

# VGFOA

## Spring Conference

### May 8 - 10, 2019

**Registration** for VGFOA's 2019 Spring Conference is now open. We will again be visiting downtown Norfolk with Hilton, The Main, hosting the event. We received a great deal of feedback after our initial visit last year and we are excited to be visiting again. Please visit the following link to begin your registration.

**The Agenda** – The Spring conference committee is working on the agenda. Linda McNutt Foster, our keynote speaker, will presenting a session on Stress. David Bean will be joining us again. You may remember him from the fall, who else but David can make GASB funny and entertaining? Dr. McNabb will also be joining us for an economic update on the Commonwealth. Please continue to visit the site to watch as the full agenda.

**Conference Sessions** - Individual conference sessions will be conducted on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor. The conference opens on Wednesday with general sessions. Thursday begins with Linda McNutt Foster, as our keynote speaker, whose session with address **Embracing the Pressure When the Pressure is On!** Ethics will again be offered on Friday morning with additional sessions provided to close out the conference.

**Associates Members / Vendors** - We would not be able to coordinate our conference without assistance from our Associate Members and Vendors. This year, we will be embarking on a new challenge as we begin our “Meet the Exhibitors” contest with Wednesday evening’s reception. Networking with our vendors will provide you all of the answers you need to meet the challenges of this year’s contest.

**Meals** – Feedback from last year’s attendees indicated we needed to make changes. Work is underway to incorporate your suggestions. Meals will be presented on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor. The VGFOA Board sponsors a first time attendee luncheon, on Wednesday, for those members who are joining a VGFOA conference for the first time. Please indicated your first time attendance status when you register so that we can send you a personal invitation to meet the VGFOA Board. Breakfast buffets will be offered both Thursday and Friday morning. A light continental breakfast will also be offered both days on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor, in our break area, prior to the first session of the day. Lunch on Thursday will include our Business Meeting and Awards Presentations and will also be served buffet style in order to accommodate our group size and dietary needs.

**Receptions** – The VGFOA Board invites you to join us nightly for a reception. These nightly receptions allow you to network with your old friends and meet new ones. The reception on Wednesday evening will kick off the “Meeting the Exhibitor’s” contest and will allow you to mingle among the exhibitors. Thursday evening’s reception will also provide a networking opportunity and will include our “Meet the Exhibitors” contest winner announcements along with door prize drawings from each of our participating Exhibitors.

**Parking** – Downtown Norfolk provides a number of options for Parking. Entrance to The Main’s garage is on E. Plume Street. Attendees staying at The Main may utilize several options:

**Self parking** – *Attendees will receive a pass/ticket upon initial entry into the garage, which needs to be presented at check-in. The Front Desk will validate the pass/ticket for in-and-out privileges during your stay.*

**Self parking daily** – *Attendees have a number of parking options. See attached map.*

**Valet parking** - *Attendees should park in front of the hotel on E. Main Street and surrender their keys.*

**Feedback Survey** - The VGFOA Board will again be distributing a survey to gather feedback upon the conclusion of the conference. Your constructive feedback allows us to make the necessary changes to ensure we are meeting your needs.

## Parking Garages

### Parking near Norfolk, Virginia



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| <b>1</b> <b>Main Street Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>236 E Main St<br><a href="#">Directions</a>    | 0.01 mi<br>\$\$              | <b>4</b> <b>Town Point Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>111 Granby St<br><a href="#">Directions</a>          | 0.11 mi         |
| <b>2</b> <b>Waterside Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>50 Martins Ln<br><a href="#">Directions</a>      | 0.08 mi<br>Each Hour: \$1.50 | <b>5</b> <b>West Plume Street Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>150 W Main St<br><a href="#">Directions</a>   | 0.15 mi<br>\$\$ |
| <b>3</b> <b>Commercial Place Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>130 Bank St<br><a href="#">Directions</a> | 0.09 mi<br>\$\$              | <b>6</b> <b>401-599 Plume Ln Garage</b><br>Parking garage<br>401-599 Plume Ln<br><a href="#">Directions</a> | 0.17 mi         |
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