

History of the APDA

The APDA was incorporated on November 17, 1947 during the time that the Atlanta State Farmers Market was located on Murphy Avenue in Atlanta. The original purpose of the Association

was to “encourage and protect trade and commerce through the spreading of the intelligent and reliable credit information among its members and to afford its members a medium through which matters of general interest may be discussed and acted upon.”



Over the years, these basic principals have been the cornerstone of the organization and the commitment to helping each other has grown stronger.



Although the majority of our membership is based around produce dealers, our associate members will find many benefits. An associate member is anyone who does business with our dealers including banks, utilities, hotels and transportation companies.



Come join the Atlanta Produce Dealers Association and begin reaping the benefits today!

APDA MEMBER BENEFITS



- Monthly luncheon with speaker
- Scholarship Program
- Employees & Families are eligible to apply for scholarships
- Golf Tournament
- Annual LIVE Auction
- Holiday Party(including LIVE band, dancing, great food & fellowship)
- Fall and Spring 5k fun walks



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Who is the APDA?

The Atlanta Produce Dealers Association (APDA) is the official membership organization for professional produce business leaders in the Atlanta region. We welcome members from distribution companies, retailers, and wholesalers of produce. Our

membership is also open to other industries who work closely with our produce dealers such as banks, realtors, utilities and other community leaders.



Why should I be a part of the APDA?

Serving as an advocate for the local produce industry, the Atlanta Produce Dealers Association, though not a PAC (political action committee) is the liaison between government officials and the issues facing our industry.

Scholarship Program



Each year the Atlanta Produce Dealers Association offers college scholarships to the families of our members. Last year we awarded fourteen \$1500 scholarships. Scholarship review and approval is provided by the International Scholarship and Tuition Services, Inc. Applications are accepted from January 1 through March 31 every year. To apply online, visit our website for the link to the International Scholarship and Tuition Services secure web site.

When and where do they meet?

Monthly meetings at the Atlanta State Farmers Market Exhibit Hall are held on the second Tuesday at noon. The meeting includes a catered luncheon and presentation from an inspirational or educational speaker. Speakers have included distinguished business leaders, government officials, journalists, and athletic coaches. Topics are current and informative.



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Pursuit of projects that are of special interest to our members is an ongoing goal of the APDA. Pursuit of projects that are of special interest to our members is an ongoing goal of the APDA including raising money for Scholarship's through our yearly May APDA Golf Tournament and August Auction. Community involvement includes educating and promoting interest in produce and the produce industry.

Membership Investment \$480 Annually
(or \$50 a month if paid monthly)

INCLUDES:
Monthly Lunch Meetings, Educational Speakers & Scholarship Program

Member Testimony

"I was elected to the Board of Directors in 1958, when we were still on the old Market on Murphy Avenue. In those days we discussed credit information at the meetings. This was important to us and the insurance benefits were a big plus because our company was too small to have any on our own. We are proud to be active members of the APDA and are thankful for the continued fellowship and friendships that it affords."



Gene Sutherland
Sutherland's Foodservice, Inc.

Atlanta Produce Dealers Application



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Name

Company Name

Address

City

State

Zip

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