



I would like to congratulate the SAOA on 100 years of serving the Optometrists of South Africa. I have been a member for 29 years and have always been very thankful for all the support, help, wisdom and initiative you have provided to, me and other Optometrists. Also, for protecting our industry and giving us a voice. We appreciate and value the SAOA. Regards, Leona Goodchild-Roos

A Very Happy 100th Birthday to the SAOA, a Giant of the Continent of Africa, inspiration to the rest of the continent and far beyond its horizons... a hope, a protector, a fighter, an advocate and importantly a home for the Optoms and DOs in Our Republic. May the SAOA continue to grow stronger and stronger, to continue to become a force of the future that has a rich solid history with a very winning and successful mentality.
Dollars Boloka
"IN GOD WE TRUST"

It is a great honour and privilege to belong to this outstanding organisation as we enter our second century. Happy 100th SAOA - Enrique Nzula

Since its inception the SAOA has seen it all... success and failures, highs and lows, celebrations and crisis. Despite this, the ONE factor very evident is the NEVER GIVE UP attitude of its Leadership, Management and Staff. It is this, that is the "life-blood" – allowing the Association to establish itself not only, as the Voice and Custodian but also, catapulting Optometry and Dispensing Opticianry into recognition as THE Primary Eye Care Profession. I still remember the day I started at the Association (June 2019) and in the last 4.5 years, I have been part of the lows (COVID 2020) and the highs. I have watched the SAOA grow exponentially during this time and am proud to continue my journey here. TODAY as we celebrate this significant milestone in our history we join hands in celebrating our MANY successes. The VISION of taking the Association to NEW heights has been achieved. This is just the beginning and we will NOT stop here....Happy Birthday SAOA – may the 100th anniversary be a beacon that guides the Profession to another 100 years. Michelle Naidoo

"The Professional Board for Optometry and Dispensing Opticians wishes to congratulate the SAOA on its centennial year. As one of the Board's important stakeholders, we look forward to continuing our healthy and productive relationship with the SAOA for the next 100 years." HPCSA

It's amazing to witness all the milestones achieved by the South African Optometric Association. I am grateful to be a part of the association's journey. Here's to another year of success and growth. Cheers to many more.
Noko Thema

A hearty Centennial Birthday Wish to our beloved South African Optometric Association. 100 years of looking after our interests and our profession. Thank you to all those who came before me and moulded our futures and have come after my era, who have continued to take care of your future.
From a proud South African Optometrist. Zena Jacobson

Congratulations to SAOA on your centenary celebration. A heartfelt congratulations to all past and present members, leaders, and contributors of SAOA who have played a vital role in shaping its legacy over the last century. Your passion and commitment are truly inspiring. I'm honoured to have been part of this movement. May your legacy continue to inspire and empower for generations to come. Cheers to the next 100 years of excellency. Lebohang Ntlabathi (Nee Matlala)

Happy birthday team SA. Congratulations to all who served at the SAOA over the years. Faizel Royker

Happy 100th birthday SAOA!! We are proud to be affiliated with the SAOA. Many more milestones to come....
Sherine Singh-Visions Optical

Hearty congratulations to South African Optometric Association. We are proud to have been associated with you and wish you many more years of success. Hazel Sacharowitz & team at Low Vision Care Centre

May this centennial celebration be a testament to your hard work and dedication to the optometric industry.
Congratulations
From Sherrie Esterhuizen and Susan Noeth @ Charl Laas Optometrist

Through the lens of appreciation, I raise my glasses and cheer proudly to a century reached by the South African Optometric Association. Long live the ideals of optometrists who live and have passed on and best wishes to our future colleagues who receive the baton to cultivate the ideals of our great profession of optometry with pride and dignity! Happy 100th Birthday!
Prof Paul Ramkissoon & Prelina Ramkissoon

The success and standing of a profession is a reflection of the integrity and commitment of its professional guardian. Well done SAOA, birthday celebrations are well deserved! Congratulations and best wishes to the team! Preggy Naidoo

Today we take the time to celebrate your 100 years of impact in the Eye Care Industry! Thank you for your leadership and the value you continue to add. Here's to a 100 more years of ground-breaking impact! Hip Hip Hooray! Luyanda Nsibanyoni

To every Member of the SAOA, both past & present, 100 years is such an achievement - & that achievement is always only possible through the very hard work of many individuals over the 100 years – I salute & thank you!
Gail Altona

Congratulations to us, the SAOA, on reaching a remarkable achievement of 100 years. We hope for continued success and prosperity in Optometry as THE primary eyecare profession. We count the years that we made a difference with excellent leadership ensuring the success of our organisation. I'd like to acknowledge the dedication and unwavering support of our valued past and present membership. You are the SAOA, and your partnership is key to our success. A toast to the next 100 years.
Nivien Subramany

It gives me immense pleasure to wish our amazing organization happy birthday. 100 years is a legacy which boasts a proud heritage as the custodian of the profession. The SAOA has always been about serving the interest of its members and advancing the Profession. In the last 100 years, we have built an Association that is strong, innovative and proactive. Our History has helped define our ethos. It creates the positive energy which will define our future. A Tradition of Excellence has made us the force of the future. I am very proud to be part of this process. Happy birthday SAOA... and now for the next 100 years!!
Sandy Govender

Congratulations SAOA! A wonderful achievement! Christel Giese

Here's to celebrating another year of accomplishments. Happy 100th Birthday!
-Muneeba Hamid

Happy birthday, I hope you have a fantastic day!
Zainab Yasseen
May your day be filled with joy and blessings. Happy birthday to you.
Kenneth Ledwaba

Rich history of 100 behind, Happy birthday. I wish to congratulate the SAOA on your 100th anniversary birthday. We wish you many happy years of success in the years to come.
Solani Mathebula

We wish the ONLY South African Optometric Association (SAOA) for optometrists, a happy birthday. We stand and encourage the association to continue to represent the interests of optometry in both public and private sector. Together we can build a better profession. Thank you.
D.M. Nonkula

I'm honoured and sincerely grateful to be a family member of such a great organization, the one and only SAOA! Since joining as a student whilst studying 18 years ago I've grown and have been immensely supported and guided throughout. This is more than a birthday celebration, it's lifetime achievement commemoration for valued professional development. Happy Birthday my SAOA. Cheers to 100 more!
REFILOE PHELADI MOLEFE

Happy Birthday SAOA. This has been a long eventful journey. Congratulations on this milestone. Cheers to another 100 years!!! Faith Chabedi

Happy Birthday SAOA. Keep up the good work. Thank you to our leaders that kept you young and relevant to move with the times.
Frederik Jansen

A very happy happiest centenary birthday celebrations to the SAOA and all its staff and members. May you continue to be a beacon of light through stormy waters for this noble profession.
Muhammed

Hi, South African Optometric Association. This is doctor Fiona Kolia coming to you from McAllen, Texas. I was one of the first graduates of UDW in 1981 in South Africa and also proud to be a part of the first optometry-giving sight initiative in my hometown of Durban. I wish you all everything of the best, and here's to 100 more.

Happy birthday SAOA. Congratulations for moving from humble beginnings to providing guidance, acceptance and respect to the wonderful profession of Optometry.
Brian Sneag

It is the resilience of the SAOA to be celebrated, having experienced its fair share of 'booms and busts', over time. Very best wishes are extended to the SAOA for a very special 100-year birthday which, by definition, represents a salute to SAOA office bearers, office staff, and SAOA members, past and present. Indeed, 'from a tradition of excellence, the force of the future'. Happy birthday, SAOA!
Harry Rosen

Dearest SAOA, happy 100th birthday! Nazima Khan wishes you continued success and many more prosperous years ahead.
N Khan Optometrist

Happy 100 years SAOA, You have continued to be Our Shield, Our Voice and of cause Our Giant. As you start 101, may your relevance revibrate into each Optometrist and Dispenser's doorstep.
Your Member, Patrick Mawila.

What an achievement to have bettered the lives of health professionals and patients for 100 years! I am proud to have been a member of the SAOA for more than half a century and look forward to "seeing" the wonderful work the association does during its next 100 years.
Zeta Schlosberg

Congratulations SAOA for keeping the hands high of the optometrist the last 100 years.
Adele Camarena

Congratulations to the SAOA on its centennial celebration! May the SAOA, as the custodian of the SA Optometric profession, continue to grow from strength to strength!!!
J Freeman

Warmest congratulations to the SAOA for reaching the incredible milestone of 100 years! Today, we join the SAOA in celebrating a century of dedication, innovation, and excellence in the field of optometry. Congratulations to the pioneers who laid the foundation, the dedicated professionals who continue to uphold the highest standards, and the future generations who will carry the torch forward. May the next hundred years be filled with continued success, breakthroughs, and a profound impact on eye health across South Africa. From Neels and Dina Bornman

Congratulations SAOA and staff on your 100th year Birthday. Thank you for representing the members and being our voice all these years. Thank you for all the hard work that goes on behind the scenes and for always having our best interests at heart.
Best Wishes, Steve Pulford

To the GRAND SAOA on this, the centenary Birthday. I have been a member for 32 years and proudly so. Through the highs and the lows, the SAOA have stood for a better OPTOMETRY. Professional, Prudent and Profound. May the Profession of Optometry stand tall into the future.
HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Warren Wagner

Happy Birthday SAOA, this is an incredible milestone. Thank you to everyone who have tirelessly and selflessly served our profession. May the SAOA continue to grow from strength to strength.
Thivasha Reddy

HAPPY BIRTHDAY...ON REACHING THIS WONDERFUL MILESTONE, MAY THE SAOA CONTINUE TO GROW IN STRENGTH AND ADVANCE THE PROFESSION OF OPTOMETRY.
M.I MADHI - OPTOMETRIST

Baie geluk an die SAOA met sy 100ste bestaans jaar! Mag ons beroep vir nog 'n 100 jaar voortbestaan saam met die SAOA aan ons sy!
Martin Botha

Happy 100th birthday to our incredible organization! As a proud and active member for 55 years, I've witnessed firsthand the impact and growth we've achieved together. Here's to a century of accomplishments and many more to come! Cheers to our shared history and the bright future ahead! Best wishes, John Stein.

DEAR SAOA
Congratulations and well wishes on this special MILESTONE BIRTHDAY 100 YEARS and still going strong. My wish is that you will continue going from strength to strength in the years to come.
Best wishes, Quinton Hinrichsen

Happy 100th Birthday Thank you for being the Outstanding Face of Optometry for 100 long years and a pillar of strength to me. Love from Devrani Gengiah member since 1989. 3 Cheers!

Congratulations on your centennial milestone. Wishing the SAOA the vision to have foresight. Let's create a spectacle together. Best wishes Keep seeing Jenny Gopal Optometrist

Congratulations on reaching this milestone, may your service to the industry continue in its upward trajectory and may the next 100 years be filled with more 'ups' than 'downs'.
Brendan Floyd