

December 2023 VLGMA eNews

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The Final Pat's PEACE

With Pat's move to North Carolina, in accordance with our VLGMA by-laws, the Nominating Committee was responsible for recommending to the VLGMA Officers someone to fill the unexpired term of President. The Officers were then to agree on a successor and have the decision ratified by the VLGMA Board. This has all been done and I am pleased to announce that I will be stepping back into the role of President for the remainder of this year. This will allow each of the other officers to complete their terms this year before moving up in a typical fashion next year.



Senior Moments



Got problems? The Seniors have solutions!
Send in your questions to the Seniors
at seniormomentsvlgma@gmail.com.

All questions and comments shall remain
anonymous.

Dear Seniors,

I have a problem that we all face on a regular basis. And I think I know the book answer to the question, but struggle with what to do in real life. It is election season, and of course, there is a candidate (or current elected) that likes to explain why they are running by throwing others "under the bus." While I know that as a manager, I should keep my chin up and my mouth shut about the personal attacks, my question is regarding the incorrect information. What do you do when there are lies that are being told in the campaign, and being used to cudgel the governing body or staff? Do you confront the misinformation in some way? How do you set the record straight? I feel like the book answer is to keep quiet and let things play out, but in the meantime, staff has hurt feelings and I don't want them to feel like I don't care.

Sincerely,
I wish the truth would hurry up and get here

Read the Advisors Advice



Winter Conference

The Winter Conference co-chairs Natalie Monkou and Cody Sexton, led by PDC Chair, Danny Davis, are excited to announce that registration for the 2024 Winter Conference will open this week. The Winter Conference is to be held February 14-17th at The Hotel Roanoke. An email will go out with a first look at the agenda and a link to secure your hotel room! Please email [Alyse Dowdy](mailto:Alyse.Dowdy@virginia.edu) with any questions.



DAO Volunteers Needed

Hello fellow DAO's! I hope you all had a great 2023 and I wish each and every one of you all the best in the coming year. With that, I am in great need of articles and 2 volunteer localities to host the DAO meetings next year.



Adagio Living

Observe how we rush to wait,
chopping life into fragmented dates.
But a slow, relaxing pace
is receptive to the gifts of grace.
Beauty, gentleness, kindness need
to be played in the adagio key.
We choose to live staccato lives,
leaping to the next reprise.
When to the silence, remiss,
our holy purpose, we miss.
In our life, perhaps adopt
an adagio backdrop.



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