

2016 summer newsletter

Ghana school children screening and surgeon training

The Eye Foundation of America is happy to once again collaborate with Kog Kratlonz in Tema to support school children's vision screening in Ghana. Last year this collaboration screened over 11,560 students and arranged for glasses



and follow up care for students when needed. We are also working with a Ghanaian ophthalmologist, Dr. Seth Wayne, to improve surgical care for children that need it. With generous support from Dr. Abhay Vasavada from Ahmedabad, India, a world-renowned ophthalmic surgeon, Dr. Wayne will be spending time this summer learning advanced surgery techniques for cataracts in children. This is possible because of the support of donors like you who have given to combat avoidable blindness in children.

Golf for Sight 2016



We hope to see you all at the beautiful Lakeview Golf Resort & Spa on August 12th for our 3rd annual golf tournament. This golf scramble has raised money for our work supporting diabetes research and education with West Virginia University School of Public Health and Rotary International. Please join us or considering a sponsorship! http://www.eyefoundationofamerica.org/?page_id=641

Professor provides equipment



Thank you to David Reifler, MD of Grand Rapids, Michigan; who has now twice visited Goutami as a visiting professor for donating money to purchase a surgical instrument.

Raising money for macular degeneration research



Our yearly Forks of the Cheat Winery fundraiser had a new goal to raise funds for macular degeneration research at West Virginia University. We used an elimination dinner format where the last ticket number called would have a chance to win \$1000. With the generosity of Jerry and Susan Deal, we raised \$8400 to support research addressing an issue that can affect up to 9 million Americans. Hope to see you next year! "The generous support of Dr. Raju and the Eye Foundation of America will allow researchers at the WVU Eye Institute to continue to make discoveries to improve the diagnosis and treatment of the most common causes of blindness, including macular degeneration, for the benefit of patients in West Virginia and beyond." – Ron Gross, MD; WVU Eye Institute

Raising a glass for glasses



Our happy hour in NYC to raise money for glasses for children was wildly successful! With matching donations we were able to raise over \$15,000 to prevent the number one cause of poor vision in the world. Thanks to all who joined us and donated!

Gandhi Day Walkathon to focus on state of obesity in WV



Eye Foundation and HRCC work with WVU to fight the obesity epidemic in West Virginia. The Hindu Religious and Cultural Center (HRCC) humanitarian outreach has teamed up with Eye Foundation of America, Rotary International and West Virginia School of Public Health to help raise money for obesity and diabetes in West Virginia. More information to come. <http://stateofobesity.org/states/wv/>

New Jersey Event

Save the date of October 8th, 2016 for our annual NJ event. More details will follow. Hope to see you all there!