The Heat Is ON!

Are YOU ready?

The planning for the 26th Annual OPS Meeting has been underway for several months now. We have Laurie Conway, Janice Franco and Bob Myles busily procuring equipment for our workshops and lecture rooms. Randy Verdick is putting together the educational program with a number of hot new courses, and Paul Paquette is already on the phone as our new Solicitations Chairperson - no money, no meeting!

The list goes on and on. We are hoping your name is somewhere on the list. It takes a great deal of time and effort to organize a program of this magnitude, and the volunteers are critical to the success of the whole program. As one new volunteer put it last year, "I had more fun and met more people at this meeting than previous years all because of signing up and helping out at two or three different courses. It was a lot of fun."

Anyone who is interested in monitoring courses and/or running AV equipment at the Atlanta meeting, please contact me. We need your help to make this meeting a success!

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WANTED!
Papers for Scientific Session

ATTENTION
Opportunity for Giant Reward

Last seen at the OPS Annual Educational Program by noteworthy, trendsetting ophthalmic photographers, the OPS Scientific Session catapults the field forward by discussing advanced clinical and research topics.

We want YOU to participate!
We want YOU to submit an abstract for a paper.

For information about reaping big rewards from your participation in this paper session please contact:

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Roommate Connection:
Anyone looking for a roommate for the Atlanta '95 Meeting should contact Cindy Skattebo. Fax or mail your name, address, and room availability or requirements along with arrival-departures dates to: Cindy Skattebo, COA, North Iowa Eye Clinic, Hwy. 18 West, P.O. Box 1877, Mason City, IA 50401 Fax: (515) 423-0727.
Ask Mr. Recert?

At last years’ annual meeting in San Francisco, I took 20 credit hours at J.C.A.H.P.O. courses. Surely, I must have enough credits to meet the OPS 15 minimum for recertification? Yes?

No. The J.C.A.H.P.O. courses taken during the annual Academy Meeting are valued on a 1:2 basis. That is: 1 Continuing Education Credit (C.E.C.) = .5 C.E.C.(s) or (1 C.E.C. is earned for every two hours of attendance. The J.C.A.H.P.O. organization does not seek OPS course approval prior to their annual meeting. The 20 J.C.A.H.P.O. hours would equal 10 C.E.C.(s) leaving a balance of 5 still required.

Remember: at least 5 C.E.C.(s) must be (1:1) OPS sponsored or approved lectures. Every year numerous courses around the country are OPS fully or partially approved.

C.E.C. Summary for CRA Recertification:

- Minimum Credits Required = 15 C.E.C.(s)
- Minimum 5 OPS sponsored or approved (1:1) C.E.C.(s)
- Remaining 10 from either OPS at (1:1) or J.C.A.H.P.O. at (1:2) or AMA at (1:2)

If in doubt, call the course director or OPS Board of Certification members.

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Letter from the Editor

In the interest of encouraging “volunteerism” and general knowledge of the membership and our Society, I would like to regularly feature one or more of the many OPS committees in each subsequent issue of this newsletter. Describing the functions and goals of each committee and listing current members will help promote involvement and general awareness membership-wide.

Please send this information along with a contact person’s name and telephone number to me as soon as possible.

John DuBois
Editor

The Historical Committee Contribution Drive

Dear Members

Thank you for your response to my recent request for materials for the OPS archives. Thanks to Jay Wruck, Bobbie Turner, and Dr. Dott Blanici of Milan, Italy.

A special thank you to Sadao Kanagami, FOPS, our friend from across the Pacific for sending the bulk of his personal collection. A challenge to all OPS members to be so generous.

We are SO CLOSE to having a complete set of documents for the archives. Once completed, these documents will be bound in hard cover for future reference. I continue to implore everyone to give generously to this project; however, please do not send documents which are not listed below as I am deluged with multiple copies. Thanks!

Denice Barsness
OPS Historian

Programs
Las Vegas 1970
Las Vegas 1971
Dallas 1972
Kansas City 1978
San Francisco 1979
Chicago 1980
Atlanta 1984
San Francisco 1985

OPS INSTRUMENTATION SESSION!
CALL FOR PAPERS!
Sunday, October 29, 1995 - 9:30 p.m.

Suggested Topics:
- New or interesting equipment and cameras
- Modifications to instruments
- Practical suggestions
- Different modalities for imaging the eye (including ultrasound, corneal topography and computer imaging)

Talks can be up to 15 minutes in length!

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