SCHEDULE
SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

7:30 AM  Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:00 AM  Contemporary Co-management of Glaucoma: A Case-Based Approach
Bhawan Minhas, OD, FAAO
Michael Pro, MD

This course reviews the presentation, examination, work-up, imaging, medical and surgical management of patients with primary and secondary types of glaucoma commonly encountered in contemporary practice. A review of both traditional and newer imaging modalities is included. Additionally, management of cases requiring laser and surgical intervention are discussed with an emphasis on newer micro-invasive surgical approaches. Novel developments in therapeutics, including innovations in drug delivery, are also addressed.

9:40 AM  Break

9:55 AM  Atypical Presentations of Patients with Conditions Affecting the Anterior Segment of the Eye
Chantel Garcia, OD
James Lewis, MD

This duo lecture will explore cornea and contact lens topics in patients with clinically significant cataracts complicated by comorbidities. Pre-peri- and post-operative management of these patients will be emphasized through a discussion of relevant diagnostic modalities and associated therapeutic interventions. Advances in diagnosis, surgical technique, contact lenses, and medications are the foundation of this shared lecture. Attendees should expect to enhance their skills in the co-management of patients undergoing atypical cataract surgical procedures.

11:35 AM  Lunch

12:35 PM  Medical Retina Case-Based Presentations
Carlo Pelino, OD ‘94, FAAO
Stephen Sinclair, MD

This team of retinal specialists will deliver a lecture designed to enhance a primary-care optometrist’s understanding of retinal findings and their relationship to systemic disease. The differential diagnosis, clinical testing, intervention, prognosis and outcome of systemic conditions associated with retinal findings will be discussed utilizing a case-based approach.

2:15 PM  Break

2:30 PM  Navigating Through the Tougher Cases Together: Optometrists and Social Workers
Errin Kenny, OD, MS; FAAO
Virginia Scott, MSW

Primary care optometrists often wear many “hats” while providing comprehensive care for their patients. This can be particularly true with regard to a patient with visual impairment. This lecture explores inter-professional approaches by an optometrist and a social worker in order to achieve better patient outcomes for patients in need of visual rehabilitation.

4:10 PM  Closing
Institute of Salus University. Dr. Minhas is currently an instructor in primary care and low vision.

ERIN KENNY, OD ‘15, FAAO
Dr. Erin Kenny received her bachelor’s degree in Biological Sciences from the University of Pittsburgh. Upon graduation, Dr. Kenny obtained her Doctor of Optometry from Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry. She completed her residency at The Eye Institute in Low Vision and is a fellow of the American Academy of Optometry. In 2016, she received the William Feinbloom Low Vision Award and the Alfred A. Rosenbloom, Jr. Low Vision Residency Award. Dr. Kenny is currently a faculty member at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry, which includes a role as a clinical instructor in primary care and low vision.

JAMES LEWIS, MD
Dr. James Lewis is a board-certified ophthalmologist with fellowship training in cornea, external disease, and anterior segment surgery. A member of the Wills Eye Surgical Network since 1996, Dr. Lewis is a graduate of Princeton University and Thomas Jefferson Medical College, where he won awards in Ophthalmology and Research. He has an active clinical practice in which he performs cataract, LASIK, corneal transplantation as well as minimally invasive glaucoma surgery. His research includes new techniques for the diagnosis and management of allergy and dry eye. He currently serves as director of cataract, LASIK, and corneal surgery at The Eye Institute of Salus University.

BHAWAN MINHAS, OD, FAAO
Originally from Canada and a graduate of the Illinois College of Optometry, Dr. Bhawan Minhas completed her residency training in primary care at The Eye Institute of Salus University. Dr. Minhas is currently an assistant professor at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry. She is the director of on-campus residency programs at The Eye Institute and works with both the traditional and scholars program students. She works closely with the residents and concentrates in primary care, emergency and ocular disease management.

CARLO PELINO, OD ‘94, FAAO
Dr. Carlo Pelino serves as chief of The Eye Institute’s Chestnut Hill satellite practice. As a member of the clinical faculty at Salus University Pennsylvania College of Optometry for over 21 years, Dr. Pelino finds the opportunity to serve the Chestnut Hill community’s vision care needs to be very rewarding. He earned his Doctor of Optometry in 1994 from the Pennsylvania College of Optometry, and completed his residency training with an emphasis on ocular disease at the John F. Kennedy Memorial Hospital in Philadelphia. Following his residency, Dr. Pelino completed a clinical fellowship in vitreo-retinal diseases. Dr. Pelino is a fellow in the American Academy of Optometry. He lectures extensively on external and internal ocular diseases.

MICHAEL PRO, MD
Dr. Michael Pro completed his medical internship at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, NJ and Ophthalmology Residency at the New York Eye & Ear Infirmary where he was chief resident, graduating in 2005. He is an associate surgeon at Wills Eye Hospital and an assistant professor at Thomas Jefferson Medical College. In addition to surgical and clinical training of the clinical Fellows, Dr. Pro is involved in resident glaucoma education. Dr. Pro is a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology, the American Glaucoma Society, and the Pennsylvania Medical Society. He is also a past President of the Greater Philadelphia Ophthalmic Society. His expertise includes all types of glaucoma treatment and surgeries, and his research interests include novel glaucoma surgical techniques and devices.

VIRGINIA SCOTT, MSW
Ms. Virginia Scott has been blind for 34 years. After being diagnosed with retinitis pigmentosa at the age of 15, her retinas began detaching. She underwent multiple cryosurgeries and other procedures. After her retreat from surgery, she began vocational rehabilitation. Five months after completing the vocational rehabilitation program, she was hired to assist the rehabilitation instructors in training other visually impaired individuals. She began peer-counseling work at Wills Eye Hospital, where she contributed to aiding the visually impaired population. In May 1992, she received an associate’s degree in Mental Health and a Gerontology certification. She then transferred to Temple University, where she received her bachelor’s degree in Social Work. In 1996, she received her master’s degree in Social Work. Currently, she is a social worker at the William Feinbloom Vision Rehabilitation Center at The Eye Institute of Salus University.

STEPHEN SINCLAIR, MD
Dr. Stephen Sinclair is a vitreoretinal surgeon with an expertise in biophysics of retinal blood flow and vision. After finishing medical school at Harvard, ophthalmology residency at Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary, and vitreo-retinal surgery fellowship at the Medical College of Wisconsin, Dr. Sinclair spent eight years as assistant professor of Ophthalmology and head of the vitreo-retinal service at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania. He then began a new department at Hahnemann University as Professor of Ophthalmology, and then spent six years as vice-chairman continuing his clinical, teaching and research activities. He continues as adjunct professor of Ophthalmology at Drexel University, teaching while also lecturing worldwide. Dr. Sinclair has invented several ophthalmic devices and medications for treating a number of ocular diseases.

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