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a brief from the ASORN Board of Directors

Happy New Year

As the newest Board Member, I am excited to be the first to wish you a Happy New Year. Having attended my first Board Meeting and conference calls, I can tell you that your Board Members are truly dedicated to making ASORN the best it can be and I am proud to have a part in it.

From *Blink*, *Connection* and *Insight* to the Regional and Annual Meetings, ASORN strives to bring you the most up-to-date information in the field of Ophthalmology. As evidenced by past years, we truly have some of the best and most experienced nurses contributing in these areas.

ASORN is the voice of ophthalmic nursing with all the new and emerging technology and advances in our field. We strive to lead, learn, educate and grow as that voice. Not only as individuals, but as an organization. Remember, an organization is only as strong as its members. I can tell you that in the just the short time I have been on the Board, I have learned so much and have much more to learn.

As we begin this New Year, I am challenging each and every one of you to reach out to your friends and colleagues and invite them to join ASORN. Don't forget about your surgical technicians and the ancillary office staff. As affiliate members, they, too, can benefit from all ASORN has to offer. From articles in our journals, policies and procedures in our publications, to the vast experience of our members to reach out to, ASORN is truly your one stop for ophthalmology. The resources available to our members are limitless.

One of my goals is to find out what you, as members, want from ASORN. Is it more educational opportunities either in print, webinars, or at the meetings? Do you want general information or something specific like Infection Control, Regulatory or strictly ophthalmic? What classes would you like to see at the Annual Meeting? Do you want to go back to a clinical and surgical track? What worked for you in past years and what didn't? These are a few of the things I want to know. Please email me, I really do want to know.

Let's make this, 2012, our best year yet!

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