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College of Optometry

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11/1/14 Saturday

5K Los Angeles VisionWalk - Come join Team WesternU College of Optometry in the 8th Annual Los Angeles VisionWalk to raise awareness towards the Foundation Fighting Blindness! If you would like to join Team WUCO during the VisionWalk or donate to the team, please [visit the team page](#). To learn more about VisionWalk and the Foundation Fighting Blindness organization, please [click here](#). **Update: Drs. McAllister & Pang** are walking to support our students & Foundation Fighting Blindness in Team WUCO. You can also include the link in your own email to colleagues and contacts. Thanks for your generous donations that will fund research in search of cures for retinal diseases and show our students that they can make a difference in the world with their personal involvement. http://www.fightblindness.org/site/TR?team_id=78052&fr_id=5471&pg=team

Vision Screening - La Puente Screening with Senator Ed Hernandez

Time: **8:30am – 4:00pm**; Location: La Puente Community Center, 501 Glendora Ave, La Puente CA. In need of student volunteers. Follow the link to sign-up: <http://goo.gl/cmD3w9>

11/8/14 Saturday

Vision Screening – UC Riverside Medical School Screening Time: **9:00am – 1:00pm**; Location: UC Riverside, 2969 North Flores St, San Bernardino, CA at Delmann Heights Park. In need of student volunteers. Follow the link to sign-up: <http://goo.gl/nrsvMK>

ANNUAL WUCO vs. SCCO Basketball Tournament – The tournament will take place at the CalState Fullerton Student Recreation Center beginning at **7:00pm**. Good luck to all of the players!! GOOOOOOO WUCO!!!

11/12/14 Wednesday – 11/15/14 Saturday
Academy 2014 in Denver, Colorado

11/18/14 Tuesday

OD2016 Presentation sponsored by SpecialEyes – Dr. Matt Lampa of Pacific University College of Optometry will be making a presentation entitled, *Custom Soft Lenses*. **3:00pm – 5:00pm in HEC Classroom E.**

Leadership Symposium sponsored by the Department of Health Sciences - *Leading Change: Beyond All Limits* with keynote speaker, Jan Boller, PhD, RN, College of Graduate Nursing Assistant and guest speakers, Marian Safaoui, MD, College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific, Elizabeth Hoppe, OD, MPH, DrPH, College of Optometry, Linda Jones-Edwards, Director of The Kennedy Austin Foundation, Frances Chu, MLIS, MSN, former Associate Director of Reference and Outreach at the Harriet K. and Philip Pumerantz Library. RSVP today to oordt@westernu.edu by November 17, 2014. **6:30pm – 8:00pm in HEC Lecture Hall I.** [Click here for flier.](#)

11/19/14 Wednesday

Special Olympics World Games 2015 Kickoff Event – Join us for an evening of celebration with Dustin Plunkett! Hear his incredible story and get inspired to make a difference. Don't miss this memorable event! [Click here for flier.](#) **6:30pm – 7:30pm in HEC Classroom E.** [Click here to register.](#)

11/21/14 Friday

California State Board of Optometry – Board Meeting

Welcome Board Members!!

11/27/14 Thursday – 11/28/14 Friday

Thanksgiving Holiday – University Closed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Read the latest article by WUCO Faculty in the latest issue of *Optometry & Visual Performance: Volume 2 Issue 5*, titled "Update on Autism Spectrum Disorders for Optometry: A Review of the Literature", by Kristi A. Jensen, OD, Elizabeth Hoppe, OD, MPH, DrPH, Kristy Remick-Waltman, OD, Frank Spors, EurOptom, MS, PhD, Donald Egan, OD. Congratulations to Drs. Jensen, Hoppe, Remick, Spors and Egan on this excellent article! [Click here](#) for the article or go to:

<http://viewer.zmags.com/apublication/e1ddb56f#/e1ddb56f/33>

At the College of Optometrists in Vision Development (COVD) Annual Meeting in San Diego, on October 23, 2014, **Kristy Remick-Waltman, OD, FCOVD**, and **Katie Dugan, OD, Class of 2014**, presented a talk on "Starting a Vision Therapy practice within an existing Primary Care Optometry Practice." Katie Dugan, OD is now practicing in Temecula, CA.

Western University of Health Sciences' Eye Care Center has collaborated with the dA Center for the Arts in Downtown Pomona to bring our WesternU and Pomona communities a visually stimulating treat. An exhibit comprised of art work from our WesternU family and community partners will be on display at the Eye Care Center throughout the semester. The proposal for this project was first introduced by the College of Optometry's Dean Elizabeth Hoppe as a way to bridge engagement between WesternU and the community. Prior relationships and projects with the dA Center for the Arts has made them an appropriate liaison between WesternU and the arts. The exhibit is comprised of art work from three artists: Joy McAllister, a board member from the dA Center for the Arts; Michael LeVell, founder of the First Street Art Gallery in Claremont; and Patricia Gomez, Coordinator for Patient Care Services in WesternU's Eye Care Center.

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

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