



AMERICAN ACADEMY  
*of* OPTOMETRY  
ARIZONA CHAPTER

## *Spring Meeting: March 11, 2023*

6-hours of COPE-accredited CE, with keynote speaker Austin R. Lifferth, OD, FAAO.  
This activity is approved by COPE (Activity ID 125261) for continuing education for optometrists

### Schedule of Events

8:15 am	Registration Begins: <b>Cholla Hall D</b>
9:00 am - 10:50 am	<b>Keys to Preserving Vision in Glaucoma*</b> COPE ID: 78758-GL Austin R. Lifferth, OD, FAAO, Diplomate (Glaucoma)
10:50 am - 11:00 am	<i>Break</i>
11:00 am - 11:05 am	American Academy of Optometry Foundation (AAOF) Programs Valerie Sharpe, OD, FAAO President-Elect, AAOF
11:05 am - 11:55 am	<b>When Good Drugs Go Bad: Ocular Adverse Drug Reactions</b> COPE ID: 82111-PH Tammy Than, MS, OD, FAAO
11:55 am - 12:10 pm	How to Become a Fellow Valerie Sharpe, OD, FAAO
12:10 pm - 1:10 pm	Lunch / Business Meeting
1:10 pm - 3:00 pm	<b>Glaucoma and Ocular Surface Disease—Frenemies for Life*</b> COPE ID: 80852-GL Austin R. Lifferth, OD, FAAO, Diplomate (Glaucoma)
3:00 pm - 3:10 pm	<i>Break</i>
3:10pm - 3:15 pm	Benefits of Fellowship Valerie Sharpe, OD, FAAO
3:15pm - 4:05 pm	<b>Arizona Chapter Presents Grand Rounds 2023</b> COPE ID: 82143-TD Sydni Davis Farhat, OD, FAAO and Jenny La, OD, FAAO

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**Hosted By** **Midwestern University, Arizona College of Optometry**  
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# Registration

All attendees must pre-register at:

<https://AZAAOSpringmeeting2023.eventbrite.com>

Registration Deadline: **February 28, 2022**

Registration Fee:

Chapter Members**	Free
Arizona Residency Trainees	Free
Non-Members	\$200
Students	\$15

\*\* *Chapter Members*: Fellow of the Academy and/or Candidate for Fellowship residing in Arizona who have paid annual Chapter dues. If you are a Fellow of the Academy or Candidate for Fellowship and would like to become a member, please visit our website for more information.

**CE Tracking**: To obtain your CE credit hours, you **must** download the free OE Tracker App from iTunes or Google Play to your smart phone or tablet. You will need your OE Tracker number or ABRO log-in information to sign into the app. If needed, you can find this information at <https://www.arbo.org/oetracker/mobile>.

**Course Handouts**: Course Handouts will not be printed. An email with a Dropbox link to course handouts will be sent a few days prior to the meeting.

**Cancellation Policy**: All cancellation requests must be in writing (email is acceptable). Cancellation requests must be received by 02/28/2023 to receive 100% refund of the registration fee (less a \$25 cancellation fee). No refunds will be issued 03/01/2023 or later.

## For more information

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# Speakers

## **Austin R. Lifferth, OD, FAAO, Diplomate (Glaucoma)**

Dr. Lifferth graduated from Indiana University School of Optometry in 2003 and completed a post-graduate residency in ocular disease at the Huntington, West Virginia Veterans Affairs Medical Center 2003-2004. Since that time, he has practiced in an ophthalmology co-management center for several years at Bennett & Bloom Eye Centers, a hospital-based setting at The Villages, Florida Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic, and is now back home again in Indiana as a consultative optometrist with an emphasis in glaucoma management at Center for Sight & Dry Eye Institute in Carmel, Indiana. Dr. Lifferth is a fellow of the American Academy of Optometry, a Glaucoma Diplomate of the American Academy of Optometry, and is a member of the Optometric Glaucoma Society.

## **Tammy Pifer Than, MS, OD, FAAO**

Dr. Than received her Doctorate of Optometry from Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, TN. She then completed a residency in Primary Care with an emphasis in ocular disease in Tahlequah, OK. She also has a Master of Science degree in physical chemistry. Dr. Than most recently worked as a staff optometrist at the Carl Vinson VA Medical Center in Dublin, Georgia. Prior to this she was a professor at the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Optometry. Dr. Than currently is co-founder and co-owner of Whole Coaching where she is combining her background in pathology of systemic disease and passion for wellness in helping others live more active, healthy lives. She publishes in several of the optometric journals and lectures nationally on various subjects including therapeutics, dermatology, and ophthalmic lasers. Dr. Than is a fellow of the American Academy of Optometry. Dr. Than received the Southern Council of Optometrists 2022 Distinguished Service Award and the AOA Educator of the Year award in 2015. She is a past recipient of the UAB President's Teaching Award and has received numerous teaching awards. Dr. Than was inducted into the American Academy of Optometry Hall of Fame in October 2022.

## **Jenny La, OD, FAAO**

Dr. La graduated with her Bachelor of Science in Biology from Arizona State University and then completed her Doctor of Optometry at UC Berkeley. She returned to Arizona for an ocular disease and low vision residency at the Southern Arizona VA Health Care System in Tucson, AZ. She then became a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry in 2022 and she currently practices at Barnett Dulaney Perkins Eye Center.

## **Sydni Davis Farhat, OD, FAAO**

Dr. Davis, a Missouri native, is a graduate of the University of Missouri – St. Louis (UMSL), where she received a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology. She then earned her Doctor of Optometry degree from UMSL's College of Optometry. Dr. Davis was also a member of the UMSL Chapters of Gold Key International Optometric Honor Society and Beta Sigma Kappa Honor Society. Dr. Davis completed her postdoctoral residency in Cornea and Contact Lenses at the Midwestern University Eye Institute and subsequently stayed on faculty at the Arizona College of Optometry full time as Assistant Professor. Dr. Davis' clinical interests include specialty contact lenses, ocular prosthetics, primary care, and ocular disease.