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College of Optometry

MAY 2015

**5/2/15 Saturday**

Annual WUCO End of the Year Banquet

**5/5/15 Tuesday**

**Neuro-Optometric Rehabilitation Association (NORA) Club** welcomes Dr. David Kirschen for his presentation *How to Bring Sports Vision to Your Practice*. Dr. Kirschen has served as team optometrist for the LA Dodgers, LA Kings, Boston Red Sox, Boston Celtics, Chicago Cubs, Cleveland Indians, Houston Astros, New York Mets, St. Louis Cardinals, and the USA Olympics team! **7:00pm in HEC Classroom A**. For more information email [NORAClub@westernu.edu](mailto:NORAClub@westernu.edu).

**5/6/15 Wednesday**

**WUCO Faculty Webinar Series - Eyexperience Cocktail Hour** – Free webinar EVERY first Wednesday of the month. 1 CE Credit available. Join us at **6:00pm** PST for a presentation on *Driving: What Every Optometrist Should Know* by Drs. Robert Gordon, Bennett McAllister and Linda Pang. Pre-registration is required at <https://technoshowcase.eventbrite.com>.

**5/11/15 Monday**

**WUCO End of Year BBQ – 4:30pm – 6:30pm at Ethan Allen Park**  
[Click here for flier.](#) [Click here to register.](#) Registration ends on May 6, 2015.

**5/12/15 Tuesday**

**House of Skeffington Party!** Join the House for a lunch hour of free food, VT inspired games and music!! Who: You (other houses welcome to join - lunches provided for Skeffington only), What: Lunch, music, and games, Where: Ethan Allen Park, When: **Tuesday, May 12th 2015, 12:00PM-1:00PM**, Why: To celebrate optometry! Please fill out the form to ensure your lunch meal <http://goo.gl/forms/I82dhS9OmH>

### **5/13/15 Wednesday**

Are you interested in the technology options available for people who are visually impaired or blind? **WUCO's Assistive Technology Fair** will feature distributors from several assistive technology companies on campus providing product demonstrations and you'll have an opportunity for hands-on use of these unique products. Food will be provided courtesy of HIMS, Inc. **5:00pm in HEC Classroom B.** RSVP for food accommodations:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/19uqTrmWB6uLV-kmkYWRKXHXvnxQ1PDUJtTgzstxCzLY/viewform?c=0&w=1>

### **5/14/15 Thursday**

**WUCO Dinner & Lecture** - Join us at **6:00pm** PST for a presentation on *Ocular and Systemic Manifestations of Fabry Disease* by Dr. Pinakin Davey. 1 CE Credit available. Pre-registration is required at

<https://fabrydisease.eventbrite.com>.

**Beta Sigma Kappa Optometric Honor Society (BSK) is hosting a NBEO Part III review session for 3<sup>rd</sup> year students.** A team of faculty will be going over each station, offer preparation strategies, tips on how to avoid common mistakes, and discuss WUCO resources for a successful Part III experience. **6:00pm in HEC Classroom E.**

### **5/15/15 Friday**

**The Annual Optometry Spring Research Conference** – WUCO students will be presenting their research findings. All students and faculty are invited to attend. **12:00pm – 2:00pm in HEC Classroom B.**

**Technology Showcase Symposium** – “Optical Coherence Symposium” featuring Heidelberg Engineering, Optovue, Topcon and Zeiss Vision.

**5:30pm – 9:00pm PST in HEC Recital Hall**, includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, beer and wine. [Click here for flier.](#) Pre-registration is required at <https://technoshowcase.eventbrite.com>

**Volunteers Needed – help distribute Sunglasses from the recent PHOP Sunglass Drive!** *When:* Friday, May 15, 2015 **5:00pm to 8:00pm** in Ontario - *What:* 85 pairs of donated sunglasses were collected and cleaned and they are ready to go out & help someone! - *Who:* Volunteers are welcome to stay and provide vision screening services at PHOP's free health clinic. Please contact Katherine Ha [kha@westernu.edu](mailto:kha@westernu.edu) or Edward (Ted) Hsieh [ehsieh@westernu.edu](mailto:ehsieh@westernu.edu) if you are interested! WesternU's Pomona Homeless Outreach Project (PHOP) is a student-run organization

aimed at providing support to the homeless adults and families of Pomona through our bi-monthly dinners and monthly clinics.

### **5/18/15 Monday**

Class of 2015 Capstone – Pomona, CA

### **5/19/15 Tuesday**

Class of 2015 Dinner Dance – Pomona, CA

**WUCOs NBEO Liaisons will be holding the Annual NBEO Part I Student Panel Q&A** on Tuesday May 19, 2015 at **12:00pm in HEC Classroom E**. Join in for a quick introduction on how to register and a Q&A with OD2016 (who just took Part I in March!). Get the inside scoop on study tips, the do's and don'ts, and more! Bring your lunch and questions! Please RSVP at: <http://goo.gl/forms/tijEgU51Ud> Please e-mail Melissa Macco at [mmacco@westernu.edu](mailto:mmacco@westernu.edu) with any questions.

### **5/21/15 Thursday**

Class of 2015 Commencement – Pasadena, CA

<http://www.westernu.edu/commencement/>

### **5/25/15 Monday**

**Memorial Day Holiday – University Closed**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On Friday, May 15th Katherine Ha (OD2017), Diane Lee (OD2015), and Edward Hsieh (OD2016) distributed donated sunglasses to the Homeless at PHOP's free health clinic. Thank you to everyone who donated Sunglasses to this great cause! WesternU's Pomona Homeless Outreach Project (PHOP) is a student-run organization aimed at providing support to the homeless adults and families of Pomona through our bi-monthly dinners and monthly clinics. Please contact Katherine Ha ([kha@westernu.edu](mailto:kha@westernu.edu)) if you want to volunteer at future PHOP events!

**Class of 2016!** NOSA is inviting you to sell your Clicker (Class Responders) Tuesday May 19th and Wednesday May 20th at the HEC Parvo Alcove (right by Admin!) at lunchtime (12-1pm). Please fill out this form: <http://goo.gl/forms/IY0AqpPfNt> if you are interested! Questions or Concerns? Email [NOSAclub@westernu.edu](mailto:NOSAclub@westernu.edu).

**College of Optometrists in Vision Development (COVD) Club** would like to thank all WUCO students and faculty for their support during this academic year. We are excited to announce that we will be kicking off next year with a visit from past COVD President, Dr. Robert Sanet, O.D., FCOVD, on September 9<sup>th</sup>. Hope you all have a fantastic summer and we will see you next year!

**Nancy Banh, OD 2017**, received the Women of Achievement Award sponsored by Senator Ed Hernandez. Nancy is the first WUCO recipient of this award. She was the first WUCO recipient of this award! WUCO congratulates Nancy! [Click here for photos.](#)

**Kristy Remick-Waltman, OD** along with members of the California State Board of Optometry in Sacramento successfully testified in support of Senate Bill 402. This bill would mandate a comprehensive eye examination for children before starting school and every 2 years following until Grade 8. The bill passed out of Senate Health Committee with a 6-0 vote. The Bill already passed Senate Education Committee. The next step in the process is Appropriations Committee. This Bill is a big step forward for Optometry and for children's vision statewide.

<https://www.facebook.com/CaliforniaOptometric/photos/a.438091763036.233746.87162948036/10152885845203037/?type=1>

**Dr. Munish Sharma** was appointed to the [National Evidence Based Optometry Committee](#) of the American Optometry Association and will join Dr. McAllister as the second member from Western University. Way to go WUCO!

For a complete listing of news and events, please visit our [College of Optometry News & Outreach webpage.](#)

*Got News?* Contact Monique Tessier at [mtessier@westernu.edu](mailto:mtessier@westernu.edu) or 909.469.8477.