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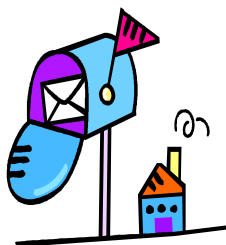


IMPORTANT 2011 DATES:

Th	Jan 13	Board Meeting
Mo	Feb 7	Membership Meeting
Th	Mar 3	Board Meeting
Mo	April 4	Membership Meeting
Th	May 12	Board Meeting
Mo	June 6	Membership Meeting
Th	July 7	Board Meeting
Th	Sept 8	Board Meeting
Mo	Oct 3	Membership Meeting
Th	Nov 3	Board Meeting
Mo	Dec 5	Membership Meeting

Membership meetings are held
11:30 am—12:30 pm on the 3rd floor of the
Firehouse Restaurant, Harrisburg, except on
December 5.

Your 2011  dues
invoice will be arriving
shortly. Please sign up
for a committee and
return with payment by
January 31, 2010.



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Peter Calcara



Thank you!

This is my last message as PAGR President. I would be remiss if I did not tell you all how much I enjoyed this experience. It has been a great learning opportunity for me both personally and professionally. THANK YOU for allowing me the opportunity to represent you and our

profession these last two years.

I have many people to thank but none more important than the members of my team: Bob Archibald, Brian Barno, Tony Crisci, Judy Eschberger, Andy Hilt, Ted Mowatt, Brinda Carroll Penyak, Mark Richards, Kris Snader, and Gregg Taylor.

They are all incredible professionals and great representatives of our profession. I could not have asked for a better board of directors.

Christine

Corrigan is the glue that holds PAGR together. She is both dedicated and conscientious. We are fortunate to have her. Thank you, Christine, for all your help (and patience!!) these last two years.

We all owe a huge debt of gratitude to Michael Shields, Esq., PAGR's de facto legal advisor. Mike has recently moved on to start a new career in Washington DC, but his impact on PAGR and the greater Pennsylvania lobbying community will live on. Mike's efforts on the lobbyist registration fee regulations alone have earned him my unqualified respect.

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Meeting Notice

Monday December 6, 2010
4:00—6:00 pm
McGrath’s Pub
Second Floor
202 Locust Street • Harrisburg



- We will be voting on 2011 Board of Directors
- We will be offering HOLIDAY CHEER (complimentary beer, wine & munchies)

ALL MEMBERS ARE FREE!
ALL GUESTS OF MEMBERS WILL BE CHARGED \$25.
PLEASE RSVP BY December 3 TO
717-540-4391 OR INFO@PAGR.ORG.
THANK YOU.

2011 Board Slate

Officers

President.....Brinda Carroll Penyak*
Vice President.....Mark Richards*
Secretary.....Matthew DiLoreto*
Treasurer.....Eric Kratz*

Board of Directors

Association.....Gabrielle Sedor*
Corporate.....Kris Snader
Lawyer.....Tony Crisci
Independent.....Elly Henry*
At Large.....Laura Saccente*
At Large.....Judy Eschberger

Immediate Past President

Peter Calcara

Executive Director

Christine Corrigan

**must be voted on by membership*

THE PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE *by Peter Calcara*

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information and services to our 253 state lawmakers, regulators, and the general public. Don't let anyone tell you otherwise. I'm proud of what I do and you should be too.

Still, that's not enough. We all need to give back to **our** profession and that all starts with supporting PAGR. I am continuously amazed at the lack of support PAGR receives from within our ranks. The old arguments that "I'm too busy" or "it's a waste of my time" are self-serving and, quite frankly, missing the point. Here's a news flash: WE ARE ALL BUSY!!! And could someone please explain to me how spending time with others in your profession is a waste of time? Building and cultivating relationships is Lobbying 101. PAGR provides a perfect opportunity to do just that.

Pennsylvania's lobbying community must have a presence and a voice in Harrisburg. PAGR has demonstrated over the last few years that when we all put forth an effort, together we can make an impact. We may not always win, but being engaged on an issue and having our voice heard is the foundation of our representative form of government. I implore you to urge your colleagues to get involved in your association. If PAGR doesn't speak for Pennsylvania's lobbying community, than who will?

Finally, I wish Brinda Carroll Penyak the very best as she takes the reigns as President. I hope you all plan to stop by PAGR's annual holiday extravaganza Dec. 6 at McGrath's Pub from 4-6 p.m. ☺

The mission statement of the Pennsylvania Association for Government Relations, Inc. (PAGR) is to promote the purpose and effectiveness of the lobbying profession consistent with the public interest. Further, association members encourage high standards of personal and professional conduct among all lobbyists. ☺