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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT SANDRA BOZICH, O.D.



Dear Society Members and colleagues.

At this time of year we are all reminded to give thanks for the love of our family and friends. With Thanksgiving over, we now prepare for Hanukkah, Christmas, and other traditions, and then the celebration of a New Year. Looking back over the past year, I remember all of the good things that came my way...good health, a growing practice that continues to give me enjoyment and challenges, a wonderful and supportive staff, without whom I could not deliver the care that I love to deliver, and helpful, supportive colleagues who are always willing to share their time and knowledge with others to better the profession and the world. I hope each of you also has many things for which give thanks.

At the Society Holiday party, I took the opportunity to sit back and take it all in. I saw the culmination of months of diligent planning by Dr. Linda Hur and Dr. Barbora Bell. Everything was perfect and the evening was the "event" of the year for our Society. Those who attended enjoyed a warm, fun, and lively evening. Thank you Linda and Barbie for a GREAT party this year and in years past!! Well done. Additionally, thanks to the preparation and hard work by Dr. Joanna Leong, Dr. Shirley Hong, Dr. Debbie Fan, and Dr. Elaine Chung, the Society raised close to \$5000.00 for Guide Dogs for the Blind. \$2900 from the silent auction alone, with the remainder from straight donations. How fantastic that we were able to raise that amount of money in one evening. The auction baskets were very clever and it was quite amusing to see how creative we are with movie themes!!! (Rumor has it that Rod Lum will wear his Toga to the January meeting). Thank you to ALL involved for your hard work and teamwork and willingness to make the Society more fun and more meaningful.

We will continue to ask for donations for Guide Dogs throughout 2007, since that organization and the silent auction are the Society project for 2007. If you have not donated by check or cash, or by buying a basket at the auction, please bring your checkbook to the next meeting, or mail a check. (instructions inside this issue of Focus).

I also give thanks to the Board members who volunteer their time and energy and amazing talents to the betterment of the Society, to the volunteers who will attend the House of Delegates in February, and to the volunteers at the COA. If we take a look around at world health, our local neighborhoods, our Society, our religious groups, scouts, community organizations, and on and on...so much of it is volunteerism. It constantly overwhelms me to think of how much we all give just because we can.

I wish you all a very happy and healthy holiday filled with the love of family and friends, the spirit of giving, and lots of good fortune in 2007. I thank you for allowing me to serve as your President. See you soon.

Sandy

There will be No December General Meeting

We will meet again on Thursday
January 18, 2007

Happy Holidays!

See you next year.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

First Tuesdays of the Month

SCCOS Board Meeting

First Thursdays of the Month

Young OD Meeting

Third Thursdays of the Month

General Meetings and CE

January 6-8, 2007

18th Annual Berkeley Practicum

DoubleTree Hotel, Berkeley Marina

for more information go to:

http://optometry.berkeley.edu/opt_txtpp/ce/ce_berkpract.html

June 24–July 1, 2007

Caribbean CE Cruise

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The Alameda Contra Costa Counties Optometric Society
proudly presents its

“Centennial Celebration, Installation and CE Event”

Sunday, April 15, 2007

8:30am–1:30 p.m.

Castlewood Country Club

707 Country Club Circle

Pleasanton, CA 94566

Including “can’t miss” CE with nationally acclaimed keynote speaker, Dr. Lou Catania, who will provide three hours of COPE approved CE on the topics of Wavefront and Contact Lenses. There will be continental breakfast and a three course lunch, along with a raffle to win prizes and an opportunity to meet with our corporate sponsors, including Alcon, Allergan, Essilor, Con-Cise/PEN. Music will be provided by Bob Schoen, O.D. and his band. In addition, we will be holding a special ceremony to honor some true trailblazers of our society.

More information to follow.

***Please help with the SCCOS Society Project of 2007 benefiting
Guide Dogs for the Blind***



Guide Dogs for the Blind is a non-profit organization which provides guide dogs and instruction in their use, free of charge, to visually-impaired people. Through generous donations and volunteer support, *Guide Dogs for the Blind* allows visually-impaired people to gain independence and confidence in pursuing their goals.



How Can I Help?

Pledge a donation!

Checks (payable to *Guide Dogs for the Blind*) can be mailed to:
Family Focus Optometry
Attn: Joanna Leong
15251 E. 14th St. Ste. B
San Leandro, CA 94578

*This will be the only Society Project for 2007,
Let's make it a successful event!*

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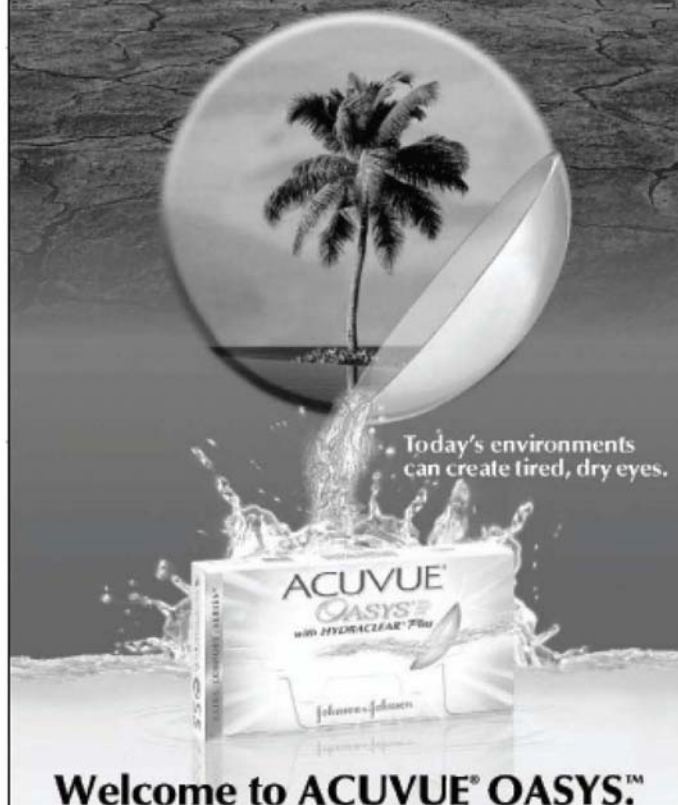
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