Celebrating Our Success
Professor Emeritus Jim Newman, OD ’73, retired this summer after 40 years of service to optometric education. By teaching nearly 5,000 of our nation’s optometric physicians, Dr. Newman’s contributions to SCO will be fondly remembered through the years by generations of alumni. In honor of one of SCO’s most beloved and long-time faculty members, SCO’s Board of Trustees voted to match up to $200,000 in alumni gifts to name the college’s new pre-clinical labs in Dr. Newman’s honor.

appreciation

If you would like to show your gratitude for Dr. Newman’s guidance during your years as an optometry student, please consider making a gift to support the renaming of SCO’s new pre-clinical labs in his honor.

Call (901) 722-3216 or visit sco.edu.
FROM THE PRESIDENT

A Message of Gratitude for Our Success

If you’ll indulge me on a personal note, I want to extend my deepest appreciation to all of our alumni and friends who have expressed your support during the past few months. In August, I broke my femur in four places as a result of an accident on the stairs in my home. Through surgery and recuperation, your support has meant so much to me and my family. I face more rehabilitation in the coming months, but thanks to technology, I’ve been in touch with many of you, and I’m slowly returning to a regular schedule.

You can understand what a thrill it was to return to campus to officiate during Homecoming as we formally dedicated our new academic complex in October. As you’ll see in this Annual Report issue of Visions, our new facility is setting higher standards for excellence in optometric education. Our students enthusiastically have embraced this new facility, made possible by your support.

As I noted during the dedication ceremony, we designed and built a facility that is more than just a building. It’s where we accept the great responsibility of delivering the highest quality of graduates who leave here prepared to practice across the nation and abroad. We stand on the shoulders of those who came before us, those who worked and sacrificed time and money to build our program’s strength.

This project symbolizes the promise of our profession in the coming years. We go forward more committed than ever to preparing our graduates both within and beyond this campus. Our commitment to service, to lifelong learning, and to educating the best healthcare providers possible — these are the ideals that we will embrace in these educational facilities.

In this issue, you’ll see that this past fiscal year saw these ideals in action. The SCO campus is more active than ever in service. We’re planning new destination CE events to support lifelong learning among our graduates. And our students are thriving and finding success as they transition into some of the nation’s finest optometric physicians.

Thanks to all our alumni and friends for your financial support. Because of you, we’re nearly to the $4 million mark two years into our five-year fundraising goal. We intend to work just as hard to secure funding for more scholarships and patient care opportunities.

Our work today will be our legacy in that we envisioned a better profession for our students, all of whom are destined to join the ranks of our alumni. Together, we will continue working in a spirit of continuous improvement. You are a part of SCO’s success, and on behalf of our students, faculty and staff, we extend our gratitude to all who make SCO the best.

Richard W. Phillips, OD ’78, FAAO
New Chapter of SCO History

SCO Dedicates New Academic Facility

Perhaps the largest gathering of alumni, friends, faculty, staff, students and their families assembled on Friday, October 4 as the college formally dedicated its academic facility. Completed after more than two years of planning and construction, the $9.4 million facility adds 23,016 square feet to SCO’s campus.

In subsequent pages, you’ll see an array of photos that showcase the new complex, including new classrooms, an atrium and grand hall, new pre-clinical laboratories, research suites, faculty offices, study nooks and other improvements. Representing SCO’s most ambitious undertaking since the construction of The Eye Center in 2002, the new building’s classrooms feature a capacity of over 600 with break-out rooms.

Leading the dedication ceremony was SCO President Richard W. Phillips, OD ‘78. Also officiating were SCO Board Chair Jarrett Johnson, OD ’90, former Board member and Memphis Mayor A C Wharton (shown right), and Shelby County Mayor Mark Luttrell, son-in-law of Norman Stringer, OD ’49.

Participating in the ribbon-cutting ceremony were SCO President Emeritus William E. Cochran, OD ’68, Immediate Past Board Chair John A. Gazaway, OD ’67, and Martha Rosemore Morrow, OD ’74, Alumni Council Representative to the Board.

Representatives of the faculty, staff and students included Faculty Representative Scott Ensor, OD ’01, Stephanie Lew, ‘14, Jigna Patel, ‘15, and two of SCO’s longest-serving staff members, Sadie Fleming, Physical Plant staff member of 41 years, and Velma Dickson, Student Services Staff Member of 39 years.

Prior to the dedication ceremony, the NBC TV affiliate in Memphis toured the facility, and the ceremony was covered by the local Fox station as well as print publications.

SCO’s building project was funded by a five-year $4 million capital campaign. As of November 2013, the college had surpassed the $3.7 million fundraising mark, making this one of its most successful campaigns in the school’s history. Major donors were recognized with signs noting named areas throughout the new complex; a full list of donors who are supporting the “Envision Our Progress” can be found starting on page 10.

If you would like to learn more about giving opportunities to help us finalize the capital campaign in support of our new academic facility, contact the Office of Institutional Advancement to discuss opportunities to make a gift.

Call (901) 722-3216 or visit sco.edu.
Passages of Time

MARCH 2012
Campaign Launch at SECO featuring the Atlanta Falcons’ Drumline

APRIL 2012
Farewell to the Patio

MAY 2012
Groundbreaking Ceremony

JUNE 2012
Site Prep Begins

OCTOBER 2012
Foundation Laid

NOVEMBER 2012
Girders Begin to Rise

DECEMBER 2012
Roof in Place

DECEMBER 2012
Steel Frame Nearing Completion

FEBRUARY 2013
Pre-formed Concrete Walls Installation

APRIL 2013
Windows Installed and Glazed
How We Built Our New Facility

The creation of SCO’s newest academic facility began by talking to our students. As the primary stakeholders in our daily mission, SCO’s students provided the input that identified the need to provide a 21st century learning environment. As we proudly present our newest facility to be enjoyed by generations of students to come, here’s a look at the construction of our new facility as it happened over the past two years.

**APRIL 2013**
Pipes and Ductwork Installed and Painted

**JUNE 2013**
Sheetrock Installed

**JUNE 2013**
Classroom Risers Molded and Poured

**AUGUST 2013**
Interior Complete with Carpet, Tile and Furniture

**AUGUST 2013**
Construction Complete, Ready for 1st Year Orientation

**JUNE 2013**
Work on Grand Staircase Begins

**AUGUST 2013**
Flat Screen Monitors Installed

Such a large new academic complex means there are more photos than we can share in print. Visit the college’s website to see more coverage of our dedication ceremony and new facility.
SCO’s Class of 2017 students became the first to use their new classroom facilities during Orientation on August 29, 2013. Thanks to the generosity of our alumni, friends, faculty, staff and community partners, we proudly present our new academic complex.
Study nooks outside the classrooms offer quiet spots for reading or accessing online content.

Kris May, OD ’01, delivers a CE lecture in the new classrooms during Fall Homecoming and CE Weekend.

Connecting the tower to the new complex, SCO’s atrium is the perfect spot for hosting receptions and other events requiring space.

Sunset reflected in windows of the new atrium.

The new student center area features lockers and study spaces.

SCO’s pre-clinical labs moved from the sixth floor to a spacious new area under the old patio, complete with stadium-style tiered lanes.

SCO’s bookstore location is conveniently located near the foot of stairs leading to the new atrium.

Three new study rooms feature Smartboards and space for student collaboration.

Pictured during a Homecoming reception, the atrium offers students additional study space and works of art.

Grand stairs connect both sides of the atrium to the first floor.

This terrazzo seal was specially commissioned and greets students entering the new classrooms.
Envision Our Progress
Campaign Supporters

The following have made gifts through October 31, 2013. We extend our sincere appreciation to all SCO supporters and especially to the following donors of the Envision Our Progress Campaign. ( ) Deceased donors have been included in this listing as a tribute to their lasting legacy.

$100,000+
- Alcon Laboratories, Inc.
- The Assisi Foundation of Memphis, Inc.
- Essilor of America, Inc.
- Marco Family Foundation
- Richard W. Phillips, OD ’78 and Lucy Phillips
- Plough Foundation
- Lisa Rossmeyer Wade, OD ’84 and Martin Wade

$50,000+
- Kristin K. Anderson, OD and Christopher Lievens, OD, MS
- Anonymous
- Eugene M. Bane, Jr., OD ’65 and Becky Bane
- Amanda Brewer-Lord, OD ’97 and Stephen F. Lord, OD ’89
- Cherry B. Cockrell, OD ’81 and David A. Cockrell, OD ’81
- Joe E. Ellis, OD ’86 and Rene Ellis
- Eye Specialty Group
- John A. Gazaway, OD ’67 and Suzanne Gazaway
- William D. Gordon, OD ’82 and Charvie Gordon
- Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare
- Martha Rosnmore Morrow, OD ’74
- Sharon Berger Moscow, MD ’80 and Billy S. Moscow, MD ’78
- Scott Moscow, OD ’13
- James D. Sandefur, OD ’65 and Lana Sandefur
- Stuart R. Tsaman, OD ’80 and Mary Tsaman
- Barry A. Winston, OD ’74
- Jerry M. Winston, OD ’67
- Samuel A. Winston, OD ’11

$25,000+
- Edwin F. Adams, III, OD ’76
- Allergan, Inc.
- The BANZAI Consortium
- Doug Clark, OD and Connie Clark
- Fred Farias, III, OD ’87
- Charles G. Glaser, OD ’74 and Cathy Glaser
- Glenn I. Goldring, OD ’78 and Jamie Goldring
- Whitney H. Hauser, OD ’01 and Joseph H. Hauser, MBA
- Jarrett A. Johnson, OD ’90 and Kevin Berger
- Mark R. Kapperman, OD ’87 and Anita Kapperman
- Helen J. King, OD ’83 and Christopher B. King, OD ’83
- Luxottica Retail, a Luxottica Group Company
- David L. Parker, OD ’95 and Ashleigh Parker
- Precision Optical Laboratory, Inc.
- Steven T. Reed, OD ’95 and Kendra Reed
- Lewis Reich, OD, PhD and Diane Reich
- SVOSH at SCO
- James E. Venable, OD ’89
- Cary J. Vincent, OD ’78 and Linda Vincent
- Vision Service Plan

$10,000+
- Danny and Jan Anderson
- Auxiliary to the Arkansas Optometric Association
- Ashley C. Baker, OD ’04 and John F. Holland, OD ’81
- Cynthia E. Baker, OD ’83
- William H. Ballinger, III, OD ’05 and Erin Ballinger
- Allan L. Barker, OD ’75 and Susan Barker
- Alan K. Bugg, OD ’82
- Charlene Burnett, OD ’83 and Frederick R. Burnett, Jr., OD ’80
- T. Joel Byars, OD ’63 and Helen Byars
- J. Bart Campbell, OD ’87 and Dawn Campbell
- Carl Zeiss Vision Inc.
- Ramona P. Clifton, OD ’46
- William E. Cochran, OD ’68 and Carolyn Cochran
- Brian E. Colletto, OD ’01
- Community Foundation of Greater Memphis
- Steven L. Compton, OD ’78 and Jane Compton
- Estate of Douglas Conrath, OD ’66
- Horace Deal, OD ’97 and Caroline Deal
- Stanley M. Dickerson, OD ’76 and Trish Dickerson
- Richard D. Durocher, OD ’96
- Scott Enser, OD ’01 and Lisa Enser
- Cheryl E. Ervin, OD
- Patricia Estes Walker, OD
- Tressa F. Eubank, OD
- Ann Z. Fields
- David Fisher, Jr., OD ’90 and Nanette Fisher
- Michael D. Gerstner, OD ’97 and Jennifer R. Gerstner
- Herman H. Ginger, OD ’72
- Mark A. Greer, OD ’87
- Aaron Kerr, OD ’88 and James Hutto
- Howard B. Levinson, OD ’76 and Barbara Levinson
- Ted A. McElroy, OD ’93 and Kristin McElroy
- Stacey J. Meier, OD ’84
- Dale L. Morris, OD ’73 and Patricia Morris
- Michael Neff, OD ’68 and Jane Neff
- Geoffrey Ryan H. Powell, OD ’02 and Amy Powell
- Michael S. Rothschild, OD ’97 and Christy Rothschild
- Mark J. Roy, III, OD ’02 and Theresa Roy
- Gregory C. Russell, OD ’97
- Keith A. Schrunk, OD ’03 and Angie Schrunk
- Sallye Sawyer Scott, OD ’78
- Robert W. Smalling, OD ’74 and Jan Smalling

The grand hall outside our new classrooms bears the name of Lisa Rossmeyer Wade, OD ’84, and Martin Wade. A Professor Emerita, Dr. Wade formerly served as SCO’s Vice President for Institutional Advancement and was instrumental in building the college’s development program in support of scholarships and The Eye Center.
The night prior to the dedication ceremony, SCO’s top supporters received a VIP tour of the new academic facility during a donor reception. The next evening’s annual President’s Reception moved from the Peabody Memphis to campus to provide hundreds more alumni with a first person look at the college’s new facilities. If you will be visiting Memphis over the next year, contact the college in advance to schedule a tour of our campus improvements.
SCO is making great strides toward strategic plan goals that create a culture with expectations of results framed by continuous improvement. Each success builds on the last and strengthens our ability to accomplish the next one.

The college’s mission is defined by three primary goals:

1. **Educating the best possible healthcare providers**

   In this Annual Report section, you’ll read and see highlights of some of the more notable accomplishments that defined SCO’s success over the past fiscal year and into the next. Our mission is illustrated by the impact we make in the education of our students, in the success of our alumni and the difference we make in serving others.

   A common refrain could be heard during this Fall’s Homecoming and CE weekend, including the unveiling of SCO’s new academic facility. Those alumni who come back to visit their alma mater, many for the first time since their graduation, are inspired by the energy that propels SCO forward.

   Over the next year, SCO will begin the process of refining and developing new strategic plan objectives. Your involvement and input as alumni and friends of the college will be vital in shaping the future of this institution. We welcome your input and feedback in all that we’re accomplishing together.

2. **Promoting lifelong learning**

3. **Fostering a personal commitment to service**
I. Keratometry

A. The keratometer objectively measures the curves of the cornea.
SCO recruits and retains the best and brightest students and top caliber faculty and staff to educate and support their needs. Our students are achieving the high standards required of 21st century optometric physicians.

Progress items to note:

- Construction was completed on SCO’s new academic facility, including classrooms, pre-clinical labs, study areas, and a new research suite of offices.

- From 866 applicants, SCO enrolled 132 students in the Class of 2017 with a near record high 3.52 GPA and a 327 average OAT score.

- With 508 students, SCO’s enrollment is the highest in 30 years; only two students left last year, resulting in a 0.4% attrition rate.

- Student scholarships were realigned by a program that resulted in a new total of 45-50 scholarships per class.

- An aggressive faculty recruitment effort resulted in 58 full-time faculty members by the fall 2013 semester, the most in several years.

- Six faculty members are pursuing alternative instructional delivery methods to stimulate critical thinking in students.

- Average student indebtedness decreased by 4.5% last year.

- Administered by the Hayes Center for Practice Excellence, SCO’s practice management curriculum offers students more courses than any other optometry school.

- The number of years in a row that SCO has enjoyed a 0% student loan default rate, a feat featured in a Memphis Business Journal story praising optometry as a stable profession.

- The National Optometric Association named SCO as “School of the Year” in recognition of the college’s minority recruitment effort.

91 Percent | The Class of 2014’s score on Part I of the National Boards, greater than the 86% national average. Recent graduates in the Class of 2013 had passage rates of more than 98% on Part I and 100% on Part II, much higher than the national average; 96.8% of graduates passed Part III (CSE), surpassing the 90.3% national average.
Lifelong learning is a vital component of SCO’s mission. From embracing new technologies for students to engaging alumni later in their careers, the college facilitates educational opportunities through a variety of program and special event initiatives.

Progress items to note:

- Community Outreach entered into a partnership with a local drug rehabilitation program where interns learn more about issues faced by patients they later treat during Saturday service-learning events.

- Number of residents participating in 27 residency programs. The Residency Program received 129 applications, an increase over the 109 applications from last year.

- The May 2013 Resident’s Day saw 61 attendees attending an 8-hour program featuring 24 COPE-qualified presentations.

- Four COPE-approved, one-hour CE courses are available on SCO’s website; 277 passing grades were awarded last year.

- Nearly 20 alumni serve on the Alumni Council to provide input and to serve as mentors or advisors to students.

- Technology is playing a bigger role in the lives of students, from mobile computing to applications running in the cloud.

- SCO’s Continuing Education program underwent a comprehensive review to identify the needs of our graduates, including plans for new destination CE events (see the back cover for more information).

- The college is implementing a process improvement program to enhance the training of staff and the procedures they implement in carrying out SCO’s mission.

- The Hayes Center for Practice Excellence has expanded its Career Counseling and Placement Service programs so that all students receive mentoring at different stages throughout their four years with a concentration on practice modalities, private practice encouragement and community involvement.

- Alumni outreach events were held across the country last year, including regional and state association meetings and the Evenings with the President series.
With robust faculty numbers in place and construction completed on our new academic facilities, SCO’s emphasis on service is more dynamic than ever. From receiving grants in support of community service programs to implementing a new program facilitating service into the curriculum, the entire SCO campus is actively engaged and empowered to fulfill this important component of our mission.

Progress items to note:

- SCO generated more than $1 million in unfunded indigent care last year, meeting a critical need while providing interns with exposure to a wide range of patient populations and vision health issues.

93% | Total participation from our faculty and staff in giving back to the college by making a gift to SCO’s fundraising campaign.

- External clinics have increased opportunities to serve the public through a number of programs designed for school children, blind patients, and Baptist Rehabilitation Hospital, among others.

- In support of our efforts to serve the public, SCO received a number of grants, including significant gifts from the Plough Foundation and Assissi Foundation.

- SCO students, faculty and staff volunteered on eight Remote Area Medical (RAM) trips throughout the Southeast last year.

- Construction began on a new satellite clinic to serve the University of Memphis campus.

2 | Memphis publications recognized President Phillips as one of the city’s notable local leaders.

- Jim Venable, OD ’89, Vice President for Clinical Programs, joined administrators from St. Jude Children’s Hospital and Methodist Healthcare two years in a row as a finalist for the Memphis Business Journal’s Healthcare Heroes Award in recognition of SCO’s Community Outreach Program.

- The Memphis Chamber of Commerce named SCO as one of “Ten Organizations to Watch” in 2013.

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Cumulative Gifts

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**$500,000 AND ABOVE**
- Alcon Laboratories, Inc.
- Jerome A. Hayes, III, OD ’73
- The Assisi Foundation of Memphis, Inc.
- Vision Service Plan

**$250,000-$499,999**
- Essilor of America, Inc.
  - Robert L. Henry, OD ’75 and Evelyn M. Henry*
- Plough Foundation
- Marco Family Foundation
- Marion Rosemore and Fredric M. Rosemore, OD ’48*
- Vision Service Plan

**$100,000-$249,999**
- Allergan, Inc.
  - Eugene M. Bane, Jr., OD ’65 and Becky Bane
  - Robert E. Federhen, OD ’49*
  - Sidney I. Greenberg, OD ’65
  - William R. Jackson, OD ’52*
- Lions Clubs of Memphis Foundation
- Martha Rosemore Morrow, OD ’74
- Richard W. Phillips, OD ’78 and Lucy Phillips*
- Precision Optical Laboratory, Inc.
- James D. Sandefur, OD ’65 and Lana Sandefur
- SECO International, Inc.
  - Sidney J. Stern, OD ’71
  - Vistakon Division of Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, Inc.
- Lisa Rossmeier Wade, OD ’84 and Martin Wade
- Joseph F. Wiggins, OD ’51*

**$50,000-$99,999**
- American Optometric Foundation
  - Kristin K. Anderson, OD and Christopher Llewens, OD, MS
  - Allan L. Barker, OD ’75 and Susan Barker
  - Bausch & Lomb
  - Amanda Brewer-Lord, OD ’97 and Stephen F. Lord, OD ’89
  - Charlene Burnett, OD ’83 and Frederick R. Burnett, Jr., OD ’80*
  - Camille L. Chiasson, OD ’81
  - CIBA Vision Corporation
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  - John A. Gazaway, OD ’67 and Suzanne Gazaway
  - Charles G. Glaser, OD ’74 and Cathy Glaser
  - William D. Gordon, OD ’82 and Charvie Gordon
  - Richard L. Hopping, OD ’52
  - Arthur Thomas Hyde, OD ’76
  - Helen J. King, OD ’83 and Christopher B. King, OD ’83
  - Laser Diagnostic Technologies, Inc.
  - Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare
  - Sharon Berger Moscow, OD ’80 and Billy S. Moscow, OD ’78
  - Scott Moscow, OD ’13
  - Ohio State University Research Foundation
  - Omni Eye Service, Inc.
  - Michael Polakoff, OD ’44*
  - Stuart R. Tasman, OD ’80 and Mary Tasman
  - Transitions Optical, Inc.
  - United Way of the Mid South
  - Wesley-Jessen Corporation
  - Barry A. Winston, OD ’74
  - Harold J. Winston, OD ’41*
  - Jerry M. Winston, OD ’67
  - Samuel A. Winston, OD ’11

**$25,000-$49,999**
- Edwin F. Adams, III, OD ’76
- Association of Schools & Colleges of Optometry
- Ronald D. Blum, OD ’72
- T. Joel Byars, OD ’63 and Helen Byars
- Freddy W. Chang, OD, MS, PhD
- Doug Clark, OD and Connie Clark
- Melanie A. Crandall, OD ’77
- Stanley M. Dickerson, OD ’76 and Trish Dickerson
- Eckerd Foundation Grant Program
  - Tresa F. Eubank, OD
  - Fred Farias, III, OD ’83
  - Glenn I. Goldring, OD ’78 and Jamie Goldring
  - Whitney H. Hauser, OD ’01 and Joseph H. Hauser, MBA
  - Heidelberg Engineering
  - William G. Hendrix, OD ’55
  - Johnson & Johnson Family of Companies
  - Jarrett A. Johnson, OD ’90 and Kevin Berger
  - Mark R. Kapperman, OD ’87 and Anita Kapperman
  - Kentucky Optometric Association
  - Kentucky Optometric Foundation
  - Lakeland Lions Foundation
  - Col. (Ret.) John T. Leddy, OD ’56
  - Howard B. Levinson, OD ’76 and Barbara Levinson
  - Robert M. Malatin, OD ’72
  - Marchon Eyewear, Inc.
  - Darwin L. Mormon, OD
  - Dale L. Morris, OD ’73 and Patricia Morris
  - New Orleans Contact Lens Society
  - David L. Parker, OD ’95 and Ashleigh Parker
  - Richard L. Powell, OD ’68
  - Wayne W. Pyeatt
  - Steven T. Reed, OD ’95 and Kendra Reed
  - Lewis Reich, OD, PhD and Diane Reich
  - W. Jack Runninger, OD ’47
  - Robert W. Smalager, OD ’74 and Jan Smalager
  - Frank G. Smith, III
  - Southwest Contact Lens Society
  - Mrs. W. David Sullins, Jr.
  - W. David Sullins, Jr., OD ’65
  - William D. Sullins, Sr., OD ’39*
  - The BANZAI Consortium
  - The Jelks Family Foundation, Inc.
  - James E. Venable, OD ’89
  - Cary J. Vincent, OD ’78 and Linda Vincent
  - Wal-Mart Optical Division

**$10,000-$24,999**
- Abbott Medical Optics, Inc.
- Donna Abney, MBA
- AEN, Inc.
- Stephen P. Akre, OD ’75
- Charles H. Aldridge, Jr., OD ’80
- Alston & Bird
- American Heart Association
- American Optometric Association
- America’s Best/National Vision Inc.
- Danny and Jan Anderson
- Sara R. Andrews*
- Scott R. Andrews
- Atlanta Optometric Foundation, Inc.
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- J. Dean Baggett, OD ’83
- Ashley C. Baker, OD ’04
- Cynthia E. Baker, OD ’83
- William H. Ballinger, III, OD ’05 and Erin Ballinger
- Rick D. Bartlett, OD ’81
- James A. Boucher, OD ’61
- J. Wayne Buck, OD ’78
- Alan K. Bugg, OD ’82
- Robert L. Burns, OD ’76
- Charles A. Callaway, OD ’83
- J. Bart Campbell, OD ’87 and Dawn Campbell
- Carl Zeiss Vision Inc.
- Philip L. Carney, Jr., OD ’92
- Charles Retina Institute
- John Edward Christie, OD ’50*
- Judith A. Clay, OD ’70 and Edward K. Walker, OD ’49*

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**Operationally, SCO was positive to budget by $2 million last year.**

**Our investments gained 4.1% for the year.**

**Fund balance is at $70.6 million.**
Thirty-six students from SCO’s Class of 2017 recently were recognized for their academic achievements with first-year scholarships collectively totaling $182,000. Thanks to alumni and friends of the college for making this year’s scholarships possible to these deserving students:

**PRESIDENTIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($10,000)**
- Clint Prestwich, Rigby, ID
- Meagan Williams, Pensacola, FL
- Derek Hennig, Charleston, IL
- Lisa Russell, The Woodlands, TX
- Matthew Armentrout, Richmond, VA
- Jacob Nordhues, Grand Island, NE

**DEAN’S ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($7,000)**
- Ben Roach, The Woodlands, TX
- Taylor Chestnut, Johnston, IA
- Tyler Lefeber, Harlan, IA
- Max Melberg, Chippewa Falls, WI
- Rebecca Callahan, Cincinnati, OH
- Jenna Steffen, Winfield, KS

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($5,000)**
- Erin Keim, Pittsburgh, PA
- Andrew Smith, Meridian, ID
- Ben Nielson, Post Falls, ID
- Lauren Sharp, Kansas City, MO
- Dan Nielson, Post Falls, ID
- Sandy Trybus, Charlotte, NC

**DR. SPURGEON B. EURE ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($5,000)**
- Timothy Bass, Dunn, NC

**SCO FACULTY/STAFF ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($5,000)**
- Celia Baker, Louisville, KY

**DR. WILLIAM R. JACKSON, JR., MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($4,000)**
- Kevin Rice, Springfield, MO

**WESLEY-JESSEN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($4,000)**
- Leslie Alitz, Rock Port, MO

**SCO ALUMNI ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($3,000)**
- Stephen Tipton, Springfield, MO
- Tindall Dawkins Morrison, Starkville, MS
- Hunter Morgan, Fairmont, WV
- Sandy Trybus, Charlotte, NC

**SOUTHERN COUNCIL OF OPTOMETRISTS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($3,000)**
- Keith Slayden, Hebron, KY

**VIRGINIA ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($3,000)**
- Christine Craig, Richmond, VA

**DR. RICHARD A. GOODSON MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)**
- Sarah Rappach, Clearwater, FL

**DR. CHARLIE WILLIAMS MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)**
- Jordan Hamric, Morgantown, WV

**OMNI/MEDIVISION ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)**
- Danielle LeBlanc, Mandeville, LA

**ELIZABETH R. BANE MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)**
- Michelle Moscow, Roswell, GA

**DR. WILEY H. MOCK MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)**
- Sid Taylor, Senatobia, MS

**J.C. GARMON, SR., MEMORIAL ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)**
- Celeste Baker, Baton Rouge, LA
Alumni Gifts by Class

The following alumni made gifts between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013.

1947
W. Jack Runninger, OD

1949
William C. Branan, OD
James M. Byrn, OD
Orman Campbell, OD
Eugene R. Cantwell, OD
Oscar Crow, OD
John A. McCall, Sr., OD

1950
Nathan F. Ford, OD
C. Wayne Shearer, OD
Hal Trimmier, OD

1951
Jack R. Hillard, OD

1952
Gerald Hoffman, OD

1953
Norman Krell, OD

1954
Robert K. Harpe, Jr., OD

1958
Currie Dean Barker, OD
Jimmy W. McNeil, OD

1960
William E. Adams, OD
J. Robert Mitchem, OD

1961
Roy L. Gooch, OD
Richard E. Morgan, OD
Alan E. Pressman, OD

1962
Lynn H. Church, OD
W. Joe Horrom, OD
Leonard E. Indianer, OD
Joseph A. Lamendola, Jr., OD
Robert E. MacKey, OD
William D. Simmons, OD

1963
Ronald D. Allen, OD
T. Joel Byars, OD
Paul Dale Jagers, Jr., OD
Howard W. Tucker, Jr., OD

1964
Ronald B. Gurin, OD
John T. Lee, OD
William C. Sharpton, Jr., OD
Terrence M. Swinger, OD

1965
Arthur J. Afanador, OD, PhD
Eugene Miller Bane, Jr., OD
Lowell H. Gilbert, OD
Gerald A. Krumbholz, OD
James D. Sandefur, OD

1966
Harry R. Denison, OD
Paul D. Michalove, OD
Milton J. Salomon, OD
Ray D. Williams, OD

1967
Walter C. Angel, OD
William S. Benkelman, OD
Robert K. Browder, OD
Richard E. Falls, OD
Ronald B. Garnt, OD
John A. Gazaway, OD
Richard L. Hill, OD
Joe B. Rupe, OD
A. L. Spivey, III, OD
Jerry M. Winston, OD

1968
Joseph J. Beaman, OD
William E. Cochran, OD
Henry J. Decker, III, OD
Michael Neff, OD
Richard L. Powell, OD
Earl H. Rock, OD
Alta I. Spurrer, OD

1969
Walter F. Cygan, OD
Norman J. Dery, OD
David Dick, OD
Bonny Lou Eads, OD
Glen T. Steele, OD

1970
Timothy P. Allen, OD, MS

1971
Randall D. Bowling, OD
James H. Minesinger, OD
Sidney J. Stern, OD

1972
Jeffrey H. Cohen, OD
Leslie K. Diaz, OD
Herman H. Ginger, OD
Harry J. Harrell, OD
Gary L. Schreiner, OD
William J. Yearta, OD

1973
Joseph G. Goldberg, OD
Jerome A. Hayes, III, OD
James Jay Hulen, OD
Dale L. Morris, OD
James M. Newman, III, OD
Thomas B. Perry, OD

1974
David H. Dow, OD
Robert M. Epstein, OD
Thomas J. Garrity, OD
Charles G. Glaser, OD
Charles K. Howard, OD
Martha Rosemore Morrow, OD
Robert W. Smalling, OD
Barry A. Winston, OD

1975
Stephen P. Akre, OD
Allan Leslie Barker, OD
Alan P. Fisher, OD
James W. Stuckey, OD
Morris H. Weaver, OD

1976
Edwin F. Adams, III, OD
Richard C. Buck, OD
Stanley M. Dickerson, OD
Alan L. Ginsburg, OD
Thomas Lentz, OD
Howard L. Levinson, OD
Mark E. Mather, OD
Joseph W. Remke, III, OD
William R. Spooner, OD
Brunswick R. Wong, OD

1977
Don C. Bagwell, OD
Ron M. Bannister, OD
Henry B. Miller, OD
Jim S. Myers, OD
Richard C. Orgain, OD
Larry Otten, OD
Jack L. Schaeffer, OD
Bernard I. Sparks, III, OD

1978
Steven L. Compton, OD
Tommy J. Ducklo, OD
Glenn I. Goldring, OD
Jeffrey S. Hanks, OD
David H. Mills, OD
Billy M. Moscow, OD
Richard W. Phillips, OD
Sallye S. Scott, OD
Randall Teague, OD
Marlon R. Uttech, OD
Cary J. Vincent, OD

One of SCO’s new classrooms bears the name of the late Fredric M. Rosemore, OD ’48, a Lifetime Achievement Award recipient, one of the college’s most generous donors and the patriarch to a family that produced three generations of legacy alumni, including his daughter, former SCO Board Chair Martha Rosemore Morrow, OD ’74, pictured near her family’s dedication plaque with her husband, Alabama State Representative Johnny Mack Morrow. Contact Institutional Advancement if you’re interested in paying tribute to a family member, loved one or colleague via one of SCO’s named giving opportunities.
2009
Teresa L. Angeli, OD
Emily R. Conn, OD
Rebecca King, OD
Mary E. Quan, OD
Joseph Sugg, OD

2010
Michelle Brennan, OD
Jeannie Clark, OD
Meredith Cole, OD
David Daughtry, OD
Jessica E. Durham, OD
Kelsey Honeyman, OD
Nicholas Reid, OD
Mandi Smith, OD
Esla Speth, OD
Thuy-Diem N. Tran, OD
Gene Wong, OD

2011
Amber L. Busche, OD
Jay M. Butler, OD
Amanda N. Dailey, OD
Danielle R. Davis, OD
Gloria Ding, OD
Jessica L. Dinwiddie, OD
Benjamin M. Dixon, OD
Elissa S. Eblin, OD
Kendra L. Eck, OD
Doug W. Ellenberger, OD
Joy Ellenberger, OD
Laura E. England, OD
Andrea S. Giardina, OD
Dave B. Glenn, OD
Heidi H. Herring, OD
Erin Hocking, OD
Brigitte C. Keener, OD
Nicole M. Kosciuk, OD
Kayli B. Malzahn, OD
Crystal A. Mirza, OD
Shira L. Pipkin, OD
Nicklaus J. Richmond, OD
Brandon K. Ross, OD
Blake S. Rust, OD
Joanne P. Smith, OD
Jessica L. Stephenson, OD
Jenny L. Stevens, OD
Anthony K. Sullenger, OD
Sarah A. Sweeney, OD
Samuel A. Winston, OD

2012
Kacy W. Barker, OD
Morgan A. Berry, OD
Andrew J. Brauer, OD
Jennifer S. Childers, OD
Stephanie L. Cullinan, OD
Marcie M. Daniel, OD
Addison P. DiMartino, OD
John W. Erickson, OD
Joseph M. Hammond, OD
Jenessa L. Hartman, OD
Timothy J. LaFreniere, OD
Raymond J. Lambert, OD
Amanda McDowell, OD
Brett A. Miller, OD
Alyssa A. Milligan, OD
Jared P. Quesenberry, OD
Adam M. Beaubien, OD
Robert Binkley, OD
Derek A. Black, OD
Brett Bordner, OD
Brenda Bui, OD
Molly K. Camerer, OD
Michael A. Case, OD
Andrea R. Chancey, OD
Robyn L. Christenson, OD
Joy Chuang, OD
Brigitte A. Connorton, OD
Nora L. Cothran, OD
Dan E. Creviston, OD
Leigha S. Davis, OD
Janelle S. Driedger, OD
Gregory C. Eakins, Jr., OD
Kaila Egan, OD
Jennifer T. Elder, OD
Ellen O. Elmore, OD
Jessica C. Elmore, OD
Sara Faulkenberry, OD
Marion D. Flowers, OD
Aubrey V. Fulton, OD
Elizabeth A. Geary, OD
Ashley Geentrup, OD
Sarah N. Gore, OD
Tyler C. Groce, OD
Stephanie Hahn, OD
Ashley L. Helton OD
Janelle S. Driedger, OD
Janelle S. Driedger, OD
Calvin R. Hoare, OD
Ashley Geentrup, OD
Sarah N. Gore, OD
Tyler C. Groce, OD
Stephanie Hahn, OD
Ashley L. Helton OD
Janelle S. Driedger, OD
Calvin R. Hoare, OD
By the Numbers: FY2012-13

Revenue

Tuition and Fees
$14,099,625 | 52%

Government/Private Grants
$1,536,990 | 6%

Interest Income
$1,232,427 | 5%

Contributions
$1,706,067 | 6%

Quasi Endowment
$1,604,528 | 6%

Sales and Services
$6,671,546 | 25%

By the Numbers: FY2012-13

Expenses

Operation Expense
$5,369,634 | 22%

Depreciation Expense
$1,765,836 | 7%

Purchase for Resale
$1,147,599 | 5%

Salaries/Benefits
$16,019,789 | 66%

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David Marco, and his wife, Julie, are pictured with the plaque recognizing the Marco Family Foundation’s support of our new classroom facility. The foundation also generously supported construction of The Eye Center.

This year saw the retirement of Jerry Clay, Facilities Supervisor in the Physical Plant, after 33 years of service. His longtime support of SCO resulted in the awarding of the first Jerry L. Clay Endowed Award at this year’s Convocation ceremony.
IN HONOR OF
Claude and Kathleen Bartlett
Rick D. Bartlett, OD ’81
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Nathan Ford, OD ’50
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Sam Johnson, OD ’13
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William Y. Cuthbertson, OD ’87
Deceased Members of the
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Jimmy W. McNeil, OD ’58
Scott Moscow, OD ’13
Sharon Berger Moscow, OD ’80
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Joe Don Rogers, OD ’53
Anonymous
James Venable, OD ’89
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SCO held its 28th annual Convocation ceremony in October to honor achievement by SCO's alumni, students, faculty and staff. First-year students were formally welcomed into the profession of optometry by receiving their white coats, signing SCO's Honor Code, and reciting the optometric student oath.

Receiving SCO’s Lifetime Achievement Award – the college’s highest honor – were U.S. Senator John Boozman, OD ’77, and Professor Emeritus Jim Newman, OD ’73 (pictured). This year’s Young Alumni Award recipient was USN Lt. Commander Emily Sprague, OD ’04 (pictured).

Scott Ensor, OD ’01, received the Burnett Faculty Recognition Award and former faculty member Fred Burnett, OD ’80, was remembered on the week of his passing. Faculty of the Year Awards were presented to Daniel Smith, OD ’94, William Kress, OD (three awards), Daniel Taylor, OD ’06, Carrie Lebowitz, OD ’06, Richard Savoy, OD, and Scott Ensor, OD ’01.

The Class of 1963 was also recognized on the occasion of its 50-year anniversary with certificates noting their special milestone of service to the profession.

Scholarships and other honors were awarded in recognition of academic excellence, leadership or service. Many student scholarships were made possible through the generous and consistent financial support of SCO alumni to the Annual Fund and Endowed Scholarship Fund.
ALUMNI AND FRIENDS SCHOLARSHIPS

NATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN OPTOMETRY AWARD, PART I ($1,000)
Christina Grosshans ’14

MAULDIN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Jason Harper ’14

ALUMNI COUNCIL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Micah Juedes ’14

DR. ALLAN AND MRS. SUSAN BARKER ENdowed SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Sarah Thompson ’14

ROSEMORE FAMILY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Christina Grosshans ’14, Anna Lammers ’14, Laura Vervuist ’14

DR. FREDDY WILFRED CHANG ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Nathan Staehr ’14

W. DAVID SULLINS ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP FOR LEADERSHIP ($1,000)
Mallory Phillips ’14

DR. CHARLES L. HAINE HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY ENDOwed AWARD ($1,000)
Monica Perry ’16

WAYNE W. PYEATT ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Adam Young ’14

PEGGY REMKE MEMORIAL ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Kristin Schick ’14

DR. JOHN A. GAZAWAY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Lucas Cook ’14

KANSAS ALUMNI ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Lisa Muiller ’15

FRED FARIAS, III, OD ’87, FAAO ENDOwed AWARD ($1,000)
Christopher Prough ’14

JERRY L. CLAY ENDOwed AWARD ($1,000)
Samuel Johannsen ’15

DRS. BERGER & MOSCOW FAMILY ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Alison Bozung ’15

DR. STANLEY M. DICKERSON ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Priya Sheth ’14

CLASS SCHOLARSHIPS

CLASSES OF ’54, ’56, ’59 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Aja Kimrey ’15

CLASSES OF ’60, ’61, ’63 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,500)
Rebecca Wenig ’16

CLASSES OF ’64, ’65, ’66 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,500)
Elizabeth Fioravanti ’15

CLASSES OF ’67, ’68, ’69 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Leah Beckman ’14, Dustin Briscoe ’14

CLASSES OF ’70, ’71, ’74 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Stacey Hains ’14, Lauren Nelson ’14

CLASS OF 1977 SCHOLARSHIP ($3,000)
Stephanie Leu ’14

CLASS OF 1978 SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Erima Tobomes ’14

CLASS OF 1984 SCHOLARSHIP ($1,500)
Frank Carusone ’16

CLASS OF 1997 JIMMY SHERIDAN MEMORIAL AWARD ($1,000)
Heather Aitcherson ’15

CLASS OF 2001 SCOTT WHITAKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Barbara Jodoin ’15

CORPORATE PARTNERS AND OPHTHALMIC INDUSTRY

ONE SIGHT RESEARCH FOUNDATION DR. STANLEY PEARLE SCHOLARSHIP ($2,000)
Christina Grosshans ’14, Adam Young ’14

REVIEW OF OPTOMETRY AWARD ($500)
Keri Cassets ’14

WALMAN OPTICAL COMPANY AWARD ($1,000)
Samantha Triplett ’14

J. PAT CUMMINGS SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Kathryn Huebner ’14

VISION SERVICE PLAN SCHOLARSHIPS ($4,000)
Andrew Bradbury ’14, Devin Duval ’14

UPS SCHOLARSHIP ($2,400)
Kristin Jones ’14

DR. CHARLES COMER SERVICE AWARD FOR AFRICAN AMERICANS ($1,000)
Adam Young ’14

AOSA BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPIRIT AWARD
Amy Puerto ’15

WAL-MART PROJECT FORESIGHT TEAM AWARD ($1,500)
Frank Carusone ’16, Enrique Palacios ’16

PRECISION OPTICAL LABORATORIES ENDOwed SCHOLARSHIPS ($2,000)
Susan Evans ’14, Meaghan Horton ’14

OCULAR INSTRUMENTS AWARD ($250 PRODUCT CERTIFICATE)
Virgilio Gozum ’15, Anne Marie Strong ’14, Ryan Wilkerson ’16

WELCH ALLYN CO. AWARD (PANOPTIC OPHTHALMOSCOPE)
Devon Morris ’16

HEINE USA AWARD (HAND-HELD SLIT LAMP)
Lekha Samuel ’14

KEELER INSTRUMENTS AWARD (COMBI RETINOSCOPE)
Michael Richardson ’15

MILITARY SERVICES SCHOLARSHIPS

U.S. AIR FORCE
Marc Musto ’15

U.S. ARMY
Kyle Anderson ’15, Kelly Bain ’15, Todd Christensen ’14, Amy Combs ’14, Trenton Gaasch ’16, Andrew Louddon ’14

U.S. NAVY
Katherine Allen ’16, Jordan Paul ’14

STATE AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

KENTUCKY OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS ($1,000)
Amy Puerto ’15, Crystal Stone ’15

MICHIGAN FOUNDATION FOR VISION AWARENESS SCHOLARSHIP ($1,500)
Anna Lammers ’14

MISSISSIPPI OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION, HONORING DR. WILLIAM E. COCHRAN ($1,000)
Kellie Jones ’14

TENNESSEE ASSOCIATION OF OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIANS SCHOLARSHIP ($1,000)
Jay Goldstein ’14

BASIC SCIENCE & CLINICAL SCIENCE AWARDS

1ST YEAR BASIC SCIENCE AWARDS
Daniel Brigham, Kevin Davis, Jaimen Dixon, Emily Edwards, Anthony Fioravanti, Hannah Haltorf, Brett O’Connor, Monica Perry, Rebecca Wenig, Ryan Wilkerson

1ST YEAR CLINICAL SCIENCE AWARDS
Daniel Brigham, Emily Edwards, Gabriel Fickett, Spencer McCamise, Courtney Melphane, Monica Perry, Christen Roex, Preslee Thamnell, Rebecca Wenig, Ryan Wilkerson

2ND YEAR BASIC SCIENCE AWARDS
Kyle Anderson, Alison Bozung, Elizabeth Fioravanti, Kevin Hart, Jessica Haynes, Aja Kimrey, Kristin Mayo, Craig Mass, Jacob Muller, Sherry Wei

2ND YEAR CLINICAL SCIENCE AWARDS
Michael Brigham, Alison Bozung, Meghan Earley, Emily Evans, Elizabeth Fioravanti, Jenny Hines, Craig Hossendreff, Aja Kimrey, Cade Kouwalski, Brittany Tonsfeld

3RD YEAR CLINICAL SKILLS AWARDS
Leah Beckman, Andrew Bradbury, Dustin Briscoe, Luke Hong, Kaitlin Mayo, Cade Kowallis, Mallory Phillips, Michael Quackenbush, William Tantum
The dedication of SCO’s new academic facility created opportunities for new Homecoming weekend events. Following the ribbon-cutting ceremony, alumni and guests joined the SCO campus community in a barbecue luncheon. The weekend also included a special donor recognition preview of the new building, the President’s Reception on campus, a 50-year luncheon, CE courses in the new classrooms, and the Alumni Dinner and After Party at the Peabody Memphis. More than 1,000 event photos are available online in SCO’s photo galleries. Next year’s event is scheduled for October 9-12, so make plans to come home to Memphis!
Jolletta and Andy Dean, OD ’73

Dick Powell, OD ’68, Vicki Powell, Billy Cochran, OD ’68, and Carolyn Cochran

Class of 1983

Joel Orton, OD ’73, Allen Findley, OD ’73, and Jerry Hayes, OD ’73

Hulene and G. Robert Crosby, OD ’63

First CE in the new classrooms

Jane and Steve Compton, OD ’78

Class of 1973

Class of 1963

Sarah Wroten, OD ’03, Lynn Helms, OD ’03, Katy Sanford, OD ’03, and Gail Gordon, OD ’03

President’s Reception fun!

Class of 2003

Chris Wroten, OD ’02, and Emily Sprague, OD ’04

Hulene and G. Robert Crosby, OD ’63

Jane and Steve Compton, OD ’78

Class of 1973

Class of 1963

President’s Reception fun!

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Achieving Success

Two recent graduates share their insights about achieving success

Rob Szeliga, OD ’05, established Spring Hill Eyecare, a private practice near Nashville. He’s attended two of the Hayes Center’s earliest programs for alumni. Recent graduate Keegan Hearn, OD ’11, joined the practice this year. Here they share their experience in how the Hayes Center contributed to their success as they work together to meet the challenges and opportunities that await recent graduates.

Dr. Rob Szeliga

Q: What were the challenges you faced in opening a practice right out of school?

A: Opening a practice right after graduating was a huge undertaking with a lot of sleepless nights in the beginning. The most challenging thing about doing so was that everything has to be created. You are literally starting from scratch. You have to acquire funding, which is not easy without at least two years’ experience as a doctor, but you have to know how much funding. You have to meet with contractors and designers to get quotes to get an estimate on costs, without knowing if you can get the funding. You are also trying to get all your new doctor numbers — state license, DEA, Medicare, etc. — and get on insurance panels without having a physical location. Think of everything that is in an office from a phoropter to a stapler…it all has to be purchased. And then you have to get patients in the office.

Q: You attended a Hayes Center for Practice Excellence program specific to recent graduates in private practice. How did it help you in your transition as a practice owner?

A: I attended the Hayes Center’s "Private Practice Primer" two different times after graduating. One specific thing that I took away from those meetings was to invest continuously in your practice. After the first meeting, I was inspired to go ahead and equip a second exam lane. After attending the second year, I decided to double my square footage to have four exam lanes and special testing rooms. We are continuously reinvesting in the practice...replacing a GDx with an OCT, a pupillometer with an iPad, manual phoropters with automated ones. There are definitely opportunities to make more money right out of school than opening cold, so you have to be in it for the long-term investment. I think the program should be offered to all new graduates that want to go into private practice to let them know it can be done.

Q: How did you make the decision to bring in an associate? What have you learned in this process that you would want others to know?

A: Outside of SCO and my externships, I had never worked anywhere else. I didn’t do fill-in work or work part-time in a commercial setting. I decided that I wanted to devote all my time to growing my own practice. I also had never had another doctor fill in for me. If I was ever out of the office, we didn’t see patients. This summer my wife and I wanted to celebrate our 10-year wedding anniversary with a two-week trip to Europe. I didn’t want to close the office for two weeks, so the staff took their vacation one of the weeks and I looked for a fill-in doctor for the other. While interviewing potential fill-in doctors, I was also scouting for an associate. We were getting booked out a couple weeks in advance with a highly delegated staff. I am also trying to transition into more of a CEO of my practice and have a little more time devoted to the practice management aspects to grow the practice while condensing my patient load into fewer days. I wanted to find a good fit not only for my staff, but also my patients. Having a new doctor in my office was to me like having someone come live in your house with your family while you are away.

Q: What does Dr. Hearn add to your practice that made him a good fit?

A: While all the doctors I interviewed were all skilled optometrists, Dr. Hearn’s personality and desire to be in a private practice for more than just fill-in work made him an excellent choice. We both
use similar phrases when communicating with our patients and both take interest in our patients’ lives. My return flight was delayed from that trip so we missed a connecting flight. Dr. Hearn was able to fill in for one more day for me and was quick to remind me of the advantages of having an associate doctor. I also wasn’t ready for a full-time associate, so it helps that Dr. Hearn still works in a commercial setting, that’s not too close geographically, so that we can gradually transition him into having more hours here.

**Dr. Keegan Hearn**

**Q:** What assistance did you receive from the Hayes Center as an SCO student?

**A:** The Hayes Center for Practice Excellence helped me by providing a sounding board for ideas, advice, and decision making in locating and joining a practice. Although the Hayes Center didn’t directly lead me to Spring Hill Eyecare, they helped guide me away from other opportunities that would have been a poor fit.

**Q:** What was it about the opportunity at Spring Hill Eyecare that attracted you to the position?

**A:** Dr. Rob, the staff, and the ability to practice to the fullest scope possible. His staff is well trained, hardworking, and works as a team. The key factor was the first moment I met Dr. Rob. I was very comfortable and could be myself. We can have honest interaction. Like Dr. Jerry Eisenstatt, Executive Director of the Hayes Center, said in practice management, “pick your partner better than you pick your spouse.”

**Q:** How did you and Dr. Szeliga connect?

**A:** In conjunction with the guidance from the Hayes Center, I found that the contact lens reps and frame reps are an amazing resource. Fresh out of school, I made time to greet and speak with the reps that came to the corporate location where I was working. I made an impression, networked, and let them know where I wanted to be. It was a contact lens rep that recommended me to Dr. Rob when asked if he knew anyone that would be a good fit.

**Q:** What have you learned in the process of joining a successful practice that you would want others to know?

**A:** The most important lesson I learned in this process is to trust your instincts. If you’re hesitant and not fully excited about an opportunity, then that should give you your answer. I turned down two offers because I had that hesitance and lack of excitement. They were difficult decisions because I had no foreseeable new opportunities. Now that I’m at Spring Hill Eyecare, I know why I had to turn down the others.
1950 Nathan Ford, OD, was recognized with a Tennessee House of Representatives resolution in his honor after being named SCO’s Lifetime Achievement Award recipient in 2012.

1966 Harry Denison, OD, received the Lifetime of Excellence Award, along with Dale Morris, OD ’73, and Kenny Wyatt, OD ’73, at the Arkansas Optometric Association’s Spring Convention.

1967 Herbert Wertheim, OD, founder and president of Brain Power, Inc., the world’s largest manufacturer of ophthalmic instruments, was recently elected to the La Jolla Institute for Allergy and Immunology’s Board of Directors.

1968 SCO Professor Emeritus W.C. Maples, OD, recently lectured at a conference in Poland.

1969 Gary Smith, OD, was joined by his office staff in simultaneously retiring in June from their Georgia practice founded by Jack Runninger, OD ’47.

1970 George Haas, OD, was reappointed to the Arkansas State Board of Optometry.

1974 Donald Baker, OD, recently retired from his Clarksville, Arkansas practice. He passed the torch to Becky King, OD ’09, one of his former patients who credits Dr. Baker as one of her inspirations to enter the profession.

Charles Stuckey, OD, MPA, was presented the prestigious H. Ward Ewalt, OD, Meritorious Service Award by the Pennsylvania Optometric Association. The POA’s highest honor recognizes exemplary dedication and commitment to optometry. Dr. Stuckey was named POA’s Executive Director in 1997, becoming one of only six full-time executive directors in the association’s nearly 120-year history. He previously led the association as president in 1990 and served on the Board of Directors from 1985-1991.

1976 Jack Meristem, OD, recently received the E.C. Nurock Award from the New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians. The award is the highest his state association presents in recognition of outstanding service to the profession and community involvement. Dr. Meristem established Resident Eye Care Associates in 1989, where he employs eight ODs and consults on geriatric care issues.

1977 Terry Moehnke, OD, was elected to the City Council in Fort Dodge, Iowa in November.

1978 Noa, born March 5.

1980 J. Curtis Taylor, OD, welcomed his first grandchild, Noah, born March 5.

1981 Jeff Foster, OD, was recently elected Chair of the Tennessee Board of Examiners in Optometry. Scott Gentry, OD, was elected Vice Chair.

Scott Gentry, OD, was named Tennessee’s OD of the Year at the TAOP’s Fall meeting.

1983 Cynthia Baker, OD, was elected Secretary/Treasurer for the Optometric Association of Louisiana. Her daughter, Celeste, is a first-year SCO student.

Stephen R. Kepley, OD, was elected President of the Florida Optometric Association at its annual convention. He has served on the FOA board since 2005.

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1987 Fred Farias III, OD, was elected president-elect of the Texas Optometric Association.

1990 William Henderson II, OD, married Nicholas Bellos, MD, on February 16 in New York City.

1998 Stuart Berry, OD, and Joy Berry, OD ’99, recently joined Premier Vision in Texas.


2001 Kayla Melton, OD, was promoted to the rank of Major in the Air National Guard and was awarded the Army Commendation Medal for a humanitarian deployment to assist with Innovative Readiness Training programs for the Army, Air Force and Navy.

2002 Ryan Powell, OD, purchased the Harrisonville and Pleasant Hill, Missouri practices of Larry Snider, OD ’76, a former president of the Missouri Optometric Association. Dr. Snider now practices with Dr. Powell and Tom Aldrich, OD ’65, both of whom are also former state association presidents.

2004 Adam Melton, OD, and his wife, Hope, welcomed a daughter Ruby Claire, on February 17. 1

Amanda Weiss, OD, recently opened a new practice, SeaView Eyecare, in Wellington, Florida.

2005 Major Jeff Newsom, OD, was selected to serve as the Air Force Optometry Operations Officer at the Air Force Medical Operations Agency in San Antonio, Texas. The second person ever to serve in the position, Major Newsom will work closely with the Optometry Consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General to optimize efficiency and enhance productivity across the entire Air Force.

2006 Jennifer Jones, OD, and her husband welcomed a daughter, Avery Lynn, on September 20. 2

2007 Lindsay Elkins, OD, and her husband welcomed a son, Arthur David, born March 27. 3
Nick Engle, OD, and Erin Engle, OD, welcomed a daughter, Piper Avery, on May 2.

2008
Melinda Legg, OD, and her husband, Joshua, welcomed a son, Michael Stephen, on August 14.

2009
Matthew Donner, OD, has joined Des Moines Eye Care and the Ames Eye Clinic in Iowa.

Joe Sugg, OD, was named the Arkansas Optometric Association’s Young OD of the Year.

2010
Ragna Godtland, OD, has joined Sanford Health Baudette Eye Center in Minnesota.

Gary Granger, OD, recently opened a new practice, Granger Eye Studio, in Youngsville, Louisiana.

Marina Gurvich, OD, recently joined Stuart Tasman, OD ’80, in practice at Tasman Eye Consultants.

Aubrey Harlan, OD, recently opened Highpoint Family Vision in Shawnee, Kansas.

2011
Brigitte Keener, OD, recently started a position at the Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville, Florida as a Senior Associate Consultant in the Department of Ophthalmology.

Marcy McKibbin, OD, and her husband, Trevor, welcomed a daughter, Mallory Kay, on April 2.

Sam Winston, OD, and his wife, Leah, welcomed a daughter, Lydia Rose, on June 20. She is the granddaughter of Barry Winston, OD ’74.

Lydia Rose’s dad was named Young OD of the Year by the Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians in October.

2012
Dustin Dixon, OD, received a VISTAKON Residency Award at the American Optometric Foundation’s luncheon during the American Academy of Optometry meeting.

Heidi Fouch, OD, married Luke Bell, OD, on August 10, 2013 in Iowa.

Christopher Peña, OD, joined Baugh Eye Care Associates in Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

2013
Alan Arabi, OD, joined Spectrum Vision Center in California.

Barrett Brown, OD, joined Family Eye Care in Monticello, Arkansas.

Kala Brown, OD, is engaged to Spencer Brewer. They met during Dr. Brown’s externship in Colorado. The wedding is set for January 17, 2014 in Manti, Utah.

Ellen Elmore, OD, has joined the Clarksville, Tennessee practice of Russ Orr, OD ’75, and Steve Routledge, OD ’83.

Jessie Elmore, OD, and Sam Johnson, OD, recently announced their engagement. The wedding is set for April 5, 2014.

Brittany Radke, OD, has joined Eye Contact, a practice in Madison, Wisconsin.

Kristin Reed, OD, and her husband, Josh, welcomed their first son, Brayden Stephen on September 3. Dr. Reed also has taken the lease as the OD for Target Optical in Lincoln, Nebraska.

Addie Smith, OD, has joined the Bond-Wroten Eye Clinic in Louisiana owned by Chris Wroten, OD ’02, and Sarah Wroten, OD ’03.

Alicea S. Smith, OD, became engaged to Justin Hill immediately following SCO’s commencement ceremony for the Class of 2013.

Joel Weis, OD, has joined Family Vision Center in Creston, Iowa.

IN MEMORIAL
Arthur H. Spitz, OD ’47
J.C. Morrison, OD ’48
John J. O’Leary, OD ’49
LTC (Ret.) Robert R. Carper, OD ’50
Irving Gutstein, OD ’50
Ralph A. Halvorsen, OD ’51
Benjamin Susman III, OD ’51
Donald R. Feltman, OD ’53
Erwin Lax, OD ’53, former SCO Board Chair and Doctor of Ocular Science degree recipient
Kelly Carlton Thomas, OD ’56
Chivous Saine, OD ’61
Bobby Montgomery, OD ’58, SCO Professor Emeritus
Robert Nordstrom, OD ’77
Fred Burnett, OD ’80, former SCO faculty member and Board member. He and his wife, Charlene Burnett, OD ’83, sponsored a faculty award and an endowed scholarship that bears their names, as well as a student research award.
Kelly Smith, OD ’81
Mike Huddleston, OD ’82
Janette Dumas, OD, Jason Duncan, OD ’96, and Rick Savoy, OD, MPH, were recently promoted to Associate Professor.

Bill Edmondson, OD, MAT, received the Contact Lens Achievement Award at the AOA meeting, in appreciation of outstanding contributions to the optometric profession in the area of contact lenses and eye care.

Patricia Estes Walker, OD, was installed as the Secretary/Treasurer of the Tennessee Association of Optometric Physicians.

Dan Fuller, OD, published two different articles with Danielle Alperin, OD, and Christina Newman, OD, SCO’s first Cornea and Contact Lens-Refractive Surgery residents, in Optometry and Vision Science and Optometry Reports. He also published an article in Optometry and Vision Sciences.

Mike Gerstner, OD ’97, has been appointed to the American Board of Optometry Board of Directors.

Paul Harris, OD, and Marc Taub, OD, MS, lectured at the Tennessee Coordinated School Health Institute and at the Congreso Internacional de Optometria Funcional conference in Mexico. Dr. Harris has officially assumed the role as President of the Board of Directors of the Optometric Extension Program Foundation. He was interviewed by CNN for a story about 3-D, for a story about reading speed with e-books for an article in the UK’s Optometry Today, and for a story about behavioral optometry techniques by Primary Care Optometry News.

John Mark Jackson, OD ’99, MS, authored the Contact Lens Practice Pearls column in three issues of Contact Lens Spectrum magazine this year.

Karen Keihbein, OD, and Jill Pitts, OD ’03, have been promoted to Assistant Professor. Dr. Keihbein was inducted as a Fellow of the College of Optometrists in Vision Development at the COVD’s annual meeting.

Carrie Lebowitz, OD ’06, is the college’s new Director of Academic Support Services.

Sharon Lee, OD, was a visiting professor at Universidad de la Salle where she lectured on Low Vision Rehabilitation. She also gave a presentation at the Seminario Internacional de Investigacion e Innovacion en Ciencias de la Vision conference in Bogota, Colombia.

Chris Lievens, OD, MS, was promoted to Professor in July. His research into differences in commonly used contact lens solutions and their effects on soft contact lenses was recently publicized in an online Alcon report. Dr. Lievens also was recently honored for his service to the NBEO Clinical Skills Examination Committee and was appointed to the AAO Admittance Committee. He published an article on infiltrative keratitis in the September issue of Contact Lens Spectrum magazine.

Jim Newman, OD ’73, MS, and Allan Schoen, OD ’72, retired in the summer after decades of service to the college. Each was honored with a reception.

Zakiya Nicks, OD, was named to the Memphis Business Journal’s “Top 40 Under 40” list of outstanding young leaders. She also received an award for an academic poster at the annual meeting of the Tennessee Public Health Association.

Pam Schnell, OD ’01, was named managing editor of Optometry & Visual Performance.

Glen Steele, OD ’69, was inducted into the National Academies of Practice as a Distinguished Fellow and was nominated as a White House Champion of Change for Public Health and Prevention. He also has lectured extensively on InfantSEE and pediatric vision at a number of conferences and seminars and given interviews in a number of publications throughout the year.

Marc Taub, OD, MS, and Ashley Gentrup, OD ’13, received the Outstanding Scientific Project Award from the American Public Health’s Vision Care Section for a paper focusing on the FUNDS program that helps provide vision therapy to patients at The Eye Center. Dr. Taub’s recent book, Visual Diagnosis and the Care of the Patients with Special Needs, won the 2013 BMA Medical Book Award, First Prize Health and Social Care, in London.

James Venable, OD ’89, recently completed the 2013 Chairs and Academic Administrators Management Program. He also represented The Eye Center as a finalist in the Outstanding Community Outreach Category for the Memphis Business Journal’s Healthcare Heroes Awards ceremony.

Melissa Zarn, OD, Anna Schlesselman, OD, Michael Dorkowski, OD, and Jason Duncan, OD received their Fellowship in the American Academy of Optometry at the AAO’s annual fall meeting.
Welcome New Faculty
Mary Bartuccio, OD  
Marie Bodack, OD,  
Chief of Pediatric Primary Care  
Mike Christensen, OD, MS, PhD,  
Director of Research  
Malinda Fitzgerald, MS, PhD  
Rachel Grant, OD  
Whitney Hauser, OD ’01  
Alan Kabat, OD  
Taylor Kiser, OD ’12  
Reena Lepine, OD ’11  
Jennifer Snyder, OD ’12

Faculty Presentations
SCO faculty, along with residents and students, made presentations at the following national meetings:

AOA 2013, SAN DIEGO, CA
LECTURES
Glen Steele, OD ’69  
Risk Factors in Infants and Young Children
POSTERS
Staci Boon, OD, Resident; Sharon Lee, OD  
The Prior of Beauty: A Case of Monocycline-induced Optic Atrophy  
Benjamin Brenner, OD ’11, Resident; Sylvia Sparrow, OD ’98  
Vicogenic Granulomas: Treating Misnomers  
Sylvia Sparrow, OD ’98; Heidi Fouch, OD ’12, Resident  
The Consistently Inconsistent Presentation of Myasthenia Gravis  
Heidi Fouch, OD ’12, Resident; Sylvia Sparrow, OD ’98; Luke Bell, OD ’12  
Ocular Complications of Sexually Transmitted Diseases: A Case of Syphilitic Uveitis  
Betty Harville, OD; Marlon Utech, OD ’78  
Atypical Vitreomacular Traction: A Case Report  
Jennifer Jones, OD ’06; Sylvia Sparrow, OD ’98; John Neal, OD ’07  
Sudden Loss of Vision: Trauma vs. Toxoplasmosis  
Sharon Lee, OD  
Alternative Driver’s License Options for Patients with Visual Impairment in the Mid-South Region  
Zakiya Nicks, OD; Kristin Anderson, OD  
Addressing Barriers to Improve Utilization of Children Vision Services in a Head Start Community  
Joanne Smith, OD ’11; Elsa Speth, OD ’10; Bret Butterfield ’14  
Choroidal Melanoma: Asymptomatic Presentation at Routine Examination  
Joanne Smith, OD ’11; Elsa Speth, OD ’10  
Punctate Inner Choroidopathy: A Case Report  
Sylvia Sparrow, OD ’98; Jennifer Jones, OD ’06  
X-linked Juvenile Retinoschisis: A Tale of Two Brothers

COVID 2013, ORLANDO, FL
PAPERS
Tressa Eubank, OD  
Presbyopia and Computers … What a Pain in the Neck!  
Tressa Eubank, OD; Annie Y. Hao, ’14; Mary Bartuccio, OD  
Treating Spatial Awareness in Patients with Autism
POSTERS
Laura Ashe, OD ’13, Resident; Pamela Schnell, OD ’01  
Double Trouble? Esotropia in Premature Identical Twins  
Pamela Schnell, OD ’01; Laura Ashe, OD ’13, Resident  
VT and OT: A Partnership Worth Pursuing  
Mary Bartuccio, OD; Jenna Liechty, OD, Resident; Marc Taub, OD, MS  
Ocular Manifestations of a Patient With Rubinstein-Taybi Syndrome

Patricia Cisarik, OD, PhD; Jordan Rothlisberger ’15; Gabriel Fickett ’16  
A Comparison of Self-Reported and Assessed Autostereogram Skills with Cognitive Learning Style as Measured by the Group Embedded Figures Test  
Jordan Rothlisberger ’15; Patricia Cisarik, OD, PhD  
A Comparison of Referral Rates from Vision Screening With and Without Accommodative and Vergence Facility Testing: a pilot study  
Janette Dumas, OD  
Vision Therapy Management of Cranial Nerve VI Palsy  
Lindsay Durtschi ’15; Marc Taub, OD, MS  
The Vision Therapy Service of Southern College of Optometry: Who, What, and How  
Christina Esposito, OD, Resident  
Use of the Wayne Saccadic Fixator to Encourage Proper Usage of Peli Prisms in Hemianopia Secondary to Acquired Brain Injury  
Christina Esposito, OD, Resident  
The Power of Vision Therapy and its Effect on the Attention Deficit Disorder Diagnosis  
Susan Evans ’14; Marc Taub, OD, MS  
Are Optometrists Discussing Smoking Habits with Their Patients?  
Cade Kowalis, ’15; Paul Harris, OD  
Assessing Speed of Prism Movement During Phorometric Vergence Testing  
Karen Kehbein, OD  
InfantsEE® Awareness Among Michigan Pediatricians  
Jessi Lee, OD, Resident  
Vision Therapy for Homonymous Hemianopsia  
Cade Kowallis ’15; Jordan Netzele ’15; Marc Taub, OD, MS  
An Evaluation of Anisometropia and Amblyopia using the Playstation 3D  
Kara Tison, OD, Resident  
Null Point Change in Nystagmus

AAO 2013, SEATTLE, WA
PAPERS
William Edmondson, MAT, OD; Justin Ashe, MS  
Does the “Flipped Classroom” work in an Optometry Program?  
Daniel Taylor, OD ’06  
The Effect of Distance Education upon Grades: A Statistical Comparison of Two Neuroscience Courses  
Nancy Chan, OD, Resident; Daniel Fuller, OD  
Management of Deutan Color Defects in a Case of Congenital Station Night Blindness  
Patricia Cisarik, OD, PhD; Zakiya Nicks, OD  
Typical Idiopathic Intracranial Hypertension Suspicion: 5-year data from a large primary vision care clinic population  
Lindsay Elkins, OD ’07; Betty Harville, OD  
Longitudinal Review of School Vision Screening Failure and Causation  
Christina Esposito, OD, Resident; Paul Harris, OD  
The Art of Tinting Contact Lenses to Relieve Migraines Secondary to Fluorescent Lighting  
Paul Harris, OD  
Validation of the Dyop™ Visual Acuity Measure (A Pilot Study)  
Janine J. Henry, OD ’13, Resident  
Unique Ocular Presentation of Multiple Sclerosis Onset  
JulieAnne M. Roper, OD, MS, Resident  
A Cornell Considrum Complicated by Sleep Apnea: Distortion or Keratoconus?  
Kara Tison, OD, Resident; Pam Schnell, OD ’01  
Ocular Versus Non-Ocular Torticollis  
Jade Walker, OD, Resident; Kimberly Dillivan, OD, Resident  
Optic Disc Druzen: A Glaucoma Perspective

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Saturday, February 8
8 am – 12 pm
Advanced Procedures in Lids and Lasers (COPE ID: 39583-LP)
Dr. Scott Ensor, Dr. Whitney Hauser
12 - 1 pm
Lunch Included
1 - 3 pm
The Criticality of IOP in Glaucoma Management (COPE ID: 32044-GL)
Dr. Christopher Lievens
3 - 5 pm
Pill Problems: Ocular Complications from Systemic Medications (COPE ID: 35069-OP)
Dr. Alan G. Kabat

Sunday, February 9
8 – 10 am
Oops! I Did It Again…Preventing Medical Errors (COPE ID: 39584-EJ)
Dr. Alan G. Kabat
10 – 11 am
Keys to Malpractice Prevention (COPE ID: 36852-EJ)
Dr. Christopher Lievens
11 am – 12 pm
Healthy Sight Counseling (COPE ID: 32347-GO)
Dr. Christopher Lievens

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