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## THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Brinda Carroll Penyak



## Seeking a Safer Environment

Recent media reports detailing crimes committed within the blocks immediately surrounding the capitol have caused me to be more vigilant in observing my surroundings while coming and going to the place we all do most of our business. While it's not the most important thing to prove whether

crime in and around Harrisburg downtown has increased, the fact that many of my colleagues are feeling less safe than before, and are hoping for something to provide a

better sense of security.

Some of the incidents I've read about really caught my attention. The degree of boldness of the

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assailants, in addition to the proximity to our workspace, and the level of violence that has been reported have led to a number of conversations with fellow lobbyists recently, all wondering if there is something we should be doing collectively. Since so many of our legislative friends travel the same pathways around town, including early morning as well as evening events, it seems logical that they would have a stake in the safety of the area as well. Other groups comprised of lobbyists have approached PAGR to gain our support for a combined approach, and your board has reached out to legislative leaders.

In the meantime, I urge all of you to be safe – be attentive as you travel between the capitol and downtown. Consider joining up with other lobbyists as you walk to and from events, particularly in the evenings. Don't let e-mail and text messages take your attention away from your surroundings.  $\oplus$ 



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## **Meeting Notice**

# Monday April 4, 2011

11:30 am —12:45 pm
Firehouse Restaurant
Third Floor
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Our Guest will be **Carol Aichele**Secretary of the
Commonwealth

ALL MEMBERS ARE FREE!
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