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Pennsylvania Association for Government Relations

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IMPORTANT 2011 DATES:

Th	Jan 5	Board Meeting
Mo	Feb 6	Membership Meeting
Th	Mar 1	Board Meeting
Mo	April 2	Membership Meeting
Th	May 3	Board Meeting
Mo	June 4	Membership Meeting
Th	July 12	Board Meeting
Th	Sept 13	Board Meeting
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.
December 3 rd meeting is 4:30—6:30 pm.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Brinda Carroll Penyak



Ringling In The New

After a year of having the honor to serve as President of PAGR, I've come to learn a lot about our members and volunteer leaders. Participating in discussions with the board, hearing the input from our peers, and their interest in making the environment in Harrisburg a better place for all of us to work within has been not only enlightening, but encouraging. Whether its in planning for the right luncheon speakers, or determining timing and topics for training and networking events, or assuring that we are providing services that our diverse membership value, the care and commitment devoted by volunteers and staff alike is very impressive. We truly are a community of people working on a myriad of topics, yet all sharing common goals – promoting the value of the work we all do, while maintaining the highest standards for our practice.

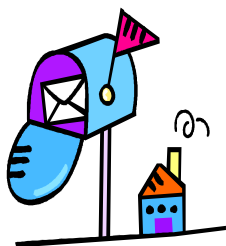
As we enter a new year and prepare for the challenges it is likely to bring, we continue to rely on you, our valued member, to help guide the board in focusing on what you find to be most important. Your input into our programming is a crucial element, and we want to hear from you. Are there areas of concern that you feel PAGR should address? Are there speakers you would like to hear from at our membership meetings? Is the PAGR website a place you can go for reliable information, such as registration and reporting assistance, lobbyist badge renewals, and other types of membership support? If you have thought on those points or others, please share them with me, or any other member of the PAGR board.

As we leave behind the past year, we welcome a new board member, and offer our sincere thanks to those who continue to serve. The very capable Christine Corrigan keeps us on task and focused, and we extend our thanks to her as well.

Thanks for remaining a member for 2012. I once again encourage you to consider joining a PAGR committee. Perhaps more importantly, please take the time to help direct the agenda and assist the board in providing what you need most from your membership. **Whether you are new to lobbying or a veteran of many a "sine' die", your input is valuable, and without it, PAGR is disadvantaged in its ability to serve you.** ☺

Your 2012  dues have been sent.

Please sign up for a committee and return with payment by February 15, 2012.
Thank you!





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Meeting Notice

Monday February 6, 2012
11:30—1:00 pm
Firehouse Restaurant
Third Floor
606 N. Second Street • Harrisburg



Our Guest will be
John Micek
Reporter
Allentown Morning Call

ALL MEMBERS WHO PAID 2012 DUES ARE FREE!
ALL GUESTS OF MEMBERS WILL BE CHARGED \$25.
PLEASE RSVP BY February 3 TO
INFO@PAGR.ORG.
THANK YOU.

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