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The NewsPAGR

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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Gabrielle Sedor



Greetings PAGR members! I'm hoping this NewsPAGR finds you relaxed and ready for the final days of summer and the 2014 legislative session.

PAGR has its eyes on a few bills, namely HB 744 introduced by Rep. Cutler which would mandate electronic filing of reports under the lobbying disclosure law. HB 744 was reported out of the Senate Appropriations Committee and is poised for a vote. PAGR met with senior Senate staff regarding additional amendments that would safeguard lobbyists and principles in the event they weren't able to file electronically. We are eager to see if that

language will be included in the final bill.

Additionally, the Department of State has submitted its final regulation titled, "Lobbying Disclosure Registration Fee" (#16-56 / IRRC #3012). <http://www.irrc.state.pa.us/regulations/RegSrchRslts.cfm?ID=301> The regulation is scheduled for consideration at IRRC's September 18 public meeting.

PAGR will be submitting comments to the IRRC opposing the increase from \$200 to \$400 and is planning to meet with the IRRC prior to the September 18th meeting. **We encourage all PAGR members to also submit comments.** Please share those with PAGR at info@pagr.org.

Now let me lighten the mood by inviting you to PAGR's final Capitol Happy Hour of 2014. Join us Thursday, September 10th between 5 and 7pm on the 2nd floor and deck of the Sturges Speakeasy where key Senate staff will be our guests.

Don't forget September 23rd is the 2nd Annual Capitol All Stars Game on City Island. While PAGR wasn't able to secure a sponsor spot this year, we have our sights set on 2015. We promise to give you more advance notice next time.

Lastly, our next PAGR membership meeting is scheduled for 11:30 am, Monday, October 6th. Auditor General Eugene DiPasquale is our guest (rescheduled from April).

Hope to see you all soon. ☺

2014 Dates

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| Sept 4 | Board Meeting |
| Sept 10 | Happy Hour
Sturges—5—7 pm |
| Oct 6 | Membership
Firehouse 11:30 am |
| Nov 6 | Board Meeting |
| Dec 1 | Membership
Firehouse 11:30 am |

2014 NEW MEMBERS

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Thank You
Capitol Happy Hour
Sponsors

WOW! What an incredible response we have had for these events. Thank you to all the Sponsors who are supporting our Capitol Happy Hours events.

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Monday, September 8 is the deadline for registering.
RSVP by sending this form with check or visa or MasterCard info to
P.O. Box 116, Harrisburg, PA 17108

Join Senate Executive Directors and Key Staffers for PAGR's

Capitol Happy Hour

When: **Wednesday, September 10, 2014 from 5 pm—7 pm**

Where: **Sturges Speakeasy, 2nd floor
400 Forster Street, Harrisburg**

Cost: **\$40 per PAGR member**
This event is for PAGR members and Sponsors only

**Please RSVP to Christine Corrigan at info@pagr.org
by Monday, September 8, 2014**

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Payment can be made by check, Visa or MasterCard. If paying by credit card, please include the following information:

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Meeting Notice

Monday October 6
11:30 am—12:30 pm

Firehouse Restaurant
Third Floor
606 N. Second Street • Harrisburg



Our Guest will be
Pennsylvania
Auditor General,
Eugene
DePasquale

ALL MEMBERS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR 2014 DUES
ARE FREE! ALL GUESTS OF MEMBERS WILL BE
CHARGED \$25.

PLEASE RSVP BY **October 2** TO
717-939-1900 OR INFO@PAGR.ORG.

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