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# FALL MEETING

October 14-15, 2024  
 Wyndham Gettysburg  
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## 2025 MAPGA Upcoming Events

MBIA Builder Mart • October 23, 2024  
 Howard County Fairgrounds, West Friendship, MD

MAPGA Spring Meeting (Joint with VAPGA) • March 16-18, 2025  
 Williamsburg Lodge, Williamsburg, VA

MAPGA Summer Meeting • July 27-29, 2025  
 Hyatt Regency, Cambridge, MD

### MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

- 11:00 AM - Noon **MAPGA Board of Directors Meeting**  
*Stars and Stripes Room*
- Noon - 1:00 PM **Lunch**  
*Salon E*
- 1:00 - 1:30 PM **Legislative Update**  
– Mike O'Halloran, MAPDA  
*Salon D*
- 1:30 - 2:00 PM **MAPGA Safety Update**  
– Ric Chatham & Earl Slacum  
*Salon D*
- 2:00 - 3:30 PM **Committee Meetings**  
*Salon D*  
2:00 – 2:30 PM Education & Safety / Legislative & PAC  
2:30 – 3:00 PM Market Development / Membership & Programs  
3:00 – 3:30 PM Suppliers
- 6:00 PM **MAPGA Supplier's Reception**  
*Salon D Foyer*
- 7:00 PM **Dinner On Your Own**

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 8:30 - 9:00 AM **MAPGA Breakfast**  
*Salon E*
- 9:00 - 9:45 AM **NAPGA Update**  
– Tom Van Buren, NPGA Chair, PICO Propane and Fuels  
*Salon D*
- 9:45 - 10:30 AM **Blue-Collar Project, Inc.**  
– Keith Dodson, President  
*Salon D*
- 10:30 - 11:00 AM **MAPGA General Membership Meeting**  
*Salon D*

# ATTENDEES



## Tom Van Buren

*NPGA Chair, PICO Propane and Fuels*

Tom Van Buren is the COO and EVP of Pico Propane and Fuels, a growth energy solutions provider operating mostly in TX, NM, FL and NC. His responsibilities include retail daily operations oversight, procurement, supply, fleet, business development support and overall resource management. Tom's professional experiences include propane, oil field services, military and pulp and paper.

Prior to joining Pico Propane and Fuels, Tom served as EVP of Ferrell North America (FNA), a division of Ferrellgas. Responsibilities included supply, logistics (truck, rail, storage, and pipeline operations), risk management, wholesale and business development while also supporting various midstream operations.

Tom has been heavily involved in industry associations including past Chairman of the Propane Education and Research Council (PERC) and of various committees and task forces with the National Propane Gas Association's (NPGA). He was Chairman of the Producer and Wholesaler section and also the Pipeline Advocacy Task Force. During and after the Winter of 2013-14, Tom was Chair of the Supply and Infrastructure Task Force and directly assisted the NPGA in the first ever FERC Emergency shipment of a fuel via pipeline.

Prior to FNA, Tom served in the U.S. Army earning the rank of Captain in the Chemical Corps after he graduated from Cornell University with a BS in Chemical Engineering. He is an Eagle Scout, served on the Board of Directors for the Surviving Spouse and Family Endowment Fund in Kansas City, is a life member of the Army War College Foundation and a member of the Knights of Columbus. His family includes an incredible support system with his wife Liz, and his 2 daughters, Kara and Alaina. Hobbies include sports, outdoors and travel.



## Keith Dodson

*President Blue-Collar Project, Inc.*

Keith Dodson, President, Blue Collar Project, is a life-long Maryland resident and graduate of South Carroll High School in Carroll County, Maryland. Dodson is married to his amazing wife, Mary Jo, and has a son, Tom, Daughter-in-law, Val and two beautiful grandchildren, Thomas and Eleanor.

Along with his extended family, including uncles, nephews and cousins, Dodson is a 3rd generation Blue Collar worker and has worked in several different trades throughout his career. With experience in concrete, landscaping and carpentry, Dodson knows the value of trades in local communities and is the founder of Blue Collar Project, a 501c3 organization whose mission is, "To educate, and advocate for the next generations into the trades". By providing scholarships, outreach and industry partnerships, The Blue Collar Project is working to give future generations a chance to prosper and make a difference in their communities.

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Jeff Kerns

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