A New Vision

After a degenerative retina condition caused Dr. Gregg Pusateri ’86 to leave optometry, he found a different calling—and a path back into practice.

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My family is spread out across the country. Our three sons and their wives are raising our nine grandchildren in locations hundreds or thousands of miles away from Chicago. When we all get together in one place it’s a rare and special occasion. There’s a friendly competition between the siblings for who has had the most unique recent experiences. There’s the retelling of old stories from when they were growing up. And there’s the warm bond of appreciation and love for other family members. I expect your families, even if they are not as geographically separated, have similar experiences. Families are unique. Even with all their quirks, they are very special.

Our ICO families are like this also. We can’t help but grow a real affection for classmates who struggled alongside us for four years to become doctors. The friends we made at ICO stay with us for years, even as we leave the college and Chicago. When we do see each other, old stories are retold, new experiences are shared, and we recall and relish the special kinship which developed during those four years together. As you’ll read in this issue, some of our ICO families are intertwined with our personal families, and that makes the relationship even more intense.

The educational and patient care experiences at ICO range more than 70 years—from the classes of the 1940s to those of the present day—and undoubtedly encompass a wide variety of curricula and programs. The annual report in this issue will give readers some perspective on what helps make ICO what we are today. Much of what keeps us working is the continuing support we receive from alumni. I thank you for maintaining these strong family bonds.
With the March 31 open enrollment deadline looming, Affordable Care Act navigators at the Illinois Eye Institute have been busy for the past five months helping consumers sign up for health insurance coverage through appointments at the Illinois Eye Institute and at outreach events throughout Chicago.

Last August, ICO was the recipient of a $504,016 federal Navigator Grant. The funds have gone toward helping consumers understand coverage options with the implementation of the ACA. The IEI has 26 certified navigators on staff, eight of whom are dedicated completely to ACA activities. Through late February, navigators had reached 2,965 consumers at both the IEI and at 20 citywide outreach events. Of the 498 consumers that navigators have enrolled in coverage, 24 percent are IEI patients.

“We are trying to target patients who are on Illinois Department of Human Services grants or who are not insured,” says Akhilesh Duratkar, clinical analyst at ICO. Navigators typically see 30-40 consumers per week at the IEI. Most consumers have scheduled appointments, but walk-ins are also accepted.

“It’s a great feeling to help people enroll for insurance coverage,” says navigator Jacqueline Saulsberry, a service coordinator at the IEI. “So many people aren’t aware of what’s available and they don’t know how to go about enrolling. A lot of people are under the impression they need to pay to enroll. When we explain to them that it’s free to enroll, they’re really happy.” The vast majority of consumers—93 percent—whom IEI navigators have enrolled are Medicaid-eligible. Others must enroll through the health insurance marketplace, which is financially challenging for some.

“They may be eligible for a tax credit, but they would still have to pay $200 or $300 a month for insurance, and they can’t afford it,” says Saulsberry. “It’s kind of sad, because their hopes were so high.”

Following March 31, navigators will continue to conduct outreach efforts and provide enrollment assistance to consumers exempt from the deadline, including noncitizens and those who have a qualifying “life event,” like getting married or having a child.
ICO Awarded $230,000 Grant from Fry Foundation

In February, the Lloyd A. Fry Foundation announced that ICO would receive a two-year, $230,000 grant in support of services provided at both the college and its community partners to meet the vision and eye care needs of underserved adults and youth. The grant will also support an evaluation study of the impact of vision care on student learning. The Fry Foundation supports Chicago-based organizations committed to improving conditions for the city’s low-income, underserved residents. Its funding areas are arts learning, education, employment and health.

“ICO is the only vision care grantee that we have,” says Soo Na, senior program officer at the Fry Foundation. “ICO has done an incredible job of expanding its vision care services through very innovative partnerships. Patients do not have to travel far for vision care services. They can receive services at either the community healthcare centers they go to for primary care, or at the CPS clinic. Service providers can coordinate medical care and vision care together. They share the patient healthcare outcomes through the EMR system.”

Since 2011, the foundation has funded ICO at the level of $100,000 or more per year, in support of ICO’s partnerships with community healthcare centers and the Chicago Public Schools.

ICO Launches Collaboration with UIC

In January, faculty from the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences at the University of Illinois at Chicago began providing sub-specialty medical and surgical eye care at the Illinois Eye Institute. Four UIC ophthalmologists are each servicing a different sub-specialty: cornea, retina, glaucoma and oculoplastics. The retina and glaucoma specialists are seeing patients at the IEI twice per month. The cornea and oculoplastics providers are visiting the IEI once a month; it’s expected that patient volume in these areas will increase after six months, at which point the providers will come to the IEI twice monthly.

The relationship between ICO and the Fry Foundation began in 1989. Since 2011, the foundation has funded ICO at the level of $100,000 or more per year, in support of ICO’s partnerships with community healthcare centers and the Chicago Public Schools. In comparison, a typical grant from the Fry Foundation ranges between $20,000 and $50,000.

“The latest funding will assist in continuing efforts at our school-based clinic, including a new research component to help us affirm the impact on students’ school work following successful diagnosis, treatment and remediation of visual problems,” says Mark Colip, OD ’92, vice president for student, alumni and college development at ICO. “Another important new initiative is to increase community awareness of the importance of vision care and the availability of this care, regardless of ability to pay, at the Illinois Eye Institute.”

In the coming year, the Fry Foundation’s support will allow ICO to study correlations between vision care services and academic improvement by analyzing student academic data with the Chicago Consortium on School Research. ICO will also launch a public campaign on the importance of vision care, which, according to the foundation, could be pivotal in increasing access to vision care services in underserved communities.

Last fall ICO hosted a reception for UIC faculty, with the intention of providing an opportunity for doctors from the two schools to learn more about each other and their institutions’ offerings. “A lot of their faculty were not familiar with our facilities,” says Dominick Opitz, OD, FAAO, ICO associate professor and associate chief of staff. “Many of them were surprised at the scope of our resources.”

Clinical care is just the first aspect of the UIC collaboration. Another component is research. Though a number of doctors at ICO and UIC have already partnered on research, the plan is to make the research relationship between the two schools more formal and intensive. A third area is clinical education. UIC has initiated a student externship program, and beginning in August one ICO fourth-year student will complete an externship rotation on the UIC campus.
It’s one thing to follow in a parent’s optometric footsteps; working with mom or dad after graduation is on a whole different level.
When Quentin Park, OD '04, and his sister, Lena Park, OD '06, were teenagers, their father made sure they worked in low-paying jobs at a hospital, a country club dining room, construction sites and a movie theater ticket booth.

It’s not that Bill Park, OD '77, was against his kids working in his optometric practice—he just wanted to be sure they experienced other jobs to understand the value of education in building a successful career.

“Part of my reasoning was to let them know what would happen if they did not go further in their education, what life would be like,” he says. “Would they like to work in a movie theater the rest of their life? Would they like to tear up carpeting? Would they like to take dead people at the hospital to the morgue every day or clean bedpans? Those are the experiences they had before deciding on what to do the rest of their lives.”

Ultimately his kids decided to work in their father’s practice permanently—as staff doctors at Park Family Eye Care in North Aurora, Ill.

Drs. Quentin and Lena are part of a special group of alumni who followed their parents to ICO and, upon graduation, followed them to their practice. This kind of closeness may not be for every family, but for some it offers the unique opportunity to spend time with the people you love the most, doing what you both love to do.

For the younger Parks, the decision to become optometrists was solely their own, without any pressure from their dad. Dr. Quentin, 35, an accomplished trumpet player, was a double major in pre-med and music at Augustana College before narrowing it down to only pre-med. He spent two years working as a hospital orderly, and then worked in his dad’s office. That’s when he knew optometry was the healthcare path for him.

“I did research on all kinds of doctors and then made the decision that optometry fits me based on my personality and my schooling,” Dr. Quentin says. “It took me a little more thinking than just being genetically born into it. I always wanted to be the guy who did everything on my own. But I have always loved my family and it’s a very unique thing to do a family practice.”

Dr. Lena, 33, had a little more experience working in the office. In addition to the movie theater and other summer jobs, she also spent school breaks answering phones and helping behind-the-scenes at the practice. Working both inside and outside the practice helped her realize she wanted to do something in healthcare, although she wasn’t sure just what that would be when she enrolled at the University of Illinois. She joined the Pre-Health Club and Pre-Optometry Club, and ultimately found optometry to be the best fit for her. She didn’t want to leave the state, so ICO was the logical choice for her, as was joining her dad and brother in practice.

“It’s a private practice, so I knew I could practice my own way,” Dr. Lena says. “I do things differently from even my dad and my brother. I take the longest with exams, for example, because I see a lot of small kids and they can’t tell me anything.”

All the doctors agree that a key part of their success is ensuring they have active—and separate—lives outside of work. They all live in different towns and have other activities that keep them busy. Dr. Lena is a marathon runner and Dr. Quentin is a competitor in Brazilian jiu-jitsu. Their dad is active in civic organizations and serves on the ICO Alumni Council.

From his perspective, Dr. Bill thinks he’s living out every parent’s dream of watching their children succeed as adults and build successful careers. He also knows that when the time comes for him to retire—which the 64-year-old says won’t be for a very long time—he’ll be able to turn the practice over to two qualified doctors who will care for it like he did.

“I am so proud of them,” he says. “I get to go to work with them every day and we challenge each other every day.”
Like Father, Like Son

David Hammes, OD '04, readily admits he got pretty tired of optometry talk when he was growing up. His dad, Brian Hammes, OD '74, bought Family Focus Eye Care in Fond Du Lac, Wis., in 1978 (the year David was born), and his mom handled the marketing and insurance. Eventually his uncle, an MBA, ran the business side, and even his sister got involved doing the bookkeeping.

"Growing up, I did get pretty sick of it," says Dr. David, 36, with a chuckle. "Every dinner revolved around the office. It wasn’t just about eye care, it was about the business, too. After growing up with that, I wanted to do something different."

But as often happens, once he got away from home he started to see things differently. He considered other healthcare fields like dentistry and chiropractic, but realized optometry was the best fit during his junior year at St. Louis University. He says that although his whole family was immersed in the practice, his parents never pressured him to follow in his dad’s footsteps—he came to the decision all on his own. He never even worked in the practice until he was at ICO.

"Even after I told my dad I was going to become an optometrist, he was never one to push me in any direction. He just let me make my decisions," Dr. David says. "When I was at ICO, he would send me articles and tidbits about the profession, but he never really pushed me one way or the other."

While at ICO, the younger Dr. Hammes did a rotation in California and both he and his dad thought very seriously about opening a practice there. They eventually decided to stay in Wisconsin, where their patient load is about 6,000 each year, and Dr. David joined his dad after getting his license. A third doctor, Laura Gengelbach, OD '10, joined them in 2012, and there is an advanced cornea specialist in-house.

"Working with my dad is something I really enjoy," Dr. David says. "A lot of people think they couldn’t work with family, but we just work great together. We don’t see each other a lot during the day, but a lot of times we get lunch and catch up. We both see eye-to-eye clinically and in business, too."

The elder Dr. Hammes, 64, says he is most proud of how much both his son and the profession of optometry have flourished since he graduated from ICO. When he began practicing, he remembers having to refer patients to other doctors for many conditions that are commonly treated in the office now. He also has been able to incorporate his passion for wellness and healthy living into his practice.

"It has been wonderful to see David grow up and be part of this profession," Dr. Brian says. "We can now treat it all here."
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So what will the future hold for Dr. David’s two young children, ages five months and three years? Dad and grandpa each agree the tots should follow their hearts—though they admit it would be wonderful if their hearts led them to Family Focus Eye Care.

“We’ll see what they end up exploring,” Dr. David says. “I still think optometry is a great profession and I am very happy with my choice. It would definitely be a great honor if one or both of them chose it, too.”

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In addition, Benna Daugherty, OD ‘82, has been with the practice for over 30 years—and a fixture in Dr. Eubanks’ life. Dr. Daugherty hooded Dr. Eubanks at her ICO commencement in honor of her father.

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Keeping the Faith

By Erin Engstrom

Diagnosed with cone-rod dystrophy at the age of 34, Gregg Pusateri, OD ‘86 left practice and entered the ministry. Little did he know that his new calling would play an instrumental role in his return to optometry nearly 16 years later.
It was 1996 and things were going great for Gregg Pusateri, OD ‘86. He had a thriving practice in Sycamore, Ill. He was happily married to his wife, Linda, and together they had two healthy young sons, Jacob and Justin. The Chicago Bulls were in the middle of their second three-peat. Life was good.

“My office was only two blocks from my house, so I walked to work every day for five years,” he says. “I would put the phone on forwarding—didn’t bother with an answering service—and I would take the appointment book home. So if patients ever needed to, they could reach me at the house. And every once in a while, I would get an emergency call and I would meet a patient back at the office.”

Such devotion to patients reaped rewards. The practice grew by 30 percent for three years in a row. “Most Fortune 500 companies would kill for that kind of growth,” Dr. Pusateri says. “So I thought, ‘This is it. My practice is booming, it’ll be paid off in a couple more years and I’ll be sitting pretty.’”

One evening he got home late and sat down to eat some dinner and watch the Bulls on one of their championship runs. “I had a glass of iced tea in my hand and I reached up to itch my head and inadvertently occluded my right eye,” he says. “And I noticed that the television screen went blurry. I started blinking and it wasn’t changing. So I got up, went to my desk and took out an Amsler grid. Checked my right eye. Negative. Checked my left eye. When you do an Amsler grid on yourself and you see that it’s positive, it is a horrible feeling. I was just stunned.”

He called Steven Tichy, MD, a retina specialist and good friend. “I knew what was coming,” says Dr. Pusateri. “I didn’t want to know, but I did.” Dr. Pusateri had a long family history of cone-rod dystrophy, and the ophthalmologist had examined multiple relatives and followed the progression of the condition.

Four days later, Dr. Pusateri visited Dr. Tichy, who confirmed his fears.

“It’s one thing to deliver the news as a doctor,” says Dr. Pusateri. “But when you’re the patient who receives the news, you feel like someone ripped the carpet right out from under you.”

devout Christian since he was 16, Dr. Pusateri had a conversation with God. He cried, he yelled, he questioned. And he considered the possibility that entering the ministry might be his next step. He’d had fleeting thoughts of attending seminary before, but now that optometry no longer seemed a sustainable possibility, the calling seemed stronger than ever.

Throughout his years in practice, Dr. Pusateri wasn’t shy about sharing his faith. He had a hand-carved “Jesus Saves” wood sign in his office. He frequently counseled with patients, sometimes about matters related to their eyes and sometimes not.

“I’d take them into my office and they’d start to unload about problems they were having in their lives,” he says. “And I had the opportunity to pray with people in my exam room during a session like that, or at an appointment when someone finds out they’re not going to get their vision back.”

Now, on the receiving end of such information, Dr. Pusateri was at a crossroads. In the weeks following his diagnosis, his vision dropped precipitously, from 20/25 and 20/40 to 20/40 and 20/200, with a posterior vitreous detachment in his left eye. After praying with Linda and considering their finances, Dr. Pusateri applied to seminary programs.

The University of Dubuque Theological Seminary offered Dr. Pusateri a grant covering 90 percent of tuition, and his church gave him another $3,000—his tuition was covered entirely.

The family moved to Dubuque in 1997, with living expenses taken care of by a disability policy Dr. Pusateri had taken out following graduation from ICO. In 2001 he graduated from seminary with a Master of Divinity degree. Following commencement, he was offered the position of senior pastor at Alto Reformed Church in Waupun, Wis., where he served for more than nine years. Following this post, he served as interim pastor at Trinity Reformed Church in Waupun for six months.

In 2011, their sons now in college, Dr. Pusateri and Linda decided to move home to Illinois, despite the fact that there were no jobs waiting. But Dr. Pusateri had recently acquired his first iPad, and felt as if limitless possibilities had suddenly opened up. “The iPad literally changed my world, as far as how much I could do,” he says.

He called up his friend Dr. Tichy. “I said, ‘Steve, I’ve been looking and looking, and it doesn’t seem like the door’s opening for any churches. So I’ve been thinking of going back and doing low vision
Dr. Tichy assured Dr. Pusateri that he did not think his friend was crazy, and asked the optometrist whether he had heard of the Spectrios Institute for Low Vision, based in Wheaton, Ill. “He said, ‘With your skill, knowledge and background, you’d be a tremendous fit there,’” recalls Dr. Pusateri. Dr. Tichy, a member of Spectrios’ board of directors, offered to call the organization’s executive director, R. Tracy Williams, OD ’79. Coincidentally, the two optometrists knew each through ICO.

“As an assistant professor at ICO, I always thought that Gregg had the three most important virtues in life: Be kind, be kind, be kind,” says Dr. Williams. “And I knew what a conscientious practitioner he was.”

Dr. Pusateri soon received a call from Dr. Williams, and spent a good part of the conversation telling his former professor about how he was using the iPad. Dr. Williams expressed that there was a need for someone technologically adept at Spectrios, and the two optometrists arranged to meet once Dr. Pusateri was back in Illinois.

Several weeks later, Drs. Pusateri and Williams met for lunch. “It was a tremendous reunion,” says Dr. Williams. “I loved Gregg’s energy and enthusiasm... He believed it was so important to provide professional paternalism—teaching the consumer as much as you can about their problem, and what they can do about it. He was eager to learn more in the low vision area. And he absolutely loved what we love to do at Spectrios, which is to tickle the human spirit... I said, ‘This is just too good to be true.’ So I went back to my board and said, ‘We have got to find a place for him.’”

Dr. Pusateri joined Spectrios in October 2011. “With my pastoral counseling, with my experience as an optometrist and as a person with low vision, I was a unique fit at the office,” he says. "When you put everything together," says Dr. Williams of his colleague's mix of experiences, "what you come up with is the person who might be the absolute best soldier in the fox hole if you have vision loss."

Initially, however, Dr. Pusateri was unable to work to the full capacity of his abilities, as his optometric license was inactive. In order to reactivate it, he needed to obtain therapeutic pharmaceutical agent certification, a requirement instituted the same year that Dr. Pusateri left optometry.

Upon learning of Dr. Pusateri’s plan to renew his license, his ICO classmate, Dr. Steve Butzon, wrote a letter to the class of 1986. Dr. Butzon explained Dr. Pusateri’s intentions and asked the class for help. “I started getting cards and letters and checks from classmates in the mail,” says Dr. Pusateri. “They encouraged me to get back in the field and covered more than half the cost of the trip.”
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He flew to Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and completed the 100-hour TPA certification course at the Nova Southeastern University College of Optometry in 10 days. “My license came one week before Christmas,” says Dr. Pusateri. “It was the greatest present I could have gotten.”

License in hand, Dr. Pusateri still had a lot of learning to do. A primary care provider at his own clinic, he devoted his first year at Spectrios to learning all about low vision. Even today, he finds he’s still brushing up on aspects of the profession after being out for nearly 16 years. He discovered that the profession had advanced tremendously while he was away, and in ways that are even more beneficial to him now than they would have been before.

“The digital photography, the OCT imaging, the automated perimetry testing units that are available today—they’re all just phenomenal,” he says.

Dr. Pusateri’s responsibilities at Spectrios include supervising fourth year externs; taking on numerous public speaking engagements throughout the country; and working extensively with Eye Tec, the organization’s assistive and adaptive technology program. Unsurprisingly, given his transformational experience with the iPad, Dr. Pusateri focuses on tablet and smart phone technology.

“The iPad has opened doors for me to do things I was unable to in the past, and now I can help teach others to use it so they too can enjoy greater independence,” he says. Among the functionalities he finds most useful are zoom, voiceover, invert colors and speech selection. “And Siri,” he says. “Siri alone is a huge help.”

Dr. Pusateri also examines patients, as his eyesight is sufficient to use a Volk lens and a slit lamp. “The good thing about being in low vision is that I’m not there to do the diagnosis,” he says. “It’s important to know what the diagnosis is and to understand the disease process, because that will guide you in helping the patient. But I still want to be able to get a good look.” If he’s unable to get the look he needs, he’s quick to ask the other doctors at Spectrios for assistance.

“I know my limitations,” he says.

Although Dr. Pusateri has hung up his cassock for the time being, his days ministering to others are far from over. “He’s been very strong in counseling people who are struggling with issues of acceptance and coping,” says Dr. Williams.

Upon meeting a new patient, Dr. Pusateri shares his own experiences with vision loss. “They recognize that I empathize with people,” he says. “I don’t go into an exam room trying to evangelize. But I’m not bashful about sharing that I’m a minister. And regardless of faith—Christian, Jewish, Muslim—patients have opened up to me. They realize that I genuinely care about people.”
Message from the Chairman of the Board

I was given the honor of leading the Illinois College of Optometry’s Board of Trustees at last October’s annual board meeting. I am happy to accept the challenge. We have a very diverse and talented group of members on the board. Every member has their unique expertise and is an asset to help fulfill our mission. Last year a comprehensive five-year Strategic Plan was developed that will lead ICO into the future.

Optometry has been very good to me and my family. Having two sons and a daughter-in-law that have graduated from ICO helps keep me motivated to continue being involved in the profession and with the college. I would not have the lifestyle I enjoy today were it not for the quality of education I received from ICO. I suspect many of you feel the same way.

Giving at ICO has grown by approximately 72 percent over the past five years. There are several reasons for this growth, including the single largest gift to ICO by Dr. Alfred and Sarah Rosenbloom, our very successful Name-A-Seat campaign for the renovation of the Lecture Center, and the ongoing contributions of Leadership Circle members.

I graduated in 1963 and have seen many positive advancements in our profession throughout the years. To ensure ICO’s standing as the premier optometric educational institution, it is imperative we all do our part in supporting future endeavors.

I would like to personally thank the alumni, faculty and staff, and friends who are recognized in the pages that follow and have given back so generously. I hope you will continue supporting ICO for many years to come and encourage others to make a personal donation and investment in our treasured institution.

Best regards.

Donovan L. Crouch, OD ‘63
## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

### Changes in net assets:

#### Operating:

**Revenue:**
- Student tuition and fees, less awards and scholarships of $554,458: $22,550,799
- Patient Services and materials: $6,437,278
- Illinois EHR Provider Incentive Payment: $807,500

**Auxiliary enterprises:**
- Bookstore: $12,000
- Dormitory: $1,736,134
- Government grants: $566,618
- Contributions: $276,753
- Interest and dividends: $24,934
- Other: $233,758

**Total operating revenue:** $32,671,656

**Net assets released from restriction:** $(1,006,396)

**Total:** $33,678,052

#### Expenses:

**Education and General:** $14,012,927

**Institutional Support:** $8,758,370

**Clinic:** $9,902,776

**Auxiliary Enterprises:** $1,486,862

**Illinois Eye Institute Foundation:** $96,857

**Total operating expenses:** $34,257,792

**Excess (deficiency) of operating revenue over expenses:** $(579,740)

#### Nonoperating:

**Unrealized gain on interest rate swap:** $449,553

**Gain on sale of bonds:** $330,000

**Return on investments:** $3,597,818

**Total nonoperating:** $4,377,371

**Change in net assets:** $3,797,631

**Net assets - beginning of year:** $33,708,678

**Net assets - end of year:** $37,506,309

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- Grants and Contributions: 4.9%
- Interest: 0.8%
- Auxiliary Enterprises: 5.2%
- Contributions Released from Restriction: 3.0%
- Patient Care Services and Materials: 19.1%
- Tuition and Fees: 67.0%

UNRESTRICTED OPERATING EXPENDITURES

- Patient Care: 29%
- Auxiliary Enterprises: 4.4%
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- Education: 41.0%
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LARGEST PERCENT OF GIVING BY CLASS YEAR

1946
Lucia S. Burrell, OD
Donald E. Lawson, OD
Albert J. Schwartz, OD

1947
Vincent J. Facchiano, Sr., OD
Thomas W. Fahey, OD
Charles R. Parker, Jr., OD
R. Elliot Politser, OD

1948
Amos C. Brown, OD
Morrie L. Dubin, OD
Stephen A. Gorden, OD
George C. Graham, OD
H. Eugene Horner, OD
Floyd D. Mizener, OD, DOS, PhD
William A. Schambach, OD
Paul E. Todd, OD

1949
Jerome J. Abrams, OD
Edwin R. Albrecht, OD
Eugene Baron, OD
Robert J. Brown, OD
Lester Caplan, OD
Daniel C. Curtis, OD
Dale E. Dean, OD
William D. Dellande, OD
Conrad R. DeMichiel, OD
G. Raymond Fehr, OD
Frank D. Fontana, OD
James E. Haxier, OD
James E. Lanier, OD
Theodore R. Lepore, OD
Leslie F. Pruden, OD
George W. Ralls, Jr., OD
Francis O. Rosenberg, OD
Richard Rucoba, OD

1950
L. B. Adkins, OD
Richard L. Davis, OD
Jim H. Day, Sr., OD
Edward S. Gates, OD
F. R. Ginsberg, OD, DOS
Richard J. Glugeth, OD
Richard I. Raymer, OD
Alan H. Stone, OD
Donald L. Wilkes, OD

1951
Emmet P. Daniel, Sr., OD
William D. Grange, OD
Terence A. Hayes, OD
Jackson Q. James, MD
Ralph Kornblatt, OD
Alvin E. Scalise, OD
Wallace B. Siff, OD

1952
C. Clayton Powell, OD, MPH, DOS

1953
Stanley T. Hozerma, OD
Charles T. Hies, OD
Davis B. Thorne, OD

1954
Norman S. Gould, OD
Richard N. Guyan, OD
Pui L. Tsang, OD
Allan Wasserman, OD

1955
Laurence S. Chadwick, OD
Bernard P. Nevel, OD
Donald A. Petrie, OD
Morris D. Reiter, OD
Anthony A. Schlaefer, OD

1956
Salvatore A. Abriola, Jr., OD
William G. Mackay, OD
George W. Robertson, OD
Irving C. Wishnow, OD

1957
Bert C. Corwin, OD
Sheldon I. Feldman, OD
Frank D. Kozin, OD
Paul D. Olinbaum, OD
Edward Seibert, Jr., OD

1958
John W. Wells, OD

1959
Neil E. Erickson, OD

1960
Donald M. Borsand, OD
Raleigh W. Bynum, OD, MPH
Thaddeus S. Depukat, OD, DOS

1961
Edward B. Cooper, OD
Thomas A. Ferrara, OD
Phillip M. Mamoaldis, OD
Franklin D. Middleman, OD
Brent C. Nielsen, OD, MEd

1962
Karl A. Bloomquist, OD
Myrel A. Neumann, OD
Robert R. Wittaker, OD, DOS

1963
Donovan L. Crouch, OD, DOS
Larry W. Hicks, OD
Dwaine A. Mathisen, OD
Philip A. Ortiz, OD

1964
Roger G. Bakewell, OD
Sanford E. Bias, OD
Darrell C. Shlange, OD, DOS
John W. Sims, OD
Arthur T. Young, OD

1965
Larry L. Adler, OD
John F. Ayres, OD, MS
Wesley D. Cooper, OD
Sharon M. Luckhardt, OD

1966
Dennis O. Cobler, OD
Donald P. Grzankowski, OD
David P. Purpser, OD
Martin J. Sikorski, OD

1967
Clyde F. Marx, OD
Conrad W. Stoll, OD
Howard I. Wolk, OD, DOS

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Robert L. Fuz, OD

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- C. K. Hill, OD, DOS, PhD, ScD
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- Geoffrey W. Goodfellow, OD
- John P. Fitzpatrick, OD
- Robert L. Fait, OD
- Dr. and Mrs. Dick Edwards
- Robert N. Lewenson, O.D. (2)
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- Millicent L. Knight, OD (10)
- Barry J. Jose, OD (9)
- Jeffrey D. Johnson, OD (1)
- Robert L. Fait, OD (13)
- Dr. and Mrs. Mark K. Colip, OD (12)
- Arol Augsburger, OD (12)
- Dwight H. Akerman, OD (11)
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- Dominick M. Maino, MD, MEd (11)
- Leonard V. Messner, OD (1)
- Stephanie S. Messner, OD (1)
- Stephen H. Pugh, Esq (6)
- Laura and Timothy Rounce (13)
- Stephen H. Pugh, Esq (6)
- Dr. and Mrs. Dick Edwards (8)
- Vincent R. Facchiano, OD (2)
- Dr. and Mrs. Dick Edwards (8)
- Robert N. Lewenson, O.D. (2)
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- Vincent R. Facchiano, OD (2)
- Michael V. Favia, JD (2)
- James D. Ferguson, OD (6)
- Kelly A. Frantz, OD (12)
- Mary Lou French, OD (5)
- Geoffrey W. Goodfellow, OD (5)
- Myron S. Gordon, OD (3)
- Gary G. Gray, Jr., OD (11)
- Lori L. Grover, OD (6)
- David L. Grams, OD (5)
- Drs. Jeffrey and Jeanette Varanelli (3)
- Howard L. Woolf, OD (2)
- Robert B. Woodham, OD (1)

LEADERSHIP CIRCLE
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2013
GOLD MEMBERS
Leadership Circle Gold Members have made contributions totaling $5,000 or more within the past 12 months.
- Drs. Tom and Vasiy Babu (11)
- Roger G. Bakewell, OD (1)
- Dr. and Mrs. Donovan L. Crouch (14)
- Drs. Paul and Deborah Erickson (6)
- Mr. and Mrs. Dwain Hahs (3)
- Ms. Gert Hansen (2)
- Richard S. Katthoud, OD, DOS (13)
- Peter S. Nelson, OD (1)
- Bernard Nevel, OD (12)
- Steven Odekirk, OD (1)
- Dr. Alfred A. and Mrs. Sarah Rosenbloom (7)
- Darrell E. Schanzer, OD, DOS (10)
- Jeff W. Smith, OD, MBA (2)

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Leadership Circle Silver Members have made contributions totaling $2,000 - $4,999 within the past 12 months.
- Estate of Philip E. Wells
- Howard L. Woolf, OD

BRONZE MEMBERS
Leadership Circle Bronze Members have made contributions totaling $1,000 - $1,999 within the past 12 months.
- Robert L. Albertson, OD (11)
- Anonymous (5)
- Mr. Matthew J. Acciuto (2)
- Irwin Azman, OD (11)
- John L. Baker, OD, MS (1)
- Mr. Anthony Barone (1)
- Bruce Benedict, OD (1)
- James A. Blasco, OD (8)
- Sandra S. Block, OD, MEd (2)
- Larry Brandt, OD (1)
- John and Soni Budzynski (9)
- Lucia S. Burrell, OD (10)
- Brian W. Caden, OD, MA (11)
- Thomas A. Cavanaugh, OD (1)
- Michael Changlaisan, OD (2)
- Christopher Chioo, OD (8)
- Ms. Victoria Cichy (4)
- Drs. Nick and Stacy Calabretta (1)
- Valerie Conrad, OD, MPH and Alan D. Weiler, OD (12)
- Cindi D. Crouch, OD (11)
- Harold E. Davis, OD (6)
- Drs. Lisa and Roger Davis (6)
- Jim H. Day, Sr., OD (3)
- Ms. Patricia M. de Maat (6)
- Fred R. DeHaan, OD (11)
- Ms. Nancy DeMacio (4)
- Denis J. Dube, OD (8)
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- Charles W. Harrill, OD (12)
- R. Mark Hatfield, OD, MD (7)
- Drs. Kara and Todd Heying (6)
- Casey L. Hogan, OD (1)
- Ms. Tesha Johnson (5)
- Mrs. Beth Kurms (1)
- Peter H. Kohe, OD, OD (12)
- Ms. Sherrie Leonard (1)
- Steven A. Levin, OD, FCOVD (9)
- Thomas L. Lim, OD (2)
- Mrs. Maggie Ho Lopez (1)
- Kenneth J. Lossman, OD (2)
Located in the Illinois Eye Institute, the Rosenbloom Center provides unparalleled care to the aging population and patients with visual impairment. The facility also focuses on educational outreach, community health, and research. The renovation of the IEI to accommodate the Rosenbloom Center will be completed this year.
1956
Roger Hanson retired from the Blue Earth Valley Eye Clinic, located in Blue Earth and Winnebago, Minn., after 57 years of practice.

1962
Ronald Henson competed in Wisconsin’s Senior Olympics last summer for the first time. He competed in all four cycling events in the 75-79 age group, winning a gold medal and setting a new state record in one event.

1976
James Doherty recently expanded his private practice, AccuVision, to a sixth location in Schaumburg, Ill. Don Helms, OD ’76 will be the attending doctor at this location.

1979
Larry Morrison was elected president of the Minnesota Optometric Association at the association’s annual meeting in February.

1977
Barry Lesnick passed the American Board of Optometry Board Certification exam in July 2013 and is now an ABO Diplomate.

Tommy Lim was honored with a “Special Society Recognition of Lifetime Contributions” award by the Santa Clara County Optometric Society.

1987
In January, Millicent Knight was named Head of Professional Affairs at Johnson & Johnson Vision Care, North America. In this role, she will direct development and deployment professional strategy, as well as oversee the company’s professional and education platform.

1998
Paul Stauder and his wife welcomed daughter Andi Anne on Nov. 3, 2013. Dr. Stauder is currently president-elect of the Illinois Optometric Association.

2001
Garrick Layman has joined Frantz EyeCare. The business has five locations in southwest Florida.

2008
Diane Lee married Jason Kim on June 23, 2013. They reside in Chicago.

2009
Jackie Haro, a Cornea/Contact Lens resident, and her husband, Michael Marquez, welcomed son Michael Justin on June 16, 2013.

2010
Mark Burke and his wife, Lisa, welcomed son Jackson Reid on Nov. 9, 2013.

2013
Anna (nee Domes) Miller has joined Dan Levin, OD ’88 at Eyesite Family Eyecare in Fargo, N.D.

Errata
In the Fall 2013 issue, we misidentified the class year of Eric Baas, OD ’06 as 2002. We regret this error.
IN MEMORIAM

1948
Gerald “Jerry” Dorsky, NICO, Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 25, 2013. He served in the Navy during World War II and practiced optometry for 53 years. He worked in both Cleveland and Fremont, Ohio.

Virgil Mark McClintic, NICO, Ocala, Fla., Jan. 11. He enlisted in the Army during World War II and was an officer in the infantry, sustaining a combat wound in Normandy. He practiced in Houghton Lake, Mich., where he served as president of the Houghton Lake Community Schools Board of Education for many years.

1949
Harry Greenberg, NICO, Scottsdale, Ariz., Nov. 6, 2013. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in China, India and Burma. He was a lifetime member of the Jewish War Veterans Post #210.

Jack F. Hill, NICO, Marshall, Mich., Oct. 31, 2013. He served in the Navy during World War II as a radarman aboard the USS Weiss and later received a commission in the Navy Medical Service Corps. He practiced for more than 54 years in Albion and Jackson, Mich. He was a life member of the AOA, and past president and life member of the Michigan Optometric Association.

Mary Alma Rum Nelson, NICO, Kerrville, Texas, Nov. 14, 2013. After meeting her husband, Glenn Roy Nelson, at a tea dance during World War II, they both attended NICO along with Mary’s brother “Bud” Rum. Although a doctor, Mary devoted her life to her family, raising two daughters.

Paul A. Tosh, NICO, Tucson, Ariz., Sept. 16, 2013. He practiced for 36 years in Kingsport, Tenn. He was married to his wife, Lois, for 62 years.

John D. Woolley, NICO, Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 17, 2013. He served in the Army during World War II in the 127th Infantry Regiment, 32nd (Red Arrow) Division, in New Guinea and the Philippines. As a student at NICO, he sang with a big band, “The Rythmnaires.” He practiced optometry for 46 years in Benton, Ill.

1950
Charles B. Butts, CCO, Laurie, Mo., Feb. 7. He served as a pilot in the Army Air Force during World War II. Following graduation, he succeeded his grandfather in practice in California, Mo., and retired in 1980. He was dean emeritus of the College of Syntonic Optometry and a recipient of the organization’s lifetime achievement award.

Gerard Louis Cleary, NICO, Middleton, Wis., Jan. 2. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II and received a Purple Heart after sustaining an injury during the Battle of the Bulge. He practiced in Madison, Waterloo, and Beaver Dam, Wis.


1952
Oliver “OJ” Jewett, CCO, Belle Fourche, S.D., Dec. 10, 2013. He began his practice in 1953 in Belle Fourche and retired in 1997. He was a charter member of the Christian Life Center and a member of the South Dakota Board of Optometry. He was an accomplished boxer, having won the 1949 South Dakota State Golden Gloves Lightweight Championship.

1971
Thomas “Doc” Johns, Beloit, Wis., Jan 30. He was a member of the Wisconsin Optometric Association.

1979
Donald Bush, Chicago, Nov. 20, 2013. He worked as an optometrist for 34 years on Chicago’s South Side, operating a practice in Mount Greenwood. In addition to his wife Sara, he is survived by daughters Eileen, OD ’08 and Elizabeth, OD ’12.

FRIENDS & FAMILY

J. Terry Ernest, Chicago, Dec. 26, 2013. An authority on the treatment of diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma and macular degeneration, he was chair of the University of Chicago’s Ophthalmology and Visual Science Section from 1985-2004. In 1997, he led a team that performed the first tissue implant as an experimental treatment for age-related macular degeneration. Later that fall, Time magazine named Dr. Ernest a “Hero of Medicine” for his pioneering efforts. He also served as Lt. Colonel in the Army. He was awarded the ICO Presidential Medal in 1999 in honor of his long partnership with the college.

Subhash N. Jani, Macomb, Ill., July 16, 2013. After obtaining his doctor of optometry degree in London, he immigrated to the U.S. to further his studies at Indiana University and Purdue University. He was a professor of special education for 29 years at Western Illinois University, where he specialized in the interconnection between learning disabilities and vision. He was also a faculty member at ICO, and he continued to practice optometry through the end of his life.

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How did you decide to pursue a career in optometry?
In high school, I knew I wanted to be in a health profession. My senior year, my parents gave me contact lenses for my high school graduation present. Back then, that was a big deal. The only thing that was available were hard lenses made out of PMMA material. In working with the optometrist who prescribed them to me, I thought, ‘You know, I think this is what I want to do.’

What are some of your lasting impressions from your days at ICO?
I created friendships at ICO that have persisted my whole life. Wherever I travel, I encounter classmates who feel like family, and that’s been really special to my wife and me over the years. Of course the academics were rigorous—as I know they are today—and going through that process with the same group of people was special.

My favorite teacher, no two ways about it, was Dr. Ernie Tennant. He’s an icon. Throughout my whole educational experience—not just ICO but high school and all the other years—Dr. Tennant was my favorite instructor ever. He was so passionate. He wanted to teach us so much, and in tough subject areas like ophthalmic optics. He was just great. He was so much fun, and he’s a real inspiration.

Immediately following graduation, what did you do?
I actually thought about going to California, but in the end there was an opportunity back in Nebraska, where Dee and I are from. We went to Lincoln and I joined three optometrists in a group practice, and very quickly became a partner. I practiced in Lincoln for my whole career, until 2010.

What did you do in 2010?
I left practice to go into industry. I went to work for Eyefinity, a VSP company. I was chief professional officer for Eyefinity. I did all the professional relations and gave guidance to the company internally from an optometric perspective.

How did you come to work for SynergEyes? What do your responsibilities entail?
In July of 2012 I was offered the position of vice president of professional services at SynergEyes. And in July of 2013 I became president and CEO of the company. I’m responsible for all aspects of the company, from the worldwide sales and distribution of our contact lens products to oversight of the production of our lenses at our manufacturing facility in Carlsbad, Calif. Everything that it takes to run a major optical company is my responsibility. I have a great team of leaders that report to me. We’re very excited about growing the company and making it a real partner for the independent eye care practitioner.

How did your previous professional experiences prepare you for running an international company?
Over my career I’ve been involved in a lot of start-ups. I’ve always had a background and interest in business. But being a practitioner is the most critical thing. To have the experience of seeing patients day in and day out, fitting contact lenses, taking care of families— that’s what really prepared me to lead a contact lens manufacturer. I understand the products from a clinical standpoint and I understand the day-to-day operations of the independent practice.
DATEBOOK

MARCH
March 18-19
NBEO Part 1 Exam

March 28
Iowa Optometric Congress
ICO Alumni Hospitality Suite
Embassy Suites
Des Moines, Iowa

APRIL
April 4
Practice Opportunities Symposium
ICO Campus

April 18-20
Spring Break
Campus/Clinic Closed

MAY
May 3-10
Final Exams

May 14
Capstone Program
ICO Campus

May 17
Alumni Council Meeting
ICO Campus

May 17
ICO Commencement
Rockefeller Chapel

May 19
First Day of Summer Quarter Classes

May 24-26
Memorial Day Holiday
Campus/Clinic Closed

JUNE
June 7
Admissions Open House
ICO Campus

June 27
AOA Optometry’s Meeting
Alumni and Friends Reception
Philadelphia
Chicago experienced a notoriously frigid winter, with more than 20 below-zero days. The lowest temperature of the season was -16, on Jan. 6. ICO and the IEI closed that day due to the record cold.

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