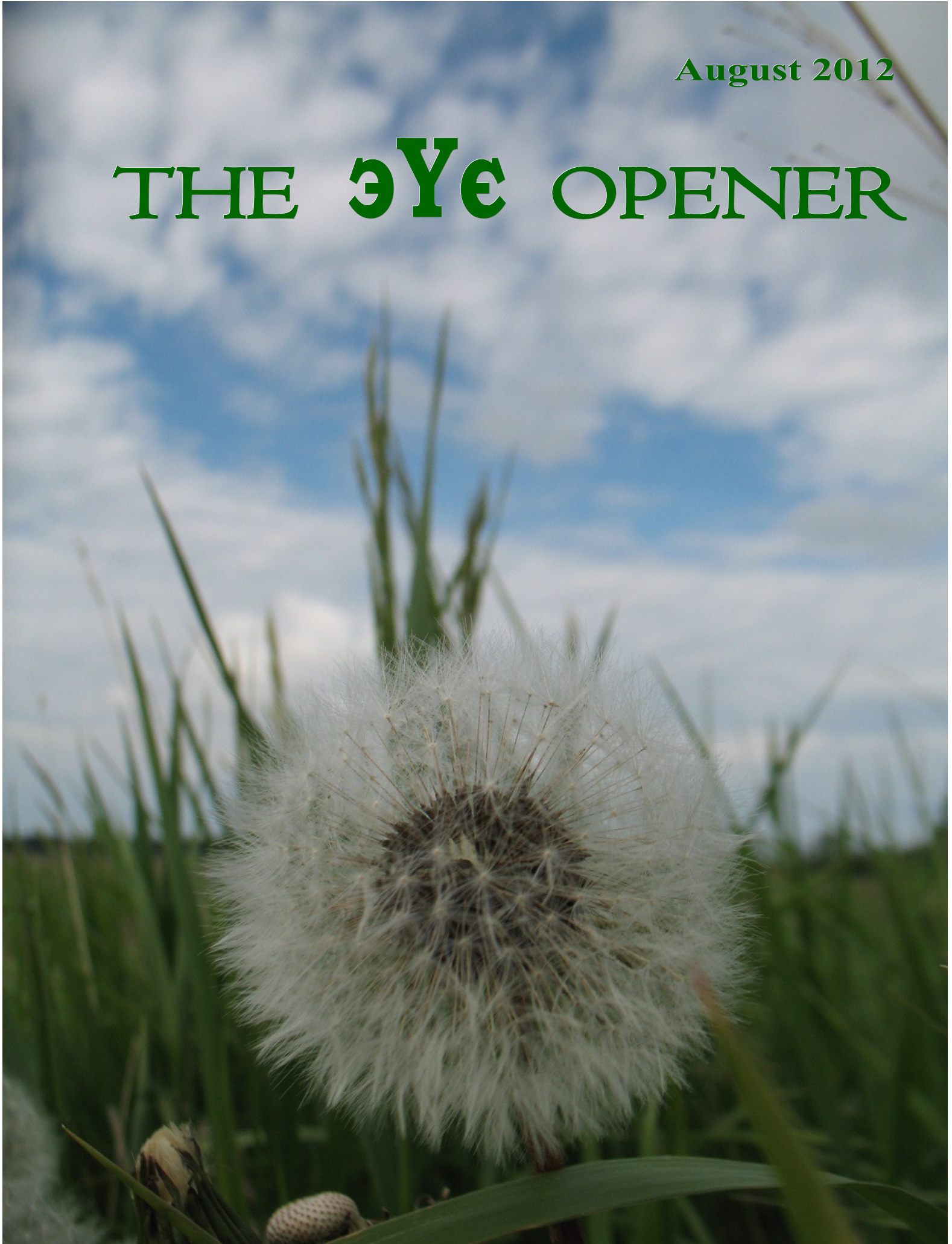


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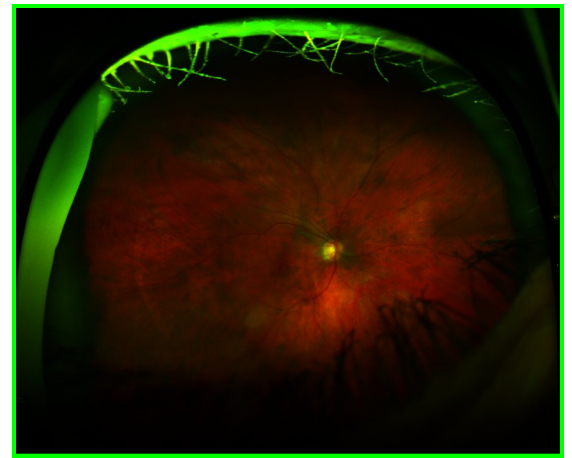
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COVER PHOTOS à la ROLF



Meeye Story!



Most of my life I have been myopic, when I was about eight I had to wear glasses (isn't that special) at a time when "four-eyes" was a playground insult . . . Holy Molystones ! My prescription was -1.00 and it gradually went up or down from there (however you want to look at it). When I started working at Point Optical, it was great, I started to wear contacts - first gas permeable and then soft toric. I was so happy that I didn't need to wear glasses anymore (unless they were cool ones) not like the cat eyes I wore in high school. Life was good !

The years fly by . . . I wear glasses most days as I am doing more computer work and it's more comfortable or was until the last few months when blurriness has been a constant irritant and getting worse by the day.

I visited the optometrist and after a very extensive examination I discovered much to my dismay that a change in prescription was not going to make any difference. **What ?** Yes, I have cataracts in both eyes and they need to be removed. Having been told you have cataracts - your mind says "No I am too young ? ?" huh, Yeah I know it's not just in the elderly - it happens at all ages . . . I will need toric IOL's, special order from Europe \$850 per lens over the surgery cost. Oh Well ! Life Goes On and Hey I Can Handle This . . . but what is great, no more contacts or glasses - well except for readers. Did you know that there are even Progressive IOL's available - what a world we live in !

SO . . . now I await my time, not so patiently but I'm on the list !

Thinking positive 😊

Looking forward to seeing you at the convention in Regina this year !

Chris Raqué, Editor

Remember to Hug Someone Today !

REGISTRAR'S Desk



I hope everyone is enjoying the warm summer weather and lazy evenings on their deck or at the lake. Summer is usually a time for all of us to sit back and relax a bit . . .

Unfortunately, that hasn't been the case for the college and your council. It's been full steam ahead with the transition from an association to a college. Much work has been done, however, much work remains to be done. With licensing finally completed after a number of unforeseen circumstances held up production, and printing of the actual licenses, we are happy to report they are finally all processed and mailed. There were a number of reprints required but they're pretty much caught up as well, so if anyone is still missing a licence, please call the college immediately.

The college is moving ahead with a number of amendments to the new regulations to smooth out some wrinkles with existing provisions and to add new provisions for prior learning assessments. Alberta and BC received funding to develop a prior learning assessment program (PLAR), to evaluate applicants that have optical training and experience but have not graduated from a NACOR approved program, therefore the SCO, is adding provisions to our regulations so we can take advantage of the program as well.

Finally, after much delay and re-clarifying of our legislation with our legal counsel, Department of Justice, the legislative drafters, and the ministry, our legal counsel has filed the first, of what will likely be many, charges with the courts on the illegal dispensing of cosmetic contacts. Our intentions are to proceed through the courts with the first case before proceeding with others.

Please continue to forward the names and addresses of those parties that continue to dispense cosmetic contacts, and we will continue to send out letters of warning. The College's preference is of course, for those parties found illegally dispensing to stop once they have been warned. However, in those cases where an illegal dispenser refuses to cease dispensing, the college will have no other alternative but to forward the offender for prosecution.

Have a great summer everyone
Ken Sorensen
Registrar



CALL TO MEETING

DELTA HOTEL AND CONVENTION CENTER
1919 SASKATCHEWAN DR.
REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2012
10:00 am – Noon

Call for Nominations - two council vacancies.

Mail or email your nominations - please include:

- ◆ Name of Nominee
- ◆ Place of Nominee Employment
- ◆ Your Name & License #

Candidates must be open to questions from the membership.

NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE TAKEN FROM THE FLOOR



PLAR

The Saskatchewan College of Opticians is in the process of preparing a **Prior Learning Assessment Recognition** program for Saskatchewan.

Periodically we have occasions where applicants for licensure will come from jurisdictions where their credentials are not accredited by the NACOR. The College of British Columbia and the Alberta Opticians Association collaborated to develop a prior learning assessment tool (**PLAR**) to assess the opticianry skills of these people. Prior learning assessments are widely accepted across Canada and as such, the SCO feels it is important to add provisions to our regulations so we can take advantage of this very important process.

PLAR is used to assess the education and skills of the applicant, and to identify areas of concern where the applicant may fall short in the educational requirements necessary to be licensed in Saskatchewan. Once the evaluation is completed, the administrator will make recommendations for either further education or licensure in accordance with our legislation.

This **PLAR** process will require a team of at least 4 people. All training will be provided by the SCO. Committee members will be compensated for their time and energy on a per case basis. This is not an elected position and is open to all members.

Interested members are invited to forward a letter of application and resumé to the attention of Paul Johnson, President, c/o Saskatchewan College of Opticians 1603 Fleet Street, Regina, SK S4N 5S2 by September 1, 2012.

JOB REQUIREMENTS










- ♦ be a Licensed Optician in good standing in Saskatchewan
- ♦ be well versed in all aspects of opticianry
- ♦ possess good interpersonal skills and the ability to interview and evaluate applicants work related skills & abilities
- ♦ be able to schedule the necessary time to perform the requirements of the position.

JOB DESCRIPTION

To carry out the duties and responsibilities of a **PLAR** Administrator by assessing and testing the skills and abilities of applicants through the prior learning and assessment process and making recommendations for further education or licensing in accordance with the Opticians Act and Regulatory Bylaws.

If you would like any further information or clarification, please call the College at 652-0769.

CANADIAN OPTICIAN LICENSING FEES (Renewal) 2012

		Optician	Optician & CL	Inactive Member	Inactive OD & CL	Retired	Apprentice	Late Fee
	BRITISH COLUMBIA	448.00	504.00	-	252.00	-	196.00	117.60 137.20
	ALBERTA	670.53	832.76	270.38	-	-	-	10%
	SASKATCHEWAN	446.25	682.50	141.75	283.50	36.75 73.50	30.00	75.00
	MANITOBA	520.00	558.60	210.00	-	-	30.00	50.00
	ONTARIO	759.36	759.36	-	-	-	57.00	125.00
	NEW BRUNSWICK	375.00	375.00	93.75	-	-	187.50	50.00
	PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND	150.00	225.00	50.00	-	-	-	-
	NOVA SCOTIA	500.00	550.00	50.00	50.00	-	50.00	150.00
	NEWFOUNDLAND	350.00	460.00	-	-	-	130.00	Varies

Does anyone have trouble understanding all the new terms used to describe progressive lenses? I am referring to terms like; free-form, direct-to-surface, high definition, digitally computed, digital processing, digitally enhanced, and so on. I will try to blow away the clouds of confusion to give you a better understanding of what going digital is all about.

When you read about a lens that is made by some kind of digital processing, don't assume that the lens is somehow better. It may or may not be. Digital suggests a higher level of precision. I would argue that all lenses created since the late eighties have been made using some form of digital processing. I think it is important not to get caught up in the digital hype. Digital lenses are often generically called free-form lenses.

The term free-form is often misunderstood. Many optical professionals think of free-form as the lenses they receive from the laboratory. They think that the lenses are superior because digital production has been used. A twenty five year old progressive design lens can be made using digital or free-form equipment. Does that make that older design lens better? Confused? Yes? So are a lot of other ECPs!

I think that the world of free-form manufacturing has great potential. The accuracy and customization capabilities are amazing. The finished product is only as good as the manufacturing process. The process cannot improve a poorly designed lens. It is our job to study the available technology and make an informed decision. There are some very good lens designs that maximize the benefits of digital surfacing. Contact the lens manufacturers and your laboratories to discuss free-form technology. Educate yourself so you can educate your patients. Your patients deserve the best. Give it to them!

Read More

http://www.ecpmag.com/1webmagazine/2008/10oct/content/through_the_lens/understanding-digital-lenses.asp

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Half Of Canadians Are Ignoring Their Eye Health And May Pay The Price With Blindness Are You One Of Them?

From: TORONTO STAR Section Life
November 25, 2011
by Barbara Turnbull Living Reporter

Excerpts from article

LH is a self-employed mom on the go who, like half of all adults in Canada, has not had an eye exam in five years or more. For LH, 41, it's been 10 years, despite the fact that she wears corrective lenses — contacts she orders online using her decade-old prescription. "I'm an 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it' kind of gal," she admits, in a telephone interview from her home. "It's just one of those things that's not on my to-do list, with all the other appointments we have going on. I force myself to go to my annual physical. I do go to a dentist. I did, at one point, put that off and it caught up with me."

That attitude toward eye care is catching up with an increasing number of Canadians. A survey by the Canadian Ophthalmological Society in 2005 found that 50 per cent of Canadians have not had an eye exam in five years or more. A study by the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in 2008 shows the number of Canadians with vision loss is expected to double in 20 years from glaucoma, cataracts and age-related macular degeneration.

"Studies have shown that the fear of going blind is only second to the fear of developing cancer," says Dr. John Mastronardi, past-president of the Ontario Association of Optometrists. Yet we take our eyesight for granted. Going to the eye doctor is just not a conscious issue for many people, especially if they don't wear glasses. We wake up and, if we can see, we figure all is well. But that's a faulty assumption, says Mastronardi. "All the sight threatening conditions out there happen within the eyes, before the patients develop symptoms."



A Canada-wide study led by Dr. Yvonne Buys, an ophthalmology professor at the University of Toronto, found that half of newly diagnosed glaucoma patients are already at moderate to advanced stages, with irreversible and often devastating damage. The disease has no noticeable symptoms in early stages. The study, which included 404 patients recently diagnosed with ocular hypertension, glaucoma's precursor, or full-blown glaucoma, was published in the June issue of the *Journal of Ophthalmology*.

"Everything usually does better if you treat it sooner than later," says Buys.

<http://www.thestar.com/healthzone/news%20%20features/article/1092122--put-eye-exams-on-your-to-do-list-say->

A Cautionary Contact Lens Tale



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JD thought the Angelic Blue cosmetic contact lenses he bought online at clearlycontacts.ca would be great for Halloween. He supplied his prescription and credit card information and the lenses arrived a week later. After wearing them for about four hours, his left eye started watering. It felt as though the contact was suctioned on his eyeball, says JD who was then 18. When he removed the lens he felt an excruciating pain and couldn't see. No wonder. Removing the lens peeled off the epithelial surface of the cornea, says his optometrist, Dr. Fiona Soong. "He was lucky not to have lost his vision," she says. The extent of the abrasion in the central part of the eye could have resulted in scar tissue and permanently affected his vision. "All contact lenses are medical devices," says Soong, who doesn't think any should be sold online, without prescription and without regulation.

<http://www.thestar.com/healthzone/news%20%20features/article/1092120--a-cautionary-contact-lens-tale>

Protect your Eyes

Five tips to guard kids from eye damage or injury during the summer months:

1. Have your child wear sunglasses whenever outdoors.
2. Have your child wear a wide-brimmed hat or baseball cap when outdoors.
3. Keep children out of direct sunlight between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. when the sun's rays are strongest.
4. When buying sunglasses, choose a close fitting, wrap around style frame with 100% UVA and UVB blocking lenses.
5. Wear safety sports glasses for outdoor activities.

Source: Dr. Surjinder Sahota, president of the B.C Association of Optometrists

Detecting Alzheimer's Early

Optical Scientists, Psychiatrists Develop Minimally Invasive Eye Test for Alzheimer's

"researchers have developed a pair of optical tests that can determine the presence of amyloid beta proteins -- found in all Alzheimer's patients -- in the lens of the eye. A device called an interior laser ophthalmoscope can pick up the presence of the amyloid protein.

http://www.sciencedaily.com/videos/2005/1210-detecting_alzheimers_early.htm

Eye-test hope to detect Alzheimer's years before symptoms show

by David Derbyshire

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-1280049/Eye-test-hope-detect-Alzheimers-years-symptoms.html#ixzz21leanPB2>

An eye test that can detect Alzheimer's years before any symptoms show is being developed by scientists. It follows the discovery that a toxic protein that builds up in the brains of dementia patients - triggering loss of memory and confusion - also accumulates in their eyes.

Around 800,000 people in Britain suffer from Alzheimer's and other forms of dementia. The number of cases is expected to double within a generation.

More Info: <http://www.telegraph.co.uk/health/healthnews/7746099/Alzheimers-disease-its-all-in-the-eyes.html>

Alzheimer Society Toronto

An estimated 500,000 Canadians have Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia. Over 70,000 of them are under 65 and approximately 50,000 are under the age of 60.

In just 5 years, as much as 50% more Canadians and their families could be facing Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia.

http://www.alzheimertoronto.org/ad_Statistics.htm



WHAT IS COUNCIL?

Perhaps it is time that we explain what Council is and does, as well as their responsibilities to both the opticians of Saskatchewan as well as the public. So here it goes!

Your Council's primary function is the regulation of opticians to ensure conformity to the Opticians Act and Bylaws. We are here to protect the public from harm as well as to promote the present and future of professional opticians. We control the education of the new opticians of Saskatchewan and offer them continuous education.

The Council of SCO is formed from seven volunteers, five of these are elected by the membership at Annual General Meetings and two are appointed by the government to ensure the best interest of the public is being considered in all decisions. At the first Council meeting after the Annual General Meeting, the five elected members and the two government appointees designate which Council member is to fill the position of President, OAC Representative, Treasurer and Education Chairperson(s). These are selected by normal democratic nomination and voting processes.

There are pre-existing committees and new ones to be formed. We need assistance from the membership for these committees. Please consider helping us by looking over the information included in this outline. Current committees are:

- ♦ **Conduct Committee:** looks into any concerns of actions of the membership that contravenes our Act and Bylaws.
- ♦ **Discipline Committee:** considers the direction given from the Conduct Committee and recommends action to the Council.
- ♦ **PLAR committee:** screens, tests, and makes recommendations concerning people being re-licensed and new applicants to the SCO.
- ♦ **Contract Committee:** negotiates with Supplementary Health, Sask Tel and First Nations for the contract pricing.

Your Council meets approximately 4 times per year, two are by telephone conference and two in person.

Like at the AGM, reports are presented at each meeting.

- ♦ **OAC Representative** - keeps us informed as to developments in opticianry from the other provinces.
- ♦ **Education Representative(s)** - reports about anything to do with courses, lectures, instructor's etc.
- ♦ **Treasurer** - reports as to our financial status.
- ♦ **Registrar** - talks about anything to do with registration and legislation.
- ♦ **President** - speaks to future development and action plans derived from the preceding reports.

Currently we have been managing our business by committee. This means that each council member has accepted specific responsibilities and follows through reporting to the balance of council with their thoughts, suggestions and recommendations. The balance of council, support each other by voicing opinions and the Chair and President make the final decisions.

As a Council member, you are paid a per diem for attending meetings, as well as mileage. Our Council meetings generally last about two to five hours depending on business to be resolved. The locations of these meetings vary with the location of the council members.

The time commitment could vary from two hours per week to two - three hours per day, depending on what issues are before us. In addition, you are expected to commit to attending all SCO functions, and be available to the membership for guidance. Those in the Education Chair and OAC Chair are expected to attend the National meetings twice/year. The SCO pays all expenses for these meetings.

This year Council redesigned the nomination by proxy process, where you nominate a member in good standing. We will contact them and ask if they will let their name stand for election (re-election) and at the Annual General meeting we will open the floor to nominations. In both cases, the nominee is allowed and expected to give a brief statement to the membership present as to who they are and why they should be elected, this also includes present council members up for re-election.

Finally, it's important for the membership to know, that carrying out the responsibilities of the College by its Council is a very serious and important duty. It is without a doubt, the very backbone of your ability to practice your profession. With that in mind, we encourage members, wishing to nominate someone to give serious consideration to their decision. We cannot stress enough that nominated individuals be willing to give of their time, to serve, and carry out the duties and responsibilities of the position in an upfront and professional manner.

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Congratulations to the recipients of 2012 Bursaries & Scholarships

*Tell me and I forget ~ Show me and I may remember
Involve me and I will understand
Chinese proverb*

Welcome

Bienvenue

Events for 2012 - 13



Convention

Sept. 29 - 30, 2012

Delta Hotel, Regina

AGM

Sept. 30

Delta Hotel, Regina

International Convention Dates

Vision Expo West

Sept. 5 - 8, 2012

Las Vegas, Nevada

Visions Canada 2012

Nov. 16 - 18

Mississauga, Ontario

NACOR Practical Examination Dates

BC Sept. 22 - 23, 2012 Douglas College, Coquitlam

Ontario Oct. 19 - 21 Georgian College, Barrie

New Brunswick Nov. 3 - 4 TBA, Saint John

Alberta Feb. 2 - 3, 2013 NAIT, Main Campus, Edmonton

Ontario April 19 - 21 Seneca College, Toronto

BC May 25 - 26 Douglas College, Coquitlam

Saskatchewan June 1 - 2 TBA, Saskatoon

Manitoba June 8 - 9 TBA Winnipeg

New Brunswick June 8 - 9 TBA, Saint John

Alberta June 21 - 23 NAIT Main Campus, Edmonton

BC Sept. 21 - 22 Douglas College, Coquitlam

Ontario Oct. 18 - 20 Georgian College, Barrie

Nova Scotia Nov. 2 - 3 TBA, Halifax

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SPEAKERS & TIMES

(Speakers & Times subject to change due to travel schedules)

Saturday, September 29th

8:45am – 10:00am [1 OD]	"Crizal Transitions" Claude Hazel (Essilor)
10:00am – 11:00am [1 CL]	"The Wonder of One Days" Janice Schmidt (Coopervision)
11:00 am – 12:00 pm [1 OD or 1 CL]	"Fostering Healthy Sight in Canada – Focus on Kids" Tim Schmidt (Transitions)
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH Sponsored by Wal-Mart
1:00pm – 2:00pm [1 OD]	"Vantage Lenses" Tim Schmidt (Transitions)
2:00pm – 4:00pm [2 OD]	"IRLEN Workshop" Damon Steadman

Sunday, Sunday September 30th

9:00am – 10:00am [1 CL]	"The Astigmatic Patient & How to Ensure the Best Vision Possible" Fazal Khan (Bausch & Lomb)
10:00am – 12:00pm [2 OD or 2 CL]	Annual General Meeting (2 council positions open)
12:00pm – 1:00pm	LUNCH Sponsored by Johnson & Johnson
1:00pm – 2:00pm [1 CL]	"How to Build your Practice with Loyal, Happy Contact Lens Patients" Richard Maharaj, BSc, OD (J & J)
2:00 pm – 3:15 pm [1 OD]	"Resolving Customer Issues w/PAL'S" Martin Bell (Rodenstock)
3:15 pm - 4:15 pm [1 OD]	"Understanding FreeForm" Maxine Stewart - Special Facilitator

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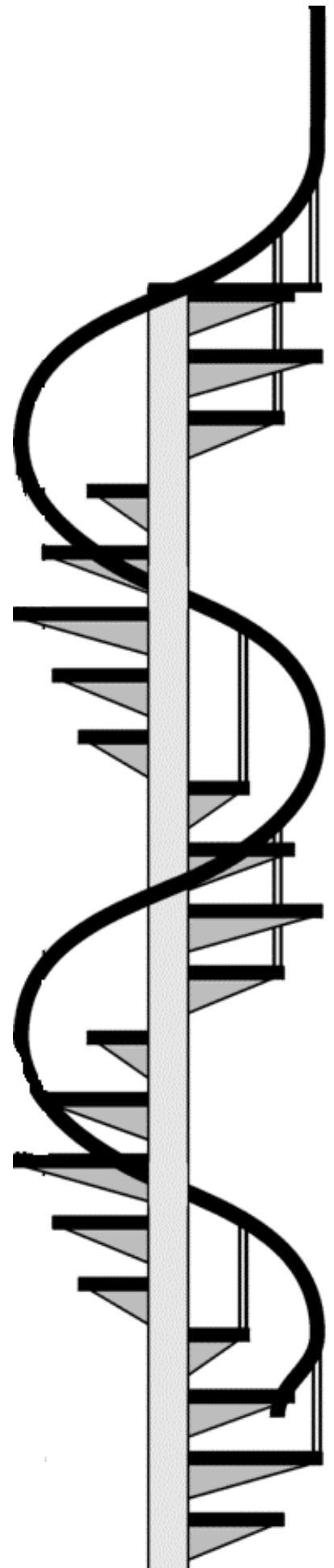
HOTEL RESERVATION DEADLINE DATE – August 29th, 2012

DISPENSARIES & LICENCED OPTICIANS

EMERALD PARK	Emerald Park Eye Care	Krista Mayer, LO
ESTEVAN	Estevan Eye Clinic	Ramona Timar, LO
	Factory Optical	Olga Knibbs, LO Morgan Kuhnie, LO
	South East Eyecare	Christopher Wright, LO
FORT QU'APPELLE	Lucky Lemay Optical	Lucien Lemay, LO
HUMBOLDT	Humboldt Vision Centre	Leah Hergott, LO Janalee Michel, LO
KINDERSLEY	Kindersley Optical	Patricia Dragseth, LO, LCLP
LLOYDMINSTER	Christy J Mushtaler Optometric	Lorilyn Brassington, LO Hiliary Kirsch, LO
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MOOSE JAW	Factory Optical	Tammy Durfey, LO Crystal Hilton, LO Sherryl Maier, LO
	Loblaw Optical	Christopher Bell, LO Lisa Friesen, LO, LCLP
	Nu-Look Optical	Donald Fischer, LO Michelle Lavallee, LO Rick Seabrook, LO
	The Moose Jaw Optical House	Stan Lawrence, LO Carla Unser, LO
	Wal-Mart Vision Centre	Tana Paton, LO, LCLP Raena Wilk-Morhart, LO, LCLP
NIPAWIN	Nipawin Vision Centre	Sherry Boychuk, LO Sheila Peters, LO
NORTH BATTLEFORD	Parkview Optometric Services	Michelle Young, LO
	UWear Eyewear Inc	Carrie Adams, LO Bonnie Cameron, LO, LCLP Marilyn Clark, LO
	Wal-Mart Vision Centre	Lisa Fox, LO, LCLP Robert Morrow, LO, LCLP Tammy Van Meer LO, LCLP Sharon Wood LO, LCLP

DISPENSARIES & LICENCED OPTICIANS

PRINCE ALBERT	Central Optometric Group	Jacqueline Mazurkewich, LO
	Factory Optical	Sandra Busch, LO Diana Hicks, LO, LCLP Maria Jones, LO
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	Prince Albert Vision Centre	Marsha Patoki, LO John Revitt, LO
REGINA	Advance Eye Care Centre	Angelique Fatteicher, LO Kirsten Schill, LO
	Cornwall Optical Ltd	Ron Dorey, LO Sheena Richardson, LO Alanna Schaeffer, LO
	Costco Optical	Darcy Bausmer, LO Joanne Bowerman, LO, LCLP Sheri Jones LO, LCLP Jie Liu LO, LCLP Terry Schneider, LO
	DOC Optical	Wayne Ortman, LO
	Eyence Optical	Lyle Innes, LO
	Eyes on Albert	Amanda Lorenz, LO Leah Power, LO
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Brenda Burchby, LO

Hill Optical Ltd

Ken Hamel, LO

Insight Vision Care

Jodi Carignan-Olson, LO
Renee Klyne, LO
Crystal Lemaire, LO
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Susan Weist LO
Sharon Wiley, LO

J & J's Optical Gallery

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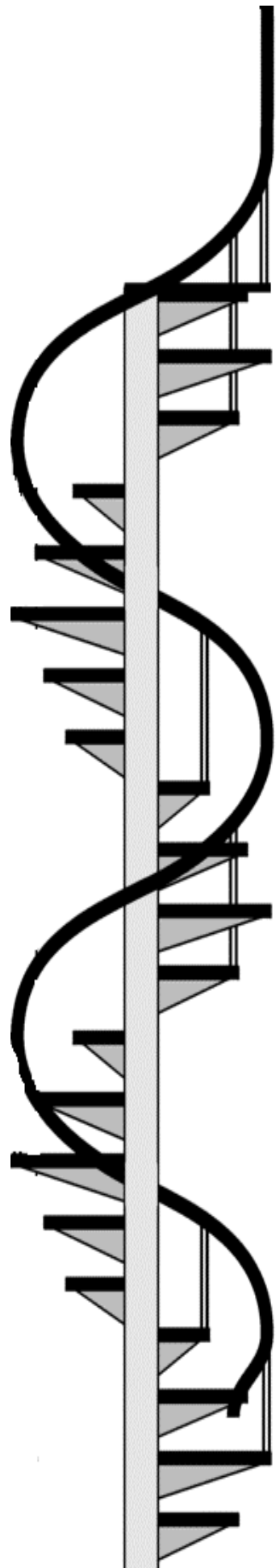
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Coralie Voth, LO, LCLP



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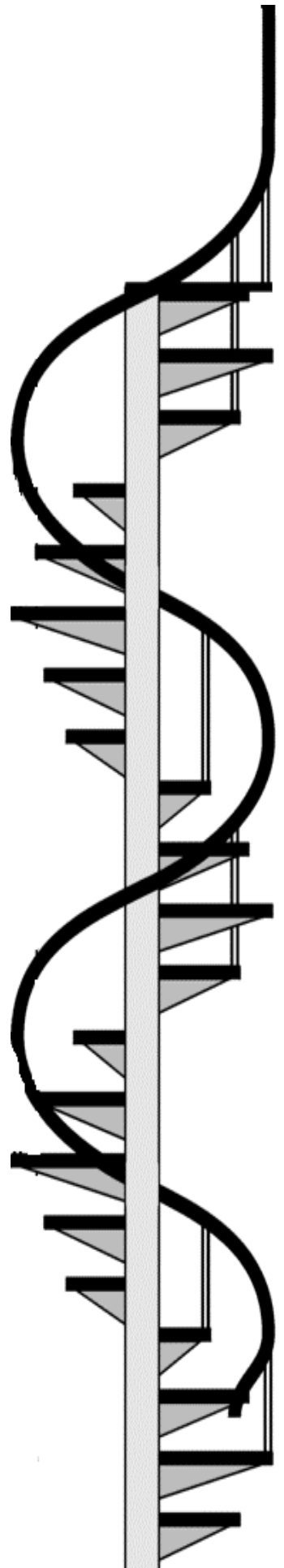
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Congratulations Students !

*To those of you that are moving on to the next level
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*A heartfelt Welcome to all those who successfully passed the
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CON - ED REQUIREMENTS

When we were the **SODA** each member had a specific time block of 3 years to obtain the required Con-ed credits. There were no provisions for new licenses and graduating students.

Now all students taking dispensing, refracting or contact lens studies are credited their full requirement of con-ed credits for the time they are enrolled in an approved course. When these future opticians become licensed, they will have the necessary credits to carry forward. This is a positive step which will save students time and money.

The new Bylaw clearly states that **you can use those credits accumulated in the previous 3 years**. March 31st is your deadline each year !

Date	Credits accrued in following years		
March 31, 2013	2010	2011	2012
March 31, 2014	2011	2012	2013
March 31, 2015	2012	2013	2014

You will note that you can now re-use credits

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Using surgical implants to change eye colour can rob people of their vision, some Canadian eye specialists warn. Cosmetic iris implants are not available in Canada or the U.S., but some Canadian doctors have had to treat patients who went outside North America for the procedure and developed serious problems. Beatriz Murillo, 36, travelled from Toronto to a clinic in Panama, where she paid \$8,000 to have a silicone disc placed on top of her irises to lighten the colour from brown to green.

"I'm an artist and I'm afraid I'm never going to be able to paint again," said Murillo, who had the procedure three years ago. Last year, she started to feel pain, as if knives were stabbing the inside of her eyes. She also experienced elevated pressure in her eyes. Since then, she's had two glaucoma surgeries and a cornea transplant that her body rejected, and she can now only see vague shapes and colours.

"Essentially, she's legally blind now in both eyes, despite the fact that these artificial implants have been removed," said Dr. Allen Slomovic, Murillo's ophthalmologist, noting she can only count fingers 0.6 metres in front of her face, which is significantly worse than legal blindness. "I think the lesson Beatriz has taught us is to be very cautious when dealing with cosmetic implants." *Iris implants can irritate the delicate eye, said Dr. Ike Ahmed* an eye surgeon at Mississauga's Credit Valley Hospital. He has seen two similar cases of people needing medical and surgical treatment. "These are some of the complications that we are seeing, unfortunately, with this device causing inflammation in the eye, causing bleeding and causing glaucoma, all of which can cause serious vision-threatening problems," Ahmed warned. Non-cosmetic iris implants have been used on people who were born without irises or have a torn or damaged iris, ophthalmologists say. But cosmetic iris implants are suspended in front of the iris in the front part of the eyeball, where there is little space, Ahmed said.



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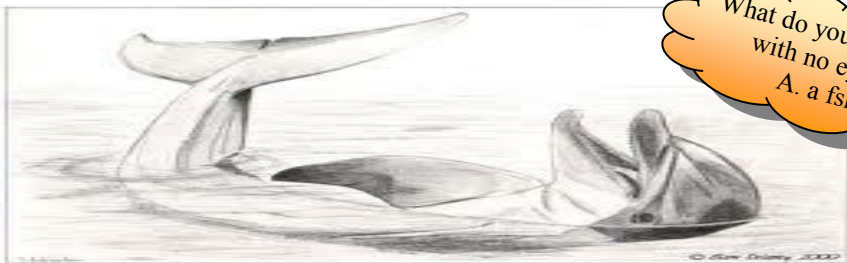
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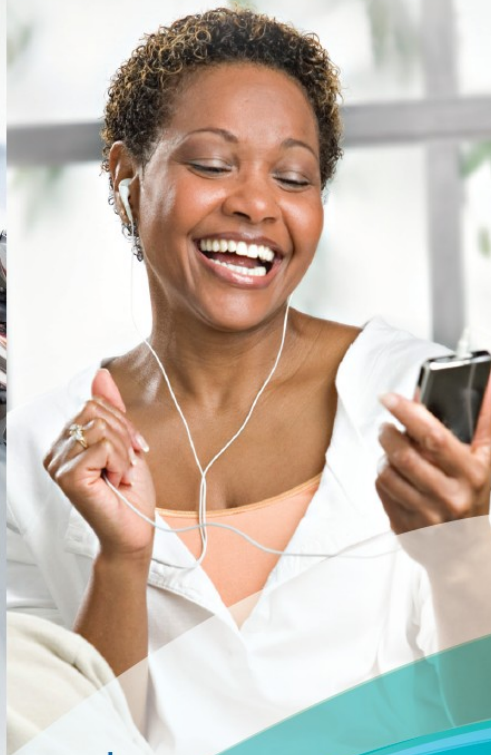
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