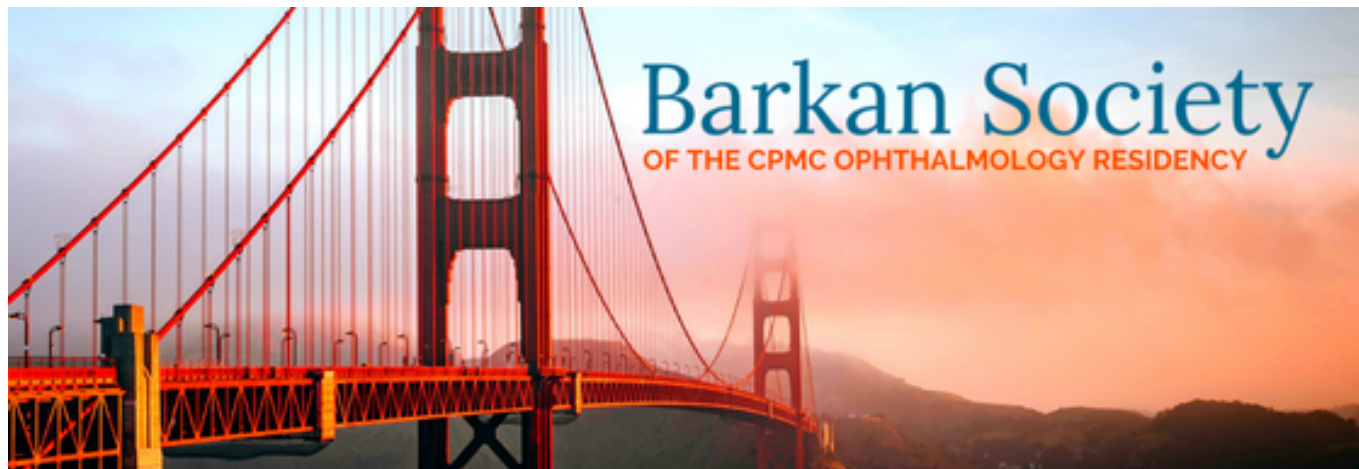


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August 2023 Barkan Society Newsletter

Dear Barkan Society Alumni, Residents, and Faculty,

We hope you've had a fantastic summer filled with warmth and relaxation. As the co-presidents of the Barkan Society, we're thrilled to welcome you back for an exciting fall season ahead.

Mark your calendars for our highly anticipated **AAO Visionary Reception on Friday, November 3rd**. This gathering will take place at the Pacific Vision Eye Institute at 711 Van Ness Ave, San Francisco, CA. Join us for an evening of celebration, as we recognize the achievements of the Barkan Society and the outstanding individuals who have been a part of it.

Additionally, we're delighted to introduce our new monthly initiative – a series of captivating biographies. Stay connected with the achievements and journeys of our esteemed alumni, residents, and faculty members. Through these stories, we aim to further foster a sense of unity and inspiration within our Barkan community.

Your continued support has been pivotal to our society's growth, and we're excited to journey into fall together. Here's to a season filled with shared success, renewed connections, and endless inspiration.

Please remember to visit the website address – [Barkansociety.com](https://www.barkansociety.com)



With warmest regards,

Bob & Bernd

Barkan Society
Co-Presidents

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Spotlight: Dr. Edie De Niro

Dr. J. Edie De Niro, Barkan Society Alumni, graduated from Williams College summa cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa in 1999. She attended medical school at the University of California, San Francisco, graduating in 2009. She then went on to complete her ophthalmology residency at California Pacific Medical Center in 2013 and glaucoma fellowship at the University of California, Davis in 2015.

During Edie's time as a resident, Dr. Susan Day served as the Program Director, along with faculty members Dr. Scott So and Dr. George Tanaka, who served as mentors. "I want to give a big shout out to Drs. So and Tanaka who volunteered their time, including many after-hour sessions, and whose guidance made a significant impact on my time in the program" says Edie. It was also here that Edie was able to perform her first surgery under the watchful guidance of Dr. Erich Horn.

Edie went on to serve as associate program director of the ophthalmology residency program at California Pacific Medical Center from 2015 through 2018 and continues to teach residents at Highland Hospital and California Pacific Medical Center. In addition to being a Barkan Society member, and integral in the planning of the Barkan Society Symposium, Edie is a diplomate of the American Board of Ophthalmology and a member of the American Academy of Ophthalmology.



Save the Date: AAO Visionary Reception

Friday, November 3rd



Planning on attending AAO 2023? Please join us for a great night of catching up with friends old and new at our reception on Friday, Nov. 3. Residents will also be providing tours of the Pacific Vision Eye Institute that evening.

Please register now to stay updated!

[Register for AAO Visionary Reception](#)

Update on Asa Luo



On Friday, July 14, Asa Luo, the 8-year old son of our colleague and CPMC retina teaching faculty member Caesar Luo (Bay Area Retina Associates), was struck by a stray bullet on the freeway while driving to dinner with his family. Asa is currently stable, but has suffered serious injuries. He is being cared for at Children's Hospital Oakland.

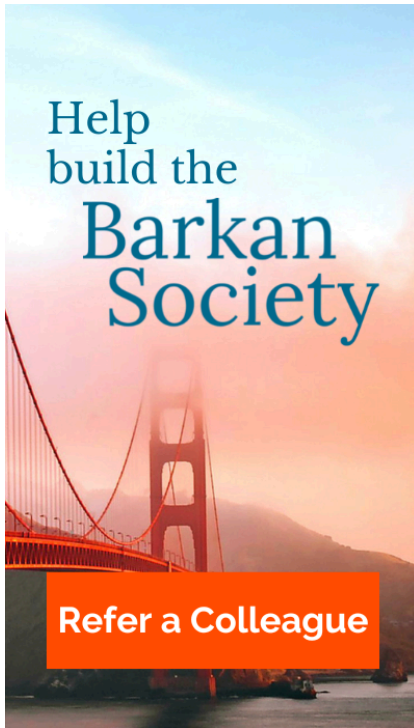
As you can imagine, this is a devastatingly hard time for the Luo family. More than anything they need space to be together. Please do not reach out to them directly at this time.

The latest news can be found on this [Caring Bridge site](#) where you can find updates as well as opportunities to support the family.

Also, there are opportunities to bring the family a meal on this [meal train site](#).

In the meantime, please keep Asa and the Luo family in your thoughts and prayers.

Help Us Build the Barkan Society Community!



A reminder that all individuals with current and past affiliation with the CPMC Department of Ophthalmology are eligible to be members of the Society, not only current residents and former resident graduates. We particularly welcome faculty, former fellows and other contributors to the educational mission of the Barkan Society and the Department of Ophthalmology.

Know someone who might like to become a part of the Barkan Society? Please **let us know** and we will reach out and see if they would like to connect. Thank you for helping to build our community!

Join us on Facebook, too!

Scan this QR code or click to join the [Barkan Society Facebook Group](#) and stay up-to-date on all things Barkan, collaborate with fellow alums, share ideas, employment and business opportunities, and more. Join today!



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