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Happy Spring!

April 4, 2013



Scholarship Application DEADLINE EXTENDED Last Chance To Apply!

The **VGEA** has *doubled its Scholarship Program* to include **FOUR \$2500** awards for **VGEA members, their spouses or children for the fall 2013 semester!** You don't have to be a senior in high school, you may already be attending college or graduate school. To be considered for one of the four scholarships, you must complete an application, follow the instructions on the form and submit your packet to the VGEA Office **before the NEW deadline of midnight April 12. DEADLINE is NEXT**

Tidewater Chapter Off to Successful Start

March 26 marked the first official meeting of the VGEA Tidewater Chapter! The room at the First Landing State Park Trail Center in Virginia Beach was comfortably full, though organizers had hoped for even greater attendance, it was a good start for a successful new Chapter organization.

Ron Jordan, VGEA executive director, spoke about the positive accomplishments the association has delivered in the last few years, and about its evolution through its 53 plus years of existence. Those attending were brought to a greater understanding of the group's purpose and goals and what the staff and Board of Directors work toward each day on behalf of the thousands of VGEA members.



Kyle Barber is president of the new Tidewater Chapter.



Tidewater Chapter members listened intently to Speaker Ron Jordan.

Jordan will speak at each of the 2013 Regional Meetings as well (please refer to the schedule in the article below for specific dates) and we hope that you will come out and hear him.

The VGEA is working every day to be the voice for state employees and retirees. We are coming to your area to meet you and learn about your needs and concerns so we can continue to take your issues directly to your legislators. Please take the

FRIDAY![Click here for the application.](#)Like us on Facebook [Add an email address to our mailing list](#)**It's RENEWAL TIME!****[Click Here to Renew Your Membership!](#)****Virginia
Governmental
Employees
Association****Your Voice
at the Capitol!**

Share this newsletter with your fellow employees and remind them that the VGEA is the **only** organization working to protect and improve state employee salaries, benefits and retirement.

The work of the VGEA is supported only by member dues.

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At just \$4 per pay period (\$2 for retirees) it's an investment in yourself and your future.

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opportunities these meetings present to join

us and hear more about **your** VGEA.

2013 VGEA Regional Meetings

Coming Soon to a Town Near You!

All members and prospective members are invited:

Northern Virginia (NoVa) Regional Meeting

NEXT MONDAY! April 8, 5:30 to 8 p.m.Olive Garden Restaurant, 14405 Gideon Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-491-3131

SPEAKER: VGEA Executive Director Ron Jordan will discuss the two July 2013 salary increases as well as the issues of health insurance rates and VRS for state employees and retirees. He will also review the status of the erroneous overpayment issue in the Prince William Health District.

RSVP: ASAP to info@vgea.com to enjoy complimentary dinner. All members and prospective members are welcome. Hope to see you there!

Southwest Regional Meeting

Tuesday, April 18, 6-8 p.m.SW VA Higher Education Center, One Partnership Circle, Abingdon 24210
276-619-4300

2013 Spring Summit Meeting in Roanoke

Saturday, May 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**VISIT www.vgea.org to register on the homepage!**Roanoke Sheraton, 2801 Hershberger Rd., Roanoke 24017
540-563-9300

Southside Regional Meeting

July 18, 6-8 p.m.316 Cibo Restaurant, 316 Main St, Danville 24541
434-793-2426

Shenandoah Regional Meeting

August 22, 6-8 p.m.Frontier Culture Museum, 1290 Richmond Rd., Staunton 24401
540-332-7850

VGEA Annual Meeting

September 14Holiday Inn Koger Conference Center, 1021 Koger Center Blvd., Richmond, VA 23235
804-379-3800

Hampton Roads Regional Meeting

October 10, 6-8 p.m.First Landing State Park - Trail Center, 2500 Shore Drive, Virginia Beach 23451
757-412-2300

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