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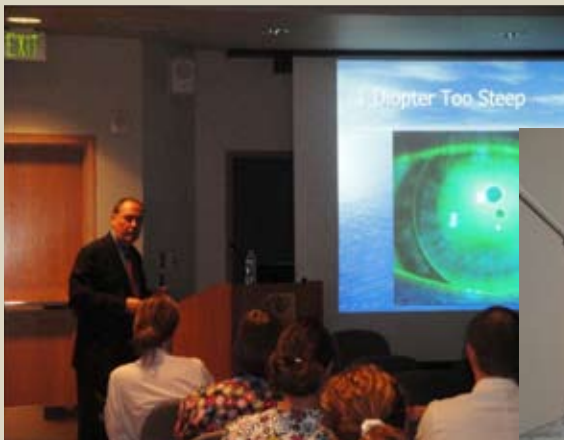


Jim Slightom, ABOM, FCLSA

On July 23, Jim Slightom, a Fellow in the Contact Lens Society of America, a Master Optician certified by the American Board of Opticianry and a Fellow in the National Academy of Opticianry, joined us at JEI as our Grand Rounds guest speaker.

Jim has been an optician and contact lens technician for more than 30 years, owning his own optical business for the first 18. He was the Contact Lens Clinical Director at the University of Missouri, Department of Ophthalmology in Kansas City for eight years, and he spent three years as a Clinical Specialist, teaching and consulting with practitioners on how to fit Paragon's Corneal Refractive Therapy lenses. He is currently a Contact Lens Consultant at ABB Concise.

Jim also held an earlier lecture here at Jones Eye Institute, and held workshops with our clinical staff and OMT students.



Lecture



Contact lens workshop,
following lecture



Grand Rounds



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Congratulations Stephanie Sanford & Brenda Duhamel!

Stephanie Sanford earned the Certified Ophthalmic Assistant (COA) title after successfully completing the COA examination administered by the Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel in Ophthalmology (JCAHPO). The three hour examination consists of 200 multiple choice questions covering history taking, basic skills and lensometry, patient services, tonometry, instrument maintenance and general medical knowledge.

Brenda Duhamel, COA, has passed her National Contact Lens Examiners (NCLE) test. The test specifications are created based on job analysis, and the exams are written by groups of certified opticians and contact lens fitters appointed by the American Board of Opticianry (ABO) and the NCLE. The questions are then reviewed by the testing service specialists for proper testing principles and rules of grammar and style. Questions are created to test candidate ability to recall knowledge and to apply that knowledge to specific dispensing functions. The exam is administered twice a year and consists of up to 125 multiple choice questions that must be completed in two and a half hours.

For the NCLE exam, the content areas consist of 16 percent on prefit, preparation and evaluation; 25 percent on diagnostic fit and evaluation; 29 percent on lens dispensing, patient education and delivery procedures; 21 percent on follow-up visits with patient/customer; and 9 percent on administrative issues. This certification must be renewed every three years through completion of continuing education requirements.

Bravo to Stephanie and Brenda for meeting the qualifications for these tests and demonstrating their knowledge and expertise by passing the national examinations!



Diane McVinney, CPC, OCS, Receives Ophthalmic Coding Specialist Certification

Diane McVinney recently received certification as an Ophthalmic Coding Specialist (OCS) by the American Academy of Ophthalmic Executives (AAO) and the Joint Commission on Allied Health Personnel in Ophthalmology (JCAHPO).

As referenced from the AAO.org website, the OCS exam is designed to thoroughly test the coding knowledge of professionals in the field of ophthalmology. The exam includes questions on the following 18 content areas: ICD-9, CPT®, E&M, Eye Codes, Modifiers, Special Testing Services, Major Surgery, Minor Surgery, Retina, Pediatrics, Oculoplastics, Dispensing, Vision Rehabilitation, Anterior Segment, Cornea, Glaucoma, Compliance and Neuro-Ophthalmology. Those

who attain a passing score of 80 percent or higher on this exam are awarded the OCS Certificate of Completion.

Congratulations to Diane for her remarkable achievement.

Diane encourages all Jones Eye employees to consider studying for and taking this test. In these days of declining reimbursement, knowing about accurate and complete billing is more important than ever. She would be happy to discuss it with you!

Fort Smith Donor Luncheon

On Monday, July 13, Jones Eye hosted a donor luncheon at Goodsons Restaurant in Fort Smith, in honor of the recent established chairs in ophthalmology which were named after two wonderful Fort Smith philanthropists: Sally McSpadden Boreham and Martha Wood Bentley.

Sally's two daughters, Debe Vicharelli and Kate Maurass, were in attendance along with Sally and Martha's friends, which included: Ed Dell Wortz, Carol and John Woods, Mackie Cutting, Maggie Mallory, Pat Walker and Dr. John and Nancy Shock. Dr. Shock gave tribute to Sally and Martha as well as Pat Walker and Ed Dell at the luncheon.



**2007-2009
Ophthalmic
Medical
Technologist
Students,
Graduates**

The Department of Ophthalmic Technologies celebrated the OMT class of 2007-09 with a graduation party on Saturday, June 20, 2009. Megan Downs, Katie (Wilson) McNew, Brandon Tillman, and Dana Wolford were honored. The students recognized faculty, staff and their families for their support and presented the following faculty and staff with plaques: Dr. David Warner for Resident Teacher of the Year, Kathy Fray for Clinical Faculty of the Year, Dr. Nicola Kim for Physician Faculty of the Year and Suzanne Hansen for the Outstanding OMT Faculty Award. The class of 2007-09 is the seventh class to graduate from the OMT program. Next year's senior class will include: Natalie Etheridge, Jeremy Lemmons, Sharon Oliver and Alicia Rogers. Five new students have been accepted as well, to begin the program this August.

Circle of Excellence Corner



Anderson



Harper

The Dean's Outpatient All-Stars are those physicians who were most frequently recognized by patients on the ambulatory patient satisfaction e-mail survey. All of these faculty members recognized have earned at least seven positive comments from patients during the most recent quarter. Congratulations to Dr. Jennifer Anderson and Dr. Richard Harper for making the Dean's Outpatient All-Star list last quarter, for outstanding patient focus and healthcare service. This is Dr. Harper's second time to make the list, in two consecutive quarters.

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COMFORT,
HOPE &
HEALING
FOR OUR PATIENTS
& FAMILIES.

Justin Lieblong, M.D.

Please join us in welcoming our newest Ophthalmology Resident, Dr. Justin Lieblong.

Dr. Lieblong received his medical degree at UAMS in May of 2008, followed by his PGY-1 year in Internal Medicine at UAMS also. Some of his public service and activities include: UAMS Alumni Phonathon (2004-2007); Race for the Cure Three Miles of Men participant (2006-2007); Brady Elementary School presentation and essay contest, "Benefits of Being Healthy" (2005); St. Mary's Hospital Family Fun-Fest summer volunteer (1999-2002); Boy's and Girl's Club Valley-Fest summer volunteer (1999-2002); and Meals-On-Wheels program delivery driver (1999).

Some of his honors, awards and achievements include: Pope County Medical Society Scholarship at UAMS (2007), Barton Scholarship for 4.0 GPA at UAMS (2005), *magna cum laude* Honors Graduate of University of Central Arkansas (2003), Presidential Scholar of University of Central Arkansas (1999-2003), Dean's List at University of Central Arkansas (1999-2003), Alpha Chi Collegiate Honor Society (lifetime member) and Gamma Beta Phi Honor Society (2000-2003).

Dr. Lieblong enjoys outdoor activities including hiking, camping, canoeing, hunting and fishing. Other interests include playing the guitar, music, anthropology, ecology and conservation of wetland ecosystems. Sports that he enjoys include running, basketball and soccer.





Susan Callans – Enucleator, Arkansas Lions Eye Bank and Laboratory

Susan Callans is a Little Rock native and graduate of Hall High. In 1973, she graduated from LPN school from the Baptist School of

Nursing and received her RN in 1980 from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

Susan's work experience includes Labor and Delivery, Eye Surgery, OB/GYN in private practice, UAMS Eye Clinic and currently working with the Little Rock VA Eye Clinic since 1995.

In between her work at UAMS and the VA, she took a seven-year leave from the medical field and was the office manager at her husband's landscape architecture design firm, Bob Callans and Associates.

Susan began her work for the Eye Bank in June 2003. In 2008, she received her 10 Year Service Pin from UAMS. Her duties at the Eye Bank include screening of potential donors, procurement of tissue and the training of new technicians.

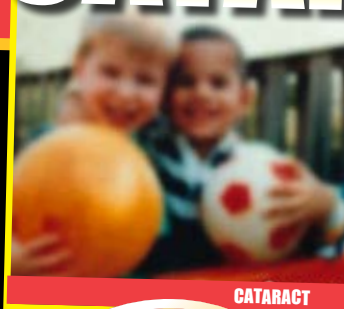
Susan has been married to Bob Callans for 32 years and they have one daughter named Kristin. In her spare time, Susan enjoys her cat, three black Cocker Spaniels, English horseback riding, bicycling and vacations in Florida.

As seen in her picture above, Susan supports the Locks of Love Organization and has been growing her hair long since October of 2008 so that she will be able to donate the minimum requirement of 10 inches of hair. As stated on their website, "Locks of Love is a public, non-profit organization that provides hairpieces to financially disadvantaged children in the United States and Canada under age 18, suffering from long-term medical hair loss from any diagnosis." (<http://www.locksoflove.org>)

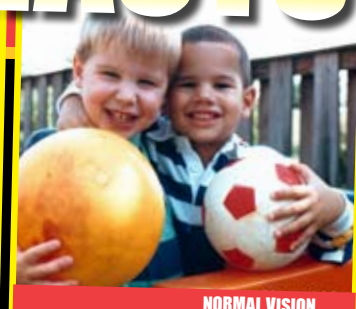
Wednesday, August 26
11:30 am - 1:30 pm
Bowen Auditorium
2nd Floor
Jones Eye Institute

The lunch and seminar
are FREE, but
registration
is required.

Lunch & Learn About... CATARACTS



CATARACT



NORMAL VISION

LEARN

- What causes a cataract?
- How is a cataract diagnosed?
- How is a cataract treated?
- About new ReSTOR® lens implant

PLUS, PLENTY OF
QUESTION AND ANSWER
TIME.

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Panel discussion by
Drs. Michael Wiggins, Nicky Kim,
Romona Davis, Bhairavi Kharod
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THE LUNCH AND SEMINAR ARE FREE, BUT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

Calendar of Events, Birthdays and Anniversaries by Brenda Hull

Birthdays

July 2 – Penny Hinton
 July 9 - Pam Green
 July 11 – Amy Taylor
 July 11 – Shontonia Robertson
 July 14 - Marsha Johnson
 July 16 - Dr. Scott Lowery
 July 16 - Dr. Purushottam Jha
 July 18 - Joy Banks
 July 22 - Allison Johnson
 July 25 – Dr. David Nixon
 July 25 – Oties Ross
 July 26 - Dr. Christopher Westfall
 July 26 - Steve Staples
 July 27 - Dr. Paul Phillips
 July 27 - Shirley Hankins

July 28 - Dr. Valeriy Lyzogubov
 July 29 - Kathy Rich
 July 31 – Ymelda Aldridge
 August 3 -Kim Glaze
 August 5 -Brenda Duhamel
 August 12 – Leora Hansberry
 August 14 – Meagan Brown
 August 16 – Dr. Robert Lowery
 August 19 – Brenda Hull
 August 22 – Diane McVinney
 August 22 – Karen Montgomery
 August 25 – Patrick Lang
 August 27 – Chrissy Grist
 August 29 – Mary Rinke

Anniversaries

July 1 - Dr. Michael Brown, 29 years
 July 1 - Dr. Laurie Barber, 19 years
 July 1 - Dr. John Shock, 30 years
 July 24 – Jennifer Doyle, 9 years
 August 1 - Dr. Arthur Thomas, 33 years
 August 1 -Dr. Inci Dersu, 4 years
 August 1 -Dr. Joseph Chacko, 4 years
 August 2 – Daniela Buhayevska, 5 years
 August 3 -Marilee Taylor, 13 years
 August 11 -Suzanne Hansen, 6 years
 August 13 -Tina Faulkner, 3 years

August

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23/30	24/31	25	26 Cataract Awareness Lunch & Learn	27	28	29