

Cleveland Ophthalmic Personnel Society

Upcoming Continuing Education

September 24, 2009 7 pm

Dinner Meeting

Dr Zakov "What my patients have taught me"

Holiday Inn Independence

Dinner at 6 pm Lecture at 7-9 pm

2 JCAPHO Credits approved

October 13, 2009 3 to 5 pm

COS/COPS Meeting

DoubleTree Hotel Independence

Herando Zegarra, MD "Plaquenil"

Jeff Hunter "Instrument Maintenance and Repair"

2 JCAPHO Credits approved

November 4, 2009 5 pm

COPS CE Opportunity

Dr Bafna "Lifestyle Implant Choices for Cataracts"

Clear Choice Custom Laser Center Brecksville

Registration 5:15 pm Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm

2 JCAPHO Credits approved

November 21, 2009 8 am

COPS CE Day

Southwest General Hospital

Registration 8:00 am

Meeting 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

8 JCAPHO Credits pending

December 8, 2009 3 to 5 pm

COS/COPS Meeting

DoubleTree Hotel Independence

Richard Gans, MD "Ocular Trauma Emergencies"

2 JCAPHO Credits approved

January 23, 2010 8 am

OOS Annual Meeting

Columbus Hilton at Easton

More info to follow in your mail

Credit info to follow

February 9, 2010 3 to 5 pm

COS/COPS Meeting

DoubleTree Hotel Independence

Speaker and Topic to be determined

2 JCAPHO Credits pending

April 11, 2009 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

Annual COPS Brunch

COPS Challenge Registration at 8 am Brunch 8:30

4 JCAPHO Credits pending

April 13, 2010 3 to 5 pm

COS/COPS Meeting

DoubleTree Hotel Independence

Dr Deepak "3D Optic Nerve"

2 JCAPHO Credits pending

May 20, 2010 6 pm

COPS Dinner Meeting

Vision Impairment Workshop

Dave Zuchowski and Noel

Dinner 6 pm Lecture 7-9 pm

2 JCAPHO Credits approved

A Poem for the Tech of the Year

Denise Capretta, COMT

Linda Georgia should be nominated that much is clear, The prestigious award-Ophthalmic Personnel of the Year
A more deserving recipient surely cannot be found, I know of this because many of years I have been around.

Stellar technical skills she has obtained in her career, Management skills that reassure her staff that she is always near
Patience, knowledge, compassion and dedication, All are wonderful things she gives without hesitation.

If we tried to list the accomplishments acquired by our friend, We would soon come to realize that it would have no end
Just ask her doctors what a valuable employee that she is, And her staff - they'll tell you that she is the best in the biz.

As for COPS - she is the voice of the organization, Our Newsletter Editor notifies us of every situation
Seminars, brunches, dinner meetings and job opportunities, Finding time to do this between managing and visual acui-
ties.

On a personal note she is a wife, mother and friend to all, One may wonder where she finds the time for every call
She accomplishes this and more without missing a beat, Is it any wonder why she holds an Executive Board seat?

In conclusion, I think that it is now very easy to see, Why I think that Linda Georgia is the best nominee
For the award of Ophthalmic Personnel of the Year, She truly deserves your vote - now that should be clear!

Thank You from Tech of the Year

Linda Georgia, COT

When Denise called my name as the 2009 Ophthalmic Professional of the Year I was completely surprised. I am pretty happy not to have attention brought my way.

That is usually the time of the meeting I start to doze off, because my belly is full and I have been sitting there and listening to speakers for a couple hours.

I would like to thank everyone for the support and encouragement., what a tremendous honor. I have been very fortunate to have found a job that turned into a career, and can truly say that I have been very lucky to work with some of the "Best of the Best" in the Cleveland Ophthalmic Community.

I have learned so much over the last 22 years and still learn something new everyday.

I really enjoy working with patients and trying to help them as much as I can.

With the changing climate of Healthcare, I hope that we can all continue to do our best to help many of Northeast Ohio's population continue to enjoy their lives and sight for many, many years

Congratulations

Congratulations goes out to Denise Capretta for being recognized for 25+ years of involvement at the Annual Academy Meetings. We would also like to congratulate Mary Pat Johnson for her recognition for her 15+ years, as well. We are sure glad they have always been great teachers for us.

Another Opportunity For Continuing Education Credits!

2 Group A Credits

Cleveland Eye Clinic

And

Clear Choice Laser Eye Centers

November 4th

5:30pm Finger Foods-Lecture to follow

New Advances in Cataract Surgery and Measurement Techniques

Shamik Bafna, M.D.

Board Certified Ophthalmologist

Fellowship in Cornea and Refractive Surgery

Brecksville

7001 South Edgerton

440-740-0400

This is a free event

You must RSVP Space is limited

Letter From the President

Audrey Gargas, COT

Dear COPS Members:

It is so hard to believe that summer has come and gone already but we do have our fall lineup of speakers ready to go!

The website committee has been working hard on getting all the bugs out of our website and it is now ready to go. Please take a few minutes to look it over and help us with any suggestions that you may have. The website address is _***** (I will forward as soon as I hear from Brendan.*****)

The board has heard from quite a few members their offices will not be providing sponsorship for the academy meeting in San Francisco this October. COPS has decided to help our members with credit hours by providing a COPS Academy on November 21, 2009 at Southwest General Hospital. There will be a fee charged for this meeting to cover our costs with a reduced rate to COPS members. Hopefully your employers will consider covering the cost of the meeting for you when compared to the cost of attending the academy.

Beginning in 2010, we will offer at least one meeting a year with OPS accreditation to help our members with dual memberships.

As always, we are always looking for suggestions from our members for topics and speakers! Please let any board member know of your ideas!

Sincerely,
Audrey Gargas

Test your knowledge

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| 1. ___ Irvine-Glass Syndrome | A. Clumps of pigment in the vitreous |
| 2. ___ Microphakia | B. Congenital, abnormally small crystalline lens |
| 3. ___ Pemphigoid | C. Chronic progressive blistering and scarring of the mucous membrane which leads to adhesions between palpebral and bulbar conjunctiva |
| 4. ___ Pars Planitis | D. Inflammation of a vein |
| 5. ___ Pellagra | E. Cysts that form in the macula after cataract surgery, impairing vision |
| 6. ___ Phlebitis | F. Absence of eyelash pigment |
| 7. ___ Foveola | G. Iris has a prominent peripheral roll that may occlude TM and can cause acute angle glaucoma |
| 8. ___ Fulminant | H. Refers to a sudden, rapid intense reaction |
| 9. ___ Inspissated | I. Chronic inflammation of the ciliary body that leads to coalescence of debris in the lower part of the dibrterous and a snowbank overlying the pars plana |
| 10. ___ Tobacco Dust | J. Caused by a deficiency of B2, characterized by optic nerve degeneration |
| 11. ___ Xerosis | K. Centermost, thinnest zone of the fovea |
| 12. ___ Plateau iris | L. Conjunctival and corneal dryness caused by deficiency of tears or conjunctival secretions |
| 13. ___ Poliosis | M. Secretion or exudate that has become dried or hardened |
| 14. ___ Edema | N. Swelling of tissue from excess fluid accumulation |

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