

PRISM

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Meeting Announcement

Feb. 19 PRISM Luncheon Meeting at CMS LaPlata Campus

Lobbyist Will Predict Outcome of State Legislative Session

The first Public Relations Individuals of Southern Maryland (PRISM) luncheon meeting of the year will be held at the La Plata Campus of the College of Southern Maryland at noon on Thursday, Feb. 19. Lobbyist Hannah Powers of the Annapolis-based government relations firm, Alexander and Cleaver, will provide insight on issues that will impact the outcome of the 2009 Maryland State legislature. Alexander and Cleaver is the number one-ranked lobbying firm in Maryland. It includes powerful former state legislators such as Cas Taylor Jr. and Gary Alexander. The LaPlata Campus is located at 8730 Mitchell Road; Center for Business and Industry, Room BI-113 E. The event is free for PRISM members and \$5 for non-members. Attendees may buy their own lunches at a cafeteria and sandwich shop on-site, or may bring their own. To RSVP, call Katherine Stormont at 240-577-2374; kstormont@md.metrocast.net. Space is limited, so please RSVP by Wednesday, Feb. 18.

Powers will share Alexander and Cleaver's predictions as to who will be hurt and who will be helped as the state's budget is hashed out between now and the closing bell in April. Will the state's share of federal bail-out money result in a reversal of some of the governor's budget cuts? Powers will answer these and other questions from audience members about how their business or industry sector will fare in this legislative session. Attendees are encouraged to call or e-mail their specific questions when they RSVP to Stormont, so that Powers can prepare detailed predictions for the audience.

PRISM is the organization of public relations and marketing professionals in Southern Maryland. It holds bi-monthly luncheon meetings and occasional workshops to foster professional development and networking opportunities for its members. The meetings rotate between Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties. For more information, or to join log on to www.prisonline.info, or contact Gretchen Heinze Hardman gretchen.heinze@charlescommunityfoundation.org or phone 301-885-0108.