

COPS Newsletter

FALL 2013

Letter From the President

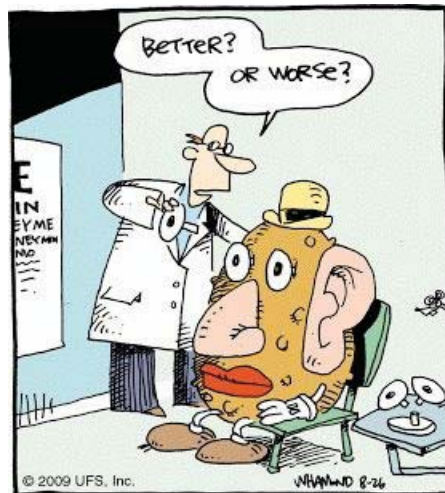
I hope everyone had a nice enjoyable summer despite the weather either being too hot or too cold! I know our garden did not do well with the vegetable plants, but the weeds got a foothold and never looked back!

We have put together our upcoming lecture series for the year with the opportunity to visit a few different offices. Our fall dinner meeting will be at Kaiser Permanente in Parma and the spring dinner meeting will be at the Cleveland Sight Center in May, with free parking!

Our well wishes to Renee Paris, COT who has relocated to Kaiser Permanente in Atlanta, Georgia! Renee will give us a true idea of what hot, humid summer days are like in the south!

Best wishes to everyone for a nice fall and hope to see everyone soon!

Audrey Gargas,
COPS President



Upcoming Events:

- October 3, 2013** Fall Dinner Meeting 6 – 8:30 pm
Ocular Manifestations of Systemic Diseases, Brenda Loffelmann, PA
Kaiser Permanente
12301 Snow Road, Parma, OH 44130
2 JCAHPO CE's
- October 8, 2013** COS Meeting
New Ophthalmic Imaging Techniques & Case Presentations
Mark Harrod, CRA, OCT-C
Doubletree Independence, 3 – 5 pm
2 JCAHPO CE's
- October 12, 2013** **COA Review** 9 am – 4:30 pm
Southwest General Hospital
Middleburg Heights – *see flyer within newsletter*
- November 9, 2013** **COPS Academy** 8am – 4:30 pm
Southwest General Hospital
Middleburg Heights
7 JCAHPO CE's – see flyer within newsletter
- December 10, 2013** COS Meeting 3-5 pm
Multiple Sclerosis and Optic Atrophies, Greg Kosmorsky DO
Doubletree, Independence
2 JCAHPO CE's
- February 1, 2014** **Ohio Ophthalmological Society Meeting**
Hilton, Columbus
6.5 – 7 JCAHPO CE's
- February 11, 2014** **COS meeting** 3-5 pm
Doubletree, Independence
2 JCAHPO CE's
- March 30, 2014** **COPS Brunch** 8 am – 12:30 pm
Holiday Inn, Independence
4 JCAHPO CE's
- April 8, 2014** **COS Meeting,** 3 – 5 pm
Doubletree, Independence
2 JCAHPO CE's
- May 8, 2014** **COS Dinner Meeting 6-8 pm**
“When You Treat A Blind Person”
Cleveland Sight Center
1909 E 101st Street, Cleveland, OH 44106 - Free Parking **2 JCAHPO CE's**

Cleveland Ophthalmic Personnel Society

Fall Dinner Meeting

Thursday, October 3, 2013

Kaiser Permanente

12301 Snow Road

Parma, OH 44129

Appetizers served at 6:00 pm

Lecture begins at 6:30 pm

Our speaker for the evening is Ralph Stewart, MD and Brenda Loffelmann, PA, who will present
"Ocular Manifestations of Systemic Diseases"

2 JCAHPO Group A Continuing Education credit hours

Please RSVP by September 30, 2013.

Please detach and return bottom portion (or copy and e-mail) by September 30, 2013

Name: _____

_____ I am currently a COPS member and will be attending the dinner - no charge

_____ I am currently a COPS member and will be attending the lecture only - no charge

_____ I am not a COPS member and will be attending the dinner and lecture meeting \$35

_____ I am not a COPS member and will be attending the lecture only - \$20

Dinner will be provided.

Please email response to: crowes@ccf.org

Please mail RVSP to: Sue Crowe, COT 10220 Brian Drive, Concord, OH 44077

Cleveland Ophthalmic Personnel Society

Presents

COPS Academy

The Cleveland Ophthalmic Personnel Society will be presenting a full day of 8 Continuing Education credit hours. Lectures will include "Getting Ready for ICD-10-CM; Systemic Diseases; Gas vs .Oil in Retinal Detachment Repair Surgery; Clinical Approach to Screening a Potential Keratoconus Patient; Ocular Issues in Premature Infants; Things Aren't Always What They Seem; Documentation in Electronic Medical Records."

Saturday, November 9, 2013

*Southwest General Hospital
8:30 am to 4:30 pm*

*Registration Fee: COPS members \$150
Non- COPS members \$250*

*Please call 216-481-8364 with any questions. Registration closes November 1, 2013
Confirmations will be mailed prior to date of class*

Registration Form - Must be received by November 2, 2013

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ *State:* _____

Zip: _____

Phone number: _____

E-mail address: _____

Employer _____

Work Phone Number: _____

Current Certification Level: COA COT COMT Non-Certified

Fees: COPS member \$150 Amount Enclosed: _____

Non-COPS member \$250

Please make checks payable to: COPS

Please mail completed form to: COPS, Sue Crowe, COT

10220 Brian Drive

Concord, OH 44077



University Hospitals Case Medical Center Announces New Chairman

Douglas J. Rhee, MD, has been named Chairman of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at University Hospitals Case Medical Center and Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine.

Dr. Rhee, one of the world's leading authorities in both adult and childhood glaucomas, comes to us following an extensive national search. Since 2005 he has served in multiple roles at the Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary and Harvard Medical School, most recently as associate professor, associate surgeon, and medical director of strategic network development.

He specializes in complex and high-risk cases with an interest in rare syndromes as well as the more common types of glaucomas. He is interested in researching new and better ways to treat and cure this blinding disease because his patients are constant reminders for the need for more research. He explains that he enjoys the ongoing clinical relationship that develops between Doctor and patients as they work together to manage glaucoma and its effects.



Oh the Places You'll Go

Eye Care El Salvador is looking for ophthalmic personnel to help in the annual mission trip to serve the underprivileged in La Libertad, El Salvador. The group returns to the port of La Libertad for the eye mission Feb 8 - Feb 22, 2014. The clinic will be in the same complex on the Pacific Ocean we used in 2011 and surgery will be in the local Health Clinic about one kilometer away.

This group exists on the volunteers who participate each year, both ophthalmic personnel and volunteers. If you have skills in dispensing glasses, readers or technical skills we would love to have your help. The group would like to invite you to participate in the clinic where 5,000 people are served over the two week period. If you cannot go for both weeks consider helping for one of the two weeks. You will be amazed at the friendships you will make while helping a small country in Central America.

Please contact Beth Colon if interested: 216-339-1449



You can help a child's vision for \$1.00

Cleveland Ophthalmic Personnel Society encourages all medical personnel, friends, families and co-workers to consider donating \$1 to the Save Our Site Fund when applying for or renewing their motor vehicle registrations. This program has changed the lives of many children by providing early detection of amblyopia and free patches.

The objective of the Save Our Sight Fund is the promotion of good eye health and safety.

When any Ohioan applies for or renews their license plates, they will be asked if they want to contribute \$1 to the fund and it will be added to their fee. It's that easy!

Money raised will:

Provide training, certification and equipment for vision screeners.

Provide protective eyewear for youth sports and school activities.

Develop and provide eye health and safety programs for our schools.

Provide information and case management services to children diagnosed with amblyopia (lazy eye) and their families through the Ohio Amblyopia Registry.

What better way to spend \$1.00 and help improve children's lives!

Eye Trivia:

Questions:

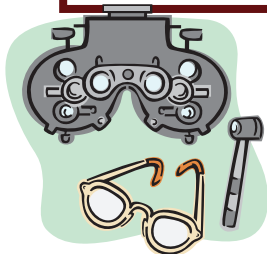
1. What are the five principle areas included in the history interview?
2. What is the color of the bottle caps of prostaglandin agents?
3. Name two ocular disorders in which the exophthalmometer can be used for obtaining measurements?
4. What is the name of the instrument used to measure extension of the anterior surface of the cornea beyond the lateral orbital rim?
5. Name three infectious agents.
6. In metric notation, 100 cm are equal to ____ meters and ____ millimeters.
7. If dust accumulates on the mirror of the slit lamp, the technician may clean it by using what cleaning methods?
8. Checking the calibration of a Goldmann applanation tonometer is performed with a _____.
9. How many measurements does the tonopen record to give an average IOP?
10. A drug that produces temporary paralysis of the ciliary muscle is termed ?



(Answers on next page)

Answers:

1. Chief complaint, ocular history, medical history, family ocular and medical histories and allergies.
2. Teal.
3. Graves' (or thyroid eye) disease or ocular tumors.
4. Exophthalmometer
5. Bacterial, viral and fungus.
6. 1, 1000
7. A lint-free cloth, a lens brush or blast of air.
8. Balance or calibration rod.
9. 4
10. Cycloplegic drug.



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Posted August 21, 2013

Kaiser Permanente is looking for a full-time COT to provide support and assistance to the ophthalmologist in providing direct patient care, in office surgical procedures and testing. 2 years of experience is required. Competitive salary and benefits available

Please fax resume to: Attn.: Laura Karakul at 216-265-8868

Posted August 13, 2013

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We are currently looking for experienced Ophthalmic Technicians for our Brand New LASIK Center opening soon located in Cleveland, Ohio.

Please send your resume to: wsutherland@lasikvisioninstitute.com

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (Cont.)

Posted July 30, 2013

Part-time / Full-time Ophthalmic Technicians for a fast paced growing practice located in Medina County. The successful candidate will be able to perform A-scans, OCT and Visual Fields.

Excellent people skills and attention to detail a must. Travel between offices is required. Must be a team player and willing to work flexible hours, some evenings and Saturdays may be required.

To apply, fax resume to 330-725-0445 Attn: Practice Manager

Posted July 30, 2013

Ophthalmic Physicians in Mentor, Ohio is looking for a full time Certified Ophthalmic Assistant / Technician and also a full time scribe. Please e-mail resumed to: cookejulie@aol.com

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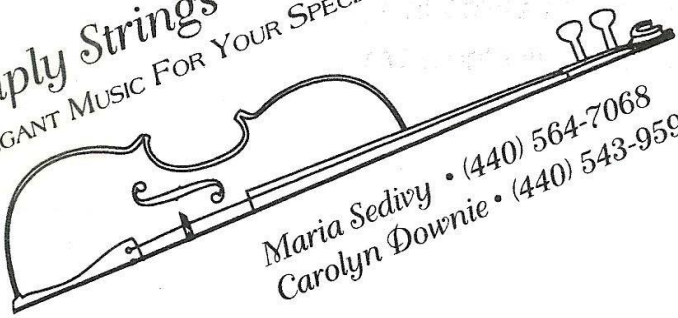
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