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ASDAO Convention 2014 Portland, Oregon

June 25-29, 2014
Make your Reservations Now!

The Heathman Lodge: 1-888-475-3100

IMPORTANT!!! Please acknowledge the name of the group (ASDAO or Adventist Optometry Group) and request the group rate (\$99.00) when making your reservations.

The **Heathman Lodge and Resort is actually in Vancouver, WA** just across the river and 11.5 miles from the Portland International Airport. It is convenient to the greater Portland area and a lovely place. www.heathmanlodge.com / 7801 NE Greenwood Dr, Vancouver, WA, 98662

Our reservation is on the 4th, or business, floor which is only accessed by your room key. The complimentary breakfast and evening hor d'oeuvres are only available to 4th floor guests. (You should see the coffee machine! Impressive even if you don't drink coffee.) Anyway, our convention price is \$99.00 per night! What a deal!

Please make your reservations now if you are interested in coming.

Reservations may be cancelled 21 days before arrival without penalty.

There is more to see than we can fit into a busy weekend so feel free to celebrate the greater Portland area for a few extra days. The Heathman Lodge will honor our price for up to two additional days prior to and following the convention dates.

So come and enjoy Portland! Bring your friends, your kids, your family! All are welcome. We will look forward to seeing you there!

Some of the highlights will include:

- Sharing (worship, fellowship, encouragement, ideas!)
- A tour of the beautiful Columbia George This will include a sightseeing ride on the Stern-wheeler boat, Multnomah Falls, Bonneville Dam and Locks, and a lovely picnic in the shade of Bonneville Fish Hatchery.
- **The Washington Park** This beautiful park overlooking Portland and beyond to the majestic Mt. Hood includes the International Rose Test Gardens, Hoyt Arboretum, World Forestry Center, the Portland Zoo, and the Portland Japanese Gardens.
- **Mt. Saint Helens tour** This is not only beautiful but inspirational as we view the mighty power of nature both in the destruction and reconstruction of nature.
- And....Ice Cream Renaissance We have tested it and it is the BEST!

If you have questions, we would be happy to answer them if possible. Feel free to give us a call! Our home phone is 541-534-6013. Barb's cell: 541-786-1514. Dan's cell: 541-786-3719.

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WE NEED YOUR
HELP

IMPORTANT QUESTION

The Fraterneyeser is published four times a year and sent to you. The question is do you want to continue receiving it?? If you no longer want to receive the publication please send a email to: wrlcutis@rtconnect.net

AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC CONVENTION DATES

2014 June 25-29 Philadelphia PA

2015 June 21-28 Seattle, WA

2016 Possible Las Vegas NV

WIFE OF ASDAO FOUNDER PASSES September 16, 2013



June Omans, 94, passed away September 16, 2013 in Hendersonville NC.

A native of Asheville, NC she was the daughter of the late Harvey and Miriam Shoup. June was a graduate of Adelphian Academy, and

graduate of Adelphian Academy, and Secretarial School. She also attended Emmanuel Missionary College. She has been a resident of Hendersonville NC for 30 years. She was a member of the Arden

Seventh Day Adventist Church. She enjoyed entertaining, cooking beautiful meals, watching birds, with her top priority of her adult life to be a loving wife and mother.

June was an active member of the ASDAO Auxiliary since the beginning of the organization . Her laughter and love of other ASDAO members will be greatly missed

She is survived by her husband Clarie, of 72 years, 2 daughters and 3 grandchildren and many friends. She was loved dearly.

Memorial Services were held Saturday, September 28 at the
Arden Seventh Day Adventist Church.
Burial will take place at the Bedford
Township Cemetery in Battle Creek
Michigan at a later date.

The ASDAO was represented by Dr. Dennis & Eddye Benedict, Dr. Duane & Bette Curtis and Dr. John & Marion Faton.

Dr. Clarie Oman moved into an the Fletcher Park Inn a assisted living home. His new address is:

c/o Fletcher Park Inn 150 Tulip Trail, Room 216 Hendersonville, NC 28792

THE QUIET HOUR MISSION TRIPS

PERU - NOV 19-DEC 1, 2013

ECUADOR - NOV 20-DEC 1, 2013

URUGUAY - March 2014

PERU - March 2014

THAILAND - June 10-23, 2014

GHANA - June 18-30, 2014

TONGA - June 25-July 7, 2014

PHILIPPINES -GENERAL SANTO - March, 2015

Contact Dennis Benedict, O.D. dhbenedict@yahoo.com if you are interested on going on any of the above Mission trips.

MISSION TRIP TO NICARAGUA PLANNED

Brad Emde, O.D. and his Optometric Assistant, April Johnson will be going on the Southern Union Conference Mission Project with Dennis Benedict, O.D. to Nicaragua. This is the first medical mission trip for both Brad and April. Jonanthan Fritz, M.D. is planning to work with our team as an Opthalmologist. The Mission project is scheduled for March 13-24, 2014. Medical, Dental, and Surgery clinics are being planned while we conduct our Vision clinics. We have started making detailed plans on how we want to run our clinic.

Air Care International is planning another Mission project for 2014. This year they are going to the Dominican Republic March 6-16, 2014. Karlit Wong, O.D. has made plans to go with them just as in recent years.

The Quiet Hour is planning a different kind of mission trip next year. Jackie Tucker wrote me, "We will be leading a team of Southern Adventist University students to El Salvador, May 7-25-2014. We will have nursing students assisting with the medical clinics and they will also assist with the Eyeglass clinics. It will be a great opportunity for the students to be involved not only in preaching but also in hands on clinics." If any O.D's are interested in this project, please let me know before the end of November.

With these three mission trips planned, our glasses inventory will be greatly reduced. Let me know if you are willing to provide glasses for our needs next year, or if you are willing to go on another mission trip listed on our website



GENERAL CONFERENCE REPRESENTIVE

LOWELL MEISTER, O.D.

Our project for Swazi Eye Service is just about finished. Eight thousand plus dollars remain to be spent and that will be spent in the refracting room area. It has been my pleasure to do this project and I receive some nice Thank You. However, everyone who donated and prayed for this program deserves a thank you and an extra blessing from God for helping in this worthy program. You can review past Frat's and see what has been accomplished. Enjoy the two e-mails from Joy as she brings us up to date on the action in Swaziland.

Dear Dr. Meister

I understand that SAU will not match the funds raised because of the new Auto Refractor they donated. I anticipated this because I had a hard time convincing them to buy this machine. They even thought the Auto Refractor is the absolute machine to be at par with other clinics, not understanding other things are needed. Only an optometrist like you understand the feeling of working in an environment with obsolete facilities. Your coming to Swaziland was a tremendous gift and blessing from God to augment the practice. You did not only saw the need, but also became the mouth, hands and feet to gather funds for this cause. Not one in a million thought had it dawned to me that I can have the edger and other equipments this year. I only poured my longings and tears to God, and miracle just came through you. This I praise Him forever.

I will try through Gods guidance to set my priorities in using the funds and promise to continue educating myself. I will keep in touch with you for guidance and correction being my mentor. Your years of experience is very helpful to me.

Please pray for my daughter and our relatives in Cebu. They experienced 7.2 magnitude earthquake yesterday. Until now, the aftershock is going on. They did not sleep last night. They were on an open basketball court. The 4th floor of our Adventist Hospital in Cebu collapsed. They had to evacuate patients. Many establishments and schools are affected. Last night, my daughter had fever out of too much fear. They were tired and dizzy. Our house as well is cracking now because the aftershock of 4magnitude is still going on. I hope our house won't collapse. My heart is breaking, thinking about my daughter, my mom, and the rest of the relatives. Please keep them in your prayers.

Thank you so much for everything. Warm Regards Joy

Dear Joy:

I have received a reply from President Letseli about matching funds for SES. He and his staff do not remember the conversation in the same way that Dellene and I do. I only remember that the principle of matching funds were discussed but no specific commitment was ever made. However SAU has been good to SES and will continue to support your mission.

After releasing \$1,000.00 to Lilongwe Hospital I will request from Mrs. Nellie Llaguno that she send the balance to SES to buy new equipment. You will have to decide what equipment is in your best interest. If you find that you do not have enough money for what you think you need you could talk with President Letseli and maybe he will understand. I would suggest that for now you forget about the perimeter and retina camera. Do the best you can with the money we send. May God give you understanding and wisdom as you make these decisions.

We were also excited to receive the picture of the Bibles. Lots of good can come from these. Continue to educate yourself and God will bless you. Keep us informed.

Sincerely, Lowell and Dellene

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Classified advertising is available to any member of ASDAO that has something to sell or is looking for something to buy. There is no charge for this and you may find one of our members out there that may be looking for what you have. Send any advertising to our webmaster, Dr. Dennis Benedict, email him at: dhbennedict@Yahoo.com.

SIGN UP FOR A MISSION TRIP

Do you need a little change, some excitement, some drama and action – sign up for a mission trip doing eye care in a third world country. I have just returned from my fifth trip, each of these adventures added another dimension to my life experiences.

This trip was sponsored by It Is Written Canada to Paraguay, South America. This was a many faceted trip with evange-lism, VBS, church building and the largest component was the medical team comprising of 2 dentists and all of their support team including Hygenists, Chair assistants and Denturist. They were busy using the six portable chairs and xray machine they brought with them. There was also a Pediatrician, nurses, physical therapist among the 43 participants that flew into Asuncion. I was the only Optometrist, long retired who had to quickly revive long dormant skills to an unprecedented pace. In the six days that we worked I saw 560 patients, dispensed over 500 pair of glasses, gave out 120 medications and lubricants as well as removing foreign bodies and made a list of 25 people that really did need to have a referral. The ADRA volunteer made the list and hopes to follow up with the patients but for them to get help will probably not happen. I saw less eye diseases that expected, even ptrygiums were less prevalent than other tropical countries where I have been helping.

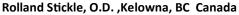
We had a number of young people from Canada rotating through the clinic, but we also had ADRA volunteers as well as some local people who helped with the translations. For several of the days we needed 2 translators as we were working in an indigenous community where they spoke their own language which then had to be translated to Spanish and to English.

Part of my adventures included not meeting up with a number of the medical team in Dulles airport or in Sao Paulo, Brazil and flew on by myself or so I thought, there were actually 2 on the flight that I did not know. I was just hoping that I was going to the right city on the right day as my Spanish is very limited. Because of so many people going, the travel agent had to book people on several days flying into Asuncion, which is the capital of Paraguay. Other excitement included a threat on the life of Pastor Bill Santos, the speaker for It Is Written Canada by a clergy of another faith who told him he had to leave or his life would be endangered. Pastor Bill told him that if he left then the medical team would leave as well. There were a number of the locals listening and they got very upset at the thought of not having the medical clinics. The proper authorization was given by the community elders to build the church and have the clinics. The church was just about completed but was dedicated after a baptism in the river. God's work went forward.

We did have a few days of R & R at the end and a number of us went over to Brazil, which was an adventure as the bus driver did not stop for the customs at the border. While waiting beside the road for another vehicle to catch up to us we had thieves open the back of the bus and take several pieces of luggage. Fortunately I had my bag at my feet. The 8 hour bus trip into Brazil was to see the Iguacu falls. This was most spectacular. It is one of the 3 largest waterfalls in the world and is absolutely awesome.

All in all – a most rewarding and worthwhile experience. Thanks to Dennis and the ASDAO for making this happen.

Try it - you will like it.













PAST CONVENTION LOCATIONS

1959 1960 1961 1962 1963 1964 1965 1966 1967 1968 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976 1977 1978 1979 1980 1981 1982 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1988	Yosemite, CA Squaw Valley, CA Denver, CO San Francisco, CA Minneapolis, MN New York, NY New Orleans, LA Battle Creek, MI Eugene, OR Banff, Canada Durango, CO Honolulu, HI Houston, TX St Louis, MO Loma Linda, CA Victoria, BC Canada Gatlinburg, TN Las Vegas, NV Toronto, Canada New Orleans, LA San Diego, CA Jackson Hole, WY Battle Creek, MI Bolton Valley, VT Hayden Lake, ID Kauai, HI Marrirtta, GA Hope, Canada St Augustine, FL Glacier View, CO Leoni Meadows, CA
1989 1990 1991 1992	Leoni Meadows, CA Cuhutta Springs, GA Arlington, TX Nakoda Lodge, Calgary Canada
1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015	Anaheim, CA Arden, NC Durango, CO Lincoln City, OR Fredrick, MD Sun Valley, ID Eureka Springs, AR Burlington, ON Leavenworth, WA Nashville, TN Cody, WY Kelowna, BC Canada St Louis, MO Auburn, CA Branson, MO Puyallup, WA Holland, MI Atlanta, GA Louisville, KY Chicago, IL San Diego, CA Vancouver, WA San Antonio, TX

As you can see attending the ASDAO convention will let you see a lot of places that you might not otherwise see



ASDAO PRESIDENT Tom Sanders, O.D.

Change is inevitable in life. Time passes, grey hair comes, children grow, grandchildren bless and we choose the path in which we walk.

This week has been a challenging changing process as I changed to electronic list grows! We have a wonderful profession in which we serve our patients but change always happens. My 40 years in optometry has seen much growth in the ability to examine the human eye. New technology and more knowledge make us better doctors and the job easier.

But with all of this, the best change is the change in my heart, as Jesus transforms it, by my accepting Him into my life each day. It is still a mystery of faith, but I believe and it happens.

Our Association is about service, missions and sharing with each other. I invite you to be active in the ASDAO.

Thomas Sanders, O.D.

ASDAO DUES

July 1, thru June 30, each year

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

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

Also donations are needed for the mission projects and trips that the ASDAO has planned.

Send your dues and donations to: Eddye Benedict ASDAO Treasurer 156 Cigi Lane

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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 will continue to receive the news letter.

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, 1517 Circle RD, Worland, WY 82401 or email:

wrlcurtis@rtconnect.net

NO EMAIL ADDRESS FOR THE FOLLOWING

Please let me know if you know or have a email for any of these wrlcurtis@rtconnect.net

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- Dr. Violeta Bajarias
- Dr. Alan Baler
- Dr. Rpbert Bowen
- Dr. Samdra Brown
- Dr. Don Carroll
- Dr. Ken Caviness
- Dr. Amy Cecil
- Dr. Kemilla Charles
- Dr. Terry Clayville

PLEASE HELP US FIND THESE O.D.'S

- Dr. Doran Deapen
- Dr. Dave Dortch
- Dr. Sylvester Edomwonyi
- Dr. George Frisby
- Dr. Daniel Garcia
- Dr. Harold Gardiner
- Dr. Kristina Haworth
- Dr. Richard Hern
- Dr. Mike Holub
- Dr. Kenlly Igirio
- Dr. Mirgi Irmiree
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- Dr. Dean Wells
- Dr. Izak Wessels
- Dr. William Whitted
- Dr. Carrie Williams
- Dr. Jim Williamson
- Dr. Michael Young
- White Heritage Room
- Loma Linda University
- SAU Physics Dept

Any information on any of these names will be appreciated.

EMAIL THAT HAVE BEEN RETURNED UNDELIVERABLE

If any one know the correct email for the listed below please let me know at wrlcurtis@rtconnect.net

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- Dr. Lee Farrow
- Dr. Lisa Hanson
- Dr. Stanly Hanson
- Dr. Don Hardt
- Dr. David Hardt
- Dr. Tania Hassard
- Dr. Kristan Huff
- Dr. Calvin Kettner Dr. Tasha Schellenberg
- Dr. William Zeigler

ASDAO DUES?

Each year you receive a statement from the treasurer requesting you to send in dues and become a member of ASDAO.

First you should know that the dues are only a small part of what is used to continue the support of the ASDAO.

Money Is needed to help continue our mission clinics and trips overseas. We to supply them with equipment and support so that God's work can continue in these areas.

We want you to become active also in the fellowship of SDA optometrists throughout the country. We have a great time each year when we get together.

Support your ASDAO this year.

NEXT FRATERNEYESER DEADLINE

Information deadline for the next Fraterneyeser is *February 1*

2014 Please send me your information by the deadline. Duane Curtis, O.D. Editor wrlcurtis@rtconnect.net



PRESIDENT: ASDAO Auxiliary Janice Bailey

A Time of Thankfulness

It is almost November as I write this column. Where did THIS year go?

Was it a better year than last year? So I am counting my blessings to see...

I am thankful for:

ASDAO!

Books to enjoy

Christ – my Savior

Dogs that do 360's

Erica – our lovely first born daughter

Friends, freedom, & forgiveness

Gorgeous fall colors

Heaven, hugs, my health, and The Heathman Lodge

Intentional thoughtfulness that others give to me

Joyful music

Kids to pray for

Laura – our sweet, sun-shiny second born daughter

Mountains covered with snow & not in my yard (yet!)

New life – by surrendering again today

Optometrists in my life!

Parents & Pastors who shared the Good News of Jesus' love

with me

Ouestions the Bible answers

Rest

Simple Food

Troy – the Love of my life!

United with Beckner's to host the 2014 ASDAO in Portland

Oregon

Vibrant people

Worship in peace & safety

X – The CROSS!

Youth who serve Christ

Zephaniah 3:14 – 17

What are you thankful for? Have you thought about your blessings recently? Why not take 10 minutes now and write as many things as you can that you are thankful for and share them with someone else. It is a good way to keep positive and thankful!

Janice

ASDAO AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP FOR 3rd & 4th YEAR OPTOMETRY STUDENTS

The purpose of the ASDAO Auxiliary Scholarship is to recognize excellence in scholarship and encourage Seventh -day Adventist individuals with potential to complete their educational requirements in the field of Optometry.

Qualified Seventh-day Adventist students enrolled in an accredited school of optometry in either the US or Canada and completing the 2nd year are eligible and may apply for the ASDAO Auxiliary Scholarship which is given through the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Optometrists. The scholarship application is for a one-time scholarship given in either the Jr. or Sr. yr. of Optometry School.

All documents must be received no later than JUNE 1. The recipient will be announced during the annual meeting of the Association of Seventh-day Adventist Optometrists held the end of June each year. The scholarship committee reserves the right to suspend the award if no candidates are judged to be outstanding in a given year.

For information contact: Dellene Meister, P.O. Box 627, Nowata, OK 74048, Phone 918-273-1280, email: lomeister@sbglobal.net

TIME TO START PLANNING FOR THE AUXILIARY AUCTION

It won't be long until convention time and one of the highlights of the convention is the Auxiliary Auction. The money raised goes to help out with the scholarships each year and several mission projects that the auxiliary help sponsor.

Think of what you can make or come up with that will be fun bidding on at the big event.

OPTOMETRIC WORD FIND

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