

August 2019**IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS**Please consult the League [Web Calendar](#)

September 20

[Practical Guide to Developing Affordable Supportive Housing in your Community Webinar- Your Computer](#)

October 18

[Down the Rabbit Hole: Exploring Ethics for Government Employees and Elected Officials -Holiday Inn Hasbrouck Heights](#)

October 22

[Understanding Collective Negotiations, Interest Arbitration and Chapter 78 Update and Recent Legislative Enactments Affecting the Employer-Employee Relationship-DoubleTree Hotel, Tinton Falls](#)

October 25

[Down the Rabbit Hole: Exploring Ethics for Government Employees and Elected Officials-Hotel ML, Mount Laurel](#)

November 19-21

[104th Annual League Conference-Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City](#)

- ✓ Annual Conference Registration
- ✓ Beware of Scam Conference Housing Communications
- ✓ Innovation in Governance Awards
- ✓ Michael A. Pane Award
- ✓ Mayors' Hall of Fame
- ✓ *NJ Municipalities Magazine*

FROM THE PRESIDENT*Mayor Colleen Mahr, Borough of Fanwood*

The Annual League Conference offers you an excellent value in keeping your staff as well as your elected officials well informed. This year the League is offering many sessions of interest to your elected officials, including those on the topics of Ethics, Budgeting, Open Public Meetings, and Public Procurement. Elected officials who participate in the Local Government Leadership Program will be able to receive points for attending these classes. Course listings and CEU's will be available in September on the [Conference page](#). For more information on the Local Government Leadership program, please visit the [Local Government Leadership webpage](#).

Also please remember to register your staff in August to take advantage of the pre-registration rate of \$55 for members and \$105 for non-members. Pre-registration ends October 1. After that, the registration rate rises to \$65 on-site for members and \$125 for non-members, so be sure to get everyone registered as early as possible.

When you consider all of the valuable certification credits and information available for just \$55 (pre-registration rate), it is clear that this is the best, most cost-effective method for you to keep your staff trained. In addition, please take a moment to review the lower hotel rates. The combination of low registration fees and low housing rates make the decision to send your staff and elected officials easy!

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104th Annual Conference Pre-Registration Opens Aug. 1

Contact Johnnifer Harris at jharris@njilm.org, or ext. 119

Pre-Registration for the 104th Annual League Conference has begun! Costs for pre-registration are \$55 for government officials and \$ 105 for non-government officials. Pre-registration runs through October 1. After the pre-registration period has ended, attendees must pay for their registration onsite at the Atlantic City Convention Center. On-site registration rates are \$65 for Government Officials and \$125 for non-government officials.

For more information on pre-registration, please visit the [Conference website](#).

Beware of Scam Conference Housing Communications

Contact Dee Kotch, ext. 115, or dkotch@njilm.org

It has come to our attention that there are unauthorized firms soliciting housing and hotel reservations from League conference attendees.

Please Note: The only firm authorized to handle our conference housing reservations is AC Central Reservations. They will not call, email, or contact anyone unsolicited.

You can visit their website via the [League Conference page](#).

Using unauthorized reservation services creates real problems for you and the Conference as a whole. You cannot be assured your credit card or financial information is secure, and your room reservation may not actually be made. Also, your room will not be part of the official Conference housing block, so you won't get emergency housing information, nor will there be adequate shuttle bus services to your hotel.

As always, the League is available to answer your questions on any aspect of the Annual Conference and we strive to make your participation both enjoyable and highly productive.

Call for Nominations for 2019 Innovation in Governance Awards

Contact Ciara Bradley, ext. 128, or cbradley@njilm.org

The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs (DCA) and the New Jersey State League of Municipalities (NJLM) will again acknowledge and promote Innovation in Governance through our annual recognition program. This is a great opportunity to showcase innovative solutions to any problems that have cropped up—either suddenly or over time—in your municipality. It can also be an opportunity to let your peers in on innovations that prevented problems from arising.

This year, the Innovation in Governance Awards Committee is looking for any original approaches in public administration undertaken by a Garden State municipality during the past and forthcoming 15 months—from the beginning of June 2018 to September 30, 2019. Any innovation in any department or program will be considered for recognition.

This program was established to highlight exemplary local government activities that exhibit creative and practical approaches to local problems and concerns. We will share the winning entries with municipal leaders at the 104th Annual League of Municipalities Conference Mayors' Luncheon on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at the Sheraton in Atlantic City, and in the January issue of our magazine, *New Jersey Municipalities*.

This year's judges will be League Past Presidents Paul Maticera and Plainsboro Mayor Peter Cantu, Director of the DCA's Division of Local Government Services Melanie Walter, and League Executive Director Michael Darcy.

The application can be accessed by visiting the Innovation in Governance Awards page on the [League of Municipalities website](#)

The nomination deadline for this program is October 1, 2019. Accordingly, we encourage you to forward this information to the appropriate people in your municipality today, giving them ample time to meet the deadline.

If you have any questions on the Innovation in Governance Awards, please contact Ciara Bradley at the League of Municipalities 609-695-3481, ext. 128, or cbradley@njlm.org

**17th Annual Michael A. Pane Award Nominations
Are Now Being Accepted**

For additional information, call John Gillespie 732-530-4226

In honor of the memory of Michael A. Pane, the 17th annual award will be presented to a professional (attorney, engineer, or planner) that personifies outstanding ability, integrity, and a high standard of ethics in his or her dealings with local government. This award includes a \$500 honorarium.

Mr. Pane personified and promoted integrity in local government, and it is the purpose of this award to recognize an individual who has over a period of years demonstrated the same professional commitment to service and, who by so doing, has set high standards that all involved in local government should strive to match.

The award ceremony will be held during the League's Annual Conference in Atlantic City, on Thursday, November 21, during a session of the New Jersey Institute of Local Government Attorneys. Nominations for this award will be accepted through September 15, 2019. Please mail, fax, or email your nomination to:

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"The League thanks the NJLM Educational Foundation for making this possible and is honored to participate in the promotion of the Michael A. Pane Award," said League Executive Director Michael J. Darcy. A list of past award winners can be found at www.njlm.org/Pane-award

**Nominations Sought
For Mayors' Hall of Fame**

Contact Michael Darcy, ext. 116, or mdarcy@njslom.org

The League is accepting nominations for the 2019 Mayors' Hall of Fame. To qualify, mayors must be serving in at least their 10th cumulative year for the silver level, 20th year for the gold level, or 30th year for the white level. Mayors who rotate into office can qualify after holding the office of mayor for 10 years.

Qualifying mayors will be inducted into the New Jersey State League of Municipalities Mayors' Hall of Fame during the Mayors' Luncheon at the Annual Conference Wednesday, November 20, in Atlantic City. For nomination forms and more information about the Mayors' Hall of Fame, visit the Hall of Fame page on the [website](#) or contact the League at 609-695-3481, ext. 116.

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Contact Taran Samhammer at tsamhammer@njlm.org with your vendor's mailing address and we will send them a sample issue!