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OANB Member News

Meet YOUR new Council!



President
Melonie Hebert



Vice President & OAC Rep
Jessica Jay



Past President/Treasurer
Roberta McLaughlin



Officers (l to r): Khrysty Walters (NACOR rep.), Justin Thibodeau, Mitchell Feero, Ed Pardy & Brooke Gallant



Public Member
Kitty Maurey
J. Kitty Maurey Law Office



Professional Development

OAC CONNECT 2023 - JUNE WEBCAST

2-HOUR SESSION—1 to 2 CE Credits
Monday, June 19, 2023 | 8:00 PM - 10:00

OAC Members & Students: FREE

An Optician's Role in Ocular Surface Disease Management

Presented by Dr. Rana Taji

A highly informative webcast delving into the fascinating world of dry eye disease (DED). It is an overview of the incidence and prevalence of DED, with essential learning objectives to enhance your understanding of this common ocular condition.

Find great past webinars through the OAC APP:

<https://web.ventla.io/oac-live-webcasts?eventid=701249>

It's NB License Renewal time!

2023-24 License renewal forms will be sent to members this week. Please complete and submit your forms and payment before:

Midnight, Aug. 1, 2023

New, improved photo IDs (2 copies) will be sent to each member upon renewal.



(1) Subject to subsection (3), the licence of any member who fails to pay the licence fees prescribed by Section 31 on or before the first day of August in each year is automatically suspended, until such fees, as well as the late payment fee pursuant to Section 30(e), are paid.
- OANB Regulations

OAC Connect NB 2023!

In May, members enjoyed big screen education, social time with fellow opticians and lots of popcorn, in Fredericton and Moncton, when the OAC offered modules



in a new format. Word on the street is, the OAC may do this again in the future!

OANB sweatshirts winners were:

Mireille Brisson and Erin Currie

OANB Council Governance Training Sunday, June 11, 2023

The newly elected OANB Council participated in a Governance Training session given by the Chapman Group, a strategic management consulting company, specializing in developing human resource strategies and plans, facilitating change and building learning and leadership programs. The training was paid for with the assistance (75%) of the Dept. of Post-Secondary Education, Training & Labour for NB.

The Council reviewed, among other valuable information, the 12 principles of Governance that power exceptional boards:

- Constructive Partnership
- Mission Driven
- Strategic Thinking
- Culture of Inquiry
- Independent Mindedness
- Ethos of Transparency
- Compliance with Integrity
- Sustaining Resources
- Results Oriented
- Intentional Board Practices
- Continuous Learning
- Revitalization



Your Council will always strive to work for OANB and you, with these important principles in mind!

Thank you to the great team who served as examiners & models at the June 3-4 National Exams at NBCC, Moncton !!



Meet Kitty Maurey!

OANB's New Public Member to Council

We are grateful and fortunate that the Minister of Health appointed lawyer Kitty Maurey, Fredericton as Public Member to OANB. Kitty possesses the knowledge and skills the OANB Council has been seeking.

"A enjoyable area of my practice is my work with regulatory boards and professional membership associations. Governance issues often arise in relation to private or public enabling acts and bylaws, and I regularly provide advice on such issues, I am familiar with other issues that may confront a self-regulating professional body or professional membership association, relating to: staffing, jurisdictional conflicts, conflicts of interest, and member discipline. I believe I am well-positioned to contribute to such a body at the board level.

My husband Leo and I are coming up on our 21st anniversary. We have two cats. I'd have more cats, but promised not to when we got married! A favorite part of my practice is acting as a marriage officiant. I first obtained the license as a favour to a friend who was getting married. I wish I had started doing it years ago. It's such an honour to help people plan a meaningful ritual to affirm their love.



Leo and I try to spend time every day on Fredericton's walking trails, or in the woods at our camp on the Mactaquac Arm. We walk, kayak, swim, read, and generally soak up nature. I am an Amateur naturalist and photographer. My superpower is listening.

I have worn glasses since age five, and appreciate the amazing advances in the field since 1977! I could not read or appreciate the beautiful world around me without my light-weight high-index, UV protecting, scratch resisting, progressive lenses!

OANB APPRENTICE AREA



Would someone you know like to become an Optician?

Learn about the NAIT Online Optical Program

Next intake start dates:
Aug 28, 2023 & Jan. 3, 2024

<https://www.nait.ca/programs/optical-sciences-eyeglasses?term=2023-fall>

PROGRAM LENGTH: 2 Academic Years

COST/TUITION: \$3,380.00 (DOMESTIC) | \$9,468.00 (INTERNATIONAL)

START DATE: September 2023

LOCATION: Moncton

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: PROFILE J

- High School Diploma
- Adult High School Diploma
- GED Diploma of High School Equivalency
- Essential Skills Achievement Pathway: Post-Secondary Entry High School Diploma
- Pre-calculus 110
- Geometry and Applications in Mathematics 112 and Functions and Relations 112

Total of three (3) sciences including at least two (2) from the following:

- Biology 112 or 122
- Chemistry 112 or 122
- Physics 112 or 122
- NB Francophone High School Math Equivalencies
- International Student Admission Equivalencies

To apply: NBCC.CA



NACOR EXAMINATION PREP RESOURCES!

NEXT EXAM : NOVEMBER 4-5, 2023

Free On-Demand via the OAC APP, including: recorded NACOR Examination Prep sessions (Eyeglasses, Contact Lenses—Pathology, Contact Lenses - Case Studies/Troubleshooting), sample questions, video tutorials and more! To access:

<https://www.opticians.ca/site/studentresources?nav=sidebar>

Employment Opportunities



Optix by Dr Savoie, Campbellton is looking for a **full time optician or student optician** to join our team. Great team atmosphere, please send me an email at: ffsavoie13@hotmail.com



Off the Wall Eyewear Emporium

an independent, super busy, and very cool eyewear shop

We are looking for a **Full-Time Dispensing Optician** to join our team in Moncton and Saint John, NB, after November you will be full-time at the Moncton store going forward.

Independent, super busy, and a very cool eyewear shop is looking for a rad smarty-pants to join our funky family at Off the Wall Eyewear Emporium. \$22-\$25 per hour depending on experience. Health plan, Dental, Life Insurance and Staff Rewards. Send us an email and let's chat: onyourfaceeyewear@gmail.com

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Vogue Optical is currently seeking a

Managing Optician,

Shediac

Optician/contact lens fitter

Bathurst

Must be bilingual. • Must be a licensed optician. • Have the ability to work in a team to ensure the overall success of the store. • Must have the ability to organize, set priorities, solve problems and work under limited supervision. • Excellent benefits offered with a competitive starting salary

Permanent full-time positions

Interested candidates can apply by fax:

(902) 626-3610 or email: pmacdonald@vogueoptical.com



VisionPLUS is seeking a **bilingual certified optician** to join their team!

Permanent full time position

Remuneration will be based on experience. Please submit your resume in person or at visionplusmoncton@gmail.com.



Walmart Vision Centre

Regent Mall, Fredericton

is looking for a

Dual Licensed Optician

If interested contact:

District Manager, Nichole Haley

(506) 292-4265

nichole.haley@walmart.com

we're hiring

IRIS

(Full/Part) time position

Competitive wages, based on experience

Benefit program including health, dental, LTD, RSP with employer contribution, EAP program

Sales bonus program, Periodic incentive program

Free eyeglasses annually, Family & Friends discount, store discount, referral bonus, paid vacation time off and personal days. Provincial Optician licensing fees and Liability insurance reimbursed.

IRIS The Visual Group is looking for a bilingual Optician in Dalhousie

What you need?

Current NB Optician license

Ability to communicate in both French and English

Willingness to deliver excellent patient-care

Be able to troubleshoot and support patients

Contribute to team goals and positive environment

Complete necessary administration

Like what you see? Click the link to apply: <https://bit.ly/3VRFz66>