



Hampton Roads Chapter of ASPA

For members of the Hampton Roads Chapter of the American Society for Public Administration

A Call to Serve: Engaging in Public Service

I can assure you, public service is a stimulating, proud and lively enterprise. It is not just a way of life, it is a way to live fully. Its greatest attraction is the sheer challenge of it—struggling to find solutions to the great issues of the day. It can fulfill your highest aspirations. The call to serve is one of the highest callings you will hear and your country can make.

Lee H. Hamilton, Chairman of the 9/11 Commission.

A message from our chapter president.....

To meet the growing demands being placed on all levels of government, we must place greater emphasis on our efforts to successfully recruit and hire a skilled and diverse workforce. However, this will be a significant challenge. The 2014 National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) Student Survey, asked about their employment plans immediately following graduation. Only 6 percent of the students said they plan to embark on a state or local government career after they graduate. An even smaller number (2.3 percent) reported they intend to work for the U.S. federal government after finishing school. Part of these low numbers can be attributed to their perception that government is wasteful, inefficient and at times, corrupt. As a chapter, we will strive to do our part in changing this perception. This year we will schedule general membership meetings and speakers that will leverage public sector leaders and student interns that are passionate advocates, dedicated to promoting the values of public service. We intend to create opportunities for millennials to connect with local government and non-profit organizations. We will reach out to graduate and undergraduate students to discuss the call to serve. Our desired outcome for this year will be to gain their interest in serving people and to make that necessary connection with public service. Please join us in this effort by attending the first general membership meeting of the year on Thursday, September 17th at the Holiday Inn Select, Norfolk Airport. We are delighted to open our program year with York County Administrator, Neil Morgan. Please communicate with your leadership team. Contact information is on our web site (www.aspahr.org)



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Local ASPA Events

General Membership Luncheon Meeting

Thursday, September 17th



**"A Call to Serve:
Engaging in Public Service"
SPEAKER**

**Neil Morgan
York County Administrator**

**11:00—11:30 Networking
11:30-12:00 Lunch
12:00—12:20—Program**

**Holiday Inn Express Norfolk Airport
1570 North Military Highway, Norfolk, VA
Register On-line at www.aspahr.org**

Save the Dates

Regularly Scheduled Events

November 19th

General Membership Meeting
Holiday Inn Express, Norfolk Airport

December 18th

Holiday Social
ASPA HR—COMPA—NFBPA
Date and location to be confirmed

January 14th

After Work Roundtable Discussion
Downtown Hampton
Location and topic to be announced

March 18th

Annual Symposium
The Call to Serve: Engaging in Public
Service

Location to be confirmed

May 5th—Public Service Week

Awards Luncheon

Location to be announced

Meet our new President-Elect — Charlie Mills

We are pleased to introduce our newly elected President-Elect, Charlie Mills. Charlie will serve one year in this position, with the primary responsibility of organizing our chapter programs before assuming the office of president for FY 2017. Charlie serves the City of Virginia Beach as a Real Estate Appraiser in the Real Estate Assessors office, a position he has held for the past 10 years. Prior to coming to Virginia Beach he served the City of Portsmouth for 17 years in various positions including planning, code enforcement, and assessment. He has a B.A. in Urban Studies from the College of Charleston, and a Masters Degree In City Planning from Georgia Tech. He has been actively involved in our chapter for the past five years, serving on the council, and on several committees, with the most recent being Chair of the Awards Committee. His interests outside of work and ASPA include reading, traveling and tennis. We look forward to his continued leadership and positive outlook on life.



CHALLENGES OF GOVERNANCE IN GLOBAL UNCERTAINTY

November 5-7, 2015

Arlington, Virginia

The Northeast Conference on Public Administration (NECoPA) brings together more than 250 practitioners and academics to share research, best practices, and network. This conference will mark

NECoPA's 6th anniversary of bringing together scholars and practitioners from the northeast region, the United States, and internationally. <http://psc.gmu.edu/necopa/>