THE AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC FOUNDATION (AOF) is a philanthropic organization that develops and provides financial support for optometric research and education in vision and eye health to improve clinical patient care.

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7. Cooling of the ocular surface over time using infrared thermography. – W. Li, Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellow
2013 was an extremely successful year for the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) but also one with several changes. In the Spring, longtime supporter and former AOF President, Dr. Mark Bullimore, stepped down from his position as Development Director. We thank him for his many contributions. Mark was recognized for his commitment at the AOF Celebration Luncheon in Seattle and presented with a much-deserved Special Service Award. The Academy office conducted an extensive search to find and appoint a full-time Development Director to serve both the American Academy of Optometry (AAO) and the AOF, and Greg Fulginiti took this new position in August 2013. Greg has more than 10 years in academic development and private funding experience gained from his work at the University of Florida Foundation and the University of Central Florida Foundation.

The Board of Directors also saw a number of changes, with several members of industry stepping down from the Board and the formation of a new Corporate Advisory Committee. We sincerely thank Drs. Joe Barr, Lee Ball, Howard Purcell, and Colleen Riley for serving on the Board. We also thank Dr. Jim Sheedy, who left the Board in 2013, for his service. All these changes inevitably resulted in several openings and over the Spring and Summer of 2013, we welcomed Drs. Judy Clay, Wendy Harrison, Rich Madonna, Jason Nichols, Tom Quinn, Jeff Walline and Karla Zadnik and Mrs. Susan Eger to the Board of Directors.

The energy and commitment of the Board and staff have resulted in many accomplishments for the AOF in 2013. Of course none of these would have been possible without the generous support of our many donors, supporters and corporate sponsors. Last year we reported that the President’s Circle had exceeded 100 members. Since that time, 17 new President’s Circle pledges have been received!

As always, the Annual Meeting was undoubtedly the highlight of the year. Our first event was a spectacular fundraising event, sponsored by and co-hosted with CooperVision. “An Evening of Art and Celebration of Vision” was held at the Chihuly Garden and Glass. Invited guests and major contributors enjoyed the stunning glass displays while also socializing with their friends and colleagues. Over the course of the evening, nearly $75,000 was raised for the AOF in donations and pledges! A particular highlight of the meeting was the evening of food and fellowship that we were fortunate to spend with the 2013 Ezell Fellows. Eleven enthusiastic graduate students from North America and Australia were awarded prestigious Ezell Fellowships this year, and they, too, enjoyed an opportunity to spend some time with their fellow awardees at the event that was generously hosted by Essilor of America. Approximately 260 supporters of the AOF attended the ever-popular Celebration Luncheon, and over $15,000 was raised at the extremely successful Silent Auction. In total, the AOF raised over $150,000 in donations and pledges in Seattle.

The American Optometric Foundation continues to take great pride in its growth and the successes of the exceptional individuals we have supported. This year $300,000 was awarded in fellowships, scholarships, grants, and residency awards. Contributions to the AOF allow Academy members to make investments in the future of our profession.

Kathy Dumbleton, MCOptom, PhD, FAAO
President

Greg Fulginiti
Development Director for the American Optometric Foundation and American Academy of Optometry
Academy 2013 Seattle provided the AOF with a forum at which the AOF Board, staff, and award recipients connected with our donors on a personal level. It was the focal point for the largest fundraising drive of the year. With your support, the AOF received more than $150,000 in gifts and pledges at Academy 2013 Seattle. Donations made through registration, the exhibit hall, lecture honoraria, “An Evening of Art and Celebration of Vision” event, the Silent Auction, and the annual Celebration Luncheon epitomize how well optometry works together to invest in its future.

CELEBRATION LUNCHEON

The AOF’s annual Celebration Luncheon, sponsored by Essilor, was a very successful event this year attended by approximately 260 people. During the AOF Luncheon, the AOF announced several new programs, celebrated the 2013 award recipients, and announced the newest President’s Circle and Ezell Club members. Thank you to all of our attendees, contributors, and sponsors who made this event special and memorable for all of those involved.

VOLUNTEERS

The AOF is indebted to our wonderful supporters, volunteers and staff who provide either their time or an auction item to make this annual event a huge success. Thank you all!

Ezell Fellows at the booth: Eda Altiok, Daniel Coates, Debarun Dutta, Kevin Ivers, Wing “Eric” Li, Edward Lum, Ayeswarya Ravikumar, Rose Reins, Tan Ngoc Truong, William Tuten, and Naveen Yadav.

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AN EVENING OF ART AND CELEBRATION OF VISION

The AOF and CooperVision partnered at Academy 2013 Seattle to host “An Evening of Art and Celebration of Vision” at the Chihuly Garden and Glass in Seattle, Washington. More than 250 people attended the fabulous and successful fundraising event. Attendees collectively pledged and donated nearly $75,000. Attendees enjoyed the beauty of the Chihuly Garden and Glass while mingling with current and potential donors to the AOF. CooperVision and the AOF are proud of the event’s success and look forward to hosting an event at Academy 2014 Denver.

EZELL FELLOWSHIP DINNER

The AOF celebrated its newest class of William C. Ezell Fellows by hosting the Ezell Fellowship Dinner, sponsored by Essilor of America. The Ezell Fellows shared their accomplishments along with their goals for the future with all who attended. AOF leaders, some of whom are Ezell Fellows, spoke about their journey from becoming an Ezell Fellow to their current leadership roles. The AOF congratulates the 2013 William C. Ezell Fellows and thanks Essilor of America for their sponsorship.

CELEBRATE CONSISTENT GIVING

For the third year, the AOF is delighted to recognize those individuals who consistently renew their belief in the AOF through annual gifts. At Academy 2013 Seattle, donors with 10 or more years of consecutive giving were presented with special pins to wear proudly during the week. We thank these supporters for demonstrating an ongoing commitment to optometric research and education in vision and eye health to improve clinical patient care.

New 15-Year Consecutive Donors
Barry Farkas  Diane and Israel Goldberg  Richard Madonna

New 10-Year Consecutive Donor
Judy Tong
FIRST JILL AND GEORGE MERTZ FELLOWSHIP AWARDED

The AOF presented the inaugural Jill and George Mertz Fellowship to Joel De Melo Bambamba, an optometry graduate and faculty member of the Universidade Lurio School of Optometry in Mozambique. Joel Bambamba is planning to carry out his Fellowship at the Inter-American University of Puerto Rico in order to further develop his clinical and didactic teaching skills and to gain advanced knowledge of North American Doctor of Optometry programs. He hopes to share the learning experiences acquired during the Fellowship program with the Universidade Lurio School of Optometry and other Schools of Optometry in both Africa and Latin America.

VISION SERVICE PLAN (VSP)/AOF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

Over the last 10 years, VSP has provided more than one million dollars in scholarship support to hundreds of optometry students. Beginning in 2014, the AOF will administer the scholarship program. Scholarships will be awarded to 40 students for a total of $160,000 annually, and these scholarships will include a travel grant to attend the annual meeting of the Academy. The scholarships will be funded through the VSP Global company’s Eyes of Hope® Global Charitable Fund. VSP Global and the AOF are excited about this partnership.

HENRY B. PETERS MEMORIAL LECTURE

In 2010, the Academy’s Section on Public Health and Environmental Vision, in collaboration with the American Optometric Foundation, established the Henry B. Peters Memorial Lecture, to be presented annually in the Academy’s Public Health and Environmental Vision Section program. PATTERNED after the Schapero Award in the Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses, and Refractive Technologies, the Peters Award will feature a prominent speaker in public health or environmental vision who will address contemporary issues. The Henry B. Peters Lecture Fund reached its $25,000 mark in December 2013 to become a fully funded endowment, and the first Henry B. Peters Memorial Lecture will be presented in 2014.

BERT C. AND LYDIA M. CORWIN FUND CREATED

Bert and Lydia Corwin established a fund in their names in 2013. The Bert C. and Lydia M. Corwin Fund will support an annual $1,000 scholarship in support of a contact lens research project of a PhD graduate student enrolled in an ACOE accredited school or college of optometry. Bert Corwin is Past President of the American Academy of Optometry, and the American Optometric Foundation. Bert and Lydia are enthusiastic to see this unique scholarship come to life.
CORPORATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CAC)

The primary purpose of the newly formed Corporate Advisory Committee (CAC) of the AOF is to enhance the visibility of the AOF within the optometric industry and to help the AOF in its mission to develop and provide financial support for optometric research and education in vision and eye health to improve clinical patient care.

The CAC will serve as a “voice of industry” to the AOF Board and will advise the AOF on communication of the AOF’s vision and mission in eye care. It will provide guidance on other potential industry donors to AOF for philanthropic purposes, and on appropriate and compliant philanthropic support requests to industry.

The CAC members are: Joseph Barr - Chair, Lee Ball, Peter Bergenske, David Gibson, Joseph Boorady, Jerry Warner, Connie Vavricek, and David Hansen.

AOF SECRETARY-TREASURER KOLLMBAUM AWARDED BORISH RESEARCH AWARD

The prestigious Irvin M. and Beatrice Borish Research Award supports exceptional promise to conduct independent optometric research directly related to etiology, prevention, detection, diagnosis or management of clinical eye disorders. AOF Secretary-Treasurer Pete Kollbaum was presented with the award at Academy 2013 Seattle.

DAVID AND DIANE GOSS OPTOMETRIC HISTORY FELLOWSHIP

David and Diane Goss pledged to make contributions to endow the David and Diane Goss Optometry History Fellowship. The Fellowship will provide support for an individual pursuing research in optometric history. The award will provide a biennial $1,000 fellowship for an optometry history researcher or student to visit a library, archives, or museum to conduct research.

AOF HONORS MARK BULLIMORE WITH SERVICE AWARD

Mark Bullimore was recognized for his commitment and presented with a Special Service Award at the AOF Celebration Luncheon in Seattle. Mark is admired widely for his effectiveness in growing the AOF to the now vibrant highly regarded arm of the Academy. As Mark recently noted to AOF supporters, “I will continue to be a passionate AOF advocate and supporter.”
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 graduate students enrolled in a full-time program of study and training in vision-related research that leads to a Master’s or PhD degree. Eleven outstanding individuals were selected to join this elite group in 2013.

**Alcon Foundation Ezell Fellow**

**Eda Islil Altıok, BS**  
*University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry*

**Research focus:**  
Anti-Angiogenic Multivalent Conjugates for Inhibiting Diabetic Retinopathy

I would like to express my gratitude to the AOF for the opportunity to join this elite group of scientists from around the world. It is through organizations like the AOF and the Alcon Foundation that make it possible to form the collaborations needed to provide the remaining answers to the world’s worst eye-related diseases. I am humbled to be a part of such a group and look forward to many fruitful collaborations in the future.

**American Academy of Optometry Ezell Fellow**

**Edward Lum, B Optom, BlndDes, FAAO**  
*University of New South Wales, Australia*

**Research focus:**  
The Impact of Overnight Orthokeratology on Corneal Sensitivity and the Sub-Basal Nerve Plexus

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the American Optometric Foundation and particularly the American Academy of Optometry for awarding me the William C. Ezell Fellowship. It is a tremendous honor to become a member of this family of elite vision scientists and scholars. The financial support from this Fellowship program will greatly assist my current research and will help in disseminating my findings to the wider academic and clinical communities.
American Academy of Optometry Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies Ezell Fellow

Tan Ngoc Truong, OD, MPH
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research focus:
Investigating the Biological Mechanisms that Modulate Lymph Angiogenesis during Corneal Inflammation

I am very fortunate and honored to have been awarded the William C. Ezell Fellowship by the American Optometric Foundation. I extend my gratitude as well to the Academy’s Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies for recognizing my past research accomplishments and supporting my current research efforts in understanding the role of lymphatics in ocular diseases. I am thankful that the support and opportunities that come with being an Ezell Fellow will help me achieve my goal of having a career in both vision research and optometric education.

American Optometric Foundation Ezell Club
Alfred A. Rosenbloom, Jr., Ezell Fellow

Daniel R. Coates, MS
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research focus:
Understanding the Mechanisms of Letter Recognition in the Fovea and Periphery

I am truly humbled to join the ranks of Ezell Fellows. This group includes many of my academic heroes, so to be part of this esteemed legacy is a supreme honor. I believe this recognition is a validation of my research program, and I am thrilled that psychophysics, on which so much of our field is based, remains highly regarded. I sincerely thank the AOF Ezell Club for naming me the first recipient of the award in honor of Alfred A. Rosenbloom, Jr. This fellowship will help support my PhD research and will aid the transition into an academic career.

Bausch + Lomb Ezell Fellow

Debarun Dutta, B Optom
University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia

Research focus:
Antimicrobial Surfaces: Mode of Action and Safety / Efficacy in Animals and Humans

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the American Optometric Foundation and Bausch + Lomb for awarding me the William C. Ezell Fellowship. My PhD is focused on development of antimicrobial contact lens and its safety and efficacy in animals and humans. It is a great privilege, and I am thrilled to join this elite group of global optometry researchers and educators. This award will serve as a great source of motivation and encouragement for me in pursuing a full-time career in optometric research and education.
Irvin M. Borish – Essilor Ezell Fellow

Naveen K. Nadav, BSc (H) Optom, MS
SUNY College of Optometry

Research focus:
Objective Assessment of Visual Dysfunctions in the Acquired Brain Injury (TBI and CVA) Population Using Visual-Evoked Potentials (VEP)

I would like to thank the American Optometric Foundation (AOF) for awarding me the prestigious William C. Ezell Fellowship. I am also grateful to the Irvin M. Borish Estate and Essilor for their generous support. This fellowship further motivates and reinforces my desire to become clinical vision scientist and educator. I am thankful to AOF for recognizing my research work. I am really honored to be a part of this Ezell family.

Mike Daley - Essilor Ezell Fellow

Ayeswarya Ravikumar, BS Optom
University of Houston, College of Optometry

Research focus:
Predicting Visual Performance Using Image Quality Metrics in Normal and Keratoconic Eyes

I am honored to receive the Mike Daley Ezell Fellowship. I am grateful to American Optometric Foundation and Essilor of America for sponsoring this award. I am happy to be part of this elite group which allows me to share and learn new concepts and also a source for improving my professional networking. I am extremely delighted that my work was appreciated. This fellowship is undoubtedly a potential source of encouragement and motivation to strive hard and excel in my future research and optometry career.

Merton C. Flom Leadership Ezell Fellow

William Scott Tuten, OD, MS
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research focus:
Establishing High-Resolution Structure-Function Relationships in Retinal Disease with Adaptive Optics Scanning Laser Ophthalmoscopy

I am honored to receive the William C. Ezell Fellowship from the American Optometric Foundation. I am grateful to the Merton C. Flom Leadership Fund for its support, and I hope to live up to the worthy ideals it represents: a dedication to teaching, a passion for optometric research, and a commitment to service and leadership.
Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellow

Wing “Eric” Li, OD, FAAO
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Research focus:
Understanding Factors that Contribute to Evaporative Dry Eye Syndrome

I am honored to be the 2013 recipient of the Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellowship. I would like to thank Dr. Harris and the American Optometric Foundation for their support of my graduate study and career aims. The generosity of the fellowship will provide me with critical resources to continue my research training as a clinician-scientist and meet the standards set by previous Ezell fellows. I also wish to thank my mentors for their guidance and encouragement throughout my optometric education and career.

Optometric Glaucoma Society Ezell Fellow

Kevin M. Ivers, BS
University of Houston, College of Optometry

Research focus:
In Vivo Changes to Lamina Cribrosa Pore and Optic Nerve Head Geometry in Non-Human Primates with Early Experimental Glaucoma

I am deeply honored to receive the prestigious William C. Ezell Fellowship. My sincere appreciation and gratitude goes to the American Optometric Foundation and the Optometric Glaucoma Society for their tremendous generosity and to my advisor, Dr. Jason Porter, for his continued guidance and support. By granting me travel to research conferences, the Ezell Fellowship continues to help me forge collaborations with other research scientists and further enrich my future in science and academia.

VISIONARY Ezell Fellow

Rose Reins, BA
University of Houston, College of Optometry

Research focus:
Function of Vitamin D at the Ocular Surface and its Role in Inflammation

I am extremely honored to be a recipient of the Visionary Circle William C. Ezell Fellowship and would like to sincerely thank VISTAKON® for their generous support. It is exciting to be a part of this elite group of clinicians and scientists that share common goals of enhancing vision research and patient care. This award will provide me with many exciting opportunities which will support my research, education, and future career as an independent researcher.
The flagship program of the American Optometric Foundation (AOF), Ezell Fellowships have been provided for over 65 years. Since its inception, the AOF has awarded 295 Fellowships. Among the list of former Ezell Fellows are three AOF presidents, more than 20 past and current deans and presidents of optics schools and colleges, 13 industry partners, more than 125 faculty members and in excess of 150 Fellows from the American Academy of Optometry, including five of its presidents. To date, nearly 60% of Ezell Fellows have chosen to “pay it forward” and join the Ezell Club, an elite donor category that helps to ensure continued funding of the program. To learn more visit our webpage: www.aaopt.org/AOF/Donate/EzellClub.

(*denotes 2013 Ezell Fellow; bold indicate Ezell Club donor; Red, new member, (d) deceased)
FIRST EZELL CLUB FELLOWSHIP NAMED TO HONOR ALFRED A. ROSENBLOOM, JR.

Beginning this year, the AOF will honor a former Ezell Fellow, Dr. Alfred Rosenbloom, Jr., with a named Fellowship. Dr. Rosenbloom is one of the AOF’s first Ezell Fellows, receiving his Ezell Fellowship in 1952. The recipient of the first Alfred A. Rosenbloom, Jr. Ezell Fellowship is Daniel R. Coates, MS from the University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry.

Given the economic events of the past few years, maintaining robust endowments helps AOF continue to bridge the gap created during cyclical changes in income. For that we are indebted to the vision and industry leaders who provide long-term funding to lead the way for advances in eye research and improved clinical care to patients.

2013 American Academy of Optometry Ezell Fellow - Edward Lum

2013 American Academy of Optometry Section on Cornea, Contact Lenses & Refractive Technologies Ezell Fellow – Tan Ngoc Truong

2013 Mike Daley/Essilor Ezell Fellow- Ayeswarya Ravikumar and 2013 Irvin M. Borish/Essilor Ezell Fellow – Naveen K. Yadav

2013 Merton C. Flom Leadership Ezell Fellow – William Scott Tuten

2013 Michael G. Harris Ezell Fellow – Wing “Eric” Li

2013 Optometric Glaucoma Society Ezell Fellow – Kevin M. Ivers
BETA SIGMA KAPPA (BSK) FELLOWSHIPS

The BSK Research Fellowship program supports two young researchers each year whose academic curiosity leads them to seek answers to professionally-based questions covering a wide area of vision science, clinical practice, or eye related public health.

Brett King, OD, FAAO
Indiana University School of Optometry

Christina E. Morettin, OD
Illinois College of Optometry
*Visual Structure and Function in Contact Sport Athletics*

DOUGLAS W. HOPKINS PRIMARY CARE RESIDENCY AWARD

The Douglas Hopkins Residency Award is intended to promote the practice and development of the field of Primary Care Optometry by providing incentive and support to talented optometric residents who demonstrate a passion and commitment to practice, research, and education in primary care.

Gloria Chow
State University of New York State College of Optometry (SUNY)
2012 graduate of University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

FREDRIC ROSEMORE LOW VISION EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

The Rosemore Low Vision Educational Grants are intended to increase interest and reward excellence in the field of low vision at North American schools and colleges of optometry. The Educational Grants may be used to provide care, to support personnel, to provide equipment or to fill any other need in the field of low vision identified by the institution and consistent with the AOF mission.

Sarah Hinkley, OD, FCOVD
Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
*Interprofessional Collaboration in Vision Rehabilitation for Student Education and Patient Care*

Marsha S. Snow, OD, and Lei Liu, PhD
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry
*A High-Tech Visual Impairment Demonstration Class for Optometry Residents and Students*
2013 GLENN A. FRY LECTURE AWARD

This award recognizes a distinguished scientist or clinician for her or his current research contributions. The recipient presents a lecture at the Academy’s Annual Meeting’s Awards Program.

David B. Elliott, PhD, MCOptom, FAAO
University of Bradford, School of Optometry, United Kingdom

2013 MICHAEL G. HARRIS FAMILY AWARD for EXCELLENCE in OPTOMETRIC EDUCATION

The purpose of this award is to recognize an optometric educator who has demonstrated ongoing and consistent excellence in the education of an optometry student and/or advancement of optometric education.

Barbara M. Junghans, B Optom, PhD, FAAO
University of New South Wales, School of Optometry and Vision Science, Australia

2013 JULIUS F. NEUMUELLER AWARD IN OPTICS

This award will provide an opportunity to attend the Annual Meeting for one selected student chosen by his or her dean who submits a 3,000 word paper on one of the following topics: Geometrical Optics; Physical Optics; Ophthalmic Optics; Optics of the Eye.

Krystal L. Schulle, OD
University of Houston, College of Optometry

2013 VINCENzo SALIENo SCHolarship

This rotating, regional scholarship 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.

Isabella Yu
University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry

Troy Mysliwiec
The Ohio State University College of Optometry

Yash Jatin Shah
University of Alabama at Birmingham, School of Optometry

Richard Chu
SUNY College of Optometry

2013 ANTOINETTE M. MOLINARI MEMORIAL SCHolarship

This rotating, regional scholarship is designated to assist an exceptional student who has proven leadership, service and academic skills and satisfies the financial requirements of the program. The student must hold a 3.5 or higher grade point average at the time of application.

Charlene Singh
Western University of Health Sciences, College of Optometry
2013 VISTAKON® INNOVATION IN EDUCATION GRANTS

The purpose of this grant is to elevate the standards and advance the teaching skills of optometric faculty with a focus to improve how information is delivered to students, promote new methodologies, and increase the use of new technology in all teaching settings as well as promote online learning tools.

Kathryn Richdale, OD, PhD, FAAO
SUNY College of Optometry
Optimizing Course Management Sites through the Integration of Dynamic Learning Resources

Lawrence R. Stark, BAppSc(Optom), PhD, FAAO
Marshall B. Ketchum University, Southern California College of Optometry
Course Evaluation: Using Behavioral Objectives and Test Results to Improve Future Teaching and Learning

Daniel Arnett Taylor, OD, MS, FAAO
Southern College of Optometry
Development of Online Curriculum in Genetics

Len V. Hua, PhD, OD, FAAO
Pacific University College of Optometry
Travel Grant for presentation of his 2012 project Integration of Hybrid Learning in Pharmacology at the Optometric Education Section Symposium: Blended Learning in Clinical Optometric Procedures Education.

2013 VISTAKON® RESEARCH GRANT

This grant will support basic or clinical research in the area of soft disposable contact lenses.

Maud Gorbet, PhD
University of Waterloo, School of Optometry and Vision Science

Mark Willcox, PhD, FBCLA, FAAO
University of New South Wales, Australia
The Effect of Contact Lens Material of the Phagocytic Activity of Leukocytes Present in the Overnight Tear Film

2013 VISTAKON® RESIDENCY AWARDS

This award will 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 in the field of contact lenses and pediatric vision.

GEORGE W. MERTZ CONTACT LENS RESIDENCY AWARDS

Claudine Courey, OD
University of Montreal, School of Optometry

Chantel Garcia, OD
The Eye Institute, Salus University, Pennsylvania College of Optometry

Chad Rosen, OD
Pacific University, College of Optometry

SHELDON WECHSLER CONTACT LENS RESIDENCY AWARDS

Dustin Dixon, MS, OD
Eye Specialty Group, Southern College of Optometry

David K. Murakami, MPH, OD
New England College of Optometry

Andrea Sewell, OD
Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University

TERRANCE INGRAHAM PEDIATRIC OPTOMETRY RESIDENCY AWARDS

Amanda Huston, OD, MS
Cincinnati Children’s Hospital, The Ohio State University, College of Optometry

Jenna M. Liechty, OD
Southern College of Optometry

Amar Sayani, OD
Southern College of Optometry
2013 VISTAKON® AWARD OF EXCELLENCE IN CONTACT LENS PATIENT CARE

This award recognizes outstanding fourth-year student clinicians who have demonstrated excellence in contact lens patient care during their optometric education.

Lauren Hunt  Illinois College of Optometry
Karen Lee  Indiana University School of Optometry
Hannah Eastman  Inter-American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry
Jessica Hartwig  Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
Michelle Meyer  Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
Maria Walker  New England College of Optometry
Erin C. Ridder  Northern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry
Sharon Park  Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry
David Ruckman  Pacific University College of Optometry
Kristen Lauren Epting  Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University
Jose M. Correa  Rosenberg School of Optometry, University of the Incarnate Word
Derek Evans  Southern California College of Optometry
Megan Kortum  Southern College of Optometry
Lauren Smith  State University of New York College of Optometry
Justin Leonard Manning  The Ohio State University College of Optometry
LaTanda Scarbrough  University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
Teresa Wu  University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry
Bimal Patel  University of Houston College of Optometry
Katelyn Volk  University of Missouri - St. Louis College of Optometry
Phuong-Trang Mach  University of Montreal School of Optometry
Andrea Lasby  University of Waterloo School of Optometry and Vision Science
Peony Tam  Western University of Health Sciences College of Optometry

2013 VISTAKON® J. PAT CUMMINGS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship recognizes outstanding second or third-year student clinicians who best exemplify ideal eye care standards of practice.

Alexander S. Choy  Illinois College of Optometry
Erika Johnson  Indiana University School of Optometry
Jared Scaramuzzi  Inter-American University of Puerto Rico School of Optometry
Prathik Philip  Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences School of Optometry
Samantha Fordyce  Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University
Jason Ryan Leonardt  Midwestern University Arizona College of Optometry
Jennifer Williams  New England College of Optometry
Colby Ricks  Northeastern State University Oklahoma College of Optometry
Pinar Haytac  Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry
Erica Wiegandt  Pacific University College of Optometry
Whitney McConkey  Pennsylvania College of Optometry at Salus University
Jacklyn Annette Alaquinez  Rosenberg School of Optometry, University of the Incarnate Word
David Nguyen  Southern California College of Optometry
Kathryn Huebner  Southern College of Optometry
Barbara Mendoza  State University of New York College of Optometry
Cari Gallagher  The Ohio State University College of Optometry
Monica S. Kennedy  University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry
Krystal Vanichsarn  University of California, Berkeley, School of Optometry
Jason Christman  University of Houston College of Optometry
Kelly A. Durst  University of Missouri - St. Louis College of Optometry
Zoe Lacroix  University of Montreal School of Optometry
Diana Trieu  University of Waterloo School of Optometry and Vision Science
Alex Tadros  Western University of Health Sciences College of Optometry

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MAJOR GIFTS

The American Optometric Foundation would like to express its heartfelt gratitude to the individuals and corporations whose generosity improves the lives of all of those who are affected by optometry. Their philanthropy inspires and supports the work of our scholars, professors and young researchers, while setting a course for everything these innovators and problem-solvers will accomplish for the future of optometry.

PRESIDENT’S CIRCLE

The President’s Circle was established in 1997 to distinguish donors who make gifts or pledges of at least $10,000. The Foundation is proud to recognize this expanding group.

* indicates new President’s Circle member, (d) deceased

John and Cathie Amos
* Juan Carlos Aragon
Ian and Valerie Bailey
Melissa Bailey
Neal J. Bailey
Joseph and Janet Barr
Brett and Robin Bence
* David and Monique Berntsen
Marc Bloomenstein
Joseph Bonanno
Karen Brandreth
Wolfgang Cagnolati
* Janet Carter
* Susan Cotter and Lou Lipschultz
Shaban Demirel
Bernard and Jane Dolan
Barry Eiden
Norman and Joy Einhorn
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Murray Fingeret
Merton (d) and Penelope Flom
Roanne Flom and Thomas Raasch
Walter Flom and Gail Fadenrecht
Desmond and Anita Fonn
Brad Fortune and Ellen Lee
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Alcon Foundation Ezell Fellow, Eda Altiok (2nd from left), with Dave Sattler, Rick Weisbarth, Peter Bergenske, Inma Perez and Kevin Roe of Alcon at the AOF Celebration Luncheon.

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## Revenue, Support, and Gains

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**Accounting Notes:**

- **a.** Revenue, Support and Gains for 2011-2012 has been adjusted to include in-kind contributions not shown in previous annual report.
- **b.** In July 2012, the Board of Directors of the Academy elected to remove the permanent restriction of the Academy’s AAO Ezell Fellowship to the Foundation and to have them re-classed as temporary restricted funds. Their intent is to fund an AAO Ezell Fellowship on an annual basis.

## Fiscal Year 2013 Expenses

- **9.5%** General and Administrative
- **15.5%** Fundraising
- **75.0%** Education and Research Support

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**Fiscal Year 2013**

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