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2017 HAWDC Annual Meeting:



On Thursday, March 2, 2017, HAWDC held its Annual Meeting at The Liaison Capitol Hill with keynote speaker, Attorney General Karl Racine. Attorney General Racine presented his thoughts about the hotel industry in Washington, D.C. as a whole, as well as issues that his office is working on that may impact the industry. He discussed the District's efforts to regulate the short-term rental industry and the Short-Term Rental Regulation and Affordable Housing bill that is currently before the District Council. Attorney General Racine also spoke about the impact that federal policies regarding immigration may have on our industry.

Prior to the keynote address, members had the opportunity to approve the 2017 Slate of Officers for the Board of Directors and hear from HAWDC President & CEO Solomon Keene about HAWDC's 2017 Initiatives. Thank you to Jeff Brainard and his team at The Liaison Capitol Hill for hosting a wonderful event! We look forward to working with all of our members in 2017.

Pictured above left to right: Solomon Keene, HAWDC President & CEO; Chairman Phil Mendelson, DC Council; Attorney General Karl Racine; Satinder Palta, General Manager, JW Marriott.



Pictured above from left to right: Abe Liao, General Manager, Hotel George; Jeff Brainard, General Manager, The Liaison Capitol Hill; Elliott Ferguson, President & CEO, Destination DC; Gail Smith-Howard, General Manager, Hyatt Regency Washington; Joel Manion, General Manager, Washington Court Hotel; David Hill, General Manager, Phoenix Park Hotel.



Pictured above from left to right: Attorney General Karl Racine; Susan Mabry, General Manager, The Westin Georgetown, Washington, D.C.; Satinder Palta, General Manager, JW Marriott; Bill Moyer, Donohoe Companies, Inc.

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Thursday, March 30:

The HR Director's meeting will be held at 1201 New York Ave, NW in the 11th floor Conference Room from 9:00 am - 10:30 am. Breakfast will be provided. Please contact <u>Vanessa</u> <u>Peters</u> for more information or to RSVP.

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National Cherry Blossom Festival's Pink Tie Party:

Eat, drink and be cherry at the National Cherry Blossom Festival's Pink Tie Party fundraiser. Known as the springtime affair in Washington, D.C., the Pink Tie Party stylishly marks the end of winter and the official beginning of the cherry blossom season. The event will be held on Thursday, March 16th at the Ronald Reagan Building and International Trade Center. There will be delicious springinspired cuisine and cocktails from local restaurants, engaging experiences, a silent auction, music, dancing, and more. Celebrate the season of the cherry blossoms in style. Click here for more information.



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Allied Member Spotlight:



Dr. Ernest Brown founded Doctors To You, LLC to provide the highest quality medical care for travelers to Washington, D.C. For over 10 years, their providers go

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Doctors to You also provides coverage for large events and conferences, which helps participants avoid the inconvenience of a trip to a clinic or hospital. As an allied member of HAWDC for over 7 years, Doctors to You also provides courtesy medical advisory services to some of the top hotels in Washington, D.C., supporting staff health and wellness, loss prevention and liability reduction.

To learn more, please visit them at <u>DoctorsToYou.com</u>. They have also created a page specifically for hospitality; follow them on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

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