## PHILADELPHIA ACADEMY OF SURGERY

Dear Philadelphia Academy of Surgery Members:

Welcome to the new year for the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery! First, I would like to thank you for your support during last year, we had a very successful academic year and endured as the longest continuously meeting surgical society in the U.S. Additionally, we sponsored a very successful annual surgical resident research competition in February 2025, and finished this year by participating in the Annual Tripartite meeting held in Boston on May 16, 2025. The meeting featured outstanding resident research presentations, along with expert discussants from the Boston Surgical Society and the New York Surgical Society as well as excellent panel presentations from members from our own Philadelphia Academy of Surgery.

All of this is made possible by your continued support of the Academy. Thank you for your ongoing support of the Academy, the 2025-2026 membership dues drive starts July 1<sup>st</sup> of 2025.

I sincerely thank those members who paid their dues for 2024 - 2025.

The link to make your dues contribution is as follows:

Annual Dues | Philadelphia Academy of Surgery (philaacademyofsurgery.org)

I am thrilled to serve this year as the 89<sup>th</sup> (!!) President of the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery and look forward to our convening in person in October 2025 for our first dinner meeting and scientific program. We have an outstanding slate of national speakers this year representing a variety of leadership positions and surgical specialties.

The monthly meeting evening schedule is as follows:

Cocktail social hour – 6:00 PM - 6:15 PM
Dinner- 6:15 PM – 7:00 PM
Business meeting – 7:00PM - 7:15 PM
Esteemed guest lecture – 7:15 PM - 8:00 PM
Adjournment – 8:00 PM

You can register for each meeting *a la carte* on the Philadelphia Academy of Surgery website. Resident and student mentoring is strongly encouraged by the Academy. In support of this, for each meeting the first ten members who sponsor a resident/student to attend when they register themselves will have the discounted resident/student fee waived.

I and the Executive Board look forward to seeing you at our first meeting in October!

Best regards,

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