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President's Message

What a perfect time to reminisce over the events of 2010.

The SCOPA joined the hospital association and the dental association in August for SC Mission 2010. In September, SC was the 7th state to participate in the AOA's InfantSEE tour. Many of our members became InfantSEE providers during this event. Thank you to those of you who made this event happen including The United Way of South Carolina. The SCOPA had record attendance in August at our annual meeting in Myrtle Beach. What a great time for all! Dr. Deborah Long was re-elected to The SC Legislature in November and we are very proud of her! For the first time, SCOPA has a Facebook page, a Twitter account & a SCOPA page on AOA Connect. Get connected today & put that you "like SCOPA" on your Facebook page. The Dream Center Vision Clinic in North Charleston has more ODs volunteering to see patients than ever before. On a National level, Dr. Boozeman won his seat for the US Senate. Dr. Boozeman from Arkansas is the first OD to serve in the US Senate. The Harkin Amendment was signed by the President and this is a major win for Optometry thanks to the AOA and to all of you who were in contact with your US Congressmen & Senators.



I do not like to reflect back without taking time to look forward.

In 2011, our very own Dr. Neil Draisin will take the SECO Presidency. Thank you Neil for your commitment to our profession! On February 2nd, SCOPA is hosting a State Legislative Reception at The Clarion Hotel from 6-9pm. Be sure to mark your calendars now for this event. The SCOPA is already planning to join other health care professions to put on another state mission event in Columbia August 5-6. Medicaid is a fluid situation and through the upcoming changes we have a motivated Third Party committee that will continue to represent Optometry in SC.

The missions outreach for the vision clinic in Haiti continues to need our help and I encourage each of you to give what you can whether it be expired medications, supplies or used equipment.

I wish each of you a joyous holiday & a prosperous 2011!



Lori R. Donovan, OD

SCOPA NEWS

2010 2011 Local Society Presidents

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All members are encouraged to attend Local Society Meetings. Please check the website for dates and location.

Important Dates

March 2-6, 2011	SECO - Atlanta, GA
March 25-27, 2011	SCOPA/KMK Board Certification Course Wild Dunes, Charleston, SC
June 15-19, 2011	Optometry's Meeting - Salt Lake City, UT
August 25-28, 2011	SCOPA Annual Meeting - Myrtle Beach, SC

SCOPA Public Relation Liaison

Looking for a way to get more involved with your SCOPA but want to keep your time investment to a minimum? Become a SCOPA Public Relation Liaison. We are looking for a member from each local society to be our eyes and ears of any and all optometry news. If you come across an interesting article that relates to eye care or eye wear in a current newspaper or web article, TV show, etc, that is intended for the general public, we want to know about it. Just send us a link via email or fax the article to us. If there are activities or opportunities for the SCOPA be involved with in your community, we want to hear about those too. It's that easy! If you are interested, please contact either Dr. Michele Donovan at mickeyeod@yahoo.com or Jackie Rivers at jrrivers@sceyedocors.com.

Help Still Needed In Haiti

For 30 years Columbia Optometrist, and long member of the SCOPA, Dr. Bud Antley, has been doing missions in Haiti and has been instrumental in establishing a medical, dental & vision clinic in Jeremie, Haiti. Fortunately, the clinic did not sustain any damage as a result of the earthquakes, but they do need our help in order to continue to treat those in need and deliver quality eye care.

There are several ways YOU can help:

1. Donate old equipment such as fundus cameras, auto-refractors, slit lamps, phoropters, etc.
2. Donate topical antibiotics, glaucoma meds, artificial tears (up to 1 year of expiration)
3. Donate your time. Dr. Antley will make arrangements with you for the pick-up of any equipment and/or supplies you can contribute. Please contact him on his cell by calling **803-603-5067**.

Thank you Dr. Antley for all the time you have given to missions and for your current role and efforts helping the Haitians in need.

SCOPA members, let's all do what we can to help those in Haiti.

SCOPA NEWS

AOA Dues Increase

The AOA Board of Trustees has approved a dues increase of \$34.00, effective January 1, 2011. This results in a total annual dues increase of 4.42% on total AOA dues.

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Membership

Welcome new members

Allen Bartholomew

Optometry Student at Ohio State University

Dr. Kimberly Dillivan

2009 graduate of Michigan College of Optometry

Dr. Carole Drabik

1987 graduate of Pennsylvania College of Optometry

Dr. Michelle Mumford

2008 graduate of Southern College of Optometry

December Birthdays

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The SCOPA cordially invites you to attend the Legislative Reception!

Join the fun as we show our appreciation for all of the hard work our legislators do for our great state of South Carolina!

Mark Your Calendar:

February 2, 2011

5:30 – 9 p.m.

At the Clarion Hotel located Downtown
1615 Gervais Street, Columbia, SC 29201

We NEED each of you there, so please invite your legislators and save-the-date to attend!



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SCOPA Spring Meeting

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To register online using your credit card go to **www.kmkoptometryboardcertification.com** or, complete the form below and return with your check made payable to

**KMK Board Certification Review Services to:
KMK Board Certification Review Services
18472 Van Camp Dr.
Omaha, NE 68130**

If you have any questions, contact the SCOPA office by calling **803-799-6721**, toll free **877-799-6721** or via e-mail at **info@sceyedocors.com**.

Friday, March 25, 2011

4:30 – 5:00 pm REGISTRATION

5:00 – 6:00 pm WELCOME RECEPTION

6:00 – 8:00 pm: ANTERIOR SEGMENT

By Kyle Cheatham, OD, FAAO

8:00 – 9:00 pm: AMETROPIA/OPHTHALMIC OPTICS

By Christopher Wolfe, OD, FAAO

Saturday, March 26, 2011

7:00 – 8:00 am: CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 – 10:00 am: PEDIATRICS/BV/VT

By Christopher Wolfe, OD, FAAO

10:00 – 11:00 am: ANTERIOR SEGMENT

By Kyle Cheatham, OD, FAAO

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: PRE-/POST-OPERATIVE CARE

By Sarah Wood, OD, FAAO

12:00 – 1:00 pm: LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 3:00 pm: SYSTEMIC HEALTH

By Melissa Cheatham, PAC, MPAS

3:00 – 4:00 pm: NEURO-OPHTHALMIC DISORDERS

By Christopher Wolfe, OD, FAAO

4:00 – 5:00 pm: VISION REHABILITATION

By Sarah Wood, OD, FAAO

Sunday, March 27, 2011

7:00 – 8:00 am: CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

8:00 – 10:00 am: CONTACT LENSES

By Christopher Wolfe, OD, FAAO

10:00 – 12:00 pm: OPTIC NERVE/GLAUCOMA

By Sarah Wood, OD, FAAO

12:00 – 1:00 pm: LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 2:00 pm: POSTERIOR SEGMENT

By Kyle Cheatham, OD, FAAO

2:00 – 4:00 pm: POSTERIOR SEGMENT

By Kyle Cheatham, OD, FAAO



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Classifieds

Optometrist Needed

OD seeking FT/PT opportunity. Prefer M-F, but negotiable. Many years experience. Prefer Upstate Greenville/Anderson area or near NC border. Contact: cell **828-808-4258**, email dlsmith365@gmail.com or write L. S. PMB #230, 419 The Parkway, Greer, SC 29650.

OD with 22 years of experience available for permanent or fill-in position in the Summerville/Charleston areas. Call Dr. Marie Brusgard-Cerra at **843-906-6355**.

Motivated Optometrist looking for a partnership and/or purchase of existing practice in the Grandstrand or Pee Dee area. Please call **843-661-2869** and leave a message.

OD needed 3-5 days a week in the Columbia area at the new EyeMart Express. New graduates are welcome with daily guarantee. Licensed Optician also needed either full or part time. If interested, please call Doug Newsome at **706-339-0429**.

Part time optometrist needed 3-4 days a week for busy medical practice in Orangeburg, near Columbia and Charleston SC. Competitive profit sharing and guaranteed pay schedule. If interested call Dr. Choe at **843-610-2020**.

PT opportunity in the Sumter market. A long-time, loyal patient base. 3 days, all equipment and staffing is provided. Please contact Tom Connor at **704-965-9099** if interested.

Professional fill-in for your practice. Have scope and will travel. Dr. Holcombe **843-522-3837**.

FT associate position available in a well established practice in Aiken, SC. Please call Dr. Braun at 803-648-8974 or fax resume to **803-648-6418**.

Practice for sale in Beaufort. Call Jim **843-476-4647** after 5 PM.

Upstate practice for sale. Great PT income with excellent growth potential. New building and lots of new equipment. Call **864-363-8334** for more info.

Office Opportunity. Shared office w/ optical shop West of Ashley in Charleston. Same location twelve years. Take over optical and share space w/ ophthalmologist. One doctor is joining a large group practice and vacating. Easy terms, startup grace period. **843-860-9938**.

Part time, fill-in available 1-2 days wk. (30 yrs. experience) call Dr. A. Shapiro. **843-860-2644**.

I am looking for P/T fill-in work within about one hour of Charleston. Have a lot of experience with special CL's but have practiced general optometry for 39 yrs and suddenly find myself without a practice. e-mail: eye-doc@comcast.net or call **843-754-6113**.

Equipment for Sale

WANTED: Tonopen - good condition. Call Dr. Holcombe at **843-521-7408**.

7070 Santinelli Patternless edger, needs a new tracer. Make an Offer. If interested, call **843-425-6798**.

New Matrix Visual Field Unit. Show price was \$12,000. Sale price \$9000. Call **864-292-0262**.

AONCTII, Chart Projector, Chair and Stand. All in Excellent Condition. For Details, Call Janice at **864-855-0034**.

HRT II like new condition. Purchased last year at SECO. Hardly used. \$16,000. If interested, please call **864-225-0474**.

Lots of great equipment for purchase. Some items for sale include a Custom II Chair and Stand, Kerotometer, Vertometer, Complete Lens Finishing Lab, Desk and Office Furniture, & much more. Call E.H. Brown, O.D. at **803-345-6661**.

Office equipment for sale. Please contact Dr. Bill Behling if interested at **843-562-2604**.

Kerotometer (\$350), A/O Projector (\$250), A/O Custom Chair (\$1,500), and Zeiss Slit Lamp (\$1,000) for sale. Please call Dr. Antley at **803-532-9870** for more information.