

2018-2019 MONTHLY MEETINGS

POS *Welcomes*

SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

STEVEN G. SAFRAN, MD, PA



Eye Physician and Surgeon
Cornea and External Disease
Diplomate American Board of Ophthalmology
Corneal Specialist
Premium Lens Expert

Dr. Safran is an American Board Certified, Fellowship-trained Cornea Specialist. His special interest is in cataract surgery with premium lenses. He is extremely knowledgeable regarding a wide variety of eye diseases and is particularly adept at treating patients with delicate or complicated conditions. He is an experienced cornea specialist with unique expertise in anterior segment reconstruction and lens-related problems, as well as an experienced Lasik surgeon with fellowship cornea training.

Dr. Safran is currently on staff at Capital Health System, New Jersey Surgery Center and Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in Hamilton.

Thank you to Joel Brown, MD and Deepinder Dhaliwal, MD for inviting Dr. Safran.

OCTOBER 4

SHAKEEL R. SHAREEF, MD



**Professor, Department of Ophthalmology
University of Rochester Medical Center
Rochester, NY**

Dr. Shakeel Shareef is a specialist who treats glaucoma, a disease that affects more than three million Americans, and complex cataracts. He offers patients the most up-to-date diagnosis and treatment options including medication and laser therapy as well as complex surgeries using topical anesthesia such as filtering procedures, tube-shunt implants and minimally invasive glaucoma surgeries such as the iStent. Because cataracts occur frequently in patients with glaucoma, Dr. Shareef also performs difficult cataract procedures with patients who may have small pupils, psuedoexfoliation or may have monocular vision due to glaucoma or other conditions

The glaucoma service is equipped with state-of-the-art diagnostic equipment offering computerized visual field testing, optic nerve imaging and other specialized imaging. In addition, patients may be referred for retinal topography and analysis using the Heidelberg Retinal Tomograph.

Thank you to Ian Conner, MD, PhD for inviting Dr. Shareef.

NOVEMBER 15

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DECEMBER 6

DEBRA A. GOLDSTEIN, MD, FRCSC



**Magerstadt Professor of Medicine
Director, Uveitis Service
Director, Uveitis Fellowship
Department of Ophthalmology
Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine**

Dr. Goldstein has published over 150 papers in peer reviewed journals and has lectured widely all over the world. She has done extensive investigator initiated and multicenter research. She has been the recipient of numerous awards and honors including the Senior Achievement Award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the Life Achievement Honor award from the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the AAO Secretariat Award for special contributions to the Academy, as well as an AOA clinical teaching award.

She was twice awarded the Golden Apple Award for Best Teacher in Ophthalmology when she was a professor at the University of Illinois at Chicago. In April of 2017 she was awarded the prestigious Magerstadt Professorship in Ophthalmology.

Thank you to Pamela Rath, MD who invited Dr. Goldstein.

JANUARY 10, 2019

CARL AWH, MD



Tennessee Retina

Dr. Carl Awh (pronounced "Oh") completed a fellowship in Vitreoretinal Surgery and Research at the Duke University Eye Center with Dr. Robert Machemer, the "father of modern vitreous surgery." Dr. Awh began his career as an Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology at Johns Hopkins University, where he was Director of the Retina Service at Sinai Hospital of Baltimore and the founding co-director of the Johns Hopkins Microsurgery Advanced Design Laboratory. In 1994 he moved to Nashville to join Tennessee Retina (then Retina Vitreous Associates).

Dr. Awh is an internationally recognized clinician, surgeon, and educator. His special interests include macular surgery, diabetic retinopathy, macular degeneration, and the development of surgical devices and techniques. He has authored scientific articles on these subjects and on the topics of ocular trauma and intraocular tumors.

Dr. Awh is an active investigator in industry-sponsored and National Eye Institute-sponsored clinical trials, holds ten U.S. patents for surgical devices, and has designed dozens of instruments in widespread use by vitreoretinal surgeons. He is a consultant to numerous ophthalmic companies and has lectured in over twenty countries and on every continent (except Antarctica!). He serves on the Board of Directors of both the American Society of Retina Specialists and EURETINA (the European Retina Society).

Dr. Awh has been named to the "Best Doctors in America" and is the recipient of Honor Awards from both the American Academy of Ophthalmology and the American Society of Retina Specialists.

Thank you to Thierry Verstraeten, MD who invited Dr. Awh.

FEBRUARY 7

JILL FOSTER, MD



Medical Director of Plastic Surgery Ohio, a division of Ophthalmic Surgeons and Consultants, Inc.

Dr. Foster is head of Aesthetic Services at The Eye Center in Columbus, OH, and Associate Clinical Professor of Ophthalmology at The Ohio State University. Dr. Foster is Board Certified in Ophthalmology by the American Board of Medical Specialties and completed a two-year orbito-facial fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania. From the years 1992 to 2000, she was the Director of Ophthalmic Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the Cleveland Clinic Foundation in Cleveland, OH. Her interests include Cosmetic Surgery and Pediatric Oculoplastic Surgery.

Dr. Foster, a pioneer in the field of Cosmetic Botox, authored the first article on the subject to be published in a peer reviewed Medical Journal and lectures internationally on the subject. She was involved in the FDA approval process for the drug and currently serves as a consultant and national trainer (teaching other physicians the correct injection techniques) for the maker of the drug, Allergan. Please review her CV for numerous articles, chapters, and presentations on blepharoplasty, endoscopic brow surgery, mid face facelift, laser resurfacing and cosmetic Botox.

Thank you to David Buerger, MD, FACS who invited Dr. Foster.

55th ANNUAL MEETING

FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2019

Pittsburgh Marriott City Center, Pittsburgh, PA

39th Harvey E. Thorpe Lecturer



Wallace L.M. Alward, MD

Professor and Vice-Chair, Frederick C. Blodi Chair in Ophthalmology

Director of the Glaucoma Center

Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences

University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine

Wallace L.M. Alward, M.D. completed his glaucoma fellowship at the Bascom Palmer Eye Institute. Following his fellowship, he became Director of the Glaucoma Service at the University of Iowa where he is Professor and Vice-Chairman. Since 2006 he has held the Frederick C. Blodi Endowed Chair in Ophthalmology. Dr. Alward has co-authored more than 150 peer-reviewed papers. The main focus of his research has been the molecular genetics of glaucoma. In 1993 his research group described the first genetic linkage for open angle glaucoma (GLC1A). Subsequently, in a 1997 Science paper, they reported that mutations in the myocilin gene at the GLC1A locus cause juvenile glaucoma and 3 – 5% of adult onset open angle glaucoma. Dr. Alward was also a co-author on the first papers describing the PITX2 and FOXC1 genes for the Axenfeld-Rieger syndrome as well as the TBK1 gene for normal tension glaucoma. He served as a Director of the American Board of Ophthalmology from 2006 to 2013 and was Chair in 2012.

Dr. Alward's real passion is teaching. He has trained 35 glaucoma fellows. He has authored two textbooks: Color Atlas of Gonioscopy and The Requisites: Glaucoma. The Archives of Ophthalmology listed the Color Atlas of Gonioscopy as one of the 100 important ophthalmology books of the 20th century. It has been translated into Russian, Polish and Portuguese. He maintains a free website to teach gonioscopy (gonioscopy.org) that contains over 250 gonioscopy videos. In 2017 gonioscopy.org had 51,000 users in 174 countries. His most recent website (curriculum.iowaglaucoma.org) was released in late 2015. It is a fifty-lecture curriculum aimed at beginning ophthalmology residents. This site contains > 900 still images and >90 video clips. The curriculum has most recently been made into a free iBook.

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Guest Faculty

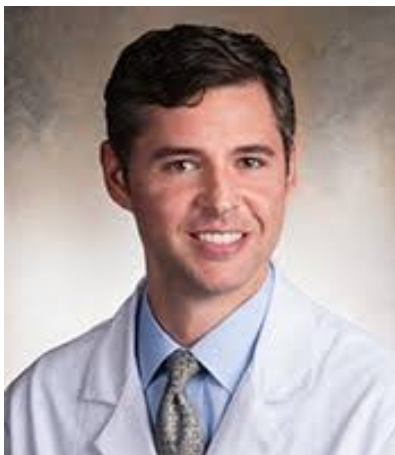


Andrew Lee, MD

Chair, Blanton Eye Institute
Houston Methodist Hospital

Dr. Lee is chair of the Blanton Eye Institute at Houston Methodist Hospital and Professor of Ophthalmology, Neurology, and Neurosurgery (*Weill Cornell Medicine*); Adjunct Professor; University of Iowa; Baylor College of Medicine and Texas A and M; Clinical Professor at UTMB (Galveston), UT MD Anderson Cancer Center, and University of Buffalo, SUNY.

Dr. Lee has served on the Editorial Board of 25 journals including *JAMA Ophthalmology*, *AJO*, *CJO*, *JJO*, *APJO*, *JNO*, *Survey of Ophthalmology* and *Eye*. He has published over 400 peer-reviewed publications, 40 book chapters, and nine full textbooks; has been the invited speaker at over 400 national and international eye meetings; and has given 13 named lectureships. He has received the AAO honor, senior honor, secretariat, and life honor achievement awards. Dr. Lee has received the resident teaching award seven times at five different academic institutions.



Peter Veldman, MD

Assistant Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Science
Director, Residency Program
University of Chicago Medicine

Peter Veldman, MD, specializes in vision-saving lamellar (partial thickness) corneal transplantation via descemet membrane endothelial keratoplasty (DMEK), descemet stripping automated endothelial keratoplasty (DSAEK), deep anterior lamellar keratoplasty (DALK) and penetrating keratoplasty (PK).

Dr. Veldman focuses on the preservation of existing healthy eye tissue to promote faster healing and visual recovery. His contributions to his field include the development of the S-stamp for DMEK, a widely adopted procedure that has reduced graft failures.

Dr Veldman has worked closely with department chair Kathryn Colby, MD, in investigations of degenerative eye diseases at Harvard and at the University of Chicago.