

October 2021

AANA's 40th Anniversary is here! Celebrate with the AANA Education Foundation through a special gift.

Dear Colleague:

Thank you so much for your support of the AANA Education Foundation. It's because of generous contributions from donors like you that the AANA Education Foundation has been a critical part of numerous milestones for the last 40 years:

- Created an incredible family of educational journals to keep members at the forefront of their profession.
- Advocated for new codes and improved reimbursement for all our members.
- Delivered outstanding state-of-the-art educational programming though online and in-person meetings, hands-on surgical training at the Orthopaedic Learning Center and through collaboration with other orthoapedic societies.
- Helped thousands of Orthopaedic Residents get training to improve their surgical skills and knot tying techniques at the AANA Foundations in Arthroscopy lab courses.
- Assisted hundreds of Orthopaedic Surgeons so they could attend an AANA Lab Course to master techniques and acquire new skills.
- Funded the invaluable AANA Traveling Fellowship.
- Awarded the International Education Scholarship and the AANA Annual Meeting Resident Scholarship annually.
- Funded initiatives related to innovation such as the J. Whit Ewing, M.D. Simulation Room, Proficiency-Based Progression training and the Innovations Lecture at Special Day.

While we have many achievements to celebrate, it is in our nature and mission to strive and advance for more with continued success and improved offerings in the future.

In honor of AANA's 40th Anniversary, we are launching *AANA4for40*, an ambitious fundraising campaign. The AANA Education Foundation seeks to raise \$4 million in honor of AANA's 40th Anniversary. With your support, we can advance orthopaedic research and education as well as maximize reimbursement that transcends beyond 40 years – this includes the continuation of our current funding initiatives and programs, as well as expanding our offerings with funding for

additional meetings and lab courses to address diversity and inclusion for women and those underrepresented in medicine, up-and-coming simulation technologies and proficiency-based training, artificial intelligence, research and so much more.

It is through the hard work and dedication of many that the campaign is off to a great start. I'm pleased to share with you that we have already achieved more than 50% of our \$4 million fundraising goal and 100% participation and commitment from the AANA Board of Directors. Each board member has made a legacy gift to ensure the mission will be fulfilled for the next generation of Orthopaedic Surgeons.

I encourage you to join us and make what could perhaps be your first gift, an annual **monetary** gift or like the current board members, a **legacy** gift to the AANA Education Foundation. Whatever your donation amount, every dollar raised truly does make a difference and will go towards helping us achieve many more milestones in research, education and innovation for the next 40 years.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the 2022 AANA Annual Meeting in San Francisco, May 19-21, 2022. For those attendees wishing to support this campaign and the AANA Education Foundation, we have created a special *AANA4for40* package: By giving \$4,040, you can make the most of celebrating AANA22 and will receive complimentary meeting registration, a ticket to participate in AANA's golf tournament, a ticket to the AANA Education Foundation Wine Event and a special 40th Anniversary Monograph and Donor Wall recognition from the AANA Education Foundation for your generous support.

Our \$4 million fundraising goal is within reach, but we need your help to get us there. There are many options available to make a gift. **You can visit the AANA website to make a donation online**. Additionally, you are welcome to reach out to me, Laura Downes or Terri Bruce, Director of Foundation Fundraising, to discuss the best gift planning strategy to meet your financial goals.

Thank you in advance,

Mark H. Getelman, M.D., FAANA

AANA President, 2021-2022

DONATE NOW



Donate and attend! Help us celebrate AANA's 40th Anniversary by ensuring programs such as the AANA Traveling Fellowship, research grants and scholarships continue for the next 40 years and beyond. Take advantage of the opportunity to commemorate this achievement through a donation to the AANA Education Foundation.

AANA4for40 Package! Give \$4,040 and receive:

- One registration for AANA22, *valued at \$750*.
- One ticket to attend AANA's Gather on the Green golf event, valued at \$375.

- One ticket to attend the AANA Education Foundation Wine Event, valued at \$100.
- Special recognition from the AANA Education Foundation for your generous support.

To take advantage of this offer or make a legacy gift contribution, contact Terri Bruce, Director of Foundation Fundraising, at terri@aana.org.

EDUCATION FOUNDATION NEWS

Donations at Work: International Education Scholarship

The 2022 International Education Scholarship is designed to grant registration to either the AANA Annual Meeting or an AANA Advanced Lab Course along with up to \$2,000 for reimbursement of travel expenses to International AANA members and nonmembers. Thanks to donors like you, scholarships like this one can exist.

Donations at Work: AANA Annual Meeting Resident Scholarship

With your generous support, the AANA Education Foundation is able to fund 25 AANA Annual Meeting Resident Scholarships this year. This opportunity awards Orthopaedic Residents scholarships to attend the 2022 AANA Annual Meeting.

FUNDING INITIATIVES

Ride With AANA and PeloFondo - October 23-24

To celebrate AANA's 40th Anniversary, we encourage everyone to participate in a bike riding mileage challenge this month! Road bike, recumbent or Peloton – any bike will work.

Here's how you can join:

- 1. Download PeloFondo's **SUMMIIT app**.
- 2. Join the AANAPeloton Team with code 3731.
- 3. Decide how many miles you're going to pledge to ride between October 23-24.
- 4. That weekend, **ride those miles!** Log them in the app.
- 5. We'll send out a leaderboard to let you know who smoked who!

We hope that everyone will add a zero to the miles they rode and donate that amount to the AANA Education Foundation in honor of AANA's 40th Anniversary (example: rode 90 miles, donate \$900).

Participate in the AmazonSmile Program

The holidays are quickly approaching. Turning to Amazon for your shopping needs? Then we encourage you to participate in AmazonSmile – a program that donates 0.5% of your eligible Amazon purchases to your charity of choice. Make sure to select AANA as your designated charity! **Start shopping**.

Take Part in the Grateful Patients Program

Extend your patients or their families the opportunity to donate to the AANA Education Foundation in your honor through the Grateful Patients Program! Become a Grateful Patients Program Ambassador by requesting a pack of Grateful Patients Brochures sent directly to your home or office. **Learn more.**

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