



AAOPAC

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By now, you have probably met (or certainly heard of, or seen their names) Nathan Mick, Gianna Nawrocki, and Kim VanVeen. They represent our advocacy team at the AAO. They were brought on board in response to polling that revealed that AAO members placed a high value on AAO lobbying and advocacy efforts. After only a few years, PAC contributions have increased by over 30%, and the percentage of AAO members who contribute to the PAC has increased from 2.5% to 6%. Plus, our efforts have expanded beyond the Federal level and into the States. This is quite an achievement. Thank them if you see them. They are doing splendid work for you.

While you are at it, if by chance you are not a regular contributor to the PAC, thank those members who are regular contributors. Contributing members are fueling the efforts of our advocacy team, and all AAO members realize the benefits. If you are not a regular contributor to the PAC, I urge you to consider joining the advocacy effort. Organizations with the highest level of contribution have about 10% of members giving to their respective PACs. Wouldn't it be nice if the AAO was one of those organizations? Wouldn't it be nice to be part of that? If you have not contributed, please do so. If you intended to contribute but forgot, here is your friendly reminder. If you are reluctant to contribute, I hope you will give me the opportunity to discuss it with you. You can email me at pjbortho@aol.com.

You can give to the PAC by using this [link](#).

Respectfully submitted,
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