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**for the Bellwether Community**

# REMEMBER

**What's happening with the Healthcare Supply Chain Leadership Hall of Fame**

The Board of Directors (BOD) and Advisory Council (AC) are working on these key projects:

1. **Salute the newest Future Famers trio:** We announced the Future Famers Class of 2024 last month. They are **Angie Bruns**, Senior Director, Spend Management and Administration, The University of Kansas Health System; **Chico Manning**, System Vice President, Enterprise Supply Chain, PIH Health; and **Corey Schmidt**, Assistant Vice President, SHS Operations & Spend Management Integration, The University of Kansas Health System.
2. **Salute the newest Ammer Honorees duo:** We announced the Ammer Honorees of 2024 today! They are **Amanda Chawla**, FACHE, CMRP, Vice President and Chief Supply Chain Officer, Stanford Medicine, Palo Alto, CA; and **Anand S. Joshi, M.D.**, Senior Vice President, Procurement and Strategic Sourcing, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, New York.
3. **Next month – Bellwether Honorees:** In late July we announce the five honorees of the Bellwether Class of 2024!
4. **Salute Rajib Dutta:** Why? The University of Arkansas student who presented the 2023 Collegiate Capstone Project last fall earned his PhD last month. Check out the BLF website for more details. Dutta returns to the Bellwether Leadership Symposium (BLS) this fall to update attendees on his project conclusions.
5. **Scholarships:** Visit BLF's Philanthropy page (<https://www.bellwetherleague.org/scholarships.php>) for more information about our three new scholarships: The **Jamie C. Kowalski Scholarship** recognizes critical thinking around leadership development and succession planning, the **Robert A. Simpson Scholarship** recognizes career and professional mentoring for supply chain advancement and the **Lillian R. Matiska Scholarship** recognizes entrepreneurial motivations and performance in healthcare operations. College students earning a degree or certificate in supply chain as well as supply chain professionals earning certification and additional training and development are encouraged to apply. We are honored to recognize these three Hall of Famers again.

6. BLF welcomes its two newest Sustaining Sponsors: At the Silver level, **St. Onge Co.**; at the Bronze level, **BJC HealthCare**.
7. **AHRMM bound:** Who among you plans to attend the annual AHRMM conference in Columbus, OH, in late September? Email [rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org](mailto:rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org) if you are so that we can recognize you during the event.
8. **Celebrity podcasts:** On behalf of employer St. Onge Co., BLF's Fred Crans (Bellwether Class of 2020) has interviewed several BLF award winners, including Bellwethers Barbara Strain (Class of 2021), Ed Hisscock (Class of 2022) and Charlie Miceli (Class of 2023); Ammer Honoree Randy Bradley, Ph.D. (2020) and Future Famers Ryan Burke (Class of 2022) and Rachel Anderson (Class of 2023).
9. **Monday, October 7:** Make sure you mark this date for **17<sup>th</sup> Bellwether League Foundation Induction & Recognition Event (BLFIRE17)** at **The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Student Union** that includes the evening induction and recognition event as well as the Bellwether Leadership Symposium (BLS) that afternoon that will offer a fresh trip to the future. We have set up small courtesy room blocks at four local hotels. We'll share more details next month.
10. **Collegiate Capstone Project update:** Make plans now to attend the BLS not only to hear an update from the 2023 project but also hear from the 2024 team from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee who will be presenting the newest Collegiate Capstone Project! Our Bellwether Leadership Roundtable follows with Future Famers horizon scanning.
11. **Are you LinkedIn?:** Have you visited BLF's LinkedIn page lately? Sign up and log in at <https://www.linkedin.com/company/bellwether-league/>. You'll be able to connect with so many others to learn about BLF and to share insights with industry thought leaders, pioneers, mentors, innovators, influencers and executives! Ryan Burke (Future Famers Class of 2022 and BLF Marketing Committee Chair) keeps you connected and plugged into all activities and events.
12. **Spread the word:** If you've earned the privilege to be called a Bellwether Honoree, Ammer Honoree or Future Famer you should be sharing and showing that honor to the world. Wear your lapel pin. Tell others. Include your status symbol in your email and letter signature lines and in PowerPoint presentations you give. Add it to your bio and CV. Let's make "Spread the Word" our mantra to promote BLF and what it means to the profession and industry. One Ammer Honoree called us "the best kept secret in healthcare supply chain," a bittersweet tribute, for sure. We in the Bellwether Community need uncover and release the secret!
13. **Web site:** There's so much more to read and view on BellwetherLeague.org these days. From videos to podcasts to opinion columns and e-magazines, you can see and read names and faces old and new. Give us a few moments each day by popping in and seeing what's new. Start at <https://www.bellwetherleague.org/leaders-luminaries.php> and then poke around some more. We're adding new content every month.
14. **Collegiate capstone:** Would you like to support BLF's 2024 collegiate capstone projects from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and/or the University of Michigan? Contact BLF headquarters at [rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org](mailto:rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org) and fortify the next generation of potential healthcare supply chain professionals.

15. **PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO BELLWETHER LEAGUE FOUNDATION IN 2024 OR BECOMING A SUSTAINING SPONSOR!** Your donation or sustaining sponsorship helps to educate, honor, inform and research healthcare supply chain performance excellence. Here's a challenge for all of you: One executive established an annuity that donates to BLF each year. Another generously donated on behalf of his provider organization! Will you join them? *BLF is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization, so donations are tax-deductible.*
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## **Promote your healthcare supply chain thought leadership and vision**

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- Bellwether Leadership Symposium
- *Leaders & Luminaries* multi-media content
- Hall of Fame VIP Reception
- Hall of Fame Photography Session
- REMEMBER e-newsletter
- Beacon Awards (e.g., crystal lighthouses)
- BLFIRE Videography
- BLFIRE Event Program
- Collegiate capstone projects
- Philanthropic grants and scholarships

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