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**for the Bellwether Community**

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**What's happening with Bellwether League Foundation now**

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

1. We would like to thank all of you who attended, participated in and/or sponsored the **2023 Healthcare Supply Chain Leadership Forum** and the **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Bellwether League Foundation Induction & Recognition Event (BLFIRE16)**, which took place on **Monday, October 2, 2023**, at **Marquette University, Milwaukee**.
2. Once again, we salute the following:
  - a. **Future Famers Class of 2023:** Rachel Anderson and Jesse Stanton
  - b. **Ammer Honorees of 2023:** Michael McCullough and Régine Honoré Villain
  - c. **Bellwether Class of 2023:** Todd Abraham, Karen Conway, Michael Gray, Mary Beth Lang, Charlie Miceli and Deb Templeton
3. Future Famers and Ammer Honorees received special lapel pins this year, and we have photographic evidence that they are being worn with pride. Jessica Rinderle, Future Famers Class of 2019, submitted this photo to the right here, which shows her lapel displaying her newly minted Future Famers pin while attending the Northeast Purchasing Coalition's annual meeting at Encore Boston Harbor last week. Rinderle is flanked by Charlie Miceli, Bellwether Class of 2023 on her right and Sidney Hamilton, Future Famers Class of 2019 on her left.
4. If you are a Future Famer or Ammer Honoree from earlier years, please contact BLF HQ to arrange to receive your pin to promote yourself and the award-winning company you keep! If you are an earlier-class Bellwether and would like to receive your updated class pin, please contact us soon.



5. Be sure to check BLF's web site for photos and videos of BLFIRE16 – including from the Forum and the Induction & Recognition Ceremony. We've already added some new content to the site. Stay tuned for a sneak peek at the cover of *Leaders & Luminaries* 6!
6. With BLFIRE16 only weeks past we're making plans for BLFIRE17 next fall, and also teeing up interest in nominations for the 2024 Future Famers, Ammer Honorees and Bellwether Honorees! Certainly, many of you have a name on your mind who you think should be a candidate, but we won't know that until you nominate those candidates for consideration! Look for the official 2024 nomination forms to be available online by December so that you have enough time to meet the February 1 deadline.
7. Would you like to support Bellwether Philanthropy's 2024 collegiate Capstone Project? Reach out to **Mark Van Sumeren**, Bellwether Class of 2021, and administrator, Bellwether Philanthropy, via BLF headquarters at [rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org](mailto:rickdanabarlow@bellwetherleague.org).
8. **Ryan Burke**, Future Famers Class of 2022, co-chair, Marketing Committee, manages our official LinkedIn page by sharing written, photographic and videographic content. Be sure to 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!
9. **PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO BELLWETHER LEAGUE FOUNDATION IN 2023! There's still time to include it as part of the current tax year. Otherwise, consider making a donation 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! Who will join their example? Will you? *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**

**Be seen recognizing your customers via Sustaining, Event or Program Sponsorship or donation to a worthy cause! Opportunities include:**

Healthcare Supply Chain Leadership Forum	Beacon awards and pins
<i>Leaders &amp; Luminaries</i> e-magazine	Programming and Videography
Leaders & Luminaries podcasts and webcasts	BLFIRE event program
Hall of Fame VIP Reception	Kowalski Leadership & Succession Planning Survey
Hall of Fame Photography Session	Bellwether Philanthropy capstone projects,
REMEMBER e-newsletter	grants and scholarships
Supply Chain Management Assessment Tool (SCMAT)	

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