



AADO has reorganized! Please help us welcome Lucy Dunn, LDO as the new AADO President. Lucy brings years of experience as an AZ licensed optician and a commitment to the optical profession. Lucy has been planning and organizing our spring meetings in Prescott for many years and is excited to step forward and lead our organization. Lucy's goal is to increase membership to ensure we have strength in numbers to protect our licensing here in Arizona! Gary Scheer, LDO will remain on the board of directors as Past President and continue to share his expertise and knowledge.

Mary Teed, our beloved Executive Director, will be retiring from AADO. We will all miss her and wish her well in her future endeavors.

To confirm our commitment to our members, AADO members have voted to hire Association Managers, Inc., a professional management company, to manage the AADO. This will allow our volunteer leaders to focus on the most important details of the AADO and our responsibility to our members. Melinda Stomel will be taking over as the new Executive Director of AADO and will be happy to help you with any AADO matters. While our email will stay the same, please note our new address and phone number.

We want to take this opportunity to remind you that AADO needs your participation and your membership. For years, the Arizona Association of Dispensing Opticians has dedicated itself to the benefit all Arizona opticians. Now, more than ever, a strong and active AADO is important to you. If you are not a current member of AADO please consider becoming a member today. Becoming a member is easy: go online to [www.aado.info](http://www.aado.info) and click "join/renew" in the upper right-hand corner. Remember, as an AADO member, your CEC's, education and fellowship are free.

We are hard at work planning our next spring conference being held in Prescott on Sunday, May 31st. This event is packed with education and networking opportunities and we hope to see you all there. Please keep an eye on our website for more details as we finalize the schedules.

To all those who have supported and worked for AADO – some for many years – we thank you! And we welcome everyone in the dispensing optician community to join AADO in keeping our profession the best it can be.

*Lucy A. Dunn, LDO*  
**PRESIDENT, AADO**

*Mary E. Teed*

*Gary C. Scheer, LDO*