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## Charlie Parker Chairman of the Board 2016-2017



Mike Neish Passes the Chairman's Gavel to Charlie Parker

Since 1948, the start of a new year in even numbered years has marked the installation of a new VPCGA Board of Directors as well as a new board chair. Your new chairman is Charlie Parker of Parker Oil & Propane headquartered in South Hill. Parker Oil is a full service jobbership distributing gasoline, diesel, lubricants, heating oil, propane and operating convenience stores. The Parker family was among the founding members of the association and Charlie's uncle, Lewis W. Parker was Virginia's first Oil Man of the Year in 1980; he also served as board chairman in 1968 & 1969. Charlie took over the reins of the company from his father Charles in 2001, and since that time has expanded Parker Oil and Propane's footprint across Southside Virginia. Charlie has served on the VPCGA Board since 2006, he is a graduate of Bucknell University and he and his wife Michelle Ulmer-Parker have two children, Lily and Pierce.

## **New Board Composition**

The remainder of the association's executive committee will be John Fannon, Fannon Petroleum, Gainesville, first vice chair; Gary Gilmore PAPCO, Virginia Beach, second vice chair; Cole Candler, Candler Oil, Lynchburg, secretary/treasurer; and Mike Neish, Morgan Oil, Marshall as immediate past chair. Joining the board for three year terms are Mark

