The New Arizona Medical Eye Unit in Action!

We couldn’t be more proud of the Arizona Medical Eye Unit (AMEU) as it continues the mission across Arizona. We congratulate the Arizona Ophthalmological Society Ophthalmologists who volunteer their time for this project.

AMEU Clinics through April, 2017:

January 14–Florence, Caliente, Vinay Dewan, M.D.
January 21–Willcox, Ajay Sanan, M.D.
January 28–Ajo, Lawrence Kahn, M.D.
February 2–Gila Bend, Ann Bullington, M.D.
February 27–28, Bisbee Lansing Brown, M.D.
March 2–Nogales, Karl Rosen, M.D
March 23–Oracle, Brock Bakewell, M.D.
March 27–Salome, Anuradha Paturi, M.D.
April 8–Arivaca, Richard Marcello, M.D.

January 16–Florence, Shamil Patel, M.D.
January 23–Patagonia, Kristen Carter, M.D.
January 31–Phoenix State Capital, Robert Spurny, M.D.
February 25–Douglas, Craig Suiter, M.D.
March 18–Sunsites, Ricardo Aviles, M.D.
March 25–Oracle, Aquilla Steve Mortensen, M.D.
April 29–Overgaard, Thomas McPhee, M.D.

In 2016, AOSF funded $55,000 for ophthalmic equipment and will finally replace old with new by Dec, 2017!

Our future goals include adding a power generator to allow clinics off the power grid, mentoring new ophthalmic technicians to assist AMEU Director Greg King and to maintain the program well into the future. We continue to explore expanding the program to include elementary school vision screenings and working with medical schools allowing rural clinical experience for medical students and ophthalmology residents.
My Conversation with...Robert Spurny, M.D.

Q: How long have you been involved with AMEU?
A: I’ve been working with the AMEU every year since moving to Arizona in 1986. AMEU Clinics rotate through northern Arizona towns in the summer when families (especially children) have more free time. This creates a staffing demand when many Ophthalmologists may not be available. It became immediately apparent that AMEU Director, Greg King and I shared a love of the outdoors. This became an opportunity for both of us to help rural patients and still have some time for hiking in the cooler weather. Over the years, Greg and I became welcome summer visitors for returning patients who look forward to our annual visit.

Q: What keeps you motivated to continue volunteering?
A: I value the relationships that developed with local people across many small towns over time. The trust and respect that develops from patients who know my time and talents are donated to help their community is rewarding. I seek to understand local political views each year. This allows an accurate representation of their concerns through my position as the AZ Ophthalmology Political Action Chair (OPAC) and my national lobbying efforts at the AAO-Mid-Year Forum. As an AOS Foundation Board member, my goal is to see the AMEU remain viable well into the future. There is no substitute for a hands on eye exam by a Board Certified Ophthalmologist!

Q: Do you have any compelling patient stories to tell?
A: Every clinic offers at least one patient struggling with recently declining vision without a diagnosis. The value of an AMEU exam is the opportunity to see experienced Ophthalmologists who are able to make a correct diagnosis and arrange timely care with the closest appropriately trained provider. The results range from a simple improvement in glasses to a miraculous prevention of blindness. It is very gratifying for all.

Q: How do you manage your private practice when you are away?
A: I keep my cell phone close allowing my patients direct access, when needed. For emergencies, which are fortunately rare, I have colleagues that are able to help my patients requiring urgent eye care.

Q: How did you come up with the idea for the “King’s Cup”?
A: The King’s Cup honors AMEU Director, Greg King. I was wondering how to contribute to the 2015 annual fundraising campaign while at a sports store featuring custom trophies. This led to the idea of a trophy for the Top Golf competition to stimulate competitive giving. Competitions to win the King’s Cup offer annual “bragging rights” for the winner(s).
## Statement of Activities

**AOSFND – AOS Foundation**  
For the Year Ended December 31, 2016

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Save the Date!!

AOS Foundation Casino Night

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 30th
5:00pm - 10:00pm
All proceeds benefit the AOS/AZ Lions Medical Eye Unit

LOCATION
Hilton Scottsdale Resort & Villas
6333 N. Scottsdale Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85250

ENTERTAINMENT BY:

GREAT PRIZES
To be won!

RAFFLES & AUCTION

AOS Foundation | 810 W Bethany Home Rd Phoenix, AZ 85013
a 501(c)(3) component of the Arizona Community Foundation
Next year will be the 40th Anniversary of the Arizona Medical Eye Unit! We plan to celebrate this event through the theme “What the AMEU means to me…” We are acquiring patient comments from clinics this year, but also ask AOS volunteer Ophthalmologists to share their most compelling patient stories from the clinics they have served.

As we shift our current focus from equipment to operational needs, AOSF seeks assistance for Casino Night 2017:

**Saturday, September 30, 2017 at 5pm—Hilton Scottsdale**

We offer a fun, casual event to attract a wide variety of people. Please consider supporting our effort to drive ticket sales, raffle tickets and silent auction bidding. You can help through advance individual/group ticket sales for yourself, family, friends or to reward key office staff. Any assistance for Raffle or Silent Auction items is appreciated. To make the event exciting, we seek items that might entice a bid, such as; services (massage, hair style), gift/discount cards, electronic devices and experiences (private dining, rafting, ballooning, wine tasting class, vacation rentals...etc.). A list of gift basket ideas follows to stimulate ideas for “creative people” that wish to make their own basket, or for direct purchase. All sponsors and donations will be recognized through our website and newsletters. If you would like to help, please contact me: jpedelstein@cox.net. Thank you for your consideration.

**AOS Foundation Gift Basket Ideas**

**Dog/pet**
[https://barkbox.com/gift/plan](https://barkbox.com/gift/plan)

**Pamper Me Spa**

**Coffee lovers Starbucks basket**

**Margarita**

**Chocolate**

**Movie night**
[https://store.harkins.com/packages/indexwide/3](https://store.harkins.com/packages/indexwide/3)

**Tailgaters**

**BBQ**

**Picnic**

**Auto Detailing**
[http://www.cnautodetailing.com](http://www.cnautodetailing.com)

**Man Baskets**
Our Donors and Volunteers are the Best!!!
AOSF Charity Event, Sept 24, 2016

Individual Donors

Volunteers
MidWestern University Ophthalmology Club
Thomas Seymour, Manasa Sagaram, Caleb Mayes, Kaelin Bernier, Xiaoxuan Dai

KAB the Band (Scott LeComte, Mark Moffatt, Pat Redl, Eric Jones, Jon Ruterman)
Dennis Schimansky, Jeff Hinton, Elijah LeComte, Lauri Johnson, Shauna Mote, Karen Morabito, Patrice Hand, Joni Bowers
Please Support our Corporate Donors
AOSF Casino Night 2016

Arizona Diamondbacks
Arizona Cardinals
Arizona Coyotes
Arizona Lions Vision Center
Bath & Body Works
The Bike Shop
Biltmore Lions Club
Clean Slate
Eye Physicians & Surgeons of Arizona
Fogo De Chao GC
George Reiss, MD PC
GiveSmart
Hacienda del Sol
Hub Bar & Grille
Jeffrey Paul Edelstein, MD, Ltd
Lorenzen Foundation
Network for Good
Ophthalmic Intruments, Inc
Panera Bread
Phoenix Ophthalmological Society
Red Flower
Retinal Consultants of Arizona
Starbucks
Sidewinders Subs
Topcon Medical Systems
Jerry Mitchell Leather
Villages Racquet Club
The new AMEU trailer will be a lasting legacy to your generous donations. Our work to support the program continues!

2017 AOS Foundation Donations

Your donation will maintain rural access to medical eye care for future generations.

My 2017 AOSF Pledge/Donation: _____________________________

Online donation: www.aosfoundation.org

Check:
Please make payable to AOS Foundation and mail:
2201 East Camelback Road, Suite 405B, Phoenix, Arizona 85016

Check#______________Amount______

Credit Card:  
Visa ( )  MasterCard ( )  AMEX ( )  Other:___________

Card #__________________________________________
Exp: ______/_____  CVC#: __________

Equity, Bond or In-kind Donations:

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AOSF Contact: Patrice Hand: 602–347–6901–email: Patrice@azmed.org

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