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President's Letter

Greetings VAGARA Friends,

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the Hilton Virginia Beach Oceanfront for the 35th Annual Conference October 16-18. Jessie Graham has worked hard to get a great program lined up and I am sure it will be a terrific time. If you are able, please try to attend the President's reception Wednesday evening. This is a casual event for members to meet each other, network, and enjoy each other's company. We will have heavy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments.

Another one of the highlights at the conference will be the approval of the new Executive Board. The slate is presented to the membership before the business meeting and there will be a vote to approve the new board. I hope all members are there for the meeting and will vote on the Executive Board slate.

We are continuing with another fun trivia question in this issue, so look in the Announcement Corner to see if you know the answer!

I hope everyone enjoys the rest of summer!

Maralee Weeks
VAGARA President

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Membership Update

Your VAGARA annual membership of \$20 for individuals and \$100 for vendors gives you additional resources, such as access to other members and a discount for the annual conference. Your membership affords you the opportunity to share, collaborate and develop both professional and personal friendships with your peers.

Currently VAGARA has 155 active individual memberships, 3 vendors, and 9 honorary members. Our membership period is from January 1 to December 31st. If your 2019 membership was not paid by April, your membership was suspended but can be re-instated with payment. Please contact membership chairperson, Dianna Catron for reinstatement, if you wish to renew. Thank you for continuing to be part of the VAGARA family.

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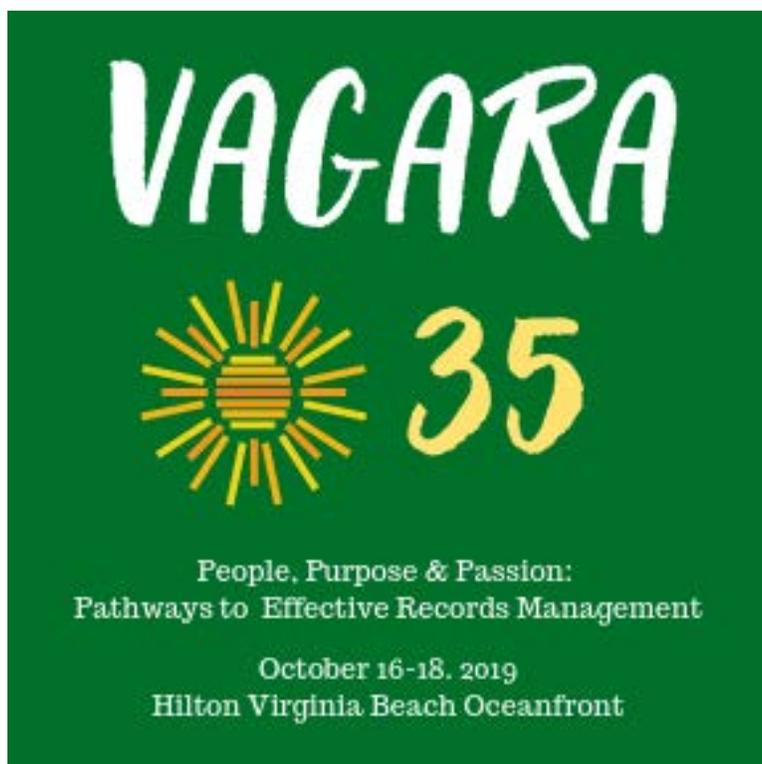
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The 2019 Annual VAGARA Conference is shaping up to be a great 35th Celebration! The program focuses on data value, IT collaboration, social media, information governance, and networking, to name a few sessions!

The Hilton Oceanfront is always a popular location for both attendees and vendors, with great views and excellent meal choices! Please join us on Wednesday evening for a special President's Reception, meet your current Executive Board and enjoy fellowship with colleagues from all over the Commonwealth.

Visit <https://vagara.org/Annual-Conference> to find program, registration, and hotel information!

Registration closes September 23rd and all unpaid registrations will be removed from the list on September 30th.

If you have questions regarding your registration, please contact Nicki Taylor at ntaylor@culpepercounty.gov or Dianna Catron at dcatron@culpepercounty.gov.



ANNOUNCEMENT CORNER



Do you have a job posting you'd like to announce? A retirement or promotion you'd like to celebrate? Please consider emailing announcements@vagara.org to have it included in a future newsletter and/or on the website!

Welcome New Members!

VAGARA welcomes those that have become members since our last newsletter. We are happy you have joined and look forward to meeting you at the fall conference.

Mina Barberis, City of Norfolk
Christina Luers, City of Newport News
Jean Marshall, Augusta County Service Authority
Kimberly Meyers, Gryphon Technologies
Carolyn Shaffer, Albemarle County
BJ Shifflett, Frederick County



Happy Birthday!

We have added a new field to your membership registration - Birthday month. VAGARA will send you a birthday email sometime during the month of your birthday if you have completed the field. This would be a good time to review and update your membership details and add your birthday month.



VAGARA Trivia

The first to respond with the correct answer(s) wins a gift card!

Send responses to:
announcements@vagara.org

Question:

What VIP guest showed up at the Annual VAGARA Conference, when was it, and where was the conference?



Answer to last trivia question: The fire was at the Arlington County Courthouse and Glenn Smith is the current VAGARA member who was on site during the post-fire work!

Do you have photos?

If you have photos taken at VAGARA Annual Conferences, 2012-2018, please email announcements@vagara.org. We would love to have them as we compile the organizational history for this time period.



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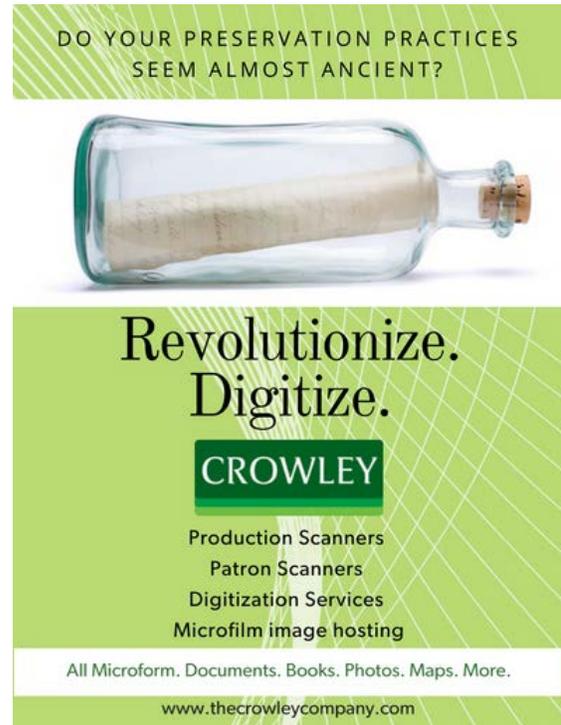
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VAGARA Annual Business Meeting
October 25, 2018
VAGARA 34th Annual Conference
Sheraton Oceanfront Hotel and Conference Center

I. **Call to order:**

Maralee Weeks called the meeting to order at 11:43 a.m.

II. **Verify Quorum:**

Maralee asked for a show of hands for members present. A quorum was verified. (10% of 188 members)

III. **Approval of Minutes:**

Everyone present was asked if they had a chance to review the minutes. There being no questions regarding the 33rd Annual Business meeting minutes, Mark Walsh made the motion to approve the minutes. Georgia McQuigg made the second. The motion carried with ayes.

IV. **Treasurer's Report:**

Jessica Burgess reviewed the end of year treasurer's report for 2017 as well as the year to date report for 2018 for the members present. There were no questions regarding income or expenses, so the report will be filed for audit.

V. **Membership Report:**

Dianna Catron reviewed the membership report stating that we have 175 individual memberships along with 9 honorary. We have 3 vendor memberships for a total of 188 memberships. Dues will be coming due January the 1st and the first reminder went out the other day. If anyone has any questions or concerns regarding membership, please reach out to Dianna as the membership chairperson.

A couple of years ago, Dianna started a program to reach out to members who have had a life or career changing event. If you know of a colleague through VAGARA that you would like Dianna to reach out to, please notify her and she will send a good old fashion card in the mail to let them know VAGARA is thinking about them.

VI. **2018 Connis O. Brown Scholarship Recognition:**

Angie Diggs announced the 2 winners of this year's Connis O. Brown Scholarship. The first was Rachel Carton from Amherst County and Tomika Price from Fauquier County. Angie expressed thanks to everyone who buy raffle tickets and asked for their continuing support. Tomeka Price and Rachel Carton are this year's winners.

VII. **Other Business:**

A. **Governing Documents:**

- a) Constitution and By-Laws: Nancy Tyler presented the change summary document with regards to the updates to the Constitution and By-Laws. There being no questions or concerns, Georgia McQuigg made the motion to accept the updates as presented. Mark Walsh made the second. There were no objections, the motion carried with ayes.

b) Standing Rules: Nancy Tyler presented the change summary document with regards to the updates to the Standing Rules. There being no questions or concerns, Georgia McQuigg made the motion to accept the updates as presented. Margie Tacci made the second. There were no objections, the motion carried with ayes.

B. 2019 Conference Location Announcement:

Chris Koch talked about the next 2 years conference dates: Both the 2019 and the 2020 conferences will be at the Hilton Virginia Beach. 2019 will be October 16-18, and 2020 will be October 15-18. See you at the beach!

VIII. Adjournment:

There being no other items brought for discussion, Maralee asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bob Kolstee made the motion to adjourn, Marilyn Johnson made the second. All were in favor, the meeting adjourned at 11:56 a.m.