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Membership: The Ophthalmic Photographers Society is open to anyone having an interest in any aspect of photography of the eye. The membership is comprised of photographers, physicians, ophthalmic technicians, and scientists. If you would like to apply for membership, go to the webpage http://www.opsweb.org/?page=Membership and complete an application or contact the Membership office.

Article Submissions: Submit articles or ideas for feature stories or techniques to the Editor for review. The OPSnews newsletter would like to publish articles of interest to our members, "How to" articles, research projects of interest or general information on members.

OPS Image Library: This is your opportunity to see your work in print on the OPS website, program covers, or other OPS publications as they evolve.

The purpose of the OPS image library is to make available contributing photographers’ work for use in OPS marketing material, publications, and the annual education program cover. By having images on file from a variety of our members, this library will provide a cross section of the various imaging techniques we perform, and highlight our individual talents as these images are published. This ready library will credit the photographer when material is used, and when possible, the author will be contacted in advance to confirm the use. There is no submission fee. The image library will be accessed through the OPS Marketing Committee, and will not be open to general public distribution.

Submissions may be on CD or DVDs, in TIFF, PNG, or JPEG formats. Files should contain the photographer’s name and image title. This will facilitate contacting you if your work is selected for use.

Digital images may be sent to:
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Retinal Angiography Services
5633 Crain Street
Morton Grove, Illinois 60053
E-mail questions to Alan at: alanfroh@gmail.com

Membership

If you are not an OPS member and would like to join, select "New Membership" on the OPS webpage under membership. You will first be asked to enter your contact information as you would like it to appear in the OPS directory. Submission of this form will forward your information to the Membership Office, and you will be given the opportunity to submit your payment information. If you choose not to provide a credit card number at this time, you will be contacted by the OPS Membership Office to furnish that information by phone.

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Free Credits in Orlando

The OPS Annual Educational Program is just around the corner! Join us in Orlando this October for stimulating courses, workshops, and social events! If you are interested in some FREE continuing education credits, there are still opportunities to volunteer as a room monitor or a workshop instructor. If you have not registered for classes yet or if you want to pick up a few more courses, contact Laura Savage at ops.roommonitor@gmail.com for room monitor opportunities. If you are interested being a workshop instructor, please contact me at smoyer@gmail.com

Sarah Moyer, CRA, OCT-C
Education Chair
2011 OPS Annual Program

A Tribute and Celebration for Paul Montague

As we approach our annual meeting, looking forward to the fabulous educational program Sarah Moyer has designed, the Scientific Session, and the certification exams that will take place there, for many of us the chance to see friends and colleagues is another compelling reason to attend. This year will have a different feel, however, as we have lost one of the best friends the OPS has ever had.

Paul Montague was an unparalleled leader and champion of our Society, helping to guide and nurture us in the early years, and continuing that commitment through his numerous contributions to all aspects of our organization. Whether you knew Paul personally, or knew of his multiple roles in the life of the OPS, his was a name that brought instant recognition, and often a big smile. Paul was known for his wisdom, his wit, his dedication to our Society and profession, his passion for learning new things, and his wonderful sense of humor. Spending time with Paul was most often enriching for he was truly a Renaissance man, but always entertaining, for as Csaba Martonyi put it, “Paul was fun.”

There will be a special tribute and celebration of Paul in Orlando, late Saturday afternoon, following the Gass lecture. ALL annual meeting attendees are invited to join us as OPS celebrates and thanks this extraordinary man. It will be a chance to join friends and colleagues in sharing memories of Paul, and to raise a toast in honor of all he has meant to us. He would like that. Please come and share in this special event. You couldn’t be more welcome.

Time: Saturday 5:30pm
Location: Ballroom C

Do you have something to say about this issue or anything you would like to share with the Membership? Let us know at the OPSnews Newsletter.
Dear OPS Friends,

As you know by now, I love a good quote – I use them all the time in these little communiqués with you. So to quote Col. John “Hannibal” Smith of the 1980s television series The A Team, “I love it when a plan comes together!” That is pretty much what has happened with the launch of the new OPS website. The BOD found the association management plan that was going to be the best fit for the Society’s needs, a small band of intrepid OPS Board and committee members made a pact to get the website frame loaded in record time with the most current Society information we have, Barbara McCalley set out to redesign, or in some cases, reinvent some central office processes needed to keep the OPS going, and the current OPS website is what we came up with! If you have not seen it yet, I hope you will do so soon – we have the same URL: www.opsweb.org

The list of people who worked to bring the new site to fruition is impressive: for the BOC, Beth Ann Benetz, Jeannine Poulton, (who is the BOC public member and was the personal tutor for the slow coach, yours truly), and Christye Sisson; for the BOE, Kirsten Locke and Sarah Moyer were the primary contributors with Kirsten once again showing her computer prowess,( acting as another tutor for yours truly); Jim Strong produced the excellent section for the Scientific Exhibit; Tim Bennett has orchestrated the beautiful educational section on Ophthalmic Imaging; and of course, Barb is the master of all OPS member and business functions – in fact, she is now our “webmaster”. And the man who “launched” the site with a minimum of glitches was the electronic wizard, Joe Warnicki. I can’t begin to describe the amount of dedicated labor that went into building this site in time to facilitate online registration for our upcoming Annual meeting. I’m not sure we can thank these talented folks enough – but a quick post of admiration for a section you particularly like would never be remiss.

Our new site will be fluid – you’ll want to check in often to see the changes in latest news, the OPS calendar, our image contests, and content updates in the various sections about the Society. We have been “up” for about six weeks, and already items are being switched, added or tweaked.

As we worked through building this site, one thing became crystal clear over and over again – and that was the awe inspiring amount of time, effort and commitment given to the OPS by our Paul Montague, who was our webmaster for years. Paul not only built our original website, he custom designed and maintained it pretty much single handedly. Paul facilitated every feature and addition to our site, giving us some customized processes we will not be able to duplicate. He gave us the look, he gave us the identity, he made us electronic, and he made it all look seamless – you asked for something and in no time, it was there. Paul’s contributions to the OPS are almost countless, but when it came to our Society website, his efforts will never be equaled.

“Many hands make light work”, (oops - another quote). As the different OPS Boards are responsible for their own section, each section has its own individuality, yet all are part of the whole. If you have questions or comments about what you see in any section, or you can’t find what you are looking for, please contact the appropriate Board. You can find that contact information in the Governing Boards section under About Us!

Please find a few relaxing moments, maybe have a cool beverage close by, and get acquainted with the new OPS website and all its features. It is worth the tour, and we are delighted to welcome you to our new online community of ophthalmic imagers.

All my best,
Paula
On June 15th, 2011, the OPS Chicago Chapter and SOMAC (Society of Ophthalmic Medical Assistants in Chicago) held a joint meeting at the Northshore University Health Systems, Skokie Hospital. Our speaker for the evening was Dr. Jack Cohen, Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at Rush University Medical Center, and Illinois Retina Associates.

Dr. Cohen discussed the causes, incidence and risk factors of Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP); the five stages of the disease; the signs, symptoms, examination process; treatment options; and the complications and prognosis of the disease, including a multidisciplinary approach to rehabilitation. Research data, including clinical trials, and risk factors were covered in depth.

Our thanks to Dr. Cohen, and the staff of the Northshore University Health Systems, Skokie Hospital for making this outstanding program possible.

Respectfully Submitted By,
Alan Frohlichstein, BFA, BS, CRA, FOPS
Career Advancement Opportunity

Have you ever considered volunteering for the OPS? Serving on an OPS board or committee can help you network with colleagues, raise your professional profile and add valuable entries to your resume or cv. There are many volunteer opportunities in the OPS that can help you advance your career within your current workplace or with potential new employers. Anyone who has served on an OPS board can attest to the benefits it has had on their career.

The OPS Nominating Committee is looking for candidates for board and officer positions for the 2012 elections. If you would like to discuss how you can get more involved in your professional organization, Please contact a member of the OPS Nominating Committee or any OPS board member.

Picturing the Eye: Ophthalmic Photography and Film

The American Academy of Ophthalmology's Museum of Vision presents "Picturing the Eye: Ophthalmic Photography and Film," a new exhibit focused on the extraordinary power of ophthalmic imaging. While images of eyes and eye disease have been made almost since man was able to draw, the superiority of photography and film to capture the exact nature of disease and its cure is without parallel. A concise history of the profession highlighting some major achievements and iconic photographs will be on display from Stanley B. Burns, MD and the Burns Archive – the nation's largest collection of medical photography. The Museum of Vision will exhibit camera equipment, period photographs, stereographs and atlases from its own collection. Four screens will show portions of the Academy Archives film collection containing early footage of cataract, retinal and other surgeries. The fundus camera used by Novotny & Alvis to produce the first fluorescein angiogram in a human subject will be on display.

To discover the extraordinary images and films featured in "Picturing the Eye," as well as the equipment that created them, visit the Exhibit Hall, Booth #1266. During the AAO Annual Meeting you may also wish to attend the Museum of Vision's symposium, co-sponsored by the Ophthalmic Photographers' Society, entitled “Our Ophthalmic Heritage: The Evolution of Ophthalmic Imaging.” The symposium will be held on Monday, October 24th, 12:15 - 1:45 PM at the Orange County Convention Center, Room W414ab. Presenters at the symposium include D. Jackson Coleman, MD, Jose Dalma, MD, Michael F. Marmor, MD, James Ravin, MD, and Carmen Puliafito MD, as well as OPS members, Timothy J. Bennett, CRA, OCT-C, FOPS, Johnny Justice Jr, CRA, FOPS, and Joseph W. Warnicki, FOPS.

To learn more about the exhibit and the Museum of Vision, visit: http://www.museumofvision.org/exhibitions/
OPS Special Events in Orlando

During each Annual Program, the OPS hosts Special Events such as the Scientific Paper Session, Awards Presentation, the Welcome Reception with JJJ Raffle, the Gass Memorial Lecture and the OPS Membership Meeting. This year we have added two new special events that are already listed in the program: “Get to Know your Society” on Saturday from 12:30 – 1:30pm and the “20 Year Anniversary of OCT” course on Sunday from 11:00 – 12:30pm.

We are excited to announce that we are also adding a few social events that weren’t ready to be released in time for the program’s printing. We hope that you can join us for the OPS Photo Scavenger Hunt, Personal Photography Night and Yoga Session. Please see below for details of these new events.

OPS Photo Scavenger Hunt

Time: Friday, October 21st during OPS Welcome Reception
Registration 6:30 – 7:30
Scavenger Hunt 7:45 – 9:00
Location: Ballroom B
Cost: Free

During the Welcome Reception, we will gather to create teams for the first OPS Photo Scavenger Hunt. Unlike a regular scavenger hunt where items are collected, a photo scavenger hunt has you find and photograph the objects from a list with your team in them. All of these items on the scavenger hunt will be found inside Ballroom B. To give you an idea of what your team may be hunting for: you may be asked to take a picture with an FOPS, with a first time OPS Program attendee, or with Mickey Mouse ears (it is Orlando!). Images from digital SLRs, digital point and shoot cameras and camera phones will be acceptable. Participants who complete all items on the scavenger hunt will be entered into a drawing for the grand prize!

OPS Personal Photography Night with Mark Maio and Hector Mendez-Curatini

Time: Saturday 7:30 – 9:00pm
Location: Rosen Plaza Hotel, Room TBA
Cost: Free

Many OPS members take pictures of eyes by day and make pictures of the outside world during their nights and weekends. If you are attending the OPS Annual Program in Orlando, we welcome your personal photography submissions. This event is open to both those who are showing images and those who want to see what others are up to! We will combine the entries into a slideshow and each photographer will have the opportunity to give a brief overview of their personal work. This is a great way to learn about the “other” side of many colleagues you have only known through ophthalmology. Please contact Sonya Brooker at sunshine28409@yahoo.com for submission details. Act quickly! The first 15 entries before October 1st will be accepted.

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Back Issues of the Journal of Ophthalmic Photography are available for many of the volumes in the series. Back issues are original publications that are uncirculated. Many of the older issues dating back to the late 1970's and early 80's have become collectors' items. Contact the OPS Membership Office regarding availability and cost (ops@opsweb.org).

**OPS morning Yoga session with Ethan Priel, certified Sivananda Yoga teacher**

Time: Monday 6:30 – 7:30 am  
Location: Rosen Plaza Hotel, Room: Ballroom D  
Cost: Free  
Ethan will guide us through a one-hour rejuvenating Sivananda early-morning Yoga class that will prepare our bodies and minds to better absorb and retain information during our enriching OPS lectures. Please RSVP to Ethan Priel at prieleye@netvision.net.il and Sarah Moyer at smoyer@gmail.com by Friday, October 7th. This session is suitable for all, no previous experience needed. Please bring your own mat or towel to the class. Additional information to be announced to interested members.

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**ActionED Adds New Courses**

ACTIONED introduced NINE new courses Seven of the courses are from ATPO, one from JCAHPO and one from OPS.

**OPS: Introduction to Fundus Photography. An Interactive Guide for Beginners Using Mydriatic Cameras.**

**ATPO:**  
Acanthamoeba Keratitis: Recognizing It and Treating It, Shaken Baby Syndrome, Optical Coherence Tomography and Retina Architecture, Alternative Therapies in Ophthalmology, Optics and Performance of Presbyopic Treatments, New Treatments for Diabetic Macular Edema, Descemets' Stripping Endothelial Keratoplasty (DSEK)

**JCAHPO:**  
Zeiss ATLAS(r) 9000 Topographer

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**Check the OPS web site for CRA and OCT-C test dates and testing centers**
Meet Your OPS Member: Hoang Nguyen

What a Long Strange Trip it’s Been…. 

Think back to what you were doing at age 13. Now imagine, instead of playing little league, skateboarding or many of the other activities the average American boy enjoys, you were the sole support of your family of 5. Your dad’s been thrown in prison by the communist regime; your mom is struggling to keep the family together. So instead of pursuing a real childhood this OPS member was spending his time down at the sea, collecting the money thrown on the shores by desperate people escaping in unseaworthy boats, to buy food for his family. Young Hoang’s family depended on his wits and his skill for their very existence. This was a time when children were not afforded the luxury of being children and many ended up themselves in prison amidst harsh conditions we can only fathom.

One day, while hustling and scrounging the shores, Hoang found himself thrown into one of the departing boats by well meaning escapees. In the minds of these desperate people there were only three options: escape and hopefully get to a friendly country to send money back and to be freed, get caught and end up in prison (or worse yet, shot) or take their chances of becoming fish food along the journey.

Crammed into a 45 foot boat with another 183 escapees for nearly two weeks, Hoang suffered terribly. They only had food for half that time and water for about 10 days. Try to imagine YOUR teenager subsisting on 1 pack of noodles and 4 oz of water a day for two weeks and being grateful for it…….this coupled with the homesickness of a young man and his anxiety for his family made for an especially harrowing journey.

Luckily, he survived the journey and landed in a refugee camp in Malaysia on a small island camp designed for 5,000 holding over 20,000 refugees, for a year and a half. While in the camp he was interviewed by the American Consulate and given permission to immigrate to the US and was able to finally contact his family back home. Imagine being 15 and your family doesn’t know if you are alive. We American mothers have a breakdown if our kids are out on the street alone for an afternoon!

The US Consulate forwarded his files to Catholic Charities and thus, he was sponsored by a wonderful family in Syracuse, NY. His adventures had just begun. He didn’t speak any English, he was in a strange cold land with “weird” food and without a way to let his family back home know he made it out alive. Through hard work and determination Hoang learned enough English to at least tell his kind family that he was hungry!.. although all of the comfort foods of Vietnam were a distant memory. With time and encouragement from his sponsor family and his church he made the adjustments and was eventually Americanized in the local schools well enough to finish High School. He even discovered a local store that sold rice and that was a very happy day indeed. Hoang later attended college and majored in Biomedical Imaging at RIT. During his second year he discovered the ophthalmic imaging program (taught by Michael Coppinger at that time). He then took more advanced classes with Mark Maio in Buffalo, NY. He’s been fine tuning his skills ever since and currently works at Colorado Retina Associates in Denver. He’s been very active serving on the BOE and was the General Chairman for

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ICOP is only a few short weeks away!

The International Conference on Ophthalmic Photography - ICOP will be September 22-24th, 2011. You can see the countdown to the meeting in the ICOP section of the website.

The deadline for meeting registration has been set for September 10th. The special block of rooms at the Holiday Inn, Oxford, are all taken. Refer to the ICOP website at http://www.icopmeeting.org/ for information on other hotel options.

Paper sessions will be based on themes, including medical retina, training and education, anterior segment, diabetes and the eye, and pediatric ophthalmology. The OPS Board of Certification has awarded 1:1 CECs for the sessions, and credits have been applied for from the Royal College of Ophthalmology of the UK.

There is still time to join us at this exceptional educational experience held on the campus of Oxford University, Oxford, England. There’s no better place to meet ophthalmic imaging colleagues from around the world and share knowledge!

Look for more information about this exciting opportunity on our website. This ICOP will be “a premier event in global ophthalmic

Hoang Nguyen cont.

last year’s Mid Year meeting also held in Denver. He’s been even busier being the proud husband of his wife, Loan and the even prouder dad of his twins John and Grace. It’s been a long strange trip Hoang, but we’re glad you made it!

A side note from Hoang: “Loan and I are grateful for the generosity of all people that had helped us and give us a second chance of life. Without the generosity that we have received since that fateful day when we left our parents we probably would not have survived”

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We are seeking a Certified Retinal Angiographer. In this role, the staff member will assist the physician by providing medical treatment and medical care services to patients by performing duties and diagnostic ophthalmic test/assessment procedures. Ideal candidates would have proficiency in providing testing utilizing the following equipment.

- Humphrey Visual Field machine (standard automated perimetry)
- Goldman Visual Field (manual perimetry)
- A-Scan – Immersion / Contact
- B-Scan
- UBM
- External photography
- Slit lamp photography
- OCT immersion and non immersion (scan retina, macula, optic disc)
- Topography measurements (tms-4 or pentacam)
- Fundus camera
- Fundus fluorescein angiography

A successful candidate will possess a general working knowledge of medical insurance, excellent communication skills, be detail oriented and proficient with most computer software. Must have a valid and active certificate from OPS as a Certified Retinal Angiographer

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Your Membership:  
OPS New website

Now that everyone is becoming acquainted with the new Ophthalmic Photographers’ Society website www.opsweb.org the Board of Education (BOE) would like to introduce the features available under the “Education” tab from the main menu.

PROGRAMS:
OPS Annual Program page: Current news and information about the upcoming OPS Annual Meeting brought directly from the BOE to your screen. As things develop throughout the year, updates on the Annual Program will be posted on this page as they become available. Information about Sponsors, hotel location, Program features and much more will be made available to you.

OPS Mid-Year Program page: Each year the OPS and the BOE put on a summer program at various locations. Contrary to the Annual Program which is dictated by the location of the AAO Meeting, the Mid-Year Program locations are selected by the BOE and often hosted by a medical institution or university, rather than just being in a local hotel. Program information for the next consecutive event is made available as it develops and is posted to this page. Make sure to check out everything we have planned for you in Chapel Hill, NC in 2012.

If you would be interested in hosting a Mid-Year Program, talk with someone from the BOE for consideration.

ICOP page: As a member of ICOP, the OPS support and promote this International event occurring every four years. This tab acts as a direct link to the ICOP website and currently contains information about the upcoming Program in Oxford, England just months away.

OPS Future Programs: Cannot make it to an event this year? Not to worry, as the OPS have two Programs to choose from each year. This page will have a list of Programs for the next 2-3 years.

WAYS TO EARN CECs:
The traditional and the most exciting ways to earn CECs have always been, and always will be, to attend the various Programs listed above. However, the OPS understands that not everyone is able to, so alternative methods are now available. We’ve always been the experts in ophthalmic imaging and now we are offering our vast experience and knowledge on the web, with the opportunity to earn CEC credits!

Opportunities for CECs: There are several ways to obtain OPS CECs other than attending OPS Programs. Each year, many local events and Vendor meetings apply for OPS CECs. This page provides you with a search engine for OPS CECs available at various non-OPS events.

Online Education for CECs: The OPS has partnered with five other professional ophthalmology organizations with the unifying mission to provide online learning for medical personnel of all skill levels in the field. OPS-authored courses will provide CEC opportunities for CRAs and OCT-Cs, with a discounted price for OPS members!

Information about our first official OPS-sponsored online module, hosted by ACTIONEd, entitled “Introduction to Fundus Photography, an Interactive Guide” by Kirsten Locke, can be found on this page.

Additional courses will be added regularly, so continue to check the website for new offerings.

Publications for CECs: It may be a little known fact that it is possible to receive CECs for authoring a paper that has been published. This is not something that happens automatically but has to be applied for. Check out this page for more information on how to apply for Publication CECs.

Test your knowledge: This page was also available at our previous website and designed originally by Paul Mon-
It is a fun opportunity to confirm what you know about Ophthalmic Imaging and a good way to probe what is necessary to know in the field. The questions have been updated to fit the digital development in the field and several OCT questions have been added.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

**Speaker Biographical Information and Financial Disclosure:** These two pages link to the forms that are used for collecting information the OPS needs in order to offer CECs at all of our programs. The BOE has to document that each selected Speaker for a given talk has the necessary qualifications to teach the featured subject matter. Each Speaker is also asked to disclose any potential financial interest that might influence the Speaker’s opinion about a particular instrument or product. These two tabs are used to collect this information prior to each Program. The biographical information may be valid for several years but the financial interest must be filled out for each individual talk for each Program. If you are an OPS member and a frequent Speaker at our Programs, please to fill out your biographical information at your convenience.

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**BOC News:**

**ICOP Exams, BOC Elections and more.**

**2011 CRA Certified. Get your credentials this year!**

To hold certification as a retinal angiographer (CRA) or as a certified optical coherence tomographer (OCT-C) makes the statement of commitment to excellence in Ophthalmic Imaging. The last two opportunities to sit for the complete CRA exam will be happening this fall at ICOP in Oxford England and at the OPS Annual Education Meeting in Orlando, Florida. **THERE IS STILL TIME BUT TIME IS SHORT.** Start the application process today at the brand new OPS website: [http://www.opsweb.org/](http://www.opsweb.org/)

For more details please contact: cra@opsweb.org

**BOC Elections - Thank you CRA’s and OCT-C’s** for electing two new board members, Gary Miller, CRA, OCT-C and James Strong, CRA, OCT-C. Gary and James will start their three year term of service at the annual educational program in Orlando, FL, in October. Welcome Gary and James to the Board of Certification!

**BOC announces delay in launch of updated OCT-C examination.**

The current Stratus-based OCT-C examination will be conducted at test centers near you and at both the ICOP meeting this September in Oxford, England and OPS Annual Educational Program this October in Orlando, Florida. The launch of the OCT-C examination to include SD OCT is anticipated early 2012. The BOC will update the OPS membership and the OPS BOC certificants once a final launch date is confirmed.

**2011 Recertification Reminder**

Certified Retinal Angiographers and Optical Coherence Tomographer-Certifieds who were certified or re-certified in 2008, this is the third and final year that your certification remains valid.

**Forms and Instructions**


**Testing at Test Centers: CRA Written and OCT-C exam**

The CRA Written and the OCT-C Examinations are available to be taken by eligible candidates at approved test centers both within the United States and Internationally.


Please do not contact the test centers directly but work with cra@opsweb.org to schedule the CRA examination or oct@opsweb.org to schedule the OCT-C exam.
What started as a focus group of 10 people sitting around a table last year in Chicago, talking about how to reach out to old and new members and build a greater sense of community in the OPS, has now become the newest OPS Standing committee, the Professional Development Committee.

That group of enthusiastic members discussed how to build enthusiasm for the OPS, and how to motivate and encourage others to be involved in service to the Society in order to ensure that future generations of Ophthalmic Photographers are connected, informed, and actively working to maintain OPS traditions.

Members of this committee include many of the original group under the co-leadership of Alexis Smith, Sarah Moyer, and Marriner "Storrey" Skelley, as well as some members of long duration.

Specific duties of this committee may include connecting with current OPS members and reaching out to potential OPS members via electronic communication, assisting OPS Boards in finding individuals interested in helping with special projects, committee work or potentially becoming candidates for offices, and assisting the Vice President in planning and promoting social events at our Annual Meeting.

Read more about new social events at the upcoming Orlando meeting in this newsletter, and watch for the debut of the OPS blog on our website.

The Professional Development committee is a proud new group that is committed to building and maintaining our OPS community, and their enthusiasm is already making a positive impact.

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**Members Gallery: Chris Barry**

![Say “eye” to enrolment in the Raine Eye Health Study.](image)

*Image used to promote enrolment in the programme.*

![Australian Aboriginal children vision testing.](image)

*Aboriginal children are six times more likely to be blind by adulthood. Vision testing on children and those that cannot read use symbols and the "E" chart.*

![Optometry in remote Western Australia](image)

*Indigenous Australians have a higher risk of vision impairment, early detection and treatment is essential. Untreated or under-corrected refractive error is a leading cause of visual loss.*