



The Delineator

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Peter Candela, O.D.

President's Message - Unity

I sincerely hope all of you had a blessed holiday season and a happy and healthy New Year! I want to say thank you for the opportunity to serve you and this great Association as President for 2008. We have been through a difficult and stressful time over the last few months and I believe the greatest challenge we face right now is UNITY! We must look past our politics/agendas and personal feelings so that we can move forward. Remember, we are a community, a brother and sisterhood called Optometrists. We must now band together for there are far greater issues that have the potential to either move our profession forward or harm our ability to practice. Our profession is more vulnerable when we show internal strife because it makes us weaker. I call upon each and every one of you to join me in a new beginning for 2008 with a renewed spirit of cooperation, respect, and friendship towards each other. In doing this we will guarantee that the citizens of this great state and South Carolina Optometry will reap the benefits! I am humbled that I am President at this time and I pledge

my commitment and that of your past and present Board Members, past Presidents, and your Association staff, Capitol Consultants, to work tirelessly for the advancement of South Carolina Optometry.

What a great successful annual meeting we had!!!! Due to the efforts of our previous Executive Committee, along with the stellar performance of Capitol Consultants, I am proud to say it was one of the most successful meetings in most recent times. Capitol Consultants stepped in at a difficult time and were professional, positive, and with an intensive team effort were responsible for the success! Kudos to Gabrielle, Nicki, Keely, Sandra, Laura, and Ashley along with the rest of the Capitol Consultants staff. A special thanks goes out to Richard Davis of Capitol Consultants for making himself and the rest of his staff available 24/7 to me and the rest of the Executive Committee during the transition from October 17, 2007. A very special thanks to our guests, Dr. Tommy Crooks, Immediate Past President of AOA and wife Kay; Dr. Doug Clark, President of SECO and Elizabeth Taylor, Executive Director of SECO for accepting our invitation to participate in our Annual Meeting and for sharing their invaluable wisdom and information.

The Association office stands ready to help and to serve you and remember, you can always call upon me or the rest of your Executive Committee members. I would like to personally thank Dr. Patrick Smith and Dr. Bob Aitken along with the other previous Board Members for lending their support to me and all of you during our office transition. I would also like to congratulate all members who ran for office on the Executive Committee. You had the courage to stick your neck out and for those who came up short, please run again! Congratulations to the new Executive Committee members for 2008: Dr. Melissa Schwebach, Trustee; Dr. Phillip Flynn, Trustee; Dr. Lori Donovan, Trustee; Dr. James Vaught, Trustee; Dr. Michael Wood, Vice-President; Dr. Ed Lemon, President-Elect; Dr. Peter Candela, President; and Dr. Tim Stafford, Immediate Past President .

It would be great if we had 150-200 members or more in attendance voting and having contested elections every year. Hopefully, adjusting the time to hold elections to later in the morning or early afternoon will ensure a consistent, larger attendance. It is healthy participation. Here is a quick summary of the numbers from Hilton Head. In 2005, there was 244 ODs registered and 29 Paras. In 2006, there were 219 ODs and 35 Paras. This year in 2007, we had 258 ODs registered, 33 Paras, and 67 exhibitors which sold out our exhibit space!

In closing, we have a unique opportunity to build upon our Association's previous successes and avoid the same pitfalls by eliminating membership apathy and having ALL ODs participating at some level from setting a goal for 100% membership to our Association/SCOA-PAC/AOA PAC to donating your time and expertise on a committee. To steal a line this Presidential Election, "Ask not what your association can do for you but what you can do for your association."

Regards,
Peter

SCOA 50th Annual Meeting



All eyes are on the attendees as they enjoy the 50th Annual Meeting in Hilton Head, SC.



Mark Your Calendars ...

February 13

OD Rally - SCOA Legislative Day
Columbia, SC

February 27 - March 1

SECO Meeting
Atlanta, GA

June 25 - 29

AOA Congress
Seattle, WA

July 25 - July 27

SCOA Summer Seminar
Greensboro, GA

December 4 - December 7

SCOA Annual Meeting
Hilton Head Island, SC

SCOA 2008 Executive Committee



Pictured from left to right: Michelle Schwebach, O.D.; Philip Flynn, O.D.; James Vaught, O.D.; Lori Donovan, O.D.; Peter Candela, O.D.

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Classifieds

Full Time OD Needed:

For multi-location private practice in Spartanburg and Laurens counties. If interested please contact Dr. Tom MacMillan at 864-833-5555.

OD Needed:

Saturdays in Greenville Wal-Mart 9 am – 2 pm. If interested please call Dr. Joe DiPasqua at 864-567-1751.

OD Needed:

Part-time Optician needed in Mount Pleasant. Please fax resume to 843-881-2578.

For Sale:

HRT II Like new condition. Purchased last year at SECO. Hardly used. \$16,000. If interested, please call 864-225-0474.

For Sale:

Practice in Beaufort. Call Jim 843-846-1239, after 5 pm.

For Sale:

Used Reliance (blue) chair and stand for sale, \$1895. Mike Schall 843-554-7554 or eyes@knology.net. Can email photos if serious.

For Sale:

Office equipment for sale. Please contact Dr. Bill Behling if interested at 843-562-2356.

For Sale:

1 R H Burton Chair & Stand
1 R H Burton projector & mirror systems
1 R H slit lamp model 850 with applanation tonometer
1 adjustable doctor's exam room chair
1 Burton keratometer
1 Reichert A O air puff tonometer
1 Allergan Humphrey auto-refractor model 595
1 Allergan Humphrey power table
1 Allergan Humphrey Field Analyzer model 611 with power stand
1 6 well tint tank unit
1 Prio testing system for computer vision
1 salt pan
1 Burton keratometer model 2040
1 lighted pyramid for tint display
1 Burton lensometer model 2021
1 Polariscope
1 American Optical pixie double hand stone
1 Essilor mono digital pd gauge
2 dispensing tables, size 30" x16" grey with white formica top
2 frame display cabinets – 24" & 30" with corner joint mirror job trays
1 glass display case with shelves, 5'L x 3'H x 2'D
2 desks - 1 computer stand
5 waiting room chairs
1 small cabinet with screw, bolts, nose pads, etc.
Prices negotiable.
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