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## HOLIDAY GREETING

As the holiday season is upon us we want to wish all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas. We just want all to be happy in God's will in everything that we do and remember what this season is all about. Let's remember our troops that are fighting for our freedom and be thankful for each day God has given us.

## ASDAO CONVENTION 2005

### St. Louis, MO, July 5-8

## ST. LOUIS CONVENTION ITINERARY

**WEDNESDAY – June 29, 2005** General Conference Booth & Meetings  
**THURSDAY – June 30, 2005** General Conference Booth & Meetings  
**FRIDAY – July 1, 2005** General Conference Booth & Meetings  
**SABBATH – July 2, 2005** Get your own Sabbath Meal Tickets  
**SUNDAY – July 3, 2005** General Conference Booth & Meetings  
**MONDAY – July 4, 2005**

### THE GATEWAY RIVERBOAT CRUISES – (Air Conditioned)

- Meet @ 3:00pm in the Lobby of the Holiday Inn, Forest Park, St. Louis to make carpool arrangements.
  - Reserved seating, dinner, live Dixieland entertainment & fireworks.
  - Board CRUISE @ 7:00pm
  - Departs 7:30pm
  - Returns to Dock 9:00pm
  - Fireworks Display 10:00pm (seen from the cruise boat) OR Spend the day at the Riverfront Fair (many booths, they expect over 200,000 People in this area)
- MENU River Boat Tossed Salad, Parmesan Dressing, Vegetarian Manicotti, Potato or Rice, Seasonal Vegetable, Fresh Rolls and Butter, Chef's Special Dessert, Coffee & Ice Tea

### BOARDING PASSES - \$45 each for those over 2 yrs. of age.

- There will be about 200 people on this cruise. We will meet at the Dock, below the South Leg of Arch at 6:45pm. The name of the Dock is "GATEWAY ARCH RIVERFRONT". Lowell will be there to hand you your boarding pass.
- ### DIRECTIONS TO CRUISE
- I was in St. Louis and walked the distance from the furthest parking lot to the Gateway Arch Riverfront Dock. It was very close to ½ mile to dock. The parking lot closest to the arch is approx. ¼ mile to dock. On your downtown St. Louis Map you can see the arch. Our boat dock is at #39 (Gateway Riverboat Cruises) below the South leg of the Arch instead of #33 like the map states

### TUESDAY - July 5, 2005

GOLF - Norman K Prebstein Municipal Golf Course in Forest Park, designed by Hale Erwin, 27 holes.

- 9:00 am - Play 18 holes, then have lunch at the club, followed by playing the back 9. - Only four Rental Clubs available. Please bring own clubs if convenient.

SHOP - the Galleria of St. Louis, OR SIX FLAGS, OR SWIM - & Relax at the hotel pool, OR ANTIQUE SHOP

ST. LOUIS CARDINALS BASEBALL (if in town – will not know until Feb.)

- 5:00pm Meet in the lobby of the Holiday Inn to pick up tickets and car pool
- 7:10pm Game Starts - After game (Tradition) Have some Custard @ Ted Drewes Frozen Custard 6726 Chippewa – Near Holiday Inn

### WEDNESDAY – July 6, 2005

BREAKFAST 8:00-9:00am On your own

MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN ([www.mobot.org](http://www.mobot.org)) 10:00-12:00pm

- 11:30am Lunch @ Garden Café on the porch under the trees
  - Narrated Tram tour (optional) Tickets for tours are available @ Tram Station.
- ST. LOUIS SCIENCE CENTER ([www.sisc.org](http://www.sisc.org)) 1:00-5:00pm James S. McDonnell Planetarium & Omnimax Theater

### REGISTRATION

- 5:00-6:00pm Hotel Banquet Room
- 6:00-7:00pm Supper – Garden burgers/Chips/Dessert
- 7:00-9:00pm Business Meeting

### THURSDAY – July 7, 2005

BREAKFAST 7:00-8:00am On your own

ST. LOUIS ZOO 9:00-12:00pm

LUNCH 12:00-2:00pm On your own

TOUR GENERAL CONFERENCE BOOTHS 2:00-5:00pm

BANQUET & AUCTION 6:00-10:00pm at the Holiday Inn

### FRIDAY – July 8, 2005

BREAKFAST 8:00-9:00am - Holiday Inn

BUSINESS MEETING 9:00-10:00am

ST. LOUIS ART MUSEUM 10:00-11:30am Docent Tour begins @ 10:30am ([www.slam.org](http://www.slam.org))

LUNCH AT ART MUSEUM 11:30am

EDUCATION 2:00-4:00pm at the Hotel

BUSINESS MEETING 4:00-5:00pm

SUPPER 5:00-6:00pm on your own

GENERAL CONFERENCE 7:00-10:00pm

### SABBATH – July 9, 2005

ATTEND GENERAL CONFERENCE

**ASSISTANT  
DIRECTOR  
VISION AFFAIRS FOR  
GENERAL  
CONFERENCE OF SDA**



John W. Eaton, O.D.

GHG GHG GHG

GHG Things are moving on toward the GC meeting next year. Dr. Roberts is staying busy in his practice and will pull things together for the booth after the first of the year. We need to get the names of all those who will be helping so that badges can be obtained. Let Dr. Roberts or myself know by March so this can be processed.

GHG The Saipan eye clinic had to close because of lack of help. We do need to get an Optometrist there soon so that the clinic can be in operation again. This is a nice clinic and would be good for a person that has a willingness to serve the Lord in this capacity. The housing and transportation are provided and the facilities are adequate. If anyone is interested PLEASE contact me or Dr. Luddard the clinic director in Saipan. (harm@saipan.com)

GHG Looking forward to seeing a good group of ASDAO's in St. Louis next year.

Sincerely,  
John W. Eaton OD  
Assistant Director of Visual Affairs  
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Hotel Cost / Group rates are as follows:

- \$119 + tax per night/2 Queen beds
- \$119 + tax per night/ 1 King & sofa
- \$103 + tax per night/ 1 Queen bed

All rooms are non-smoking. Please make reservations before the deadline of **May 30, 2005.**



**Pioneer of ASDAO  
celebrates  
90th birthday**

Dr. Clarence Omans was born in Detroit Lakes, MN on Christmas day 1914. He lived in New York Mills, MN until the second grade. His family then moved to Battle Creek MI and he completed his primary education at Battle Creek Academy.

After attending one year at Andrews University he became the driver for Dr. John Harvey Kellogg for two years in Battle Creek and Miami FL and attended college during that time at Battle Creek College. He then attended Illinois College of Optometry graduating in 1940.

After graduation he spent one year with the Ophthalmology department at the Battle Creek Sanitarium, doing vision exams and assisting with cataract surgery.

While there Dr. Omans met, with the introduction by Dr. Ralph Howard, his wife of 63 years, June. They were married August 31, 1941.

.Dr. Omans then opened a practice in Buchanan, Michigan for the next three years. Moving back to Battle Creek in 1944 he purchased a practice in the

At that time, he shared a visual training room with Dr. Ralph Howard.

In 1955 Dr. Omans and Dr. Howard purchased a filling station and remodeled it into a Optometric office and formed a partnership within two years. Dr. Omans retired from clinical practice in 1993.

The Omans moved to Hendersonville, NC in 1983, returning to Battle Creek to practice part time. Dr. Omans remains on the board and is the Vice President of Vision Services of Battle Creek.

In 1953 he sent out postcards to all the SDA optometrists that he knew trying to get an Adventist Optometric association started.

About 1954 or 1955 Dr. Omans met with Drs. Barcelow and Osborn in Rochester, NY hoping to get the organization started. However it was in 1958 at the White Memorial Hospital in Los Angeles that Dr. Pete Heinrich facilitated an organizational meeting that started the ASDAO, (Association of Seventh Day Adventist Optometrists.) Dr. Omans and his wife June, have attended every ASDAO convention since the beginning. He is planning on being in St. Louis for the 2005 meeting.

The first convention was held in Squaw Valley, California in 1959. Dr. Omans was president in 1962 and has attended every convention since the beginning.

Dr. Omans served as the Assistant Director for Vision Affairs of the General Conference from 1987 until 2001. His work was helpful in working with and staffing the clinics in Africa. He along with other optometrists from the ASDAO worked hard in trying to form a college of optometry at Loma Linda University, however it never came to be.

From 1976-1993 he served on the board of directors for the Battle Creek Sanitarium and now is on the hospital board of the Park Ridge Hospital in Hendersonville, NC.

Our best wishes and thanks to Dr. Omans for the work that he has done for the ASDAO and optometry. We plan on seeing him for many years to come.



**PRESIDENT'S  
COLUMN**

Roland Stickel, O.D.

Well, I hope your summer was longer than ours. I don't mean weather-wise but time-wise. It seems like we just said goodbye to those of you who were at the convention in Kelowna and here it is almost winter again – yes, we do get a little bit of that in Canada, too, 'eh'.

I trust all our "committees" are functioning and active. I am referring to all the "committees of one" that I appointed in our August column if you forgot what "committee" you are please refer to the President column in the August issue. I hope that some of you have, or have made arrangements to promote your profession in your local or nearest academy or college and promote our organization to colleagues in your area or among your S.D.A. peers. We are trying again to get information from AOA to our schools to promote optometry as a career. We tried this unsuccessfully last year but will try again.

As you can see from their column and you will know for sure, if you know Lowell and Dellene, there is a great time in store for 'ya' all in St. Louis.

What a great and rare opportunity to combine vacation, ASDAO and G.C. and great fellowship in one stimulating and exciting trip.

Remember, and I'm sure John and Bob will be urging you, to plan some time in our booth at G.C. I trust we can even discreetly promote optometry as a career and ASDAO from that venue as well.

For those of you who were at the Kelowna convention, Bette in particular, you will be excited to know that the latest "sighting" with video proof and all, of the Opopogo, was this past week. For those of you – unfortunately that means most of you, who don't know what an Opopogo is – we're sorry too that you missed the convention.

Between now and July be thinking of ways to promote optometry as a career to our young people, ASDAO to S.D.A. and our "blessed hope" to our patients and peers. Bring your ideas to St. Louis.

In the mean time – Think St. Louis, Think G.C.

Think ASDAO Convention.

**SEE YOU IN ST. LOUIS**

## The Quiet Hour

### Youth Ministries Department Needed: MP3 Players\*

Dates: March 17-27, 2005  
Who (MP3 Players\*):

**\*Our version of MP3 Player: MP = Mission Project; 3 Players = Jesus, The Quiet Hour, Me**

Once again The Quiet Hour is making plans for an MP3 youth outreach program, to include medical, dental, and optometry clinics, children's programs, health screening, a building project and evening evangelistic meetings.

We have been invited by the North Philippine Union Mission to conduct a building project and hold reaping meetings in Baguio City, Philippines March 17-27, 2005. We would like to give you an opportunity to join The Quiet Hour in this outreach program. The North Philippines Union Mission has a very strong ground-work program already in motion, and they have great plans for a strong follow-up program, at the conclusion of the meetings.

Youth, Young Adults, and Families, Medical, Dental, Optometry, Construction & Evangelism Personnel

Size of Group: 100 students and adults (combined)

Project: Construction of Lamb Shelter near Baguio City, Philippines

Evangelistic Campaigns, Medical Clinics, Children's Ministries Orphanage Outreach

Cost: \$650 per person, plus airfare to **Baguio City** (via Manila) Philippines

For additional information on costs, applications, and other info that you will want contact 909-793-2588 or by e-mail joedym@thequiethour.org

May God continue to bless you as you serve Him.

Joedy Melashenko

P.S. We are seriously looking for a few optometrists to join us on this mission project. What would it take to twist your arm? Joedy

## DON'T FORGET

We want to shower Dr. Clarie Omans with birthday cards on his 90th birthday, December 25.

Dr. Clarie Omans  
14 Highlander Lane

## Pre-Convention Fireworks Cruise July 4, 2005

**I do need to know how many of you will go. I have asked for 70 tickets to be held until March.**

Tickets are to be picked up from Lowell by 3 pm at the hotel lobby on July 4. *Note that this Cruise is the day before the start of our convention at the Holiday Inn.* So please plan appropriately. You will be charged for this in your registration fee.

Check itinerary for other activities such as baseball game, golf, Missouri Botanical Garden and St. Louis Science Center that all come before registration time.

**SEND IN YOUR REGISTRATION FORM FROM PAGE 4**

Lowell Meister, O.D.

## ADDRESS CHANGES

One of the biggest jobs is trying to keep track of where all the SDA optometrists are. As you move or change addresses we lose track of you. Please let me know so that we can send you every Fraterneyeser.

Also if your e-mail address changes we need to know that.

If you have a new address or if you know any new SDA optometrists or recent graduates send me the address.

Duane Curtis, OD  
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## IT ALL ADDS UP

Put the numbers 1 through 9 in the squares in such a way that the columns add up to 15 in every direction. Vertically, horizontally and diagonally.


## NOT SO OBVIOUS

A. Two fathers and two sons went hunting and shot three ducks. Each took home one duck. How was this possible?

B. If you take five apples from seven apples what have you got?

Answers on back page

## E-mail



Send me your e-mail address if not listed below, also any correction if what we have is not correct so we can publish it in our directory. It would be nice for the ASDAO members to be able to contact each other.

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THERE MUST BE MORE THAN THESE. We have added a few since the last news letter. If yours is incorrect let me know.

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## ASDAO WEBSITE INFORMATION



Plans are under way for the Web site being made for the ASDAO and Auxiliary. Some students from Andrews University are working with Dr. Dennis Benedict in getting things set up and pages assigned for different titles that have been suggested.

These plans are being made to promote SDA optometry and other parts of ASDAO.

It is hoped that it will be up and running by the next time the Fraterneyeser is sent out. We will let you know the address at that time.

## Hunting for Recipe

Linda Sanders is looking for a casserole that was used at Fletcher Academy, that has Fri-chick and mayonnaise. If anyone can supply her with this recipe send it to her at. 3434 Constitution Dr. Yuba City, CA 95993 or e-mail to twsanders@hotmail.com

### REGISTRATION 2005 ASDAO CONVENTION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Children: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I plan on coming early and helping with the Vision Screening Booth at the GC. Dates I will be available. \_\_\_\_\_

**MONDAY/July 4 – Gateway Riverboat Cruise, Dinner, Music & Fireworks**  
for everyone over the age of 2yrs.  
Number of Tickets needed. \_\_\_\_\_ X \$45.00/per person \_\_\_\_\_

**TUESDAY/July 5 – St. Louis Cardinals Baseball**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$25.00/per person \_\_\_\_\_

**WEDNESDAY/July 6 – Missouri Botanical Gardens and Tram Ride**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$7.00 = \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ X \$5.00/over 65yrs = \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ X FREE/12yrs and under \_\_\_\_\_  
Tram tickets \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.00/per person \_\_\_\_\_

- **St. Louis Science Center**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

- **Planetarium**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$6.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

- **Omnimax Theater**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$6.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

- **Lego Mind Storm**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$3.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

- **Supper Registration**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

**THURSDAY/July 7 - St Louis Zoo**  
No Tickets needed – FREE (there is a charge for parking)

- **Banquet**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \$20.00/aprox./per person = \_\_\_\_\_

**FRIDAY/July 8 - Breakfast**  
Number of Tickets needed \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

- **St. Louis Art Museum**  
No Tickets needed – FREE  
- **Lunch at Mummy’s place or Museum Café**  
(on your own)

**SABBATH/July 9 - Lunch tickets**  
Number of Tickets 1<sup>st</sup> Sabbath \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_  
Number of Tickets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sabbath \_\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Mail the above registration to:  
Dr. Lowell Meister  
P.O. Box 627  
Nowata, OK 74048

### REGISTRATION AT HOTEL

Registration on your arrival at the Holiday Inn will be held in the Grand Siclian Room.  
The last Fraterneyeser stated that a advance payment for the Riverboar Cruise was needed. This does NOT have to be made in advance and will be collected at registration time.

### ASDAO DUES July 1 thru June 30 each year

2001-2002 O.D. Dues 35.00  
2001-2001 Auxiliary Dues 10.00  
2001-2002 1st Year Grad 10.00  
2001-2002 2nd Year Grad 10.00  
Optometric Student 1.00

We need your support in both money and by being active in ASDAO to help continue carrying on Gods’ work for optometry.

Send your dues to:

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ASDAO Treasurer  
5600 Horton Rd.  
Jackson, MI 49201

Answers:

2	9	4
7	5	3
6	1	8

A. The 2 fathers and 2 sons were a son, his father and his father’s father.

### Don’t Forget

Start getting your ideas for the Auxillary auction. This will be held Thursday night after the Banquet. Make something as we all like things homemade.

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