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President's Report 2006–07
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF OPTOMETRY



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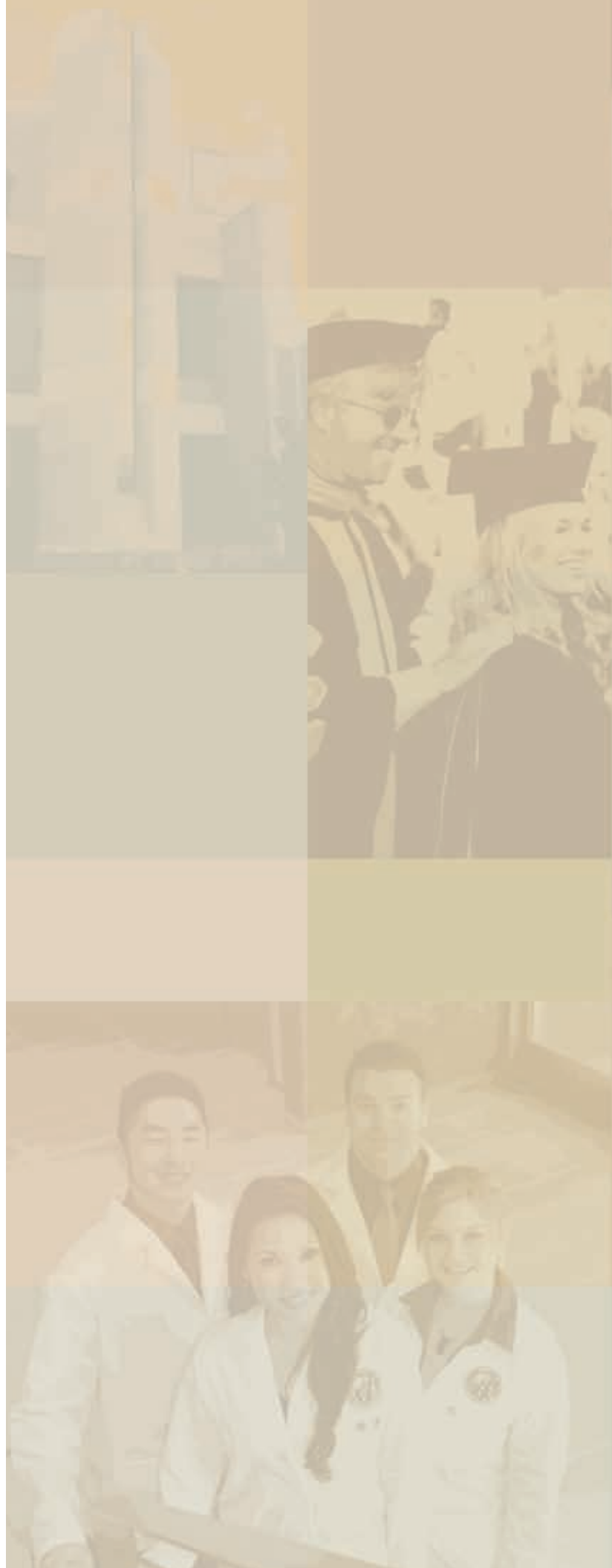
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Southern California
College of Optometry

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INTERVIEW: PRESIDENT LES WALLS

Looking Back; Looking Ahead

A strong academic program and financial stability were two key components that were in place when Les Walls, O.D., M.D., D.O.S., became the sixth president of the Southern California College of Optometry (SCCO). Dr. Walls took the helm of the third oldest of the U.S. schools and colleges of optometry on July 1, 1997.

The College's campus-based clinical program and its outreach clinical programs were then, and remain today, unequalled in vision care education.

Today, Dr. Walls and the College are in transition. He has announced his retirement and a formal Presidential Search is underway. What follows is an interview with Dr. Walls to discuss the accomplishments at the College during his decade of leadership.

Indeed, Dr. Walls, in concert with the members of the Board of Trustees, has grown the College via initiating innovative financial strategies; building consensus among all constituencies; establishing connections with students, alumni, faculty, administrators and staff; growing financial assets; and investing in the people who make SCCO great.

"As President, Dr. Les Walls has helped the organization make terrific strides in its facilities, governance, fundraising, friend raising and in celebrating its rich history. Clearly, he and Mary Ann have made a significant contribution to SCCO, and as he retires, he will be leaving the institution stronger, better and with a brighter future than when he arrived. The SCCO Family is indebted to him for his achievements."

Wayne D. Wedin, M.S.
President, Wedin
Enterprises, Inc.
Trustee, SCCO, 1996 to
present; Chairman,
2002-04
Centennial Honoree,
SCCO, 2004



Dr. Walls, what accomplishment at the College, in the past 10 years, are you most proud?

There are so many things that we've accomplished that I almost don't know where to start. But, I think if I had to summarize and put it into just one thing, it would be the successful fundraising that we've had over the last 10 years and what we've been able to ac-

complish with the funds that we have raised.

When I came here 10 years ago, there were plans for a new academic center, a library and classrooms. Those plans were already on the drawing board, but so much of the rest of the campus needed upgrading because it had been here since '73 and very little had been done to it. The College's Trustees were very supportive in working with me and the staff of our fine Advancement Department to put together a capital campaign with the idea that the crown jewel of the campus should be the clinic.

The first phase of construction of the academic center, I had very little to do with because that was already on the drawing board and it was already funded. The problem was that the College had never really had a capital campaign and we had exhausted our resources for capital improvements. So to renovate the rest of the campus we had to do some fundraising. And that has been just an incredible amount of fun for me and I think it has helped the institution.

We worked with a consultant to get the plans and things going — write our case statement and to get underway. But, the key to success was building relationships. It all revolved around building relationships with the ophthalmic industry, philanthropic organizations and especially reconnecting with our alumni to see if there were folks out there who were excited enough about this institution that they might want to help.

And so a whole bunch of things happened and some of them were my ideas but not very many. Most of it came from a team effort. I made some trips around the country and visited with some members

“Three key elements have come together — the common bond of pride in SCCO, the opportunity to gather with colleagues in a small, informal group setting, and being able to meet with SCCO President Walls — that provide a winning combination for the Evenings with the President initiative. Overall, the friend-raising aspect of this Council of Regents-inspired program continues to be a huge success thanks to Les Walls.”

Mark M. Morris, O.D., '63
*Private Practitioner, retired
SCCO Alumni Association,
President, 1992–94
Trustee, SCCO, 1992–94
Council of Regents, SCCO,
1998 to present
Distinguished Alumnus of
the Year, SCCO, 2005
Benefactor, Council of
Regents Endowed
Achievement Award, 2002*

of the ophthalmic industry and that was very helpful as we received some money and support from them. I made trips and visited with philanthropic organizations and foundations and we did okay with that.

But the thing that was the most satisfying to me was building alumni relations. What I found when I got here is that the alumni were very proud that they graduated from this institution, and so the idea of connecting and reconnecting with them on a very personal level, not just with the *Alumniscope Magazine* or by someone from the College giving a lecture in their community — but to really connect with them, was going to be key to our success on so many levels.

So we started our endeavor, Evenings with the President, where we go out once or twice a month to visit with alumni. We literally have gone all over the country. We've held thirty-some gatherings in areas such as Arizona, Utah, Washington State, and Washington, D.C. If I had a meeting outside of Southern California we would contact an alumnus there and organize a reception in their home. The key thing was not just meeting with the alumni but also with their spouses.

What we found was that alumni were looking for reasons to support SCCO, but they were not going to do it unless their spouse was comfortable with it as well. During these gatherings I would try to give a 15-minute presentation because you're in someone's home and you don't want to bore them to death. I was amazed at how many times, with the questions and the interactions, that the talk would go way over an hour because our guests were hungry for information about this institution. And having the spouses there to see, participate, touch and feel what we were

trying to accomplish I think made it easier for them to make decisions on how to help us. As I recall, during the very first year of the program, we received more than \$250,000 in contributions to help support our capital campaign — and that's a roaring success!

The other thing that these receptions helped support was our Annual Fund. We learned that people who we had touched personally in this kind of venue were much more likely to support the College with a financial gift during the Annual Fund.

The Evenings with the President were tremendously effective. And I'm very proud of that because, to me, building relationships with the alumni has been the most fun and, I think, the most rewarding of all. Now, everywhere I go I have people come up and tell me how proud they are of this institution, of what it has accomplished, and they're most complimentary to me when sometimes I think it happened in spite of me. Things have gone very, very well.

That's a long answer, but I think if I had to just put it down into one or two sentences I would say that fundraising to finish the renovation of the campus, beyond what was already on the books when I got here, is the capstone of everything I've been able to accomplish in my 40 years in education.



President Walls with the Chairman of SCCO's Board of Trustees Charles A. Munson, C.P.A.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

I have known Dr. Les Walls through our mutual involvement with the Association of Schools and Colleges of Optometry for more than 20 years, going back to when he was the Dean at Northeastern State University College of Optometry in Oklahoma and served as President of ASCO while I was chair of the Student Affairs Council, through his years as Dean at Pacific University College of Optometry and finally, the last 11 years as SCCO's president. He came to SCCO with the reputation of being a "students' dean." His tenure here has strengthened that reputation.

He welcomes students to the profession of optometry and the College Family with open arms and a generous heart, whether it's with tours of his office accompanied by country and western music, flipping hamburgers at orientation barbecues, lecturing to them in the Clinical Medicine courses and sharing his own health secrets, or hosting them in his home. He instituted programs to improve relationships with the students; one was the quarterly President's Forum the other, Business Dining. The President's Forum provides for the open exchange of information between the administration, faculty and student leadership. Through the Business Etiquette program, students learn how to manage the ins and outs of professional meetings, receptions and elegant dinners.

Dr. Walls' dedication to students and his interest in assisting them to become the very best optometrists and health care providers they can be is unquestionable. From day one, he has always emphasized the importance of ethical and professional behavior and promised students his absolute support. He will truly be missed.

Lorraine I. Voorhees, O.D., M.S., '71
Vice President of Student Affairs

You've met with more than 400 alumni through the Evenings with the President and hundreds of alumni via continuing education courses. What's your impression of SCCO's alumni?

One thing absolutely consistent with our alumni is the incredible success they have enjoyed in optometry and the success they've had in contributing to their communities. Even further, the success they've enjoyed in being leaders within the profession — they're society, state and council presidents; they're in the AOA structure and one has served as AOA President. I think this level of service exceeds what any other school has ever done as far as producing highly professional, highly qualified, highly successful Doctors of Optometry that take care of patients and take care of

their communities and their profession.

You've appointed the Council of Regents, alumni representing nine states, how's that working?

This is a group of people who have demonstrated incredible loyalty to this institution and who want to be active in seeing it go forward. The Council provides a great way to keep alumni involved with the institution and for us to communicate with them. When we need assistance in a particular geographical area, whether it's for hosting an Evening with the President or whatever it is, we call and these alums step forward and help us tremendously. The members are leaders within the profession who really want to help the College succeed!

SCCO is accredited by two organizations. The College is accredited professionally and nationally by the Accreditation Council on Optometric Education (ACOE) of the American Optometric Association, and regional accreditation is held from the Accrediting Commission for Senior Colleges and Universities of the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC). During your time at SCCO, you've been through two self-studies and accreditation site-visits by both organizations. What would you say about the College and its history of accreditation?

The Accreditation Council on Optometric Education, the organization that awards us our ability to grant an O.D. degree so that our students can get a license

"True leadership requires the ability to effectively listen. As I have worked with Dr. Walls on a number of issues concerning students, I have been impressed by his willingness to listen to people on various sides of an issue prior to making a decision."

W. Craig Poulter,
Class of 2008
President, SCCO Student
Association, 2006-07

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Dr. Walls has brought many important changes to the College during his tenure term as president. His impact on the teaching program is one example of the positive contributions he has made. As a physician who loves teaching, Dr. Walls has actively participated in the Clinical Medicine I and II courses taught to the first- and second-professional-year students. His knowledge of basic pathophysiology and systemic disease derives from his experiences as a family doctor in Ohio, as well as his career in academic medicine at the University of Oklahoma, School of Medicine.

Students enjoy his knowledge and teaching style, which reflects his rural upbringing as well as his medical practice experiences in small Midwest towns. Dr. Walls is not only popular with optometry students but is frequently invited to teach continuing education courses throughout the country. Taking the time from his presidential responsibilities to serve as a classroom teacher is a contribution that is highly valued by students and faculty colleagues. The opportunity for the president to be involved in the teaching program enhances his ties with the community and enriches the professional education experience of our students.

Morris S. Berman, O.D., M.S.
Vice President and Dean of Academic Affairs

after they get out of here, is very important. The ACOE is critical to our existence. I've been in two other optometry programs as a Dean before I came here as President, and this program has the cleanest accreditation record I have ever seen with absolutely no deficiencies or concerns from the accrediting body. To inherit a program like this, and to go through two different accreditations during my tenure at SCCO, and to have such a clean, absolutely trouble-free program that is accredited to the highest level by both organizations is amazing, nothing short of amazing. I'm very proud of every member of the SCCO Family for contributing to the success of our outstanding accreditation history.

You've had the opportunity to work with a Board of Trustees that consists of optometrists and non-optometrists. Talk about that experience.

If I could just sum it up in one sentence I would say it's the best group of people I have ever worked with.

It's an outstanding Board of Trustees and the composition of the Board by the bylaws of the College require that we have one more non-optometrist than optometrist and that way you avoid the appearance of the fox guarding the hen house, if you will. And so we have a group of business people and a group of optometrists who serve on our Board and they do a great job. These wonderful people have the best interests of this institution at heart. They're good business people, they hold my feet to the fire to make good business decisions, and to protect the financial integrity of the institution. And they set policies that are very reasonable and then they stay out of the way, they allow the administration to carry out the policies. It's just an incredibly high quality group of individuals and they're all different, they all have different personalities. Every two years I get a new Board Chairman, and I have never had any two that think, act, or behave the same. They're all a challenge, and the reason they're a challenge is because they want this institution to go forward.

Share with us your impression of SCCO's faculty.

The bottom line is that we have an outstanding faculty and we have a very stable faculty. We have faculty who are leaders in the profession. They're respected members on the National Board of Examiners where they actually put the credentialing tests to-





Members of the Council of Regents attended an October 2007 meeting with President Walls on the College's Fullerton campus. Pictured with Dr. Walls are (clockwise from the top right): Robert J. Maynard, O.D., '67, Phoenix, AZ; William H. Simons, O.D., '82, Helena, MT; Sheila F. Anderson, O.D., '88, Baltimore, MD; Ann M. Johannsen, O.D., '82, Claremont, CA; Larry J. Bonderud, O.D., '75, Shelby, MT; and Donald E. Jarnagin, O.D., '70, Glendale, AZ.

that is second to none. SCCO students are bright and energetic.

Today's students also think differently than the traditional generation. Generational thinking is so important to recognize in order to understand that the wishes, wants and desires are different between generations. We've found that communication is key to successful relationships between senior doctors and new graduates, especially when an associateship or practice purchase is being discussed. And I'm seeing the effects of good communication. New graduates

"Working together for the past 10 years in the Clinical Medicine courses, I can confidently say that President Walls genuinely loves teaching. He is a consummate speaker and above all, a compassionate person. He is indeed a 'students' president,' fostering an environment whereby the students are inclined to succeed."

Judy W.H. Tong, O.D., '91
Assistant Professor, SCCO,
1993 to present
Director of Residencies,
SCCO
Course Coordinator, Clinical
Medicine I & II

together for the nation. They are entrusted with teaching tomorrow's practitioners through our four-year program, as well as teaching today's doctors through continuing education courses.

We have a wonderful, insightful faculty. What I see is stability in the faculty and that usually says something because if faculty are unhappy they look for a position someplace else or they leave and go into private practice. The accreditation organizations were very complimentary regarding our faculty noting that they are very stable; they are a caring group who are dedicated to teaching and to the profession; they're very happy; and, they do a wonderful job.

You've been in the classroom here for 10 years, in addition to your Presidential role, what changes have you seen in the students?

Well, I'm glad I'm not applying to optometry school again, because I think if I were competing with the students we are accepting today, I would not be able to get in. The quality of the students continues to be outstanding. We have a well-rounded student body

CLINICAL AFFAIRS

A top priority for President Walls when he assumed the presidency at SCCO was the upgrading of the campus-based Eye Care Center. In the early years of his tenure, Dr. Walls had other priorities to complete; however, he doggedly moved ahead to secure funding for what would be a \$9-million renovation and expansion of the 31-year-old facility. The ambitious project answered the College's ongoing desire to offer the best available clinical experience to students, patients and faculty.

The renovation of the Eye Care Center was a collaborative effort of the SCCO faculty involved in clinical education. Their expertise was invaluable in the design of the facility as it relates to the education of our interns and to patient-care priorities. The end result is a world-class facility for patient care, clinical education and research.

Now, some three years later, the spirit of the renovation process continues due to changes in technology and our desire to lead the profession as the vision care resource for the community and for our health care colleagues. Supporting those changes is Dr. Walls and the members of the Board of Trustees who work diligently to enhance the Eye Care Center's mission of excellence.

John H. Nishimoto, O.D., M.B.A., '87
Vice President and Dean of Clinical Affairs

are, more than I was told would happen, going into private practice earlier than they used to.

And you mentioned the classroom — I always said that if I left practice to go into education that no matter what my job was, I would never quit teaching and so I've enjoyed lecturing to the students in various areas in the curriculum. Bottom line — our students are wonderful.

You created a President's Forum, tell us about that.

"During my close association with Les, I've learned that he is a compassionate humanitarian of unyielding integrity, a creative visionary with a thrust for knowledge, and one who brings his ideas to fruition. Our endeavors encompass the advancement of visual therapy nationally and internationally, and courses from The Studt Foundation added to the College's curriculum. I'm honored that his family makes me feel like one of them."

Donald E. Studt, O.D., '51
Co-Founder, The Studt Foundation, 1975
Heritage Award, College of Optometrists in Vision Development, 2000
Meritorious Service Award, SCCO, 2004
Distinguished Benefactor, Studt Center for Vision Therapy, SCCO, Eye Care Center, 2004
Centennial Honoree, SCCO, 2004
Life Achievement Award, Optometric Extension Program, 2005

Well, one of the things that's easy for a President to do is to hide in their office, and behind their desk and never really have a meaningful interaction with anybody else on campus. I don't operate that way. It's important that I touch base with every constituent and I do several things in that regard. I try to call employees by name when I see them when I'm walking around and as many students as I can I call by name. It's hard for me to know all 385 students but I do the best I can. And so it's important, I think, for people not to picture me sitting in the office doing whatever a President does, but that I'm a real person. And that's one of the reasons I like to lecture to the students, and to show up in the Eye Care Center to help students see patients.

One of the things that I thought was important, because most students do not know the President of a pri-

vate college, was to have regular meetings with the student leadership. So I did a couple of things.

I put together a group that I call the President's Forum and it's an open session for which we keep no records, no minutes. It's a no-holds-barred meeting with the student leaders and we just talk about issues with the idea that if you do this, many times you can make a pre-emptive strike, if you will, to nip problems in the bud. So I have regular meetings with all the Class Presidents and the Student Association President, and other leaders and bring in our Vice

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

Under the leadership and guidance of President Walls, the College's total assets have grown to \$69.8 million, up more than \$26 million since he arrived on campus in 1997.

Among his challenges of the past decade, President Walls was faced with funding the capital improvement needs of an aging campus.

Just two months prior to his arrival, the College borrowed the proceeds of a \$16 million Series B bond issuance. This funding assisted in constructing a library and lecture hall building and a parking structure, remodeling existing buildings, acquiring student and faculty housing in the vicinity of the campus, and other improvements. The bonds were issued at an effective fixed-interest rate of 6.26%.

In 2004, the College issued \$23.6 million in new Certificates of Participation with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Fullerton at a premium of \$1.1 million. This funding retired the 1997 Series B outstanding bonds and reimbursed the College for re-constructing its Eye Care Center, remodeling other campus buildings and acquiring condominiums for student and faculty housing. The bonds were issued at a fixed yield of 3.26% for three years and then changed to auction-rate securities with a variable-interest rate.

In 2006, with the market at a 30-year low, the outstanding bonds were successfully remarketed with a fixed, effective yield of 4.37%. The bonds were sold at a premium of \$1.1 million with estimated gross savings of \$1.5 million.

Thanks to the leadership of Dr. Walls, the College is at the forefront in the profession by having state-of-the-art facilities that were funded by low-interest-rate borrowings and generous donor contributions. With this prudent money management, the College is able to maintain its cash and investment reserves and continue to earn additional income through wise investing.

Lisa K. Albers, C.P.A.
Vice President of Financial Affairs and Chief Financial Officer



Members of the Class of 2008 with Dr. Walls are (l-r): Weston Barney, Richfield, UT; Kelsey Barnes, Pella, IA; and Jennifer Jung, Smithville, MO.

President for Student Affairs, Vice President and Dean for Clinical Affairs, and Vice President and Dean for Academic Affairs, and we just have an open session and the students have really liked that.

And so did our accrediting body. They had never heard about anything like the President's Forum, where the students really had direct access to administration at the highest level. And so that has worked very well.

The other thing that I do, because I feel it is important, is to help students understand how to handle themselves after they graduate. They're going to be invited to Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club meetings; they'll be active in church and religious organizations; there will be others perhaps sitting on a Foundation Board; there are a whole bunch of things they will do. They will be operating a business, they're going to be buying homes, land and practices, and they'll be building buildings. I think it's very important that our students know how to act in these settings and so I started a regular event I called Business Etiquette.

We invite a consultant who is really an expert in this area to join my Administrative Assistant, Linda Stoddart, and Vice President for Student Affairs, Dr. Lorraine Voorhees. We bring 30 to 40 people into my office and we have a full evening, including dinner. We discuss such things as the importance of an R.S.V.P. and what is an adequate response, and

what's appropriate attire for different events. We talk to them about how to work a room and interact with the people. How to eat food — I mean how do you have messy finger food and hold a drink and this and that without being clumsy at the same time and then, what do you do when you have food on your hand and you need to greet someone and shake their hand? It's just nuts and bolts stuff that we do and I think that makes a difference in helping the people when they get out into practice. It's also another way for me to connect on a *very* personal level, around a meal, with a large group of students. So those are the types of things that I've enjoyed doing.

SCCO is a private, non-profit, independent, educational institution that does not seek, nor receive any direct government funding for its operations. During the past decade, the College's total assets have grown to approximately \$70 million. Describe some of the creative financial things that you did with gifts of land, for instance, that resulted in sizable returns.

"Dr. Walls has been supportive of California Optometry long before he became president of SCCO. In 1995, while dean of the Pacific College of Optometry, he volunteered to assist in California Optometry's legislative efforts to obtain therapeutic drug privileges. He continues to work tirelessly on behalf of our profession. His legacy will be the changes in curriculum, inter-professional relations and clinical training and facilities."

Robert L. Gordon, O.D., '71
Private Practitioner,
Encino, CA
President, California
Optometric Association,
1989
Founder, California Vision
Project, 1989
Board of Directors, Vision
USA, 1990–92, 1994–97
Associate Professor, SCCO,
1991 to present
Optometrist of the Year,
California Optometric
Association, 1996
Distinguished Practitioner,
National Academies of
Practice, 1997
Distinguished Alumnus,
SCCO, 1998
Council of Regents, SCCO,
2000 to present
Centennial Honoree,
SCCO, 2004



ADVANCEMENT

Les Walls is a storyteller. Sometimes he talks about his humble beginnings in California's Central Valley as the son of a migrant worker. This punctuates the fact that optometry, as a profession, is open to anyone with the focus and dedication to pursue a doctorate degree.

Sometimes he talks about the nervous first-year student who inadvertently did a DNA cheek swab in her own mouth instead of his — he was the patient. This tale emphasizes the human nature of our students who, after four years of nurturing and educating at SCCO, become incredibly bright practitioners and the future strength of the profession.

Sometimes he talks about a walk on 40 flat acres in Sun City that the College received as a gift; and how the donation was developed with a partner into a residential neighborhood that netted the College \$3.5 million. This illustrates how others can provide the College with valuable assets.

Les frequently acknowledges Dr. Don Studt and Carling Childs who are million-dollar donors to the College. Don a graduate, and Carling a grateful patient, along with others, visualized the opportunity to make a difference at the College.

Les has presided over the investment of \$24 million in the College's facilities and technology over the past decade, which is quite an accomplishment. However, his real pride is with the students who recognize him as the "students' president."

To Les, creating a vigorous, challenging and supportive learning and teaching environment has always been his top priority.

*William E. Heaton Jr.
Vice President of Advancement*

Let me preface my answer by noting that SCCO's number one individual source of revenue to operate its program is tuition. Having said that, tuition represents less than half of the total operating revenue of the College. The balance of operating revenues includes contributions from individuals, alumni, corporations and foundations as well as income from endowments, investments, continuing education programs and College vision-care centers.

Secondly, we are concerned about student indebtedness and how that may adversely affect a graduate's practice choice. So — we have to be very, very careful that we balance a reasonable tuition with other funds that will help run our program and keep us less dependent on student tuition.

When I was hired in 1997, I was told by members of the College's Board of Trustees to do everything I could to hold the lid on tuition. At that time, the tuition plan that was in place raised tuition by a flat-dollar amount, so the percentage increase went down each year. We stuck with that plan the whole 10 years I've been president. It worked out to approximately three or three and a-half percent each year — less than the annual cost of living increase.

So we had to be creative in order to have adequate funds to pay our people a higher salary, buy new equipment and technology, etcetera. So how did we do that? We initiated a capital campaign. We received many nice gifts and some of it was for direct equipment support and to rebuild the campus. We also received a lot of support for scholarships. But you cannot just sit back and say, 'Hey, this is wonderful,' you have to be creative.

An example of that creativity is what happened with a donated piece of property in Sun City, California. Land surrounding our property was being developed for housing. The donated property was appraised at \$1 million. It would have been easy to

“It has been a true pleasure to be associated with a visionary who is able to pursue and change those visions into reality. Dr. Les Walls’ leadership during the past decade has made the Southern California College of Optometry more rewarding and prestigious for its students, alumni, staff, board and friends. I am grateful that I was allowed to be part of it.”

William E. Langston
Chairman Emeritus, Snyder
Langston, Inc., Irvine, CA
Distinguished Service Award,
SCCO, 2005
Benefactor, William E.
Langston Sports Vision
Award, SCCO, 2007

sell it for that amount. However, our idea was to take the gift of property, leverage it and try to get more money to help with our program. And so, we entered into a joint venture with a developer, stayed in the deal for 18 months, and instead of getting \$1 million net for the College, we received \$3.5 million.

The \$3.5 million went into investments and now we take the proceeds earned from the investments, we never spend the corpus, and put those funds back into our operating budget. This is one way to keep tuition down.

Ten years ago, tuition supported 51 percent of the College’s operating expenses. Today, that number has been

reduced to 46 percent, well below the industry target of 60 percent. I’m proud to note that we’ve enjoyed success in putting money back into the operating budget in order to control the cost of tuition. I’m very happy about that.

So you’ve talked about the students and faculty, discuss a few of the indices of success for measuring this educational program.

Accreditation is one way to measure the success of our educational program and we enjoy a full, clean accreditation by ACOE and WASC. But one of the things that people always ask is, ‘What is your rate of graduation?’ I can tell you that we have an incredibly good graduation rate. Sure, some students occasionally have to repeat a year; however, we have such a good process of bringing students into our program that the graduation rate is consistently at almost 100 percent. For the Class of 2007 it was 98 percent.

We take seriously our job of graduating competent optometrists who are ready to go into practice. How do we measure that? The National Board Examinations. Our students take national licensing exams and the results are tracked by the National Board of Examiners in Optometry. We receive cumulative data on the performance of our students and we’re always at the top of the heap. Very often we’re right at 100 percent. If we look back at the graduating classes over the history of the College, we have an incredible success rate of people who entered on day one as first-year students, graduating in four years, and becoming licensed.

Likewise, a measure of a graduate’s success is his or her repayment of student loans. Our default rate is quite low, 0.4 percent. That means 99.6 percent of our students pay their bills. This is a phenomenal number. Repayment of loans also allows us to fund new student loans. Repayment is also very important to our two accrediting agencies. The repayment history of our graduates is so consistently high — it’s just mind-boggling it’s so good.

The consistently growing award and scholarship program assists SCCO students in lowering the amount of funds they borrow to complete their education. Alumni and friends of the College continue to establish endowments that provide a variety of financial awards ranging from \$500 to \$3,500.

SCCO’s endowment program has continued to grow over the last 10 years. Can you tell us what that means to the institution?

Endowments are absolutely essential and we have grown considerably in this area. For students, our endowments support scholarships and emergency loans. They also help the institution because they help our students to have less educational debt. We’re seeing a growth not only in the dollar value of our endowments because we invest the money wisely, but we’re also seeing a large number of new endowments being established to assist our students.

Our thanks to Dr. Les Walls for sitting down and sharing with us his thoughts on the accomplishments at the College during his decade of leadership.

*William E. Heaton Jr., Vice President of Advancement
Debra J. Marks, Director of Publications
Interview conducted August 16, 2007*

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Dr. Donald E. Studt, '51

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It was clear to Duane that while tuition is comparable to what it was in the seventies — he uses the cost of an automobile then and now as a comparison — the increase in student indebtedness has increased exponentially. This was particularly true in the nineties. As a result, Duane and Terry created an endowed scholarship to assist students with financial need now and in perpetuity.

We are grateful to the deCroupets for their support and to other donors who have so generously given of their resources to advance the profession and the College.

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The Reverend Doctor Leonidas Johnson, left, is an ordained minister and a 1985 graduate of

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To further this belief, Rev. Dr. Johnson created an endowment fund that would specifically allow students to travel abroad to assist and explore the world of those less fortunate. The first recipient of the "Rev. Dr. Leonidas A. Johnson Missio Dei Service Award" was Christopher C. Cordes, O.D., '07.

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