

The California Paraoptometric Section is interested in having more volunteers serve on the section's board. Please join us in developing useful programs for our members, and to spread the word by recruiting new CPS members! Contact Kim Pantel for more information at khyam@hotmail.com.



HOW HAS BEING A CPS MEMBER HELPED IN YOUR CAREER?

We asked our California Paraoptometric Section members to share how being a CPS member has had an impact on their careers. Here is what a few of our members had to say:

"Being a member has helped me in many ways so far. The one way is that I am trying to earn credits towards my continued education for my renewal of my certification. I was able to get some materials off the Web site to read, answer questions and get credits. It was no cost to me because I was a member! I also just love all the information that they provide on the site. Thank you so much CPS!"

Amber Barron, CPO

Sierra Eyecare Associates Optometry, Valley Springs, CA

"Being a member of CPS has given me confidence. I feel a connection to my fellow members, which is a great feeling as well. Knowledge is power and as members we have many resources available to us on our Web site. Please take advantage of this."

Nannette Magnani, CPS Board Member

Front Desk, Westside Optometry, Petaluma, CA

"Being a CPS member has allowed me to advance my career through continuing education courses and other available resources, which has significantly impacted my ability to manage training and performance improvement amongst staff and have the most recent information in which to make informed decisions. CPS provides the necessary credibility to ensure that I provide patients with a high level of service."

Mary Lou Sivas, OA, CPOT, NCLC, ABOC

Office Manager, Fresno, CA



CPS Member Mary Lou Sivas consults with a patient.

"My membership in CPS has helped me to better understand how paraoptometrics can get involved and advance in their career. It has been wonderful to collaborate and share ideas with other members of CPS."

Brandi Krall, CPS Board Member

Front Office Supervisor, Southern California College of Optometry, Fullerton, CA

Are you a member of CPS and want to share your thoughts? We are looking for more of our members to share a testimonial on how being a CPS member has made an impact on you and helped in your career. Maybe you utilized materials to prepare for a certification testing, or you used the CPS In-Service Education pamphlet to develop staff training in your office — whatever the case may be, we want to hear from you! If selected, your submission may be published in a future issue of *California Optometry* magazine.

To share your thoughts simply send two to three sentences, or approximately 50 words, to Lisa Ah Po, marketing manager, via e-mail to LisaA@coavision.org or via fax to (916) 448-1423.

CPS Update

WELCOME! New CPS Members

Amy Groner
Dawn Ryley
Oliver Sigler
Tamara Woods
Hiromi Yamaguchi