1/6/14 Monday  
Welcome back WUCO! Hope everyone had a relaxing break.

1/8/14 Wednesday  
**A.P.P.L.E. C.O.R.E. Session** – Dr. Pinakin Davey will lead a discussion on *Study Techniques and Tips – A Personal Experience!* **12:00pm in HEC - Classroom B.**

**WUCO Casino Night** – SGA OD2017 invites students, staff, and faculty from the College of Optometry to an evening of delicious Persian food, mocktails, 5 different casino tables, and various raffle prizes. Everything will be provided, just bring yourself! Receive one (1) raffle ticket for every two (2) canned food items you donate (optional). All donations will help feed the homeless this holiday season. This event is sponsored by Hoya and WUCO. **5:30pm - 10:00pm in HPC Student Commons.**

**Inland Empire Optometric Society Monthly Meeting** - Speaker: Brett Larson, OD, FAAO – Topic: Ocular Prosthetics in the Optometric Practice – **6:00pm – 9:00pm at the Ontario DoubleTree Hotel,** 222 North Vineyard Ave., Ontario, CA – For more information email [IEOSjoinus@gmail.com](mailto:IEOSjoinus@gmail.com).

1/9/14 Thursday  
**A.P.P.L.E. C.O.R.E. Session** – Professor Michael Tomlin will lead a discussion on *Shaping Your Professional Brand.* **12:00pm in HEC - Classroom F.**

1/15/14 Thursday  
**A.P.P.L.E. C.O.R.E. Session** – Professor Michael Tomlin will lead a discussion on *Time Management and Leadership* at **12:00pm.** [Register here.](#)

1/20/14 Monday  
The University is closed in observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr.’s Birthday.**
1/24/14 Friday
California State Board of Optometry – Quarterly Board Meeting
Welcome Board Members!!

1/24/14 Friday – 1/26/14 Sunday
California Lions Club Event - Friends in Sight will be holding an overnight vision screening trip in Tijuana, Mexico. They are looking for optometrists interested in volunteering with Dr. Brian Van Dusen and optometry students from WesternU and Midwestern University. Please e-mail jsugimoto@westernu.edu for more information. For more information on California Lions Club Friends in Sight, visit www.californialionsfriendsinsight.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Drs. Egan and McNaughton attended a Contact Lens Educators meeting sponsored by Bausch+Lomb in Las Vegas January 22-23, 2014. The Contact Lens Research team presented 2 posters at the Global Specialty Lens Symposium in Las Vegas January 23-26, 2014. The posters were entitled, RSS Specialty Lenses for Compromised Corneas: A Clinical Case – Authors: Frank Spors, Donald J. Egan, E. Suh, Lance E. McNaughton, Jie Shen, Robert Gordon and Base Curve Stability of GP Lenses in Dry versus Wet Storage – Authors: Frank Spors, Donald J. Egan, Phu T. Nguyen, Lance E. McNaughton, Jie Shen, Robert Gordon. Dr. Egan also contributed a photo-submission entitled Hybrid Adhesion at this same meeting.

Assistant Professor, Linda Pang, OD, FAAO, was invited to speak about "Atypical Retinitis Pigmentosa" at the Tri-County Optometric Society for their Winter Continuing Education Event on Sunday, January 26, 2014.

Assistant Professor, Bennett McAllister, OD, FAAO, gave a presentation on “Getting into Optometry School” to the Second Annual Cal State San Bernardino Pre-Med and Pre-Health Conference on Saturday, January 18, 2014. Western University’s upcoming Preview Day was highlighted for the potential candidates. Cal State San Bernardino has a new Pre-Optometry Club and the officers attending were eager to establish a relationship with WUCO.
Associate Professor Maryke N. Neiberg, OD, FAAO, contributed to the book “Visual Diagnosis and Care of the Patient with Special Needs,” which won a British Medical Association award in the Health and Social Care section. The book’s authors are Marc B. Taub, Mary Bartuccio and Dominick M. Maino. Dr. Neiberg and Scott B. Steinman, OD, PhD, co-authored chapter 23, which focuses on special assessment procedures.

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