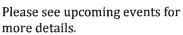


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Katherine Lugar, CEO of the American Hotel & Lodging Association to Speak at HAWDC Annual Meeting:

HAWDC invites Members to attend our Annual Meeting on Thursday, March 19, 2015 at the Marriott Marquis. A noon reception will be followed by lunch from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm. We are pleased to announce that Katherine Lugar, CEO of the American Hotel & Lodging Association will be the guest speaker. With increased nationwide labor activity and the newly seated 114th Congress, 2015 is certain to be a landmark year in our industry. Don't miss this opportunity to meet our industry's national leadership!





Hospitality NAF Students Visit Marriott HQ

Last week, the
Hospitality NAF
Academy
students from
Wilson High
School and
Columbia
Heights
Educational
Campus (CHEC)
visited Marriott
International
headquarters in
Bethesda, MD.



Students with Ray Bennet of Marriott International and DCPS Chancellor Kaya Henderson.

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Upcoming Events:

Friday March 6, 2015: Deadline to submit Stars Nominations.

Thursday,
March 19, 2015:
HAWDC Annual Meeting
luncheon will be held at
the Marriott Marquis.
Reception will be held
at 12:00 pm followed by
lunch from 12:30 pm 1:30 pm, please click
HERE to RSVP.

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The students

were given the opportunity to tour the world class headquarters of Marriott International, see hotel products under development in the Marriott lab, meet with Marriott President and CEO Arnie Sorenson, hear from DCPS Chancellor Kaya Henderson and engage with two panels of hospitality professionals.

HAWDC is thrilled that these future hospitality professionals had the opportunity to see first-hand the innovation, dedication and hard work that goes into sustaining one of the world's most recognizable brands! "I was thoroughly impressed by the level of engagement and curiosity displayed by these students. I was delighted to see many of them light up as they learned more about the exciting opportunities that exist within our industry." says HAWDC Chairman Thomas Penny.

HAWDC thanks Thomas Penny and Ray Bennett of Marriott International for organizing this one of a kind experience for these deserving students!



Students beginning tour of the Marriot Lab.

Allied Member Highlight:



Commercial Laundry Corp has been providing outsourced laundry solutions to the hospitality industry since 1986. They have a state of the art 40,000 SF processing facility with cutting edge equipment. They provide service to some of the most well known hospitality institutions in the area. They credit their success and longevity in this business to the high level of personal customer service they provide to each of their clients. If you are a hotel that currently does laundry on-site, we would strongly recommend you give Commercial Laundry a call-they may be able to save you considerable expense and provide a higher level of quality than your current on-premise laundry.

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HAWDC is announcing that this year's Stars of the Industry Awards Luncheon will be held in May! The Stars of the Industry Awards gives HAWDC Members the opportunity to compete for city-wide and national recognition in the hotel industry.

Honor the best and brightest stars in your hotel by submitting a nomination today! Nominations should be submitted directly to HAWDC by Friday, March 6th in order to be considered for the citywide and national competitions. Please click HERE to submit Employee Award nominations. Lodging Property Achievement nominations can submitted HERE. Nominate your best and brightest today!



Hospitality High School is Seeking Internships:





Hospitality High School is looking for paid or unpaid internships for current high school seniors. Students are required to intern a minimum of 120 hours in order to meet graduation requirements. Please contact **Michael Cucciardo** for more information about the internship program.

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