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The NewsPAGR

Pennsylvania Association for Government Relations

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Mark Richards, S.R. Wojdak & Associates



Welcome to September! It's hard to believe that the lobbying communities first "real" summer in many years is drawing to a close. With the 2018 General Election looming and the competing agendas of each chamber, it is uncertain how much the Legislature will actually accomplish with the limited remaining session days. In the meantime, PAGR continues to create opportunities for its members to

broaden their lobbying skills and expand their knowledge of the government relations profession.

With that in mind, we are very excited to bring you Lobbypalooza 2018 on Friday, September 21st at the Harrisburg Hilton. This year's Lobbypalooza again promises to provide participants with insight to the latest legislative developments from senior House and Senate Leadership staff, forums on topical issues, PAC fundraising issues, a General Election preview and very interesting panel discussion about harassment in the work place. The day begins with an 8:30 AM breakfast and is followed by a full day of valuable presentations. I encourage you to join us and consider one of the sponsorship opportunities. To register, please go to www.pagr.org.

Additionally, I also encourage you to attend the next PAGR Membership meeting on **October 1st** at the Firehouse Restaurant. The lunch will begin at 11:30 AM with the membership meeting beginning at noon. As always, PAGR members with paid dues are free of charge.

As I have stressed in past issues of NewsPAGR, **this is your association and we, the PAGR Board, want to make sure that you are getting the most you can from your membership.** So, please, let us know how we can best serve you. If you have new program ideas, let us know. If you have ideas on legislation or initiatives you would like to see PAGR address, let us know. Additionally, please consider joining one of PAGR's six membership committees (see page 2). I look forward to seeing you on September 21st and October 1st.



2018 DATES

Fr	Sept 21	Lobbypalooza 2018
Mo	Oct 1	Membership Meeting
Th	Nov 1	Board Meeting
Mo	Dec 3	Membership Meeting

Membership meetings are held 11:30 am—12:30 pm on the 3rd floor of the Firehouse Restaurant, Harrisburg.

All PAGR members are free. Guests of PAGR members will be charged \$30.

An RSVP is required.

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**Sponsorships
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In order for PAGR to be successful, we need our members to be involved. The more active members we have in our organization, the more we can get done. Please consider joining a committee — if you are willing and able, please contact Christine at info@pagr.org.

Budget and Finance Committee –shall submit a proposed budget for the Association to the Board of Directors at its last meeting prior to the end of the fiscal year, and may perform such duties in connection with the finances of the Association as the Board may determine from time to time.

Membership and Member Services Committee – shall be responsible for recruitment and retention of all classes and categories of members and the development and implementation of a program of benefits and services to the members.

Nominating Committee - shall nominate candidates for the required offices and directorships of the Association as provided in these Bylaws and report such nominations to the President at least ten (10) days before the Annual Meeting. Said nominations shall be voted upon at the Annual Meeting by active members as these Bylaws prescribe.

Professional Standards and Ethics Committee – shall be responsible for enforcing the Standards of Conduct, investigation any and all complaints filed against members for violations of the Standards, recommending sanctions against members found to have violated the Standards, and conducting professional development and continuing education programs for members and non-members.

Program Committee – shall be responsible for developing and running the programs at all regular meetings of the Association, at the Annual Meeting, at any special meetings and for any social events approved by the Board.

Public Affairs Committee – shall develop and implement a campaign to represent the Association to the general public and the state government through whatever means are proper and are approved by the Board, including press releases and press conferences, and testifying at public hearings when necessary.

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Sponsorships are available

Lunch—\$1000—includes two FREE Registrations

- Listing as Sponsor on sponsor list, printed materials and newsletter
- One page handout included in packet
- Opportunity to speak at lunch

Breakfast—\$500—includes one FREE Registration

- Listing as Sponsor on sponsor list, printed materials and newsletter
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- Opportunity to be acknowledged in front of audience

Break—\$300

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Attendee Packet Flyer—\$150

- Include your message in our attendee packet

If interested, please contact at Christine at info@pagr.org

Thank you to those companies who have committed their sponsorship to our program:

Columbia Gas of PA & MD

**Commonwealth Compliance
Solutions, LLC**

**PA Chamber of Business
and Industries**

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Lobbypalooza 2018

Friday, September 21, 2018
Hilton Harrisburg

DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION-
Monday September 17, 2018

\$195/members
\$295/non-members*
*Includes 2018 PAGR membership

- 8:30—9:00 am **Registration and Breakfast**
- 9:00—11:00 am **Leadership Panel:** Key policy advisors from each Caucus speak about the Fall Agenda, offer insights to next session and take your questions.
SR's— **Drew Crompton**, Chief of Staff, Senate President Pro Tempore
SD's— **Mark Mekilo**, Executive Director, Senate Appropriations Committee
HR's—**Karen Coates**, Chief of Staff, Speaker's office
HD's— **Ali Thomas**, Senior Counsel, Democratic Leader's office
- 11:15 am —12:15 pm **Election Update:** **Chris Nicholas**, Eagle Consulting Group
Hear from one of Pennsylvania's preeminent political strategists about the upcoming election
- 12:15—1:00 pm **Lunch and Networking**
- 1:00—2:15 pm **Harrassement in the Workplace:**
Legal and HR professionals from different perspectives will discuss appropriate behavior in the workplace, including the Capitol, and address how individuals who encounter misconduct in the workplace, either by seeing/hearing inappropriate behavior or experiencing it should deal with it.
Schaun Henry, Employment Defense Atty—McNees Wallace & Nurick, LLC
Daphne Moore, Director of HR—McNees Wallace & Nurick, LLC
Solomon Krevsky, Employment Claimant's Atty—Clark & Krevsky, LLC
- 2:30—3:45 pm **PAC's: How Corporations, Associations and Unions raise money and how to comply with Reporting Law:**
Erin Kanter, PA Bankers Association
Mike Maguire, AFSCME Council 13
Sherry Messimer, Commonwealth Compliance Solutions
Peter Trufahnestock, Columbia Gas of PA & MD

This program is designed to be an interactive session. Please come prepared with questions.

TO REGISTER, PLEASE CHECK ALL SESSIONS YOU ARE PLANNING TO ATTEND, COMPLETE THE INFO BELOW AND SEND WITH CHECK OR CREDIT CARD INFO BY September 17, 2018. PAGR's EIN # 25-1669383

NAME	COMPANY		
PHONE	EMAIL		
VISA OR MC #	EXP DATE	SECURITY CODE	
BILLING ADDRESS:			

Meeting Notice



Monday October 1
11:30 am — 12:30 pm
Firehouse Restaurant

Third Floor
606 N. Second Street • Harrisburg

Speaker:

Chad Weaver

Chief of Staff

House Appropriations Committee

ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR 2018 DUES ARE FREE! ALL GUESTS OF MEMBERS WILL BE CHARGED \$30.

You must RSVP BY September 27 TO 717-939-1900 OR INFO@PAGR.ORG. THANK YOU.



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