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| <input type="checkbox"/> OEP Clinical Associates/Optometric Faculty | \$370 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Non-OEP ODs -\$75 credit toward OEP membership | \$460 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1st year OEP Clinical Associates/Optometric Residents | \$170 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paraoptometric - with doctor | \$250 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paraoptometric without doctor | \$370 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Optometric students - must preregister | \$75 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Congress meal tickets- students and guests | \$35/day |
| <input type="checkbox"/> DISCOUNT for registration prior to September 9 | \$75 |

TOTAL _____

- Enclosed is my check made payable to Northeast Congress.
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HOTEL RESERVATIONS CONTACT

Westford Regency Inn & Conference Center
219 Littleton Road
Westford, MA 01886
(978) 692-8200 or (800)-543-7801
Room rate of \$110 single or double
Deadline for reservations at this rate is
August 23, 2009

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69th Northeast Congress of Optometry

You CAN Treat Strabismus, a program for ALL optometrists

Sunday and Monday
September 13-14, 2009

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& Conference Center
Westford, MA



Under the auspices of the
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SCHEDULE

Sunday, September 13, 2009

8:30-9:00	Registration
9:00-11:00	"Fixing My Gaze: A Scientist's Journey into Seeing in 3 Dimensions" Susan R. Barry, Ph.D. COPE # pending
11:00-11:30	Break
11:30-12:30	"De-Mystifying Adult Strabismus Therapy" Theresa Ruggiero, O.D., FCOVD COPE # 25527-FV
12:30-2:00	Congress Luncheon Paul Harris, O.D. OEP Representative
2:15-3:45	"De-Mystifying Adult Strabismus Therapy" cont'd
3:45-4:00	Break
4:00-5:30	"De-Mystifying Adult Strabismus Therapy" cont'd
5:45-6:45	Book signing
Dinner on your own - local restaurant list available	
8:00- ??	Hospitality/Bull session Congress Suite

Monday, September 14, 2009

8:30-10:30	"Strabismus Revisited - Busting Myths, Embracing New Concepts" Robin Lewis, O.D., FCOVD COPE # 25431-FV
10:30-11:00	Break
11:00-12:00	"Strabismus Revisited - Busting Myths, Embracing New Concepts" cont'd
12:00-2:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Northeast Regional Business meeting
2:00-3:30	"Strabismus Revisited - Busting Myths, Embracing New Concepts" cont'd
3:30-4:00	Break
4:00-5:30	"Strabismus Revisited - Busting Myths, Embracing New Concepts" cont'd
5:30	Closing remarks
12 hours Continuing Education	
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ABOUT OUR SPEAKERS

Susan R. Barry, Ph.D. received her doctorate in biology from Princeton University and is a neurobiology professor at Mount Holyoke College. For years she taught her students the conventional scientific wisdom that stereovision could develop only during a critical period in early childhood. This wisdom seemed to apply well to her own visual history because she had been an alternating esotrope since very early infancy and was stereoblind. At age forty-eight, Sue consulted optometrist, Theresa Ruggiero, who prescribed a program of optometric vision therapy. To Sue's utter astonishment, her vision improved dramatically and she developed stereovision. Sue has now written a book describing the importance of good binocular vision and the science behind optometric vision therapy. Her book, *Fixing My Gaze: A Scientist's Journey into Seeing in Three Dimensions*, was published by Basic Books in May, 2009. Sue and her husband live in South Hadley, MA, and have two grown children.

Theresa J. Ruggiero, O.D., FCOVD graduated number one in her class from the State University of New York State College of Optometry in 1987. While there she had the good fortune of training under some of Developmental Optometry's greatest minds including Israel Greenwald, Nathan Flax, Irwin Suchoff and Richard Kavner. Dr. Ruggiero has lectured extensively to many groups including occupational therapists, neuropsychologists, educators, pediatricians and rehabilitation professionals. Her topics have included "Vision and Neuroplasticity", "Vision and Learning" and "Cerebral Vascular Accidents and Their Visual Dysfunctions". Dr. Ruggiero has been an adjunct faculty member at New England College of Optometry where she co-taught a class in Optometric Vision Therapy. During her tenure she wrote a manual of diagnostic optometric procedures for the developmental/behavioral optometrist.

Dr. Ruggiero has a private practice located in Northampton Massachusetts. It is a general practice with a strong emphasis on Optometric Vision Therapy and Vision Rehabilitation. Therapy patients range in age from infancy to geriatric. Beginning in fall 2009 Dr. Ruggiero will be training externs from NECO in Developmental/Behavioral Optometry. Dr. Ruggiero has donated vision care to impoverished populations both locally and internationally. In 2004 she traveled with her daughter, Angela to San Cristobel, Mexico as part of a VOSH mission. There they examined 887 patients in four days! Dr. Ruggiero has been married for twenty seven years to Duke Corliss. They have three daughters: Angela, Christina and Francesca.

Robin Lewis, O.D., FCOVD is a graduate of Pacific University College of Optometry. Dr. Lewis became interested in the role of the visual process after being a successful vision therapy patient. This led to a fascination with the role of the visual process in human behavior. Dr. Lewis is the managing partner of a multi-doctor practice in Chandler, AZ where he has practiced for over 25 years. Dr. Lewis travels throughout the US and internationally lecturing on vision and the visual process. He serves as adjunct faculty for Pacific University. He is currently the clinical instructor for the British Association of Behavioural Optometrists' core course OVT4, Strabismus and Amblyopia. Dr. Lewis serves on the board of directors of the Optometric Extension Program Foundation and as an instructor for the OEP series of Clinical Curriculum courses.