

# COMMONWEALTH CONNECTION

## PFRW E-Newsletter

The week of July 16, 2007  
President MaryAnn Garvey

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### Board Meeting Reminder

President **MaryAnn O. Garvey** reminds all members of the Board of Directors of the upcoming meeting on Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at PFRW headquarters on North Second Street in Harrisburg. The Executive Committee will meet at 9 a.m. with the full board convening at 11 a.m. A buffet luncheon will be served at noon. Reservations for the meeting and \$12.00 for the luncheon should be sent to PFRW, 806 North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA 17102-3212.

### Campaign Management Course

Back by popular demand is a special Republican Campaign Management Course with national consultant **Holly Robichard**. This special session will be held September 14 from 2 – 6 p.m. at the Hotel Bethlehem. Ms. Robichard was one of the instructors at the full Campaign Management School held earlier this year.

Are you a candidate or planning on running for elected office? Do you manage campaigns? Or, are you a Republican committee member or volunteer? Then this class is for you! Sponsored by the National Federation of Republican Women and the Pennsylvania Federation of Republican Women this event is open to members of PFRW and guests (including men).

Only two steps are necessary to secure your reservation. Please mail your payment of \$25 for PFRW members or \$40 for guests to PFRW, Attention CMS, 806 North Second Street, Harrisburg, PA, 17102.

Please RSVP to Melanie Sanchez at 1-800-373-9688 or email [Msanchez@nfrw.org](mailto:Msanchez@nfrw.org). Attendees are asked to provide your name, email address and home phone number with your reservation.

### PFRW Legislative Report

PFRW Second Vice President and Legislative Co-Chair, **Margaret L. Recupido**, recently reported several items of interest to PFRW members.

Earlier this year, State Representative **Daryl Metcalfe (R-Butler)** reintroduced the *National Security Begins at Home* package for the 2007-08 legislative session. The package is designed to restore safety and security to PA communities. The measures address several aspects related to illegal immigration and its ramifications. According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, as of April 13, 2007 state legislators in all 50 states have introduced at least 1,169 illegal immigration reform bills and resolutions. This is more than twice the total number of bills introduced in 2006. Fifty-seven of these measures have been enacted in nearly 20 states. Please call Rep. Metcalfe's office at 724-777-3110 if you need more information or would like to help him pass this important legislation.

Rep. **Ron Marisco (R-Dauphin)** is sponsoring a bill that makes public projects more affordable for taxpayers by changing the state's Prevailing Wage Act. Currently, public projects totaling \$25,000 or more must pay the prevailing wage. This measure raises the threshold to \$500,000 allowing more public projects to be completed at market wage rates.