• 1:00-2:00 PM  *  Contact Lenses and Microbial Keratitis, Inflammatory Events  *  Loretta Szczotka-Flynn OD, PhD
• 2:00-3:00 PM  *  Scleral Lens Video Grand Rounds - emphasis on Ocular Surface Disease  *  Jason Jedlicka OD
• 3:00 - 4:00 PM  *  Corneal Dystrophies  *  Louise Sclafani OD
• 4:00 - 5:00 PM  *  Dry Eye  *  Jerry Paugh OD, PhD

Diplomate Renewal Points

It is always best to obtain a maximum amount of points AT the Academy meeting.

See this page on the Academy website to discover how you might best complete your requirements for the coming renewal cycle.

https://www.aaopt.org/membership/fellows-diplomate/fellows-diplomate_renewal

Diplomates NEEDED to be present at the Academy “booth” in Exhibit Hall!

It is very important that we have a Diplomate from the Section at the Academy booth every hour the Exhibit Hall is open! Please CALL (214-908-6113) or EMAIL cdnewman@earthlink.net Section Chair Clarke Newman to reserve a spot that will work with your “San Antonio Schedule” - here are the times we need to “cover”:

• Wednesday, November 7: 4:00 to 7:00 PM (Opening night Welcome Reception)
• Thursday, November 8: 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM
• Friday, November 9: 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Call or Email Clarke to reserve a time to help in the exhibit hall
Mission Statement

Fostering professional growth and advocating excellence in patient care through leadership in education and research.
Contact Lens EDUCATION at the meeting:

**Wednesday November 7th**
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM - R.Doshi, E.Shorter
   (CL-01) Rapid Fire: Post-Surgical Contact Lens Fitting and Management
1:00 PM to 2:00 PM - M.Walker, P.Satjawatcharaphone, M.Barnett, S.Malaïson-Tremblay
   (CL-02) Rapid Fire: Managing Complications, Preventing Hypoxia, Fitting the Post-Transplant Cornea and Literature Update
2:00 PM to 4:00 PM - R.Kojima, P.Caroline
   (CL-03) Recent Advances in Orthokeratology for Myopia Control

**Thursday November 8th**
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM - M.Lipson, S.Ramdass, P.Levine, C.Newman
   (CL-04) Rapid Fire: OrthoK Update
11:00 AM to 12:00 PM - B.Baldwin
   (CL-05) Clinical Use of Therapeutic Bandage Contact Lenses
1:00 PM to 2:00 PM - A.Chang, D.Lam
   (CL-06) Bigger Is Not Always Better: Corneal GP Contact Lenses for Post-Surgical Patients
2:00 PM to 3:00 PM - M.Malooley
   (CL-07) Prosthetic Contact Lenses
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM - K.Walsh, L.Jones, D.Luensmann, J.Woods
   (CL-08) Rapid Fire: Celebrating 20 Years of Silicone Hydrogels: The Past, Present and Future

**Friday November 9th**
8:00 AM to 9:00 AM - M.Plaumann, E.Chen
   (CL-09) Contact Lenses for Infants: Indication, Evaluation, and Technique
9:00 AM to 10:00 AM - L.Michaud, J.Jedlicka, G.DeNaeyer, D.Brazeau
   (CL-10) Rapid Fire: Scleral Lenses: The Undiscovered Country
10:00 AM to Noon - Moderator: L.Szczotka-Flynn, Speakers: G.Legault, A.Johnson, C.Alferez, M.Caldwell
   (SS-10) Section Symposium: The U.S. Military Approach to Treating Corneal and Ocular Surface Disease and Refractive Surgery in the Armed Forces
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM - S.Gromacki
   (CL-11) New Advances in Contact Lens Care
2:00 PM to 3:00 PM - J.Jedlicka
   (CL-12) Scleral Shape Update: Publications, Instrumentation, Interpretation, Application
4:00 PM to 5:00 PM - T.Andrzejewski, L.Sicks
   (CL-13) Nuts & Bolts of Fitting the Irregular Cornea
5:00 PM to 6:00 PM - A.Kwok, K.Carrasquillo
   (CL-14) This is My Patient’s Condition: Can Scleral Lenses Help?

**Saturday November 10th**
10:00 AM to 11:00 AM - C.Mickles, M.Barnett, G.Denayer, J.Harthan
   (CL-15) Rapid Fire: What’s New in Scleral lenses?
1:00 PM to 2:00 PM - A.Dominic Nixon, E.Rueff
   (CL-16) Tips for Prescribing Soft Contact Lenses in Presbyopes
2:00 PM to 3:00 PM - Y.Priestley
   (CL-17) Pediatric Contact lenses - Beyond the Basics
3:00 PM to 4:00 PM - K.Lai Yin Lee, J.Kuo
   (CL-18) Corneal and Contact Lens Considerations in Glaucoma
# Section Events * All on One Page:

Please Save the Dates and Times!

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