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College of Optometry

# JANUARY 2016

## 1/14/16 Thursday

**The San Fernando Valley Optometric Society (SFVOS)** invites you to their CE event – 1 hour of GLAUCOMA CE & Town Hall Meeting. **6:30pm at Claim Jumper Restaurant in Burbank, Ca.** This event is free to COA members and current optometry students (\$50 for non-members). SFVOS encourages your involvement and attendance! Come meet fellow ODs from around Southern California and hear updates from COA representatives. For more information and to RSVP please click on the following link:  
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1-hour-of-glaucoma-ce-town-hall-meeting-tickets-20069778247>

## 1/18/16 Monday

**University Closed – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday**

## 1/20/16 Wednesday

**College of Optometrists in Vision Development (COVD)** presents Tour de Optometry event, *Vision Therapy and Rehabilitation: Relationship to Learning Difficulties and Traumatic Brain Injuries*, featuring guest speaker, Dr. Patrick Pirotte, OD, FCOVD. **5:00pm in HEC Classroom A.** You may RSVP here: <http://goo.gl/forms/C2Y0k2TvBD>. [Click here for flier.](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**VOSH Fiji 2016** would like to thank all supporters of the Annual Holiday Photo Extravaganza by taking photos with our cast of costumed characters. Extra thank you to Drs. Drescher, Lee, and McAllister for their continued support.

**The VOSH Club is working with VOSH California on a mission trip to Loreto and La Purisima, Mexico.** This trip will take place over Spring Break, March 20-27, 2016. There are five clinic days and the group will be prescribing and making new glasses for their patients. The group will be using the Cross Border Xpress Bridge to walk to the Tijuana airport, and then fly from Tijuana to Loreto. Costs are estimated at \$1,000 – \$1,500. Please email [VOSHClub@westernu.edu](mailto:VOSHClub@westernu.edu) if you are interested or for more details. **The deadline is Thursday, January 14, 2016.**

**Optometric Extension Program (OEP) Club** is now accepting club officer applications. If you are interested in applying please complete the form by **Friday, January 15, 2016**. If you have questions regarding any officer position email the OEP Club at [OEPclub@westernu.edu](mailto:OEPclub@westernu.edu). Complete the form at the following link: <http://goo.gl/forms/375rvCvNyb>

**Dr. Maxwell Cheng** is an optometrist from Kaiser that works with the **Alliance of Jamaican and American Humanitarians (AOJAH)** to provide vision care for the underserved people of Jamaica. He would like to recruit 4-5 WesternU optometry students to come abroad with him and the AOJAH team. The dates for the mission trip are from June 11-18, 2016. If you are interested in this mission trip or have any questions please contact Patricia Liang (OD2018) at [pliang@westernu.edu](mailto:pliang@westernu.edu). Patricia can give you information about trip cost, essay format, firsthand experience details, and give pointers on how to fundraise.

**Continuing Education Online Courses** – for a list of 1 and 2 hour courses please [click here](#).

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