



## BOSTON DRUGGISTS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

FOUNDED IN 1875 - THE OLDEST SUPPER CLUB IN NEW ENGLAND

Dear BDA Member,

I am inviting you to renew your annual membership to the Boston Druggists' Association (BDA) ([www.bostondruggists.org](http://www.bostondruggists.org)) to help support our role as the oldest pharmacy social club in New England. As such, we facilitate networking for our actively practicing members and more senior colleagues who are retired and seek a bridge to stay in touch with their friends on a social basis outside of a routine work environment.

Our equally important role is to provide scholarships to deserving undergraduate pharmacy students. Due to increased membership, we were able to provide four scholarships in 2025. We work closely through the selection process by partnering with the Massachusetts Colleges of Pharmacy in Boston and Worcester, Northeastern College of Pharmacy and the Western New England College of Pharmacy. We provide the scholarship award criteria, and the colleges select the most deserving students.

Your dues and contributions to our scholarship fund form the foundation that supports our mission and helps defray the costs of speaker honoraria, meals, and room rentals for our events. We sincerely appreciate your continued support. We were able to increase the number of in-person member meetings held and plan to continue with 5-6 meetings per year into the future.

We are happy to report that several colleagues joined BDA in the past year. Many enjoyed attending our dinner meetings where they heard about several topics including:

- How to enroll and optimize Medicare during Annual Open Enrollment
- How flight nurses triage military patients in war
- How major highway construction projects in Massachusetts are completed
- A look back through the history of medicine and glimpse into the future

We also celebrated the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Boston Druggists' Association. A true milestone. We listened to our keynote speaker Dan Shaughnessy from The Boston Globe review highlights of Boston sports teams over the years. We also conducted the first Pharmacy Antiques Roadshow and invited our attendees to bring their personal artifacts to display and discuss with friends. We raised money for the Scholarship Fund by raffling off books and other great prizes. Finally, we remembered past members and officers who contributed so much but have now since past.

Our website continues to provide you with access to timely information about new programs, historical insight into BDA and a secure way to pay dues and register for meetings. We also have links to our Facebook and LinkedIn pages.

**YOU CAN SECURELY PAY YOUR ANNUAL DUES ONLINE WITH A CREDIT CARD USING THE FOLLOWING LINK:**

[https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=8S47KZCBQVL6L](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=8S47KZCBQVL6L)

**OR YOU CAN PAY YOUR \$55 DUES BY COMPLETING THE INFORMATION BELOW AND MAILING THIS FORM WITH CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO BDA TO OUR TREASURER – Bob Moura, 26 Dorothy Road, Arlington, MA 02474**

**MY \$55 DUES CHECK IS ENCLOSED**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you and I hope to see you at our next Member Meeting.

*Michael Petricone*, President BDA