

National Association of Parliamentarians
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NAP District Seven News - Summer 2020

District Seven Director's Message



Dear District Seven Members,

Hopefully, you are staying safe and discovering fun ways to stay connected. You successfully pivoted to adjust to our new reality and delivered amazing annual meetings and training workshops. Thank you for the opportunity to attend your virtual meetings, and to be a virtual workshop presenter—the latter took real courage on your part. Please take a moment to catch up on recent District Seven virtual activities chronicled in the *Leadership Connection*

(July 2020, Vol. 1, Issue 1), <https://files.constantcontact.com/cbc7da9f001/7aa75d19-80af-4927-abc0-c9d907ecfcef.pdf>. Highlights include:

- In celebration of Parliamentary Law Month, **three free public virtual parliamentary basics workshops** sponsored by the Colorado Association of Parliamentarians (CAP)—presented by Janice Gray, CAP Vice-President, and Yvette Keese, PRP, CAP President and District Seven Director;
- **Parliamentary Talk, a livestream broadcast** answering your questions about democracy and parliamentary procedure, co-hosted by Oregon Association of Parliamentarians members Larry Taylor, PRP, and Keri Capen;
- **Virtual educational workshops** sponsored by the Washington State Association of Parliamentarians on the timely topics of “**Collaboration—Technology that Empowers**,” WSAP Vice-President Aaron Taggart, PRP; “**It Ain’t Over ‘till It’s Over: the Motion to Adjourn**,” Weldon Merritt, PRP, Professional Standards Committee Chair; and “**Ethics—Our Pathway to Parliamentary Posterity**,” Yvette Keese, PRP, District Seven Director; and
- **An interactive online workshop**—“You Won’t Believe What Happened at the Meeting!”—presented by Carl Nohr, PRP, NAP Director-at-Large.

Kudos! Please continue exploring virtual parliamentary educational opportunities.

Yours very truly,

Yvette Keese, PRP

NAP District Seven Director

Zoom in September with District Seven Director Keesee!



Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 19, 2020, noon to 1:00 p.m. (Mountain Daylight Time)**, for the now quarterly District Seven informal, district-wide virtual gathering. This is a wonderful opportunity to check-in with old friends, meet someone new, and share your ideas/activities to recruit new members and keep current members engaged. I hope you will join us! If you can only drop in for a few minutes to say hello, that's fine too!

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZMtdeCtqzWjE9K2v7UOMj2y717afjHDiSA5>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Highlights from the June 2020 District Seven informal gathering:

- 17 participants—at least one member from all five State Associations!
- Desire for quarterly district-wide informal Zoom gatherings.
- Shared ideas to attract new members (*e.g.*, offer parliamentary training sessions through college continuing education training offices and neighborhood HMAs; soft promotion of NAP membership during community workshops; develop a membership recruitment plan; explore opportunities for student scholarships, including the NAP Foundation; and explore opportunities to offer parliamentary training to political parties, which are now in full swing.
- Update on eNAP Unit— www.enapunit.org.
- Shared ideas and opportunities for in-person and virtual RP exam study groups.

NAP NEWS

The 2020 NAP Training Conference is going virtual!

Register Today!

- Four days of expert-led parliamentary workshops—August 27-30, 2020!
- Conference kicks off Thursday, August 27 at 2:00 p.m. with an update on the Registered Parliamentarian credentialing process, followed by the NAP Annual Meeting
- Friday is an all-day celebration of the release of *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* 12th Edition, which will be introduced by Martyn R. Redgrave, president of the Robert's Rules Association. Members of the authorship team will discuss the changes made in this new edition. You definitely don't want to miss this!
- Saturday and Sunday feature more than 20 educational session — including an update on revisions to the code of ethics
- Visit www.napconference.org for the current schedule
- Visit <http://napconference.org/workshops/> for workshop descriptions

There are several ways to register:

- [Register online \(http://napconference.org/register/\)](http://napconference.org/register/).
- Register by phone -- Call 816.833.3892 and a helpful staff member will process your registration.
- Register by email -- Email hq@nap2.org to let staff know that you'd like to join us for the virtual conference!

Registration fees:

Full Conference (thru August 28)

- Member—\$149
- Non-member—\$199
- Student—\$100

Virtual NAP Leadership Conference

Register Today! (See above registration options)

- August 26, 2020 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. & August 27, 2020 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
- Attendees: Current & future leaders • Unit presidents & officers • Association presidents & officers • District Directors • Members
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Registration fees (register by August 19, 2020):

Members: \$30

Non-Members: \$50

Strengthen your leadership skills and unleash the potential in your organization!

NAP NEWS (cont.)

Appointments

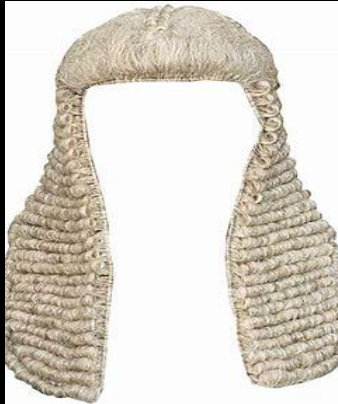
Congratulations to Washington State Association of Parliamentarians (WSAP) member **Weldon L. Merritt, PRP**, on his appointment as **NAP Professional Standards Committee Chair!**

Congratulations to WSAP student members **Kianna Bolante** and **Ryen Glynn** on appointment to the **NAP Youth Committee!**

Congratulations to **Anthony April, Member-at-Large**, on appointment as Chairman of the unchartered State of Alaska!

DISTRICT SEVEN HIGHLIGHTS

Parliamentary Talk with Larry & Keri



Co-hosted by Oregon Association of Parliamentarians (OAP) members Larry Taylor, PRP, and Keri Capen. Each episode is 30-minutes long, takes a look at a real-life situation, and explores how parliamentary and democratic principles were violated. Check out previous shows at:

<http://parliamentarytalk.org/index.html>.



Oregon Association of Parliamentarians (OAP) 52nd Annual Meeting, March 9, 2020

Thank you OAP members for the invitation to serve as NAP Representative and a workshop presenter for your 52nd Annual Meeting, and for your tremendous hospitality! Enjoyed every moment of the visit—the only scheduled in-person Association meeting your District Director was able to attend before life, as we knew it, changed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Keep up the great work as an innovative State Association.



OAP Immediate-Past President Alice Bartelt, PRP, and District Director Yvette Keesee, PRP



District Seven Director Keesee Installs and Congratulates Oregon Association of Parliamentarians 2020-2022 Elected Officers (from left to right)

President Beverly Przybylski, PRP, Vice-President Lawrence Taylor, PRP
Secretary Keri Capen, Treasurer Paul Belz-Templeman, PRP

Thank you **Alberta Association of Parliamentarians** for the invitation to attend your May 23 virtual Annual General Meeting, **Washington State Association of Parliamentarians** for the invitation to present at your June 6 Virtual Workshop, and **Colorado Association of Parliamentarians** for the opportunity to serve for two years as your President and to preside over the first CAP virtual Annual Meeting!



**NEW REGISTERED PARLIAMENTARIANS
&
NEW MEMBERS**

Since *The Mountain Parliamentarian* (Winter 2019):

New RPs

Raymond Lallo, Jr. (CO)
Emilia Sanchez (CO)

New Members

James Coccola (BC)
Ryen Glynn (WA)
Hannah Hill (CO)
Margaret Inkster (AB)
Christopher Johnson (ID)
Nancy Lewis (OR)
Ashley Lin (WA)
AnnaMaria Matsul (AB)
Doreen McMillan (AB)
Sophie Mejia (WA)
Jan Myhre (AB)
Christa Svensson (OR)
Robert VanderSchaaff (CO)
Khobaib Zafar (WA)

