



# Ophthalmology

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

# Enabling Owlets to Become Owls

Over Memorial Day weekend, Temple alumnus Steve Siepser invited me to go fishing in the small stream on his farm. Steve has been very generous, inviting me a half-dozen times before, and we have had a lot of fun catching fall fish (a large minnow) and the occasional smallmouth bass. But the trout have eluded us. He told me they're there, but we never caught one.

That changed during my last visit. I tried a different type of presentation in a different section of the stream and caught a 15-inch brown trout – the largest fish he'd ever seen in 20 years of fishing this stream.

Was it luck? Was it skill? The short answer is both. The longer answer is, well, longer.

### WATCHING & LEARNING

As you might recall from previous messages, I don't catch many fish, despite trying hard. My wife, who can't quite understand why anyone would drive an hour to catch minnows, took pity on me last year and hired a guide to take me, in her words, "to exactly where the fish are so you can catch one."

And so, last Memorial Day I went with the guide to a different stream where I had caught nothing before and, sure enough, I caught fish. It turns out there was a difference between how I was trying before and the way we fished that day. I applied my new knowledge when I returned to Steve's stream this spring and caught 10 minnows and then the trout.

I got to thinking about a passage from a book I recently read about why you should not hire a fishing guide and how that might reflect my own journey as an ophthalmologist. The passage is from an essay entitled "In Praise of No Guide," by David James Duncan. He writes:

"Consider the osprey, the heron, the kingfisher. How much verbiage and instruction do these fish-catching geniuses bestow upon their unschooled children? None. These prodigies pass on the primordial art by feeding their young vomited-up trout, which naturally makes the young yearn for nonvomited trout, which in turn makes

the young sit up in the nest and observe their folks more and more closely, till it hits them: Eureka! I don't have to squat in this nest eating puked-up fish all day! Look at Mom and Dad out here catching fish! Look at my wings, my beak, my talons! I've got everything they've got! What the hell have I been thinking? I CAN GO FISHING MYSELF!"

I think he's both right and wrong, but it sort of describes the first 10 years of my career. You see, when I started out, I had no plans to become a doctor, much less a chair. I never thought that I could do such a thing. Those birds didn't either. But after watching their parents (a form of guiding, Mr. Duncan), they realized they could do it too. That realization seems so natural as to make it appear that the guidance they were getting wasn't all that necessary after all.

In my case, after a few years of watching how private practice doctors and other academic departments structured their lives, I, like those fledgling birds, decided it was time to do it myself. But that doesn't mean I didn't have a guide. I watched how others did it. And although my guides didn't even know they were guiding me, I was learning.

### 'STRUCTURED UNSUPERVISION'

My current philosophy is closer to "structured unsupervision." Practicing outpatient medicine is both a team sport and an individual sport. Without our staff to help us, we would be unable to function. But when we are in the room with the patient, it's a two-person encounter.

The residents need to learn both aspects. There is no way to learn this except by doing it, so we set up clinic so residents take the lead, but with supervision. I think a teacher can offer tips, tricks, guidance, correction, and hopefully act as a role model. That's the type of faculty member I want at Temple. I think we have assembled that group.

And like those young birds, that's the type of resident I want at Temple. We know the residents come to us with wings, beaks, and talons, but we also know that just because you are flapping your

wings doesn't mean you are going to get any lift.

Mr. Duncan goes on to say, "Anyone who teaches that solo experience is not the best teacher. Solo experience now and then teaches the hard way, but the hard way is the unforgettable way."

Our job, as faculty, is to help transform the residents' natural ability into the precursor for a successful career. Patient care, surgery skills, working with staff, structuring your time, and constantly wanting to get better are lessons I hope that they learn. Seeing patients by themselves, formulating a plan, and executing that plan under guidance is the core way to learn this.

At the same time, I want them to witness how others are stewarding the profession. It is not acceptable to simply see patients in your office for the next 30 years. You can teach (or support those who are teaching), do research, or be a political advocate. Choose one, or more, of these options as part of your career.

While Mr. Duncan doesn't mention what the parents of those young birds thought about the whole process, I can assure you that one of the best things about being part of a residency faculty is to see how the students transform themselves into fully capable physicians.

At Temple, our Owls leave the nest ready to succeed, and that is the greatest success of all.



### JEFFREY D. HENDERER, MD

Professor of Ophthalmology  
Dr. Edward Hagop Bedrossian  
Chair of Ophthalmology  
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# Chestnut Hill Office Will Open Soon

**W**e are thrilled to announce the grand opening of our new ophthalmology office in Chestnut Hill. This expansion allows us to extend our high-quality eye care services to a broader community while maintaining the excellence and personalized care our patients expect.

Joining us at this new location is **Erin Jennings, MD**, a comprehensive ophthalmologist and cataract surgeon who will begin practicing with us this October.

Originally from Allentown, Pennsylvania, Dr. Jennings earned her undergraduate degree from Princeton University before attending medical school at the Katz School. She proudly represents a true Temple family, with three of her siblings also having attended the Katz School.

Dr. Jennings completed her ophthalmology residency at New York University, where she served as chief resident. There, she cared for a diverse patient population from across New York City, an experience that deepened her dedication to health equity and culturally responsive care.

She is excited to return to Temple to serve a similarly diverse community and collaborate closely with patients, trainees, and fellow faculty.

Dr. Jennings resides in Haddonfield, NJ, with her husband, their 10-month-old daughter, and their two-year-old Portuguese Water Dog. She's an avid hiker, enjoys running, and rarely turns down a competitive game of tennis or pickleball.

A former elite athlete, she played for the

Junior U.S. National Field Hockey Team, representing the United States in Europe and South America.

She was team captain during a 2008 tour in Argentina.

We look forward to enhancing accessibility and providing comprehensive eye care in a convenient and welcoming environment. Stay tuned for more details about our official opening date.



Erin Jennings, MD

## Dr. Grachevskaya Receives TFP Physician Kudos Award



Dr. Grachevskaya, center, with Dr. Henderer and Claire Raab, MD, President and CEO of Temple Faculty Physicians.

Optometrist **JULIA GRACHEVSKAYA, OD**, received the September 2024 Temple Faculty Physicians (TFP) Physician Kudos Award. Dr. Grachevskaya, a member of the Department of Ophthalmology at the Lewis Katz School of Medicine, was nominated by **JEFFREY D. HENDERER, MD**, the Dr. Edward Hagop Bedrossian Chair and Professor of the Department of Ophthalmology, who wrote:

“Dr. Grachevskaya has been an optometrist in our department for more than 10 years. She has been a stalwart, taking care of thousands of patients a year, including many of their families. More recently, she has become our leading diabetic retinopathy screening image reader, participated in our screening research trials, and provided key human intelligence feedback to the artificial intelligence company that handles our screenings. Beyond that, Julia has been a critical part of absorbing new patients into the practice and both caring for them and getting them to other providers if needed. For being the ultimate team player and a do-it-all doc, I'd like to nominate her for the Kudos Award!”



## Sharon Towson Honored with TFP CARES Award

**SHARON TOWSON** received the April 2025 Temple Faculty Physicians (TFP) CARES (Category Exemplified in Action: Compassion, Advocacy, Respect, Excellence, and Service) Award, which honors the outstanding contributions of the Temple Health clinical and administrative staff.

Sharon is a Clerk V in the Department of Ophthalmology. She was nominated by her peers and endorsed by TFP leadership for her extraordinary work and commitment to excellence. More

specifically, she was singled out for her professionalism and skill in the workplace, as this excerpt from her nomination shows:

“Sharon Towson goes above and beyond for patients in the Ophthalmology Department, even beyond the check in/check out phase. Even when a patient isn’t in the best mood, she remains calm. She gives patients space to express their feelings while helping them solve manageable issues.”

Members of the department and TFP gathered to celebrate Sharon’s award.

## Meet Femi Jaquez, An Inspiration

**W**e are proud to share the inspiring story of our very own ophthalmology technician, **FEMI JAQUEZ**.

Born prematurely at Temple Hospital, Femi was diagnosed with Retinopathy of Prematurity (ROP), a potentially blinding eye disorder that primarily affects premature infants. She faced retinal detachment in both eyes shortly after birth and underwent surgery at just five days old. The procedure saved vision in one eye, leaving her with limited sight — but unlimited determination.

Today, Femi brings her story full circle by dedicating her career to helping others protect and preserve their vision. Her personal journey has fueled a deep passion for patient care and a special empathy for those facing ocular challenges. She is a true testament to the power of early, compassionate eye care and the difference it can make in someone’s life.

Outside of work, Femi enjoys spending time with family and friends, going on walks, being in nature, and getting lost in a good book.

We are grateful to have Femi on our team, inspiring both colleagues and patients every day!



Femi Jaquez, second from right, pictured with her fellow Temple University Hospital – Main Campus technicians; Femi as a child; a collection of glasses that Femi wore as an infant and toddler.



# Collaborating on Diabetic Eye Screening Day

**T**he Commonwealth of Pennsylvania officially declared April 26, 2025 Diabetic Eye Screening Day, a major milestone in raising awareness about early detection and prevention of diabetic retinopathy, one of the leading causes of blindness.

Temple, Penn Medicine, and Wills Eye Hospital participated by opening their doors to provide screenings across the state, expanding on what began as a citywide initiative. We're grateful for their collaboration and commitment to making this day impactful for our community.

For several years, Temple Ophthalmology, Wills Eye, and Penn have hosted diabetic retinal disease screening events each April, offering critical screenings that help detect vision-threatening complications early and ensuring timely treatment.

In October 2024, Temple's Endocrinology Department introduced a diabetic retinal screening camera, enabling earlier detection of retinal disease during routine visits. This innovation improves access to care and demonstrates a strong interdisciplinary approach to preventing vision loss.

Aligned with these efforts, Temple Health continues to expand its commitment to protecting the vision of patients living with diabetes.



The Ophthalmology Student Interest Group on Diabetic Eye Screening Day.

Our Diabetic Eye Screening Day event was a resounding success, thanks in large part to the enthusiastic participation of our Ophthalmology Student Interest Group medical students. With all hands on deck, their support played a crucial role in delivering hands-on care and patient education.



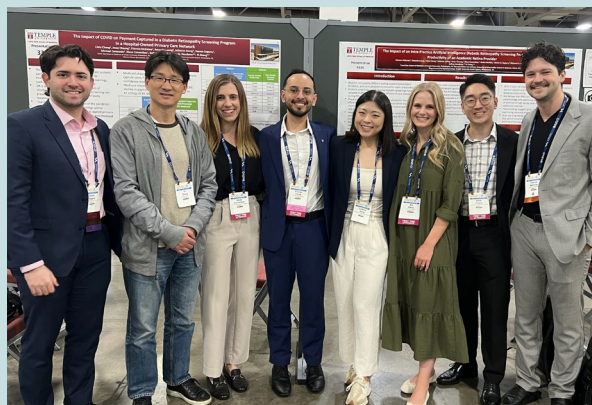
Mark Krakauer, MD, MPhil

## Congratulations, Dr. Krakauer

**MARK KRAKAUER, MD, MPHIL**, has been promoted to Professor of Clinical Ophthalmology at the Katz School. Congratulations, Dr. Krakauer! We appreciate your service and dedication to Temple.

## Representing the Katz School at the ARVO Annual Meeting

**YI ZHANG, MD, PHD**, Associate Professor of Ophthalmology at the Katz School, attended the Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO) Annual Meeting in May in Salt Lake City. Seven Katz School students presented posters at the meeting – a new high. Dr. Zhang's mentorship reflects the department's strong commitment to advancing student research and professional development on a national stage. We're also grateful for **DR. SHANNON AND BETTY WONG's** research sponsorship.



Dr. Zhang, second from left, with the seven Katz School students who presented posters at the ARVO Annual Meeting.

## ALUMNUS SPOTLIGHT: George J. Ko, MD, FACS, FASRS

**M**y parents moved from Hong Kong to Hawaii in the 1960s. Shortly after I was born, they returned to Hong Kong with my older brother and two sisters. I grew up immersed in a traditional Chinese community and school system.

During my middle school years, I felt a strong desire to challenge myself further. That motivation led me to pursue education in the United States. I enrolled as a 10th grader at Milton Academy, a reputable boarding school in Massachusetts. The initial transition was tough — being far from home in a very different environment — but it soon became a transformative experience. I learned a great deal about myself, the world around me, and I received a well-rounded education.

I went on to attend Columbia College with an open mind about my future. I was drawn to both medicine and finance, but ultimately chose medicine, believing that there's no more meaningful path than caring for others. I completed medical school at New York University, followed by my internship at Long Island Jewish, before matching into ophthalmology at Temple.

Philadelphia became more than just a training ground; it was where I met my wonderful wife, who was pursuing her MBA at Wharton at the time. Temple gave me many tools and treasured memories: excellent hands-on training, lifelong friendships, and incredible mentors. I found myself fascinated by both the medical and surgical sides of ophthalmology, especially vitreoretinal surgery. My strong foundation at Temple prepared me well for The Retina Group of Washington and Georgetown University/ Washington Hospital Center Vitreoretinal Surgery Fellowship program in the DC area, where I also gained valuable insight into private practice operations.

After fellowship, I joined a private practice in the Seattle area with the hope of building my ideal career. When it became clear that the setting wasn't a perfect fit, I made the leap to start my own practice just a year later. It's now been 15 years.

### ADAPTING TO A NEW LANDSCAPE

I feel incredibly blessed to do what I love: providing the best possible retina care to my community. Like any endeavor, running a private practice came with its share of ups and downs. My wife,

who is vastly overqualified — has been instrumental in the health and growth of our practice. During this time, we also raised three wonderful daughters, now ages 4, 9, and 12.

As our practice grew, healthcare continued to evolve, and many practices consolidated, including many in ophthalmology and retina. When consolidation of eyecare came to the Pacific Northwest, I saw it as an opportunity to bring our retina care to the next level.

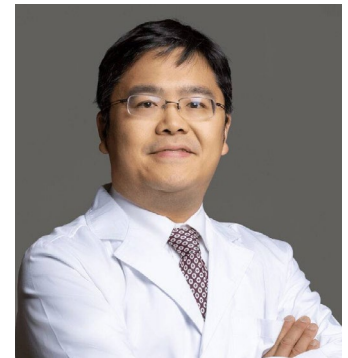
After a long process and discussions with many potential partners, we picked a Managed Services Organization that brought different ophthalmology groups together while maintaining the identity of each individual practice. I believe we have improved our care in many aspects, but I also felt that we have missed some. I hope we can continue to improve and ultimately achieve the final goal.

Today, I'm part of a much larger organization, which allows me to focus more on patient care — and, more importantly, on myself and my family. Achieving a better work-life balance has given me the chance to spend more meaningful time with my family.

### PONDERING THE NEXT PHASE

As I look toward the next phase of my journey, I remain passionate about caring for retina patients. But I'm also drawn to broader topics that can benefit everyone. I've developed a strong interest in energy and lifestyle medicine, and I hope one day to share that knowledge more widely, to help not only my patients, but also my loved ones, friends, and community.

At every stage of my life, I've relied on the experiences of those around me before making decisions, and I've never regretted the path I've chosen. I enjoy sharing what I've learned, both the challenges and the triumphs, and reconnecting with my community. Please feel free to reach out. After all, we're all part of the Temple Ophthalmology family.



George J. Ko, MD, FACS, FASRS



## Business of Ophthalmology Lecture Series to Start Next Spring

**SHANNON WONG, MD**, the CEO of Austin Eye, in Austin, TX, will be the inaugural lecturer of the Dr. Shannon and Betty Wong Business of Ophthalmology Endowed Lectureship. The series will begin next spring and build upon the Business of Ophthalmology curriculum.

Shannon Wong, MD



# Representing Temple Ophthalmology



The 47th Annual Spaeth Oration, featuring Dr. George Link Spaeth  
March 27, 2025



The American Academy of Ophthalmology Mid-Year Forum in Washington, DC  
April 2-5, 2025

## Meet the New Chief Resident

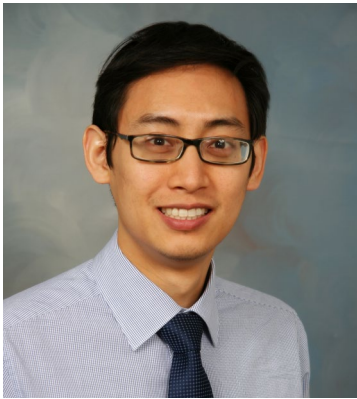


Congratulations to **PHILIPPE ORTIZ, MD**, on being selected as the new Chief Resident. We'd also like to extend our sincere thanks to **PRESTON KUNG, MD**, for his outstanding leadership during his tenure as Chief Resident.

## Celebrating our Recent Graduates



**HASSAN JESSANI, MD**, left, is pursuing a fellowship in medical retina at the Joslin Diabetes Center and Beth Israel Lahey Health in Boston. **DILLAN PATEL, MD**, center, is heading to The Retina Institute in St. Louis, MO, for a two-year surgical retina fellowship program. **PRESTON KUNG, MD**, right, is pursuing a combined cornea and glaucoma fellowship at the University of New Mexico and Southwest Eye Care in Albuquerque, NM. We are incredibly proud of these talented physicians and grateful for the many contributions they have made during their residency.



Joshua Hou, MD

# Save the Date!

**Saturday, September 27, 2025**

**The Ellen and Charles Leone, MD '60, Endowed Lectureship**

**AT THE 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ALUMNI CONFERENCE**

Lewis Katz School of Medicine, Health Sciences Campus

Student Faculty Center Auditorium (4th Floor), 3340 North Broad Street, Philadelphia

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:** Joshua Hou, MD, Lyon Chair of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Neurosciences at the University of Minnesota; Associate Professor; Cornea Fellowship Director; and cornea and ocular surface disease specialist

**TOPIC:** The Good, the Bad, And the Ugly of Eye Banking – How I Stumbled Into a Startup

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**Henderer, J**, Capstone course Temple Med. "Personal Finance." April 3, 2025.

**Henderer, J**, AUPO meeting, Fort Lauderdale, FL. "Ophthpac Update." January 29, 2025.

**Henderer, J**, PAO Young Ophthalmology Committee seminar. "Negotiating Your First Contract." November 14, 2024.

**Henderer, J**, Moderator, AAO Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. "Diagnosis This – Live!" October 19, 2024.

**Henderer, J**, Moderator, AAO Webinar. "Neuro-ophthalmology Core." September 26, 2024.

**Henderer, J**, Moderator, AAO Webinar. "Pediatric Ophthalmology Core." September 18, 2024.

**Henderer, J**, AESC Annual Meeting, Kildare, Ireland. "Screening For Eye Disease as Part of a More Efficient Practice." July 30, 2024.



# Welcome New Interns



## AMANDA LUONG, MD

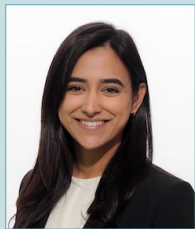
Hometown: Fairfax, Virginia

Undergraduate School:  
Virginia Commonwealth University

Graduate School:  
Lewis Katz School of Medicine

Post-Graduate Training:  
Temple University Hospital

Interests: Cooking, baking, trying new restaurants, being outside, and moving



## HEBA IJAZ, MD, MA

Hometown: Abu Dhabi,  
United Arab Emirates

Undergraduate School:  
Boston University

Graduate School: Boston University

Medical School:  
Sidney Kimmel Medical College at  
Thomas Jefferson University

Post-Graduate Training:  
Temple University Hospital

Interests: Gardening, tennis, cafe-hopping, podcasts, home improvement projects, baking, and the satisfaction of crossing things off a to-do list



## LUCY GUAN, MD, MPH

Hometown: Princeton, NJ

Undergraduate School:  
Washington University in St. Louis

Graduate School: Robert Wood Johnson  
Medical School at Rutgers University

Post-Graduate Training:  
Temple University Hospital

Interests: Running, basketball, music, dogs, spending time outside in the sun, reading, sweet treats

# Wet Lab Construction Is Underway



Construction on the wet lab is underway, and it's expected to be completed this fall. We'd like to thank **CHARLES R. LEONE JR., MD**, for his generous donation that's helped make the renovation possible. The lab, as it was before work began, is pictured here.





## Departmental Outing



### PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES GAME AT CITIZENS BANK PARK

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 (The Phillies defeated the Boston Red Sox, 4-1.)

## Send us your news!

Please contact Hazel Arroyo via email at [hazel.arroyo@tuhs.temple.edu](mailto:hazel.arroyo@tuhs.temple.edu).

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