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Conn. Lt. Gov. Nancy
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NLGA has a limited number of Hotel Rooms at the Group Rate for New Orleans, contact athelen@nlga.us. Review the agenda at [NLGA Annual Meeting 2018 in New Orleans](#).

If you wish to be nationally recognized as a co-sponsor of policy on any of the following, email kwise@nlga.us by 6-18-18 to co-sponsor:

Alzheimer's Disease as a Public Health Crisis
Affordable Home Building
Using Sound Science
Obesity & Health and more.

[CLICK HERE](#) for full text of all Policy Resolutions proposed for NLGA Meeting in New Orleans.

PEER TO PEER MEETINGS You are invited to join your peers at these meetings. Please note your office calendars for these meetings for advance scheduling.

- NLGA 2019 Federal State Relations Meeting: March 27 – 29, 2019 (Washington DC)
- NLGA 2019 Annual Meeting : July 17 - 19, 2019 (Wilmington, Delaware)
- NLGA 2020 Federal State Relations Meeting: March 25 – 27, 2020 (Washington DC)

MEDIA TIPS:

1. Wyoming Secretary of State Ed Buchanan puts audio clips on his web site, such as this one about elections:
[Ed Buchanan media releases.](#)
2. The NLGA Twitter feed reached 472,000 people in one recent week - nearly a half-million people! NLGA posts original tweets about your week designed for you to RETWEET to get recognition for your work and roles. Follow @NLGA and retweet.

NLGA Associate Director Kellie Wise is tracking the number of women running for lieutenant governor in this record year for female candidates: [NLGA Press Releases.](#)

YOU *IN THE NEWS*

As this month started,

the nation saw the ultimate value of the office of lieutenant governor through both succession and every day roles .

Missouri Governor Mike Parson succeeded to governor June 1, 2018, from the office of lieutenant governor. He is the 14th sitting governor who started as a NLGA Member, and 1 in 5 governors were NLGA Executive Committee members or meeting hosts. On May 30, 2018, Virginia Lt. Governor Justin Fairfax cast a series of tie-breaking senate votes deciding the issue of Medicaid expansion. More than half the nation's lieutenant governors preside over senate. New York Lt. Governor Kathy Hochul holds the tie-breaking vote on various matters in the 63-seat Senate (missing a member who returned to military service), currently at 31 Democrats and 30 Republicans. 32 votes are needed to pass bills.

NLGA Director Julia Hurst was quoted by the Associated Press, the St. Louis Post Dispatch, the Columbia Missourian, KOMU, KHSB, and more about gubernatorial succession when Governor Parson succeeded.

NLGA is the nation's authority on the office of lieutenant governor and succession.

Tennessee Lt. Governor Randy McNally joined Energy Secretary Rick Perry (himself a former

lieutenant governor) at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory for launch of the first Summit supercomputer, the world's smartest supercomputer. It is the next step to a national goal of developing the world's first fully capable exascale machine by 2021. An exascale computer would make one billion billion calculations per second.

Pennsylvania Lt. Governor Mike Stack will chair a June Pardons Board Meeting to consider an unprecedented 100 cases over three days. Puerto Rico Sec. of State Luis Rivera Marin is helping develop the Puerto Rico Business Emergency Center thru which the government can communicate with the private sector during emergency, especially in 16 critical areas like energy, communications, infrastructure, health and food.

Nebraska Lt. Governor Mike Foley says the state saw a billion dollars in new corporate investment in the last year, but unemployment is low and the state needs more workers. Montana Lt. Governor Mike Cooney said residents say affordable housing is a challenge everywhere in the state. Iowa Lt. Governor Adam Gregg is focused on rural issues including broadband and success stories of keeping young people in rural areas.

Arkansas Lt. Governor Tim Griffin appoints to the state Judicial Discipline & Disability Commission. Vermont Lt. Governor David Zuckerman says being lieutenant governor is part being an ambassador for the state to listen and see if state government is working for the people and part soapbox to express his views. He also presides over Senate.

Louisiana Lt. Governor Billy Nungesser, head of state tourism and culture, said having the King and Queen of Spain in New Orleans this week will boost the area's international presence and tourism. And, Washington Lt. Governor Cyrus Habib met with Spanish Ambassador Duke Buchan on immediate opportunities to promote bilateral trade and educational exchange between Washington & Spain.

New Mexico Lt. Governor John Sanchez was Acting Governor while the governor was out of state in May. New Jersey Lt. Governor Sheila Oliver was Acting Governor in June while the governor was out of country.

Delaware Lt. Governor Bethany Hall-Long testified to the House health committee in support of creating a statewide Overdose System of Care (HB 440) to coordinate treatment provided individuals who have overdosed or require acute management for substance use disorder. And, Michigan Lt. Governor Brian Calley chaired an opioid commission and signed a set of ten bills regulating opioids with measures regarding prescribing becoming effective last week.

Utah Lt. Governor Spencer Cox chairs the state Suicide Task Force and, in light of recent news on high profile suicides, he distributed suicide Lifeline information on social media and promoted the state SafeUT App.

Arizona Sec. of State Michele Reagan relaunched the Consolidated Candidate Portal displaying candidates who qualified for the 2018 August Primary on one site.

SPOTLIGHT

Connecticut Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman on Accomplishing Things

(Hartford Courant 11-16-17 & News 8 11-17-18 & CT Mirror 11-16-17 CT Post 4-30-16 Hartford Business 4-4-14)

Connecticut Lt. Governor Nancy Wyman , whose voice still carries the inflections of a Brooklyn, N.Y. upbringing, is a former X-ray technician. She entered politics running for the Tolland School Board in 1979. She was later elected to the House of Representatives where she served 8-years and became co-chair of the Education Committee.

She was elected state comptroller in 1994 and served 16-years. As Comptroller, she oversaw health and retirement benefits for 200,000 state employees and retirees, and provided a monthly and year-end analysis of state finances. "She's been in the Capitol, I think, since 1980," said Connecticut Governor Dan Malloy. Wyman was winner of six statewide elections, four as comptroller and two as lieutenant governor.

As lieutenant governor, she presides over the state Senate playing a significant role in a chamber evenly divided between parties thru 2017. In 2016, she cast a tie-breaking vote to create a state-sponsored retirement program for workers in small business.

As lieutenant governor, Wyman said her key initiatives include education; police and fire departments; health care; and veterans. She solicited private donations to create a Wall of Honor for Connecticut men and women of the U.S. Armed Forces who lost their lives in Iraq and Afghanistan. "I leave for work early in the morning and I get home late at night, and that's okay by me because I'm accomplishing things," Wyman said. "It's about being at everything you need to be at; doing everything you have to do. There are 24 hours in a day. Use them."

Upon saying she would not run for governor, News 8 panel said the selection of Nancy Wyman as lieutenant governor was quite possibly the Governor's most brilliant move. "I got in this business because of my kids, and I'm getting out of it for the same reasons, for my grandchildren."

The governor said: "I think she's the greatest thing since sliced bread."

PARTNERS

Welcome CELGENE to the NLGA Partners Program. Celgene helps patients living with a range of debilitating and chronic diseases, from cancer to psoriasis. The Company says its committed to changing the course of human health through bold pursuits in science, life-enhancing therapies and a promise to always put patients first.

OF NOTE...

Oregon Secretary of State Dennis Richardson shared he is being treated for a cancerous brain tumor. He says in addition to continuing world class service to Oregon, he will use this opportunity to advocate for all people living with and fighting cancer. Our thoughts our with you!

Minnesota Lt. Governor Michelle Fischbach was sworn in as lieutenant governor on May 25, 2018, and joined the ticket of a gubernatorial candidate in November.

Congratulations Idaho Lt. Governor Brad Little and California Lt. Governor Gavin Newsom for winning the primaries for your states' gubernatorial nominations. Other NLGA members running for governor: Colorado Lt. Governor Donna Lynne , Georgia Lt. Governor Casey Cagle , Michigan Lt. Governor Brian Calley , Oklahoma Lt. Governor Todd Lamb , and Guam Lt. Governor Ray Tenorio . Hawaii Lt. Governor Doug Chin is running for Congress.

Idaho will elect a female lieutenant governor this year, making state history.

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PLAN TO ATTEND

NLGA Annual Mtg
New Orleans, LA
June 27 - 29, 2018

NLGA Business Mtg
Old Town, VA &
Arlington Cemetery
Nov. 28- 30, 2018

NLGA Federal Mtg
Washington D.C.
March 27 - 29, 2019

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