

AAO Foundation

MSO Board Report

- We invite all AAO members to support the foundation by making an annual donation.
- ❖ The AAOF has a new expanded mission to support all our recently acquired programs and initiatives in 2021.
- ❖ The AAOF Awards Program will announce 2021 winners in mid-March.
- ❖ The 2021 Jarabak Award winner is Dr. Laura Iwasaki of PCSO.
- * The AAOF will offer the Resident Education Program (formerly Resident Gift) again in at the AAO Annual Session in Boston.

ONE PLACE, MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEMBERS

Along with a new mission, the American Association of Orthodontists Foundation is now offering more opportunities for AAO members to get involved. In 2021, the AAOF welcomed the Donated Orthodontic Services (DOS) program and the Disaster Relief Fund (DRF) to its philanthropic umbrella so members can engage on multiple levels, all in one place.

The new mission, "The AAO Foundation is to advance the orthodontic specialty by supporting quality education and research that leads to excellence in patient care, and by promoting orthodontic charitable giving."

The AAOF's passion for education and research, will always be at the forefront of what it does. Expanding the mission statement and gaining two dynamic programs truly gives the Foundation new ways to move the specialty forward. Both programs, DOS and the DRF will bring diversification to the Foundation by adding volunteerism and a way of supporting our supporters, especially during times of natural disaster.

To learn more, please visit: http://www.aaofoundation.net/charitable-giving.

2021 AAOF AWARDS PROGRAM

The Planned Awards Review Committee (PARC) met in St. Louis in January of 2021 to review the proposals for grant funding that were received in November. In March, the award winners will be notified. We look forward to telling all AAO members about the exciting research that will be funded by the AAOF in the coming year. In 2020, the Awards Program supported orthodontic research and education through approximately \$750,000 given by the AAOF. Please watch for more details this spring! If you are interested in applying for funding in 2022, the deadline will be in mid-November and the application is being moved online in 2021.

UPDATE ON PROGRAMMING

The AAO Foundation Board of Directors has voted to continue to offer the **Fred A. Garrett Resident Education Program** (formerly the Resident Gift Program) at the upcoming AAO Annual Session in Boston. The AAOF believes in education and research and the annual session is a wonderful way for residents to be exposed to some of the best current orthodontic research and education that is available. Thank you to our donors who helped make this program possible. In 2019, the AAO Foundation spent approximately \$330,000 on this program. No paper application or W9 is required for 2021!

AAOF AT THE AAO ANNUAL SESSION IN BOSTON

The AAOF will be very busy at the upcoming Boston meeting!

Sunday, June 27th from 8:50 to 11:25 am we will be presenting a **lecture series** featuring Chris Bentson, John McGill and Ryan Moynihan regarding financial management. These lectures will be worth CE credits. We are looking forward to hearing from these gifted speakers that morning.

On Sunday, June 27th at 7:30 am the AAOF will hold our **Annual Breakfast** where we will be awarding the **Blair Award** to Dr. Lee Graber from MSO. If you can attend this breakfast, please register through the AAO Annual Session meeting site.

The 2021 **Jarabak Award** winner is Dr. Laura Iwasaki from PCSO. Please join us in congratulating her for receiving this honor!

Throughout the meeting, you will find the **AAOF booth** in the Exhibit Hall in case you have any questions or know of a resident who needs to check in for the Resident Education Program.

We look forward to seeing you there!

REMEMBER THE AAO FOUNDATION IN YOUR CHARITABLE GIVING

The AAOF website can now accept online donations! Please consider making an online <u>donation</u> to the foundation in 2021 by visiting our website. If you are interested in becoming a monthly donor, please consider joining the Century Club. This is for donors who give a minimum of \$100 a month to the AAO Foundation. You can sign up for this option on our <u>website</u>. Also keep the AAO Foundation in mind as you create your estate plans. If you have the AAOF in your will, as a beneficiary on your retirement plan, mentioned in your trust, etc. please notify the AAOF staff office so we can properly steward your donation as a <u>Keystone Society</u> member.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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