



## **Middle Atlantic Regional Council Board of Governors Report July 2019**

### **Regional Annual Conference**

The region joined with the Maryland Association for this year's annual conference, which was held May 29-31 at the MGM National Harbor hotel. The conference planning team, led by Stacy Spann and Maryland President Eric Brown, developed a program that was rich in content, renowned speakers and fun networking opportunities. The event was a financial success as well.

The Executive Board voted to partner with New Jersey for the 2020 conference, which will be held at the Hard Rock Hotel on May 2-6.

### **Professional Development**

One additional Professional Development offering has been held since the last Board meeting; another is scheduled in July; totaling 13 in the Region this year:

### **Housing America Poster Contest, Agency Awards of Merit and the Merit Scholarship**

Five states in the region participated in the Housing America Poster Contest. Posters were displayed at the conference for judging. The elementary school winner is from Pennsylvania; the middle- and high- school winners are from Puerto Rico. The region saluted its 22 Agency of Merit Award winners at the conference. Five applications were considered for the Merit Scholarship.

### **Regional Scholarship**

The Executive Board voted to rename its recently approved Mary E. Paumen Memorial Scholarship to the **Mary E. Paumen Leadership Scholarship**. The purpose of the scholarship is to support Associates' NAHRO professional development or activities linked to enhancing NAHRO's interests in international knowledge and understanding of industry-related best practices.

### **Other Items of Note**

We continue to have an increase in agencies providing information for the monthly e-newsletter newsletter and readership and "click thru" rates of the newsletter continue to rise.

Respectfully submitted,  
Marsha J. Parham-Green, CME  
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