# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS®

# DISTRICT THREE NEWSLETTER

March 2019



As many of you may know, I was recently elected as NAP Director for District 3, filling the unexpired term of Todd Crowder, PRP. I am delighted to serve as your district representative. By way of introduction, I have been a member of NAP since 2010 and became a Professional Registered Parliamentarian in 2014. I reside in Atlanta, Georgia and I am a primary member of the Atlanta Unit. My NAP experience has included service as the immediate past president of the Georgia State Association of Parliamentarians. I also serve NAP in the capacity of Chair of the Membership and Registered Examiners' Committee and Chair of the Resource Committee. I retired as Executive Director of the Diabetes Association of Atlanta, Inc. in 2017.

I look forward to working with all of you and making District 3 a strong and viable district. Please don't hesitate to contact me at <u>napD3D@gmail.com</u> with any questions or suggestions.

#### DISTRICT THREE CONFERENCE

The District 3 Conference will be held in conjunction with the South Carolina State Association of Parliamentarians' Convention in Greenville, South Carolina on April 27, 2019. Registration is \$40 and includes lunch. The District Conference will commence immediately after lunch. Click here to register: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/scap-annual-meeting-tickets-

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### **ELECTION TIME!!!!**

Election of the District 3 Director will be held at the District 3 Conference on April 27, 2019. As set forth in our governing documents, district directors shall be registered or professional registered members who have their principal residence in the district at the time of election and who are entitled to vote at the district conference at which they are elected. Those members entitled to vote must be a member of NAP who is registered as in attendance, has paid the appropriate registration fees and meets either of the following requirements:

a) primary member of an association in the district; or

b) member whose principal residence is in an unchartered state or province in the district and who is not a primary member of any association.

The elected District Director will take office at the close of the NAP convention and serve until the close of the next convention or until his/her successor assumes office.

The district director is tasked with promoting NAP programs and educational opportunities through the associations, provinces and to the general public. The district director also is a member of the national Membership Extension and Retention Committee (MERC). Please refer to the NAP Bylaws for a complete listing of duties.

SILENT GAVELS Please forward names of any "silent gavels" over the last two years, including a brief statement about the departed member. They will be recognized at the District Conference. Names and information should be sent to <u>napD3D@gmail.com</u> by April 21, 2019.

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#### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Renewal of NAP membership has been extended to March 31, 2019. Please renew today if you have not paid your dues for 2019. Don't let your membership and its many associated benefits lapse. Renew today!



NAP needs our help to better position itself for the future. The immediate focus is on long-needed improvements to the NAP headquarters building to make it more

ergonomic and to accommodate future growth. All state associations, units and members can help fund this project by purchasing an affordable custom engraved tile which will be placed on the Wall of Honor at our headquarters. You can purchase any number of tiles and select any designation – the association name, unit name, or a tile in memory or in honor of a special person. The tile options are as follows:

6" x 6" tile	Engraving up to 5 lines	\$125
12" x 12" tile	Engraving up to 8 lines	\$350
12" x 12" tile	Engraving up to 7 lines	\$365
	Plus art or logo	

Please go to <u>https://polarengraving.com/thenationalassociationofparliamentarians</u> to purchase your tile today! Don't be the only state association or local unit not represented on the Wall of Honor at Headquarters.

# SAVE THE DATE!!!



42nd Biennial Convention September 5-8, 2019 Westgate Las Vegas Hotel Las Vegas, NV There will be a host of workshop, presiding laboratories and fun for all the family. Please plan to be there!

And don't forget the Leadership Conference which will begin at 8:00 am on Wednesday, September 4th.

#### **TOWN HALL MEETING**

Mark your calendar for the 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Town Hall meeting on April 30, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. Central Time. The topic will be "keeping in the Know with NAP". Check the NAP website for up to date info on the Town Hall Meeting.

#### **STATE NEWS**

#### GEORGIA STATE ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS

GSAP held its biennial convention Saturday, February 16, 2019. The Convention was hosted by the Atlanta Unit with help from the sister unit, the Dogwood Unit. Zenda Bowie, Education Coordinator and her team, did an

excellent job in organizing an excellent workshop portion of the day. There were over 50 attendees who benefitted from several excellent workshops: *Rules of Debate* presented by Marcia Chandler; *Parliamentary Jeopardy* presented by Cheryl Cole; and *Everything Must Change- Handling Amendments* presented by NAP Vice President Darlene Allen, PRP. The Perry Career Academy FCCLA students also provided a meeting demonstration in preparation of FCCLA state competition. The judging panel for the demonstration was Darlene Allen, PRP, Robert Blair, PRP, and Dennis Conway, PRP.

Elections were held for new officers. Elected were Dennis Conway, PRP, President; Corliss Baker, Vice President; Zenda Bowie, Secretary; and Pat Summers, RP, Treasurer. Congratulations! (Shown left to right)



# NORTH CAROLINA ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS

The North Carolina Association of Parliamentarians held its annual workshops and meeting on March 16, 2019 in Wilmington, NC. Presiding was President Tannis Nelson, PRP. The informative workshops included "How Do I Deal With This? – A Series of Real Questions From the 2018 Meeting Circuit", presented by Henry Jones, Esq.; "The Role of the Member Parliamentarian" presented by Gwen Simmons, PRP and Betty Marshal, RP; and "Let's Do It Again – Bring Back Motions", presented by Carol Johnson Davis, PRP.





The Association has launched an E- Unit this year, the Tar Heel E-Unit. This unit is a constituent unit of the North Carolina Association and several programs have been scheduled for the year. Members are encouraged to join. Dues for the Tar Heel E-Unit are \$5.00.

# SOUTH CAROLINA STATE ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS

The South Carolina State Association will hold its Annual Meeting, April 27, 2019 at the Greenville Convention Center. All District 3 members and friends are invited to attend this meeting of exciting workshops and activities. Topics to be covered during the workshop portion of the meeting include minutes, motions and presiding. Advanced registration is \$40 and registration is available at

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As stated above, the District 3 Conference will convene immediately thereafter.

#### PARLIAMENTARY LAW MONTH

April is Parliamentary Law Month. All units and associations area asked to celebrate the month by bringing awareness to your local communities about the value of parliamentary procedure and the use of parliamentarians. All associations and units are asked to plan educational workshops, provide parliamentary presentations and use social media to promote awareness. Be creative and share your activities with the District Director at <a href="mailto:napD3d@gmail.com">napD3d@gmail.com</a>.

#### STATE PRESIDENT INFORMATION – Stay Connected!

Alabama State Association – Carl F. Lemons, President, <u>carlflemons@bellsouth.net</u> Florida State Association – Helen Popovich, President, <u>hpopovich@mac.com</u> Georgia State Association – Dennis Conway, PRP, President, <u>dennisconway1@gmail.com</u> Mississippi State Association – Greg Goodwiller, PRP, President <u>greg@goodwiller.org</u> North Carolina State Association, Tannis Nelson, PRP, President <u>tfnelson@ec.rr.com</u> South Carolina State Association – Lavon Jones, President, <u>lavon.jones20@gmail.com</u> Tennessee State Association - Gladys Carr, President, <u>travel.carr@yahoo.com</u>