

From the Office of the Dean

Dear Friends:

As we embark on our twenty-first year, the faculty, staff and students are in the midst of strategic planning for the school. You may have noticed a vision statement/motto attached to some of the correspondence from the school "The School of Optometry at the University of Missouri-St. Louis—Twenty Years of Vision through Optometric Education, Patient Care and Research, 1980-2000." We will continue to use it until such time that the message is passe.

Such concise, frequently repeated phrases are an important part of the identity of organizations. Here are some examples from the organization Hikers Against Doo-Doo. "Don't Doo it on the Mountain," "Just Don't Doo it" and "Your Movement is our Movement." We invite your ideas for such a phrase that captures the essence of what we do as an institution. Please forward them to Janice White at the address on page four. The entries will be published in an upcoming EyeWire.

A familiar one "We Bring Good Things to Life" will remind you immediately of the organization of interest. So be creative and assist us in creating "The Real Thing." (oops it is already taken).

Best Regards,

Larry J. Davis, O.D.
Associate Professor
Interim Dean

Dr. Karen Rosen Receives Distinguished Alumni Award



Dr. Karen Rosen ('84)

Dr. Karen Rosen ('84) was one of six UM-St. Louis alumni to receive the Distinguished Alumni Award at the University of Missouri-St. Louis Founder's Dinner held September 19, 2000 at the Ritz Carlton.

Dr. Rosen was a member of the

first graduating class of the school of optometry at UM-St. Louis. She is also a founding member and former chairman of the Optometry Chapter of the UM-St. Louis Alumni Association.

She practices at Rosen Optometry Associates, Inc. in St. Louis County and has served her patients from the same location for more than 10 years.

A tireless advocate for her profession, Rosen belongs to many professional organizations, including the American Optometry Association, the Missouri Optometric Association, the St. Louis Optometric Society and Heart of America Contact Lens Society. Governor Mel Carnahan has appointed her to a second term on the Missouri State Board of Optometry.

She and her husband Dr. Steven Rosen live in west St. Louis county with their son Scott.

New Scholarships for Fall 2000

The School of Optometry is pleased to announce three new endowed scholarships to be awarded Fall 2000.

The Bellingrath Scholarship in Optometry - An alumnus has graciously endowed this scholarship, which will be providing support to three students each Fall. Students must be nominated by faculty, staff or alumni, demonstrate academic merit and student leadership and civic responsibility.

Mary M. Gilbert Scholarship in Optometry - This scholarship was

established by Mrs. Gilbert, a long-time friend of the School of Optometry and of UM-St. Louis, to help any optometry student who is a member of the AAOS or the American Optometric Student Association.

Women in Optometry Scholarship - This scholarship was established by an optometry alumna and a Friend of the School who both hope other alumni and friends also will contribute to support this fund. One student with demonstrated financial need will receive this scholarship each Fall.

School Briefs

Alumni

Dr. Rebecca Wartman ('87) is the current President-Elect of the North Carolina State Optometric Society. When elected, Rebecca will be the first female president of that society. Congratulations!

Dr. Mike Murphy ('85) appeared on the 5:00 p.m. news on Thursday, September 14, 2000 with Kay Quinn on NBC (St. Louis local news). He discussed diabetes and its effects on vision, in preparation for the Coalition Healthfair.

Dr. Sean Mulqueeny ('91) and Kirk Morey, M.D. have entered a partnership to create the Morey-Mulqueeny Eye Center which opened August 24, 2000. It is a lasik center with an autonomous laser on-site. The Morey-Mulqueeny Eye Center is located in West St. Louis County.

Faculty

Dr. Larry Davis was invited to present "Complex Refractive Errors" at the annual meeting of the Missouri Optometric Association on October 8, 2000.

Dr. Timothy Wingert was elected and sworn into the office of Secretary of the Missouri Optometric Association on Saturday, October 7, 2000 at the MOA Annual Meeting in Columbia, MO.

Dr. Edward Bennett gave a presentation entitled: "Rigid Gas Permeable Contact Lens Fitting" and **Dr. Larry Davis** presented "Soft Contact Lens Fitting" at the CLAO Regional Basic Contact Lens Course, September 10, 2000 at St. Louis University.

Dr. Ralph Garzia co-authored a new textbook entitled "Foundations of Binocular Vision: A Clinical Perspective," McGraw-Hill, 2000.

Dr. Alex Harris was featured in the September 28 edition of the *St. Louis American* in a special

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Vision Care for Students in the Special School District Continues

by Barbara Willis Brown, O.D. ('88)

The Special School District launched a program, funded by the State of Missouri, to provide visual examinations and eyeglasses for every student within the School District, without regard for the parent's ability to afford the care. This program was begun about four years ago, and from the beginning Drs. Ralph Garzia and Monica Harris worked annually to help these students. However, funding for this project ran out over the summer.

Dr. Monica Harris, at the University Eye Care Center, and Dr. Jane Shea, at the Optometric Center, will provide eye examinations and eyeglasses for those children needing them through a generous grant from the Pearle Vision Foundation. A new funding source will need to be identified for next year, but Dr. Barbara Brown, the new development officer for the School, is already on the look-out for possible funders for this very worthwhile project.



Where Are They?

Help Us Find Our Missing Alums



Optometry's Most Wanted

There are several alumni with whom we have lost contact. We would very much like to ensure that these alumni keep receiving the EyeWire and other mailings. If you know any of these alumni, please let them know that we would love to stay in touch, but have lost his/her address and telephone number.

Please contact either Barb Brown (314-516-6030), email: BrownBW@umsl.edu or Janice White (314-516-5566), email: Janice.White@umsl.edu or YOUR-EMAIL@umsl.edu.

Thank you so much!



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Thank You!

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Choices/Careers issue. The article focused on the school's efforts to recruit more minority students in to the optometry field.

Dr. Edward Bennett was an invited lecturer to the San Diego Optometric Society meeting on August 17, 2000. He also lectured at Vision Expo West, Las Vegas, Nevada, September 14-15, 2000.

Dr. Vinita Henry and **Dr. Edward Bennett** published a book chapter entitled: Contact Lens Induced Distortion and Corneal Reshaping. It was published as part of the text from Anterior Segment Complications of Contact Lens Wear by Dr. Joel Silbert.

Dr. W. Howard McAlister has been elected to serve as the UM-St. Louis School of Optometry Faculty Liaison to the Missouri Optometric Board.

Drs. Edward Bennett, Vinita Henry and **Belinda Luk**, coordinated the second Annual Optometric Contact Lens Residents Educational Symposium and Workshop in St. Louis, August 18 - 20, 2000. **Dr. Bruce Morgan** served as a faculty member for the workshop.

Alumni Personals

Dr. Lori Sarver ('85) has just celebrated her son's first birthday! Easton Sarver was born July 20, 1999.

Dr. Kenton L. McWilliams ('99) has joined Karen ('84) and Steve Rosen at Rosen Optometry & Associates at the North Lindbergh location. Dr. McWilliams married Tanya Allison in May 2000. Congratulations!

Dr. Carl Abbott ('95), his wife Debbie, and their 2 1/2 year old daughter Carly are anxiously awaiting the arrival of their second child in January 2001.

Calendar

November 7

Election Day

November 14

SLOS Meeting

December 7-11

Academy 2000
Orlando, Florida

December 12

SLOS Meeting

January 2001

TPA Course

We have two new email addresses for the convenience of the alumni and friends. Feel free to update us on any happenings in your professional or personal life.


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Did you know . . . other than the office of Secretary (which is actually held by Timothy Wingert of the School of Optometry faculty), all officers of the Missouri Optometric Association are now UM-St. Louis School of Optometry alumni!

Officers sworn in on Saturday, October 7, 2000 at the MOA Annual Meeting in Columbia, MO were President, LeeAnn W. Barrett ('85), President-elect, Kyle E. Brost ('87), Treasurer, Scott R. Ream ('87), and Immediate Past-President, Michael R. Penney ('87). Congratulations!



See a complete list of all faculty and staff email addresses!



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