YLD Business Meeting
Conference of County Bar Leaders
February 28, 2014

• Attendance: Robert Datorre, Lars Anderson, Samara Gomez, Lindette Hassan, Jill McComsey, Kelley Harley, Justin Bayer, Phil Yoon, Matt Werner, Paul Edger, Bill Roark, Alaina Koltash, Magen Mihok, Rebecca Salko, Jeffrey Gdovin, Bernard John, Josh Camson, Mike Stewart, Christopher Gvozdich, Hollyce Winters, Deborah Hoffman, Hillary Madden, Jim Nixon, David Erhard, Colin O’Boyle, Kim Adams, Josh Slavin, Tyra Oliver, Maureen Collins, Kelly Snyder, Anthony Andrisano, AJ Ober, Jacob Gurwitz, Melissa Leininger, Erika Dixon, Corey Mowrey, Keana Williams, Chuck Eppolito, Patrick Grimm, Abigail Salawage, Tracy Ross

• Introductions – Robert gave a brief introduction and then everyone around the table introduced him/herself to the group.

• Approval of Minutes – Jacob motioned and Justin seconded. The November 21, 2013 Minutes were approved.

• Chair Report:
  • Upcoming elections/nominating committee – contact Maria Engles for more information.
  • Elections will be held at the YLD Business Meeting at the Annual Meeting in May (Hershey).
  • Robert spoke about civic and law related education programs. There will be a presentation after the meeting on this topic. Robert asked everyone to get involved in their community because it is a great way to give back.
  • Robert spoke about the High School Mock Trial program. He discussed the benefits of the program and encouraged everyone to participate.

• Chair-Elect Report – Lars spoke briefly about the Summer Meeting. Mark your calendars for August 1-3.

• Sharon Lopez, CCBL President, spoke briefly about CCBL and encouraged everyone to get involved with CCBL.

• Chuck Eppolito spoke briefly about the BLI class, the program and the benefits of the program.

• Treasurer’s Report – No report.

• Zone Reports – a handout was provided at the meeting

• YLD Division Delegate Report – Missy provided a brief update. The next House of Delegate meeting is May 16, 2013. Robert then gave a brief synopsis of the composure and function of the House of Delegates.

• ABA Division Delegate Report – a handout was provided at the meeting. Samara spoke about a few highlights from her report.

• At Issue – the Winter/Spring Issue is coming out soon. Please continue to submit articles.

• PA-BAR PAC – Mike Lee and Robert spoke briefly about the importance of the PAC.

• Wills for Heroes Events – a handout was provided at the meeting. Robert spoke about the benefits of the program and why everyone should volunteer. Chuck advocated that
every time an event is held the PBA should be informed so that a media release can be sent out.

- Upcoming Events – See handout
- The meeting was adjourned.
Report on Young Lawyer Division Events at the 2014 ABA Midyear Meeting

MEETING PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW:

The Young Lawyer Division Events at the 2014 ABA Midyear Meeting in Chicago, Illinois brought together hundreds of young lawyers from all practice areas, practice settings, and parts of the country. During the meeting, the Division hosted a number of networking and educational sessions, debated issues of importance to young lawyers, and served the public as part of the Bullyproof public service project. During the Midyear Meeting, the Division also hosted the New Partner Conference designed for lawyers who recently made partner or are on the partner track.

Highlights included:

New Partner Conference: The 4th Annual New Partner Conference, which was held on February 6-7, is an exclusive event designed for lawyers that have recently made partner. The keynote address was delivered by former ABA President Robert Grey, Jr. (Executive Director, Leadership Council on Legal Diversity) and conference programming provided learning and networking opportunities to help attendees navigate their new roles, build their networks, and engage with top national practitioners. The Conference was co-sponsored by the ABA Law Practice Division, Avvo, Baker & McKenzie, JUSTIA, and Trenam Kemker.

Educational Sessions: Included more than 15 CLE and other educational and networking sessions.

Affiliate Programming: On Friday, February 7th, the Division hosted a session on “Bar Leadership Advancement: Transitioning from YLD Leadership to Local, State and National Bar Leadership.” During the program, YLD members will hear directly from several Bar Presidents and Executive Directors on the process of transitioning and advancing into general bar leadership on the local, state, and national level.

Public Service: The YLD hosted a CLE Program, “Protecting the Rights of Students and Student Organizations in Public Schools” on February 7th, a panel discussion that focused on the issues that contribute to intolerant environments in public schools, particularly with regard to bullying, harassment and discrimination of LGBTQ students and associated gay-straight alliance (“GSA”) organizations on-campus; tactical decisions in advocating for the rights of these students, especially in states with explicit sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression protections; the legal framework for such efforts; and ways in which lawyers can collaborate with community organizations to achieve success.

Young lawyers again brought Bullyproof: Young Lawyers Educating & Empowering to End Bullying, the ABA YLD’s year-long public service initiative aimed at fighting bullying in our schools and beyond, to a local school during a February 7th outreach program. During the program, volunteers informed students about addressing and eradicating bullying and helped them gain different perspectives on the epidemic by viewing the project video co-produced by the YLD that features a host of U.S. political and cultural figures, including President Barack Obama and Vice-President Joe Biden.

Diversity Programming: The ABA YLD hosted its annual Diversity Dialogue Breakfast on Saturday, February 8th. During the event, attorneys gathered to discuss the Dialogue theme, Sticky Floors and Glass Ceilings: Bridging the Gender Gap in the House of Law, which focused on issues still striking at the heart of gender inequality in the legal profession today. During the interactive session, participants
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The YLD Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM at the Hershey Lodge in Hershey, Pennsylvania with a welcome by YLD Chairperson Robert Datorre. Those in attendance were Chair Datorre, Immediate Past Chairperson Jacob Gurwitz, Chair-Elect Lars Anderson, Michelle Christian, Ian Abovitz, Megan Riesmeyer, Justin Bayer, Joel Seelye, Christopher Gvozich, Jill McComsey, Kelley Harley, Kristen Rushing, Hillary Madden, Chair-Elect Lars Anderson, YLD Treasurer Kevin Skjoldal, Jonathan Koltash, Ian Ehrgood, Alison Wasserman, Tyra Oliver, Denise Pekelnicky, Andrew Butash, Peter Klein, Nicole Antos, Alaina Koltash, Richard Raiders, Jacob Gurwitz, Corey Mowery, Bill Higgins, YLD Division Delegate Missy Leininger and the undersigned. Special guests at the meeting included Fred Cabell, Bill Carlucci, Bryan Cutler, Paul Troy, Lisa Benzie, Stephanie Latimore, AJ Mendelsohn, and Frank O’Connor.

Chair Datorre welcomed all to the YLD meeting including several new members. Introductions were made by those in attendance as is customary to start the meetings. The minutes for the previous YLD meeting were emailed to the YLD Executive Council ahead of time. A Lars Anderson/Joel Seelye motion was made to approve the minutes, which passes unanimously.

The chair of the Nominating Committee for this year was Bernard John. Unfortunately, he could not be in attendance for the meeting, but a report was prepared ahead of time. There were no contested elections for the YLD officer positions this coming year. The Nominating Committee report identified the following persons for the following positions:

Justin Bayer – Chair-Elect
Jonathan Koltash- Treasurer
Kevin Taccino- Secretary
Alexander Guminski- ABA Delegate
Missy Leininger- YLD Division Delegate

A Motion to Accept the Nominating Committee Report was made by Megan Reismeyer and seconded by Alison Wasserman. The Motion was approved unanimously.

Sara Austin was provided an opportunity to speak to the assembled YLD members next. Ms. Austin is the incoming Vice President of the PBA. She discussed the importance of the interaction between the PBA members in general and YLD members within the PBA. Chair Datorre followed up by encouraging young lawyers to take on leadership opportunities as those roles open within the PBA.

Chair Datorre discussed the success of the Wills for Heroes program within the PBA, which started in Pennsylvania as an initiative within the YLD. The program was recently extended to veterans of the United States Armed Forces at the most recent Board of Governors Meeting. The program now allows a person who served at any time in the armed forces to participate, although the exact qualification will be fleshed out in
conjunction with the Veteran’s Affairs Committee of the PBA. Further discussion regarding the Wills for Heroes program occurred. Denise Pekelnicky asked whether there would be a clarification in the Wills for Heroes (“WFH”) documents regarding what assets count toward the asset limits. She was particularly concerned about this issue because some first responders did not participate due to a misunderstanding about asset limitations after reading the questionnaire. This may be an issue that needs a clarification or revision to the WFH questionnaire.

The Zone Reports were provided ahead of the meeting for review by the YLD Executive Council. No action was necessary to be taken regarding this Agenda item. The Zone Reports are attached at the end of these minutes.

Chair Datorre expressed to those in attendance the importance to him of his year serving as Chair, which included his participation in the House of Delegates and on the Board of Governors. He will continue to serve as Immediate Past Chair for the next year. His service has allowed him to bring issues important to YLD and YLD members to the attention of the Board of Governors.

Chair-Elect Anderson provided his report. He commended Chair Datorre for working towards the expansion of the Wills for Heroes program. Chair-Elect Anderson also presented a plaque to Chair Datorre for his year of service to the YLD and PBA. He finished by reminding those in attendance to attend the 2014 YLD Summer Conference in State College, Pennsylvania.

Treasurer Kevin Skjoldal followed by providing the YLD Treasurer’s Report. He discussed the importance of Zone Caravans to the YLD. Every zone needs to have at least one caravan per year. This is the second year in a row that every zone has fulfilled this requirement. Treasurer Skjoldal noted that this was his final year as treasurer. He encouraged the assembled young lawyers to stay involved and thanked them for allowing him to serve as treasurer.

YLD Division Delegate Missy Leininger provided a report detailing several resolutions that are up for debate in the House of Delegates meeting on May 16, 2014. The resolution that received the most discussion was that from the PBA GLBT (Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender) Committee and Family Law Committee. Those committees requested that the PBA as a whole endorse marriage equality in Pennsylvania. The marriage equality issue is currently being litigated by a federal court in Pennsylvania at the time of the meeting.

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding whether the PBA should even take a position on the issue. Jonathan Koltash proposed that we recommend to the YLD Division Delegate how to vote, with the suggestion that it be an abstention. Bill Higgins explained that a recommendation could not be binding on the YLD Division Delegate. Incoming PBA President Frank O’Connor spoke regarding the issue. He suggested that considering that the issue is currently being litigated and it is controversial to some, it may not be a good idea to issue a resolution one way or the other regarding the matter.
Of particular concern would be that the PBA could lose a significant number of members, possibly numbering in the 1000s, by taking a position either way. He recalled an ABA resolution to a controversial issue in 1993 that caused them to lose a large number of members. He recommended that we postpone a vote on the resolution.

In light of the comments by incoming PBA President O’Connor, further discussion was held as to whether to move for the Division Delegate to abstain from voting on the resolution. It was consensus of the YLD Section that no motion is necessary regarding this issue, but the YLD Division Delegate should use her best judgment as to the vote.

Following the YLD Division Delegate’s report, Chair Datorre called for a break in the agenda to introduce several special guests. He first introduced Bill Carlucci, Co-Chair of the PABAR PAC Committee. Mr. Carlucci encouraged all lawyers in attendance to support the PABAR PAC with donations to the extent possible. He also mentioned that anyone interested in this committee should contact him specifically.

Representative Bryan Cutler of the 100th district of Pennsylvania was introduced next. Representative Cutler is a young lawyer who practices law part-time around his legislative duties. He implored those in attendance to get to know their local legislators and engage them regarding issues that are important to each of us and lawyers in general. He discussed several of the bills that he has sponsored in his time in the legislature including bills relating to search and seizure, health, tax and welfare law. He followed up his discussion by taking questions. Of particular note was his advice to those who may be interested in getting involved in politics.

ABA Representative Samara Gomez was not available for this meeting due to her attendance at the ABA Conference. She provided her report ahead of time, which is available for review.

Jonathan Koltash spoke regarding the YLD newsletter *At Issue*. It has been a very successful year. Work has already begun on the first newsletter of the next PBA year. Alison Wasserman asked those in attendance to submit articles to be published in future editions of the newsletter. She indicated that having an article published is helpful for resume building and job searches. The deadline for submission to get into the next edition of the newsletter is June 6, 2014.

A calendar of upcoming events was provided at the meeting on a handout.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:36 PM following a Motion to Adjourn by Lars Anderson and seconded by Michelle Christian.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Taccino
YLD Secretary
Zone Reports

Zone 1 (Philadelphia)

The Trivia Night event with Temple Law was a great success, with approximately 25 Temple Law students in attendance. LexisNexis and the Brehon Society co-sponsored, with Temple Lexis representative T.D. Daniels serving as “Alex Trebek” for the night. The winners received a huge trophy and several gift certificates for local establishments.

Drexel Law has begun discussions with the Philadelphia Mock Trial chairs to have law students become involved with coaching and judging the Mock Trial competitions.

Zone 1 will be hosting a Night with the Phillies on July 12, 2013. It is a 7:15 p.m. game at Citizens Bank Park, and we will have the rooftop bleacher seats. Details will be forthcoming next week.

Zone 2 (Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton, Schuylkill)

Northampton County

Norco YLD meeting was held in late winter/early spring. The new YLD Chair, Ricky Santee, introduced himself to the members and discussed his vision for the YLD under his leadership, including:

-plans to continue charitable/service participation of the committee including the Holiday Hope Chest Program and others;

-discussion of how to assist North Penn Legal Services, including volunteering for pro bono assignments as well as possibly assisting Jill Kelly McComsey with what has become an annual North Penn fundraiser;

-discussion of planning CLEs geared toward young lawyers, including one on ethical considerations in dealing with pro se litigants, etc.

-discussion of social events, including happy hours

-discussion of planning events with other counties’ YLD, particularly Warren County, NJ, considering potential reciprocal referral sources for attorneys not licensed in both states

-discussion of PBA Summer Meeting initiated by Jill Kelly McComsey, highlighting Judge Baratta’s participation in a CLE panel on evidence

-discussion of continuing the mentor program initiated by Michael Santanasto;
CLE: Tech Tips Every Lawyer Should Know - April 2, 2014

Law Day: On April 28, 2014, YLD Members volunteered both as tour guides and as educators to put on programs for middle school children at the courthouse in conjunction with the Law Day Committee

YLD Happy Hour: Cinco de Mayo, May 5, 2014 at Mesa in Easton

Lehigh County

Happy Hours:

- Thursday, April 24 @ Hops Fogelsville Hotel
- Thursday, May 29 @ Keystone Pub
- Thursday, June 26 @ Sunset Grille

5K - Great Ambulance Chase: Saturday, May 17, 2014, BALT YLD members will volunteer to help organize this race, which raises money for local volunteer first responders

Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Game on - Thursday, July 31, 2014

Berks County

Law Day: On April 30 the Berks County Bar Association hosted more than 225 guests at annual celebration of Law Day, a day set aside to highlight the importance of law in society.

YLS Meeting: Tue 5/13/2014 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Canal Street Pub

Bus Trip to Phillies with CLE credit - May 14, 2014

Zone 3 (Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, York)

Cumberland County

The Cumberland County YLD took part in its annual Law Day presentation, with both a community event and local outreach to area middle school students. On April 21, a panel which included Ella Forsyth, President League of Women Voters Carlisle Area, Sarah Niebler, Professor of Political Science at Dickinson College and Penny Brown, Cumberland County Director of Elections and Voter Registration, spoke to members of the community at Dickinson School of Law, and discussed Pennsylvania’s voting practices, barriers to voting, and the current status of the Voter ID law. The community was extremely appreciative of the event. Beginning April 24, lawyers, Judges, law clerks, and attorneys worked together and visited numerous area middle schools to teach students all about voting, including the history of voting, road blocks to voting, and some fun yet educational facts.

The Cumberland County YLD was honored to be visited by Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice J. Michael Eakin, who met with members of the YLD at its April meeting to discuss changes in the law profession. Justice Eakin discussed his background growing up locally in Cumberland County, and explained the practice of law from when he was growing up, practicing with his
Father part-time while part-time working as the District Attorney, and revealed the strides and differences in the professional, both positive and negative, today. Justice Eakin concluded the meeting by reading and explaining some of his famous poetic lyrics which he penned while on the Superior and Supreme Court.

The YLD is holding its annual Harrisburg Senators outing on May 18 at Metro Bank Park in Harrisburg. The event begins at 12:30 pm and is open to all YLD members and members of the bar as well. It looks like great weather this year to sit outside with friends and colleagues and enjoy America’s pastime.

The YLD has many great upcoming events coming up, including a Wiffleball tournament against the Dauphin County YLD at the CCBA/DCBA annual picnic; an evening happy hour; and the annual Adopt-a-Family program.

**Dauphin County**

In March, the DCBA YLS held our annual St. Patrick’s Day party at the DCBA.

In April, the YLS invited local, state, and federal judges to “Meet the Judges Night” at the DCBA. In addition to opening up the event to the entire membership, we also invited judges and young lawyers from the Cumberland County Bar Association to join us. This event was a great success, and we look forward to partnering with the CCBA YLD on an annual event in the future.

The YLS participated in the Law Day breakfast on May 1 at the Harrisburg Hilton, and many young lawyers will be out in the local classrooms during the month of May.

The YLS Summer Volleyball League got underway May 8th, and will continue through mid-August. We have 18 social and 4 competitive teams participating this year. During the first week of playoffs in August, the YLS will also host a casual picnic at the volleyball fields.

On June 14, the YLS is coordinating Team DCBA to participate in the Dauphin County Victim/Witness Assistance Program 5K run/walk.

In September, we are hosting a wine and beer tasting at the Vineyard and Brewery at Hershey. We are very excited about the change of venue and format for this event.

We will also be holding our annual Oktoberfest and Holiday parties, as well as Casino Night, which will take place on Friday, November 7th.

**Franklin County**

Since February, we have had a couple lunch socials at different local restaurants.

On May 3rd we held a Law Day event for approximately 180 local 8th grade students. Our newest Judge, Judge Zook who was elected in 2013, talked to the students about his own election to go with the theme of “Every Vote Matters.”

We also put on a mock trial for the students and had named all of the witnesses after characters from Twilight, which they definitely enjoyed. Judge Zook also presided over the mock trial.
We sponsored a Law Day poster contest to illustrate the theme and awarded three honorable mention prizes and a first and second place prizes out of the entries. All of the winning students received certificates which were signed by the YLD chair and Judge Zook. The first place winner also received a $25 gift card to Sweet Frog and the second place winner received a $15 gift card to Sweet Frog. (Sweet Frog is a very popular frozen yogurt business.)

On Friday, May 30th, we are joining with a local firm to host a “Welcome, Spring!” happy hour event.

In June there is a local Race Against Poverty event in June with 100% of the proceeds going to Circles – a community engagement initiative that works with individuals and families who want to move completely out of poverty into long term stability. The race is 5k and can be run or walked. We are helping to sponsor the race and are in the process of forming teams to participate as well. We also will have volunteers helping out at the event.

Finally, in July the YLD is joining with the Social Committee of the Franklin County Bar to plan a summer picnic/party to thank Forest Myers for his service as PBA President.

**Lancaster County**

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The remaining items are too tentative at this point. YLS will have one more informal happy hour and I am working on scheduling 2 or 3 more CLE’s. If you need any additional information, please let me know.

Lebanon County
Our Young Lawyers have not had any events this year so far, but are planning some events for later this year. Nothing definite to report.

Zone 4 (Lycoming, Montour, Columbia, Northumberland, Snyder, Tioga, Union)
No Report

Zone 5 (Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming)
No Report

Zone 6 (Fayette, Greene, Washington, Westmoreland)
The WCBA YLD has had two successful happy hour events since the last report. Our next meeting and elections are planned for early June. The YLD recently participated in an Earth Day paper shredding event at the WCBA Bar Office. Officers of the YLD will be presenting a CLE at the upcoming Summer Bench bar at the Nemacolin Woodlands resort.

The FCBA YLD held the 6th Annual Mock Trial Competition on Thursday May 1 in conjunction with ABA Law Day. Connellsville High School and Frazier High School students competed with a jury box full of local attorneys and Judge Steve P. Leskenin presiding. The mock trial was followed by a question and answer session with Judge Leskenin and a luncheon with local bar association members.

Zone 7 (Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, McKean, Venango, Warren)

Erie County
The Erie County Young Lawyers’ Division has been active under the guidance of new chairperson, Andrew Schmidt and Vice-Chair Carsen Ruperto. So far this year, the Division has conducted the first Teach a Geezer Program whereas the Young Lawyers shared insight and expertise on some helpful technology such as iPads, iPhones, laptops, etc. Afterwards, there was a networking opportunity for everyone who participated. A second installment is already in the works. Additionally, the Erie County YLD sponsored a Happy Hour on April 3, 2014. Other events, such as a Night at Presque Isle Downs are in the works.

Erie also hosted its first Wills for Heroes event on April 5, 2014 at Gannon University chaired by Melissa Shirey, Denise Pekelnicky, Adam Williams and Jason Owens. A hardworking group of Erie County attorneys and legal staff, young and seasoned, helped prepare estate planning
documents for thirty one people. Overall, for a first event it was outstanding, and the committee is already planning a second event.

**Crawford County**

In Crawford County, under the leadership of co-chairs, Jennifer Boyer and Sarah Webster, the group is active and is planning several events including wine tasting, bowling, a corn maze, snow tubing and a baseball game. The group hosted a family bowling event which was well attended and everyone had a fabulous time. A second bowling event has been requested by those who attended. The group will be hosting a Happy Hour in May.

**Zone 8 (Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon, Indiana, Mifflin, Somerset)**

The Blair County YLD has decided to plan monthly happy hours to try to bring in new members.

The March Madness party sponsored by the Blair County YLD was a success with great attendance. This has become an annual event.

Zone 8 caravan will be scheduled in June or July. Similar to the past few years, it will be an Altoona Curve baseball game. Exact dates will be available in the next few weeks.

Lunch & Learns, sponsored by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee continue, with presentations to be scheduled in the near future. Upcoming presentations will include Custody process in Blair County and Cloud based computer systems for law offices. The cost is $15.00 per person. Lunch & Learns will continue to be scheduled by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee in the next few months. Zone 8 young lawyers received invitations, but anyone is welcomed to attend.

The Blair County YLD will be organizing a group of young lawyers to be sworn in at the Supreme Court of The United States. It will be scheduled on an argument day, so space is limited. Please contact the Zone 8 Chair, Joel Seelye at joel@grabillandseelye.com if you are interested.

Anyone Zone 8 who is interested in being on the mailing list for events in the Zone, please email Zone 8 Chair, Joel Seelye at joel@grabillandseelye.com

**Zone 9 (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery)**

**Chester County**

Helped run our "Helping Thru Hoops" NCAA Tournament fundraiser, where we set up TVs with food/drink at our bar association. Cost is $25/ticket and proceeds to go benefit our Chester Co. Legal Aid.

At our March Meeting we had the best attendance in many years, with more than 30 attendees. Our goal has been to increase membership.

We have held 2 social events locally which have drawn some additional interest from potential YLD members.
Looking forward, our agenda includes:

- CLE, "Do's/Don'ts for Young Lawyers in the Courtroom"

- Phillies Tailgate

- Breakfast hosting the Cmmw Court

- Alex's Lemonade Stand

- Will's for Heroes

**Delaware County**

Panelists for the two case law updates presented by the YLS at The DCBA Bench Bar Conference were finalized;

The Law Day, Liberty Bell Award recipient was decided and will be presented on May 2, 2014 at the DCBA Law Day Celebration;

The annual outing to the Phillies' game organized by the YLS will be occurring on May 13th;

The 4th Annual Run for the House organized by the YLS will be occurring on Saturday September 20, 2014

The Annual Judges' Cocktail Party was held on Thursday, April 10th at the Bar Building and was a great success. Over 100 people RSVP'd to the event and almost our entire Bench made an appearance.

**Bucks County**

On April 24 the Women's Law Division sponsored a Poker Tournament and on May 1, many young lawyers volunteered to assist with tours at the Bucks County Courthouse.

On May 22, the Bar Association will be having an Italian dinner and hosting a screening of "My Cousin Vinny" at the local County Theater.

On June 5, the Young Lawyers will take on the "Older" Lawyers at the Annual Bucks County Bar Association Annual Softball Game.

On June 11, 2014, the entire Bar will be participating in a run entitled the 5K Race Judicata.

September 18, 19 and 20 will be the Annual Bench Bar Conference at the Seaview Resort in Galloway, New Jersey.

**Montgomery County**

On April 25, 2014, the Bar Association held their Annual Dinner Dance at the Green Valley Country Club in Lafayette Hill, Pennsylvania.

The Young Lawyers Section is hosting a happy hour on June 19, 2014, between 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm at the Montgomery County Bar Association.
September 12 will begin the Annual Bench Bar Conference at the Hyatt Regency Chesapeake Bay Golf Resort in Cambridge, Maryland.

**Zone 10 (Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Mercer)**

**Beaver County**

Once again, the Mock Trial program did extremely well and the Beaver Area School District advanced to the State Competition. Following the mock trial competition, we always host a happy hour for all of the individuals that gave their time to help make the program a success. Other events coming up this year include our annual Golf Outing which will be held on June 13, 2014 at Blackhawk Golf Course. We will once again use the money raised to donate an adaptive bike to a child through the Variety Program, this is our 3 year having the outing and it has always been well attended. We are also planning a family outing to a Pirates baseball game in August. Bimonthly we host luncheon mix and meets, where our YLD members have lunch and socialize with a selected panel. In April we had lunch with the Judges. We will continue to have social events in order to integrate our younger members with the more experienced members of the bar association.

**Butler County**

The Young Lawyers facilitated the county level mock trial competition, which had great support from the entire bar association. Additionally, the monthly Coffee with the Judges program continues to be a success. Upcoming events include a Suits vs. Shields softball game this summer between lawyers and law enforcement, happy hours and possibly hosting a Wills for Heroes event. Attendance at monthly meetings has increased and we look forward to continuing to contribute to the bar association and have more programming in the future.

Sherri reached out to the other counties within the zone, but did not receive any information from them.

**Zone 11 (Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Potter)**

No Report

**Zone 12 (Allegheny)**

The Young Lawyers Division held its Annual meeting on February 27, 2014

**The Better Mousetrap - How to Protect it with Patents and Trademarks, March 3, 2014**

- The Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA held a lunch and learn with James Porcelli, Senior Shareholder of the Webb Law Firm, to discuss the basics of intellectual property law for the non-intellectual property specialist. The program provided an overview of patents, trademarks, and copyrights in terms understandable to the non-IP specialist, along with options a non-IP specialist may have for a client seeking advice in these areas. It included a brief explanation on the processes
requiring federal protection through patents, trademarks, and copyrights and how you know if you need such protection.

Lunch with the Judges, March 13, 2014

- The Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA held a lunch with federal judges from the Western District of Pennsylvania. It provided members of the YLD with a unique opportunity to meet and chat with the judges in an informal setting on an array of topics ranging from the diverse backgrounds and career paths of the panelists to topics relevant to practice before the Court. Panelists included: Chief Judge Joy Flowers Conti, Senior District Judge Maurice B. Cohill, Jr., Magistrate Judge Cynthia R. Eddy, District Judge Mark R. Hornak and District Judge Arthur J. Schwab.

Cabin Fever Happy Hour, March 20, 2014

- The YLD hosted a “spring thaw” happy hour with drinks and appetizers on March 20, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at La Cucina Flegrea in Market Square (100 Fifth Avenue, Suite 204).

Recent Law School Graduates Needed to Speak at Bar Preparation Panel Event at Duquesne University School of Law, March 25th

- The Duquesne University School of Law Bar Services Program hosted a Bar Preparation Panel event for students in their final year of law school, who are preparing to take the July 2014 bar exam. Recent law school graduate volunteers discussed how they prepared for the bar exam, including: choosing a commercial bar preparation course, developing a good study schedule, balancing work and other personal commitments with studying, and dealing with the stress of studying for the bar exam. The event was held twice: on Tuesday, March 25 from 6:00 p.m. - 7:40 p.m. in Room 311 for evening students and, again, on Wednesday, March 26 from 12:30 - 2:10 p.m. in Room 203 for day students.

Keeping Honor in the Profession, Rule 1.8(j)'s Prohibition of Sexual Relations with Clients, April 17th

- YLD hosted a CLE in which the speaker discussed the genesis and effect of new rules of conduct concerning a lawyer’s romance with a client. The experience in dealing with predatory relationships, sex with clients, is a lesson for all professionals about honor in the profession. Mark D. Yochem, Esq. of Duquesne University was the speaker.

Duquesne Bar Buddies Program Seeking Attorney Mentors, April 22nd

- The Duquesne Bar Buddies program sought attorney volunteers to mentor 3rd year day and 4th year evening students at Duquesne Law School as they prepare for the bar exam this summer. Attorney volunteers provide test-taking and study tips, time-management ideas, and stress management advice. The time commitment for the program is minimal, and will vary by student. To kick off the program, Duquesne is hosted a Meet-and-Greet reception on Tuesday April 22 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the law school.
The Pathway to a More Inclusive Bench Program, April 30th

- The Diversity Collaborative Committee, in conjunction with the Women in Law Division, the Homer S. Brown Division, and Young Lawyers Division, and with the support of the other affinity committees of the ACBA, presented a program entitled "The Pathway to a More Inclusive Bench" on Wednesday, April 30 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Rivers Club. The program was designed to highlight the publication by The Pennsylvania Interbranch Commission for Gender, Racial and Ethnic Fairness of the guidebook entitled "Creating a Diverse Bench in Pennsylvania" written for women and diverse attorneys contemplating a judicial career and for those in a position to support and encourage greater diversity on the bench. Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Debra Todd gave a keynote address and Lisette "Mimi" McCormick, Executive Director of the Interbranch Commission, gave a short presentation about the guidebook. Several local judges were honored at the event as "Legal Champions" for their work in paving the way to a more inclusive bench through their advocacy on behalf of and mentoring of historically underrepresented attorneys. Judge Sara Soffel, the first woman judge in Pennsylvania and Allegheny County, was recognized posthumously with a proclamation by the Allegheny County Executive Rich Fitzgerald.

YLD VIP Auction

- On Thursday, May 8, 2014, the YLD Member Services Committee is held its inaugural VIP Auction, where attendees had the opportunity to win a raffle drawing to spend time with some of the region's most respected lawyers. The event was at Clark Hill Thorp Reed in Oxford Centre from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Admission is only $20.00, and will include food and drinks. Participants received raffle tickets to place in the VIP boxes of your choosing.

Currently the ABA YLD Conference is in Pittsburgh

- The ACBA is working with the ABA on the ABA YLD spring conference. The conference includes CLEs and meal functions.

Upcoming events

YLD Pirates Game, June 26th

- The YLD is excited for what looks to be another exciting year of Pittsburgh Pirates baseball! It is inviting members to attend a game on Thursday, June 26, 2014 to see the Pittsburgh Pirates take on the New York Mets at PNC Park at 7:05 p.m.

YLD Pittsburgh Riverhounds Game, July 17th - 7pm @ Highmark Stadium

- Attending a game to see Pittsburgh's premier soccer club take on the Charlotte Eagles at 7:00pm. Family, friends, and co-workers are welcome to attend.
ABA YLD SPRING CONFERENCE MEETING PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW

The ABA Young Lawyers Division will hold its Spring Conference in Pittsburgh from May 15th - May 17th. The conference is designed to help young lawyers grow their practice and make a difference in their community and the legal profession.

Programming Themes and Topics:

- The Business of Law
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Ending the Bullying Epidemic
- Ethics and Professionalism
- Leadership Training for affiliate YLD chair-elects
- Trial Skills and Dispute Resolution

We hope to see you this year in Pittsburgh, PA from May 15-17, 2014 for the YLD Spring Conference. Wrap up the year with us in Boston, MA August 7-9, 2014 at the YLD programming at the ABA Annual Meeting. Registration is open for the Annual Meeting.


OTHER IMPORTANT UPDATES

Election Notice. The Division will elect the Secretary, Treasurer, Assembly Clerk, and one delegate to the ABA House of Delegates, Board of Governors, and Nominating Committee at the ABA Annual Meeting on Aug. 6, 2014, in Boston, MA.

As of the Fall Conference, the following individuals have submitted their candidacy by written notice:

- Secretary – Mark Nichols (Florida) and Anna Romanskaya (California)
- Treasurer – Christina Liu (Illinois)
- Clerk – Stefan Palys (Arizona)
- Representative to the ABA Board of Governors—Erica Grinde (Montana)
- Representative to the ABA House of Delegates –Myra McKenzie-Harris (Arkansas)
- Representative to the ABA Nominating Committee – Mario Sullivan (Illinois)
UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

May 15-17, 2014: Spring Conference, Pittsburgh, PA

June 15, 2014: YLD Awards of Achievement Nomination open. This award recognizes activities that benefit local communities, leaders, members and the profession.

August 7-9, 2014: ABA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA

For more information, visit www.ambar.org/ylدافiliates.

Great Opportunity to Get Involved with the ABA Section of Individual Rights and Responsibilities

ABA IRR's is on the hunt for talented, passionate young lawyers who would be interested in serving on the editorial board of their Human Rights Magazine. It's a terrific and rewarding role, particularly for those energized by important civil rights issues. It's also a hands-on position, for those who are both interested in compelling human rights challenges and willing to roll up their sleeves to address them in print. If you are interested, please contact Wilson Adam Schooley (waslawprose@cox.net).
YLD BUSINESS MEETING- AUGUST 1, 2014

YLD Chairperson Lars Anderson called the meeting to order at 3:34 PM. In attendance at the meeting were Megan Anderson, Jill McComsey, Matt Allen, Matt Lager, Benjamin Challingsworth, David McGoron, Samuel Yamron, Elizabeth Burton, Jason Owen, Gina Lauffer, Edward Barket, Matthew Kudrick, Kristina DeSenze, Jeremy Clark, Joel Seelye, Elizabeth Triscari, Lauren Zdunek, Sherri Hurst, Alison Wasserman, Kathryn Urbanowicz, Antonio Michetti, Courtenay Dunn, Corey Mowery, Erin Hamilton, Hayley Neal, Claudia Shank, Daniel Lang, Wesley Payne, Marion Laffey-Ferry, Michael Santanasto, Jamison Entwistle, Tyra Oliver, Amanda Seelye, Michael O’Donnell, Phil Yoon, Lars Anderson, Jon Koltash, Justin Bayer, BJ John, Alaina Koltash, Lou Kroeck, Tamika Washington and the undersigned.

Chair Anderson began the meeting with an introduction of himself and the YLD Officers that were in attendance. Afterward, Chair Anderson asked everyone in the room to briefly introduce themselves by providing their name, zone, position within the PBA, if any, and type of work that they perform. There were several PBA officers and executive staff in attendance at the meeting including PBA President Francis X. O’Connor, PBA Executive Director Barry Simpson, PBA Deputy Executive Director Fran O’Rourke, former PBA Chair of the House of Delegates Chuck Eppolito and PBA Treasurer David Schwager.

Prior to delving into the agenda for the meeting, Chair Anderson asked Chuck Eppolito to speak about the Bar Leadership Institute program. The BLI program gets young lawyers in the PBA involved by introducing them to the governing structure. The program works with those young lawyers to identify their individual professional goals as well as putting them on the path to achieve leadership and the identified career goals within the PBA structure. The program involves attendance at three meetings; the YLD Summer Conference, the November Board of Governors/House of Delegates Meeting and the Conference of County Bar Leaders (“CCBL”).

The minutes from the Annual Meeting held in May 2014 were provided on the PBA website (www.pabar.org) prior to the meeting. Chair Anderson asked if there were any changes or comments regarding the minutes. Hearing no comments, he requested a motion to approve. The minutes were approved unanimously following a motion by Joel Seelye with a second by Jon Koltash (Seelye/Koltash motion).

The Will for Heroes program was discussed by Chair Anderson. This is a longstanding program within the YLD division of the PBA. Although the program is very successful, there are some counties that do not have WFH coordinators, thus events have not been held in those areas. Chair Anderson implored those in attendance to participate in a WFH event and if interested, become a WFH coordinator. A listing of future events was provided with the packet of materials. In that packet is a list of the current coordinators. Alaina Koltash discussed a program that is planned at CCBL in February 2015 regarding the Wills for Heroes program.
YLD MEETING - ANNUAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 20, 2014

The YLD Meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM with a welcome by YLD Chairperson Lars Anderson. Those in attendance were Chair Anderson, Dan McKenrick, Ed Qaqish, Malcolm Murray, Chair-Elect Justin Bayer, YLD Division Delegate Missy Leininger, Fawn Kehler, PBA Vice President Sara Austin, Cassandra Munsee, Kathy Manderino, Bernard John, Alaina Koltash, YLD Treasurer Jonathan Koltash, Jeremy Clark, Beth Burton, Mike Lee, Antonio Michetti, Chair of House of Delegates Lisa Benzie, Sherri Hurst, Kristen Hamilton Lou Kroeck, Tyra Oliver, Sam Yamron, Kathyrn Urbanowicz, Chuck Eppolito, Nefertiri Sickout, Nicole Antos, Gloria Aderinokun, Andrew Throckmorton, Jessie Smith and the undersigned. Also appearing by telephone were Joel Seelye, Tamika Washington, Courtenay Dunne and Erin Hamilton.

The minutes of the YLD Summer Conference Business Meeting were emailed to all registered attendees in advance of the meeting. A Motion to Approve was made by Jonathan Koltash. The approval of the minutes was unanimous.

A special speaker was provided the opportunity to present information to the assembled regarding the topic of term limits for appointees to the House of Delegates. Although this issue is not yet ready to be acted upon by the governance of the PBA, it is an issue that is being explored. There is a recommendation for term limits that has not been acted upon, that being the opportunity to serve three year terms for a maximum of three consecutive periods. It would require a delegate to sit out at least one full term prior to being appointed to the House of Delegates thereafter.

Support for this proposal has been varying by zones within the PBA. Some zones have members who remain within the House of Delegates for many years beyond the current proposal including at least one situation in which a member remained within the House of Delegates for over thirty consecutive years. Although that situation has been resolved, there is a concern regarding the governance of the PBA in those new members, presumably with new ideas and perspectives are not being cycled into House of Delegates. As the House of Delegates generally is a starting point for transitioning into PBA leadership positions, this does present a problem. The YLD also should be concerned about this topic as leaders within that division may eventually wish for the opportunity for appointment to the House of Delegates as they become ineligible for the YLD.

The term limit measure has been pushed by the Diversity Task Force and later to the Diversity Committee. However, it is unlikely that any proposal can be introduced to the House of Delegates prior to the November 2015 Meeting. Chair Anderson asked Ms. Smith if there a specific reason for bringing this to the YLD’s attention at this time. She indicated that they are looking for co-sponsorship in the future, but the presentation was primarily for the purpose of providing information.

The floor was opened up to questions from those in attendance. The first question requested how the PBA was able to identify this as a problem. There was a voluntary
survey that was conducted that provided much of the information relied upon. There are some issues that need to be overcome though. Rural zones may not have enough volunteers to fill positions in the event that term limits are enforced. There is also the issue that some counties/zones may not appreciate the PBA's involvement in the manner in which local delegates are picked. There also may be a loss of delegates immediately as at least 10% of the delegates have been in the House of Delegates for 25 consecutive years. However, there is also a significant concern that the PBA has lost out on the efforts and leadership of individuals to other organizations because of the inability of those persons to break into the House of Delegates.

The next item on the agenda was a report regarding the Wills For Heroes program. Chair Anderson discussed the training of 21 new coordinators in Hershey that occurred in September 2014. There will also be a CLE at the Conference of County Bar Leaders (CCBL) in February 2015. David Trevaskis, PBA Pro Bono Coordinator, spoke about the Wills for Heroes Program, as did Nicole Antos, County Bar Services Director, who specifically discussed the CLE to be held at CCBL.

Chair Anderson gave his report. The PBA has gained over 600 new law school members in the past year. In addition, Duquesne University Law School and Widener Law School each had events where PBA panelists discussed different issues with law students including employment search.

On Monday, November 17, 2015, thirty-two lawyers were sworn in at the United States Supreme Court as part of the PBA YLD's biannual event.

The Mock Trial Program has recently geared up again. Trials will begin in January 2015. Jonathan Koltash is the co-chair of the Mock Trial. The YLD needs volunteers to act in the capacity of jurors and mentor for the program.

Chair-Elect Bayer spoke next. He commended Chair Anderson for a successful half-year. The YLD Summer Meeting during Chair-Elect Bayer's year as Chair will be returning to Seven Springs, Pennsylvania. It will start on a Wednesday this year and end on Friday. He is trying to make the event as family friendly as possible.

Treasurer Koltash provided the financial picture of the YLD to those assembled. He reported that every zone has held a caravan event in the past year. He also suggested that those running caravans should invite law students as well as begin planning for caravans to be held in 2015.

YLD Division Delegate Leininger indicated that the Constitutional Review Commission intends to present their Final Report to the House of Delegates. All PBA members are invited to attend the House of Delegates meeting.

No one was available to report regarding American Bar Association events. Chair Anderson did mention that we are always looking for representatives from the PBA to attend ABA meetings.
Jonathan Koltash discussed the Mock Trial Program further. He indicated that there are many roles that one can have in the program based upon their particular ability to be involved. Attorney advisors are needed. Although teachers run the programs, the attorney advisors explain particular legal matters such as admission of evidence, courtroom decorum, etc. David Trevaskis reiterated how many people have indicated how they have enjoyed being involved in the program.

Jonathan Koltash, wearing the hat of co-chair of YLD’s At Issue, requested additional articles for the Winter publication. The deadline has been extended to December. They are seeking two to three more articles for the publication. The articles should be between 1,500-2,000 words. It can be in any specialty or practice area. The article can also pertain to nonlegal topics that affect lawyers, such as networking or a local lawyer’s group organization. It is a good way to be published.

As the Zone Reports were provided prior to the meeting, Chair Anderson asked if anyone wished to discuss any additions or highlight particular events. There were no additions or highlights.

The next event is CCBL in February. There will be a YLD Meeting at the event. The event will be held in Lancaster, PA from February 26, 2015 to February 28, 2015.

A calendar of upcoming events beyond CCBL was provided at the meeting on a handout.

The meeting was adjourned with a motion by Tyra Oliver

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Taccino
YLD Secretary
PBA President Francis O’Connor discussed his pro bono push for providing free basic wills to veterans of the armed forces. He is hoping to have some sample documents provided on the PBA website in the near future.

Chair Anderson provided his report next. He encouraged those in attendance to bring programs and/or events to his attention or the attention of the YLD Executive Council. The YLD is always looking to get involved in events within communities or spreading ideas within one area to other areas. He also discussed the law student outreach program that is currently spearheaded by the efforts of former YLD Chairperson Jacob Gurwitz.

Chair-Elect Justin Bayer provided his report after Chair Anderson. Chair-Elect Bayer reiterated Chair Anderson remarks regarding the importance of submitting ideas regarding programs/events to the YLD leadership.

Treasurer Jon Koltash provided a report regarding the state of finances of the YLD. The YLD is in good shape. Further, he encouraged all zones to continue to schedule zone caravans, at least one per year, as every zone has done for the past several years. Each zone will be provided up to $500 for a caravan each year. Chair Anderson discussed several ideas for caravans including Oktoberfest in Zone 5 and various baseball games that have occurred in other zones.

There was no YLD Division Delegate report at this time. However, there was an ABA Delegate report in the packet. The YLD is looking for delegates to attend future meetings. Anyone who is interested should contact Samara Gomez or Alex Guminski. Courtenay Dunn provided additional information to those assembled. She has attended ABA meetings on a regular basis for over six years. Michael Santanasto was nominated for ABA Young Lawyer of the Year. He also received the Michael K. Smith Award from the PBA YLD.

The state-wide mock trial program is another project that is important to the YLD. The program finals will be held March 27, 2015 and March 28, 2015 in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. There will be a presentation during the YLD Summer Conference as a CLE program. Those in attendance were asked to attend the CLE to learn about the program and how to become involved in the program. The program is looking for volunteers as coordinators, jurors or attorney advisors.

*At Issue* was discussed by co-editor in chief, Alison Wasserman. *At Issue* is the YLD newsletter that is released quarterly. The editors are seeking articles on a diverse array of topics, including substantive areas of law, lifestyle issues that affect young lawyers and their careers and even a section for finding a decent meal near unfamiliar courthouses. Submitting an article is a good way to obtain a publication that can be listed on your resume and it can improve a job. The next deadline is November 5, 2014. All interested writers must have a submission to *At Issue* on or before that date.
There is a list of upcoming YLD events in the packet. The next one is November 17, 2014 which is the swearing in ceremony before the US Supreme Court. Only 48 slots of the 50 left open.

Marion Laffey spoke to the YLD regarding the Solo and Small Firm Section. She is a former chairperson of this section and she remains heavily involved. There are multiple benefits to joining this section. There is an active listserv and an annual retreat. If you post a question on the listserv, you will get an answer from attorneys throughout the Commonwealth. Membership is free for the first year. The next section/committee day is in November 2014.

All zone reports are all online and contained in the packet. The zone reports provide a recent history of events that are occurring in each county and zone. Many of the events are through the local bar associations. It is also a good resource for obtaining ideas for future events.

Chair Anderson sought other comments after completing the Meeting Agenda. Hearing none, he requested a motion to adjourn. BJ John made a motion to adjourn at 4:09 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Taccino
Secretary

Attachments: Zone Reports

ABA Meeting Report

Agenda
Zone Reports

Zone 1 (Philadelphia)

Zone 1 hosted a fun and successful Caravan on Saturday, July 12, 2014, at the Philadelphia Phillies Baseball game at Citizens Bank Park. The Caravan brought out not only the “regular” PBA members, but also new and potential members, as well as law students (e.g., from Temple Law, presenting an opportunity for YLD-law student mentorship). In addition, several members of the Executive Committee also attended the game. It was a great night and kudos to Philip Yoon, who graciously hosted a “tailgate” prior to the game, which was fun and productive as a networking event.

Notably, the President of the BLSA (Black Law Students Association) attended the Caravan. She requested that the YLD be available as mentors for the BLSA. To this end, YLD members are looking forward to attending mentoring events, and developing further relationships with the Temple BLSA.

Future plans:

Beginning again in the fall, the YLD will be reaching out to Philadelphia-area law schools to introduce students to and discuss PBA law student memberships and the value of the PBA. There will be more information on the outreaches, to come.

Zone 2 (Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton, Schuylkill)

Possibly arranging one or more of the following Zone Caravans:
- A group outing to a Phantoms Hockey game when the new stadium opens in Allentown in the Lehigh Valley
- An Iron Pigs game
- A family picnic

BERKS COUNTY-

- Law Day Luncheon with focus on celebrating right to vote
- CLEs of Possible Interest to Young Lawyers in Berks County include, among others, the following:
  - July 28, 2014: Nuts & Bolts of Adoption Practice in PA
  - July 29, 2014: Handling the WC Case
  - July 31, 2014: Email etiquette and ethics
  - August 4, 2014: Contract drafting landmines
  - August 7, 2014: E-discovery when and how to do it
  - August 11, 2014: how to handle an insolvent estate
- August 13, 2014: Developing and Presenting your Case
- August 14, 2014: Drafting and Modifying Residential Agreement of Sale
- August 15, 2014: Managing Liens and Subrogation in Auto Litigation
- August 18, 2014: Berks County Intermediate Punishment and Treatment Courts
- August 19, 2014: Social Security Disability - the basics
- August 26, 2014: Financial Aspects in Divorce
- August 27, 2014: Evidence for Trial Lawyers
- October 20, 2014: Fundamentals of Personal Injury
- October 23, 2014: Fair Credit Report Act, a Primer
- October 27, 2014: Most Frequently Encountered Landlord-Tenant Issues
- November 7, 2014: Four County Civil Practice
- November 11, 2014: Learning the Art of Negotiation
- November 18, 2014: ABCs of Foreclosure Proceedings
- There are also many training sessions for learning Berks County e-filing system throughout July-September

**CARBON COUNTY**

- Young lawyers participated in law day events

**LEHIGH COUNTY**

- Past Happy Hours:
  - Thursday, June 26, 2014: Sunset Grille, Allentown, PA
  - Thursday, July 31 - Lehigh Valley Iron Pigs Baseball Game
- Future Happy Hours:
  - Thursday, August 28 - Happy Hour at 1760 Pub and Grille
- Successful in sponsoring the Cetronia Ambulance Chase 5K at Lehigh Valley Zoo

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY**

- YLD Meeting held on June 25, 2014 - 16 members in attendance
- Wills for Heroes. Rick Santee (NCBA YLD Chair) and Jill McConsey (PBA YLD ZONE 2, Co-Chair) are attempting to organize a group to do a Wills for Heroes program in Northampton County. Young lawyers seem to be interested in participating in the PBA’s program.
- Some discussion has been ongoing on attempting to get more young lawyers involved in pro bono services, handling custody conferences in Northampton County through North Penn Legal Services program
- Christmas in July - Happy Hour at Apollo Grille in Bethlehem to raise money for the Holiday Hope Chest Program
- NCBA Young Lawyers will be participating in a safe Halloween Event – dressing up and distributing candy to children with disabilities
- Holiday Hope Chest - Accept donations from bar members and purchase gifts to be distributed to underprivileged (done through and with Volunteer Center of Lehigh Valley)
- Summer Picnic-July 17, 2014: Young Lawyers versus “Seasoned” Lawyers-9am game. Young lawyers won by a margin of 40+ points in the end.
- CLE: Social Media - large attendance

**SCHUYLKILL COUNTY** - There is nothing to report at this time.

**Zone 3** *(Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, York)*

**ADAMS COUNTY** - There is nothing to report at this time.

**CUMBERLAND COUNTY** -

Since the annual meeting in Hershey, we have had the Harrisburg Senator’s Baseball game; Law Day 2014 wrapped up; and the joint picnic with DCBA/CCBA and the kickball game at the picnic.

**DAUPHIN COUNTY** -

In May, we had our Law Day breakfast, and went out into local classrooms as part of our "back to school" program.

Our summer volleyball league has been going on since May. We have over 20 teams of lawyers, judges, and staff, and play every Thursday. We will have a picnic next week, with playoffs in August.

At the joint Dauphin/Cumberland County Annual Picnic in July, our YLS played the CCBA YLD in a fun game of kickball. We plan to make this an annual tradition. We have a joint event coming up on August 9 with the Lebanon County YLD.

We are doing a family friendly night out at a Harrisburg Senators game.

On September 19, we are doing a wine and beer tasting event at the Vineyard and Brewery at Hershey.

Other upcoming events include Oktoberfest in October

Casino Night at Penn National in November

Holiday Party/fundraiser to benefit Vinny’s Kids in December

**FRANKLIN COUNTY** -

In June, the YLD co-hosted a Happy Hour at one of the local firms and we opened it up to the Bar at large. It was extremely well attended. In July, we joined with the FCBA
Social Committee in planning a party to honor Forest Myers and thank him for his 
service as PBA President over the past year. It was a fantastic event, well attended by the 
YLD and the Bar at large. We also organized a "YLD versus OLD Games" which 
included things like cornhole, lawn Jenga, bocce ball, beer pong, and horseshoes. There 
was a trophy for the winning team and we are proud to announce that the YLD defeated 
the OLD (they came up with the name, I promise!) and took home the trophy.

LANCASTER COUNTY - There is nothing to report at this time.

LEBANON COUNTY-

The Lebanon County Young Lawyers, in cooperation with the Dauphin County Young 
Lawyers, are planning to attend a Senators baseball game in August.

JUANIATA COUNTY - There is nothing to report at this time.

PERRY COUNTY - There is nothing to report at this time.

YORK COUNTY – There is nothing to report at this time.

Zone 4 (Lycoming, Montour, Columbia, Northumberland, Snyder, Tioga, Union)

The Zone 4 Caravan is being held on August 3, 2014 in Cutters Cove, which is located at 
the Susquehanna Bank Park at Historic Bowman Field. There will be food and drinks 
served from 4:00 – 5:30 pm, with the baseball game starting at 5:05 pm. The 
Williamsport Crosscutters take on the Aberdeen Ironbirds.

Other upcoming events include, scheduling a Happy Hour at the Old Corner (date TBD), 
which will be open to members of the bench and bar.

The YLD will again hold the annual Angel Tree Toy Drive, which benefits the Salvation 
Army. Each year several hundred toys, games, books, and clothes are collected and 
distributed to local children.
Zone 5 (Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming)

LUZERNE COUNTY-

Luzerne County YLD recently participated in a clean up/fix up project at the Lands at Hillside Farms this past June and will be lending a hand in a Habitat for Humanity Volunteer event on July 26th in Edwardsville, PA. As for social events, the young lawyers were well represented at the Annual Golf Outing and Dinner with the Luzerne County/Wilkes-Barre Law and Library Association on July 11th and had a number of players in the top 2 teams in the golf event. Looking forward, the young lawyers division is busy planning their annual brewery tour, a YLD vs. “big bar” softball game and last, but not least, the annual Oktoberfest which is the Zone 5 caravan event.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY -

May

Law Day ceremony with Mock Trial awards to Abington Heights, winner of our District (YLD event – sponsored and organized by YLD)

Lawyers in the Classroom in mid/late May.

Law Week Benefit for Ronald McDonald House at Backyard Ale House on May 28th

June

Pro Bono Golf Outing foursome on June 2nd at Blue Ridge Trail

July

YLD volunteers operated fruit smoothie stand at St. Joe’s Festival on July 26th

August

Wine Tour on August 2nd

LBA Annual Outing on August 22nd (YLD attend as YLD’s guests)

September

LBA Dinner Dance on September 12th

October

Wills for Heroes on October 4th

Roba’s Pumpkin Patch (date TBA)

Oktoberfest with Zone 5
MONROE COUNTY -

The Monroe County YLD has been working with local soup kitchens serving hot meals to those in need. They have also assisted in Habitat for Humanity projects and are looking forward to participating in another project in the fall. Additionally, the YLD is planning a Wills for Heroes event for the fall which will incorporate veterans who are now eligible for the benefit. In regards to networking, the young lawyers continue to hold monthly mentoring lunches with members of our bar association providing a unique opportunity to get to know local attorneys and judges outside of the courtroom and in an informal setting. Finally, the YLD remains active in social events and sponsored a “Bowling with the Judges” event and will be sponsoring a rafting trip down the Delaware River in August.

Zone 6 (Fayette, Greene, Washington, Westmoreland)

Possibly hosting a caravan to include Pitt/Duquesne students

FAYETTE COUNTY –

Happy hour for young lawyers and new courthouse employees (clerks, p.d.’s, d.a.’s) at the end of criminal court week on Friday August 8th

WASHINGTON COUNTY –

Mini golf fundraiser on 9/23

WESTMORELAND COUNTY –

Sponsored a tent at the annual Westmoreland Croquet Club Tournament at University of Pittsburgh at Greensburg in June, our theme being the soccer World Cup

Sponsored our hospitality suite at our Bench Bar in June

Young lawyers vs. old lawyers softball game ➔ Re-match scheduled for August, TBD.

Annual Young Lawyer’s pool party on September 5, 2014

We have monthly meetings and are arranging to put together 4 CLE’s to begin in October

Young Lawyer’s happy hour in December the week of Christmas

We’re hoping to get involved in more volunteer work, specifically with an organization here that provides meals to anyone interested and housing to the homeless each Thursday night called Feeding the Spirit
Zone 7 (Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, McKean, Venango, Warren)

There is nothing to report at this time

Zone 8 (Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon, Indiana, Mifflin, Somerset)

The Blair County YLD planned a happy hours to try to bring in new members. It is August 7th at 5:00 p.m. at Champs in Altoona.

The Zone 8 caravan was held on July 10th at an Altoona Curve baseball game. It was held in the picnic area of the park where food and drinks were served. It was another successful caravan event. This year YLD members from Allegheny County, Bedford County and Blair County attended.

The Blair County YLD is discussing and planning a Wills for Heroes event at the Veterans hospital in Altoona. They are in the beginning stages but hope to plan it for the fall.

Lunch & Learns, sponsored by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee continue, with presentations to be scheduled in the near future. Upcoming presentations will include Custody process in Blair County and Cloud based computer systems for law offices. The cost is $15.00 per person. Lunch & Learns will continue to be scheduled by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee in the next few months. Zone 8 young lawyers received invitations, but anyone is welcomed to attend.

The Blair County YLD will be organizing a group of young lawyers to be sworn in at the Supreme Court of The United States. It will be scheduled on an argument day, so space is limited. Please contact the Zone 8 Chair, Joel Seelye at joel@grabillandseelye.com if you are interested.

Anyone Zone 8 who is interested in being on the mailing list for events in the Zone, please email Zone 8 Chair, Joel Seelye at joel@grabillandseelye.com
Zone 9 (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery)

CHESTER COUNTY -

YLD held a CLE in May, "Does and Don't in the Courtroom", given by the law clerk for recently elected Judge Jeffrey Sommer, Michelle Bernardo-Rudy.

In June, many of our members participated in the State vs. Federal Bench softball game, annually held in Chester County. The Feds beat us 16-5. Also, in June, many of our members attended the Chester Co. Bar Association, Bar Sail, annual 2 day sailing event out of Maryland.

In early August our YLD will be hosting a night at the Phillies Game, where we have 25 people scheduled to attend.

DELAWARE COUNTY -

The Law Day, Liberty Bell Award recipient was presented on May 2, 2014 at the DCBA Law Day Celebration to Chris Callanan of the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House;

The annual outing to the Phillies' game organized by the YLS occurred on May 13th;

Members of the YLS of the DCBA presented two separate CLE courses at The Annual DCBA Bench Bar Conference and hosted the annual Texas Hold 'Em Tournament;

The 4th Annual 5K Run for the House organized by the YLS will be occurring on Saturday September, 20, 2014, at Rose Tree Park in Media, PA. This is an annual 5K run/race organized by the Young Lawyers' Section of the Delaware County Bar Association for the purpose of raising funds for the Philadelphia Ronald McDonald House. For more information on participating in or becoming a sponsor for this event, please contact Patrick Daley at pdaley@sweeneynearylaw.com or 610.892.7500.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY -

The YLS designated May as a “Month of Service”. Each Tuesday and Saturday, members of the YLS volunteered at the St. John’s Soup Kitchen in Norristown, PA. Members prepared and served food to the homeless for approximately 2 hours each session. Additionally, the YLS collected supermarket gift cards from Montgomery Bar Association members to be donated to the St. John’s Soup Kitchen.

In June, the YLS kicked off its annual summer happy hour series with a happy hour at the Montgomery Bar Association building in Norristown, PA. The well-attended event served as a great start to the summer networking series.
In July, the YLS put together a running team to participate in the MCAP 5K “Run For The Hill of It”. The 10 plus member running team ran in matching t-shirts and raised money for the Montgomery Child Advocacy Project.

Coming up, in August the YLS will have it second happy hour as part of its summer happy hour series. For the rest of the year, we are planning a Wills For Heroes event, and a Christmas Party with a Toy Drive component.

**Zone 10 (Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Mercer)**

**BEAVER COUNTY –**

Golf Outing which was on June 13, 2014 at Blackhawk Golf Course. We donated 2 adaptive bikes to two children through the Variety Program. A Zone 10 caravan has been planned for a Pirates baseball game on August 31st, we are currently having a YLD trial skills seminar with the help of our local judges. We have received a problem similar to a mock trial program and all YLD members that participate will practice different parts of a trial (ie. Opening statement, direct, cross etc.) They will be videotaped and critiqued by older members of the bar association, including our Judges. We hosted a book drive and donated the books to the local juvenile detention center.

**BUTLER COUNTY –**

The YLD hosted a happy hour at the end of May and is continuing to have monthly Coffee with the Judges events, which allow young lawyers to ask judges and other court officials questions about practice and procedure. The YLD continues to hold monthly meeting to plan events.

**LAWRENCE COUNTY**

The Superior Court went to Lawrence County and Attorney William J. Manolis along with two other young lawyers (Greg Rosatelli and Nikki Christopher) and their President went to the area schools and discussing appellate procedure with the students who we have invited to attend the special session.

**MERCER COUNTY –** There is nothing to report at this time.

**ARMSTRONG COUNTY** - There is nothing to report at this time.
Zone 11 *(Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Potter)*

CENTRE COUNTY -

May 2014 to Present

YLD Softball team in Centre County Rec League

Happy hour event after each weekly softball game in which entire CCBA is invited

**Upcoming Events:**

PBA YLD Zone 11 Caravan: Tussey Mountain Wingfest on August 21, 2014
  - Free admission courtesy of PBA YLD
  - Depending on interest, food vouchers will also be provided

Centre County YLD Summer Potluck BBQ: August 9, 2014
  - Event to celebrate the successful season of the YLD’s softball team
  - Held at YLD Member Steve Helmerich’s house

Bridge the Gap CLE Program
  - Date and Location TBD (After release of July 2014 Bar results)
  - Meet the Judge Night
    - The Honorable Jonathan Grine, Centre County Cour. of Common Pleas
    - Date and Location TBD

  - Past Meet the Judge Nights:
    1. The Honorable Thomas King Kistler
       - Hike Night and discussion on work/life balance
    2. The Honorable Pamela Ruey
       - Wine Tasting Night and discussion on civility in the profession
    3. The Honorable Bradley Lunsford
       - Discussion regarding work/life balance before Judge Lunsford’s band, AC Express, performed at local venue

Relay for Life Fundraiser for 2015’s Relay for Life
  - Date and Location TBD

YLD Holiday Party
  - Date and Location TBD (early December 2014)
CLEARFIELD COUNTY -

Upcoming Events:
Presentations at local high schools around Constitution Day
  - Date and location TBD (in September)

Dinner and Drinks at local pubs or restaurants
  - Date and location TBD

ELK COUNTY - There is nothing to report at this time.

Zone 12 (Allegheny)

In the Spring of 2014, the ACBA YLD implemented its “Bar Buddies” program. Recent law school graduates from the University of Pittsburgh Law School and Duquesne University School of Law were paired with YLD members in an effort to help mentor and support the recent graduates as they prepare and take the Pennsylvania Bar Exam.

In May 2014, the ACBA YLD hosted the Big Wig VIP auction where attorney "bigwigs" (i.e. very well-known and successful attorneys in Pittsburgh) donated experiences like private lunches. Young attorneys were able to enter a drawing for the big wig experiences they were interested in. A reception with appetizers and drinks was held at Thorp Reed's office in Pittsburgh and the VIP drawing took place at this time. Over a dozen big wig experiences were raffled off.

In May 2014 young attorneys donated their time to create and provide estate documents for first responders as part of the Wills for Heroes program.

In June 2014, the ACBA YLD Education Committee hosted a CLE at the ACBA’s annual Bench Bar Conference on Social Media.

In June 2014, the ACBA YLD hosted a Pirates Night for its members. Registrants got tickets to a Pirates vs. Mets game and everyone was able to sit in the same section.

Upcoming Events:

YLD Golf Outing: The ACBA YLD is taking its annual golf outing to Grandview Golf Club on Friday August 22, 2014. For $90 attendees will be provided with bagels and donuts, coffee and other refreshments, hot dog at the turn, beer throughout the course, and a post-round buffet. Of course attendees also get 18 holes of golf (with cart) in a scramble format.
Happy Hour of the Month: Join the Young Lawyers Division on the 2nd Wednesday of each Month to mingle, relax and make new connections! The first event will be Wednesday, July 9 at 5:00 PM at Redbeards on Sixth. Our tables are reserved in the 1st floor seating area.

Past, Present, Future: This year the YLD turns 50 and they are inviting back the people who have helped get it to its Golden Anniversary. Past YLD Chairs have gone on to serve as federal and state court judges; managing partners at top law firms; presidents of the ACBA and some of the most prominent attorneys in the city. For one night only, they will be in one place to meet and greet young attorneys. The current YLD officers and council members and the new Bar Leadership Initiative Class will be formally introduced for the first time in the new bar year. Come and learn from the Division's past leaders, meet with the current leadership and find out how you can be a part of the success of the YLD as it embarks on its next 50 years. All YLD members are encouraged to attend and be a part of what promises to be a memorable occasion. Admission is the low price of $20 and includes drinks, delicious hors d'oeuvres and the rare opportunity to make connections with the heavy hitters of our legal community.

Stepping Out: Every fall, the ACBA YLD Public Service Committee begins the Stepping Out Program. Members of the YLD are sent to Pittsburgh area high schools to give presentations on the legal consequences of turning 18 and “stepping out” into the world as a legal adult.

Backpack Project: In August 2014, the ACBA YLD will participate (both through sponsoring and sending volunteers) in the ACBA Backpack Project. This project creates backpacks full of school supplies for hundreds of underprivileged students in Pittsburgh.
ABA ANNUAL MEETING PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW

The ABA Young Lawyers Division will meet during the ABA Annual Meeting from August 7th-August 9th in Boston. Pennsylvania has seven delegates that will participate in the YLD Assembly.

**YLD Programming Themes and Topics:**
- Anatomy of ADR
- Career Advice
- Ending the Bullying Epidemic
- Legal Technology
- Diversity and Inclusion

We hope to see you this year in Boston, MA from August 7-9, 2014. Registration is open for the Annual Meeting. It's an excellent opportunity to take advantage of the ABA Annual Meeting's many networking, collaboration and learning opportunities. At the conclusion of the meeting, Andrew Schpak will become the chair of the YLD.


**OTHER IMPORTANT UPDATES**

Election Notice. The Division will elect the Secretary, Treasurer, Assembly Clerk, and one delegate to the ABA House of Delegates, Board of Governors, and Nominating Committee at the ABA Annual Meeting on Aug. 6, 2014, in Boston, MA.

As of the Fall Conference, the following individuals have submitted their candidacy by written notice:

- Secretary – Mark Nichols (Florida) and Anna Romanskaya (California)
- Treasurer – Christina Liu (Illinois)
- Clerk – Stefan Palys (Arizona)
- Representative to the ABA Board of Governors—Erica Grinde (Montana)
- Representative to the ABA House of Delegates – Myra McKenzie-Harris (Arkansas)
- Representative to the ABA Nominating Committee – Mario Sullivan (Illinois)
UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

August 7-9, 2014: ABA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA

August 31, 2014: YLD National Outstanding Young Lawyers Award Nominations Due - The Division is accepting nominations for the 2014 National Outstanding Young Lawyer Award. The award recognizes an ABA young lawyer in good standing who exhibits: professional excellence; service to the profession and the bar; service to the community; and/or a reputation for or the advancement of legal ethics and professional responsibility. The nomination deadline is August 31.

The following organizations/entities may nominate up to one individual for the award:

- An organization affiliated with the YLD; including national, state, local, and specialty affiliates
- A state or local bar association if it does not include a young lawyer section, division, committee or group, and if no stand-alone young lawyer organization exists for its geographic area
- The YLD Executive Board
- Any ABA Section, Division, Commission, Committee, or Forum

YL Affiliate Leaders: Sign up for the Affiliate Leadership Listserv
Are you a chair-elect, chair or immediate past chair of your Young Lawyer Association? If so, please sign up for the YLD Affiliate Leadership Listserv (http://apps.americanbar.org/dch/committee.cfm?com=YL.101090). Whether you’re looking for ideas on a service project, struggling through a challenge with your larger bar association, or need to know where to find information on the ABA YLD’s website, this is the venue to connect with your counterparts from across the country!
MEETING PROGRAMMING OVERVIEW

The ABA Young Lawyers Division Spring Conference held in Pittsburgh, PA from May 15-17 brought together nearly 300 young lawyers from all practice areas, practice settings, and seven countries. Attendees earned valuable CLE credits and learned from experts in their fields, served the public as part of the Bullyproof public service project, grew their networks, and continued to work on Moving the Profession Forward, the theme of the 2013-14 YLD bar year.

Highlights included:

Educational Sessions: More than 25 CLE and networking sessions.

Affiliate Programming: On Thursday, May 15th, the Division held the "Affiliate Leadership Training: Now You're a Leader," a special session designed to give chair-elects and high level leadership of young lawyer organizations the skills to ensure an effective leadership year. Topics addressed in the training included: Discovering and Developing Your Leadership Style; Creating S.M.A.R.T Goals; Designing Your Organizational Structure; Crafting an Effective Action Plan; Developing Your Talent Management Strategy; Building a Collaborative Team Environment; Running Successful Meetings; and the ABA and YLD as Your Partner. Following the Affiliate Showcase on Saturday, May 17th, Affiliate programming continued with an in-depth session entitled "Planning and Organizing a Regional Summit: A How-to Guide and Roundtable," a panel discussion with affiliate leaders experienced in planning, organizing, and executing regional summits consisting of affiliates' regional meetings, as well as a roundtable discussion focusing on areas of particular importance to Affiliates, including conflict resolution on the board and between officers, innovative ideas for raising money for events and projects, and best practices for hosting events with other sections/bar associations.

Public Service: Young lawyers brought Bullyproof: Young Lawyers Educating & Empowering to End Bullying to nearly 800 grammar and middle school students at local schools during four May 15th and 16th outreach programs. Bullyproof is the ABA YLD's year-long public service initiative aimed at fighting bullying in our schools and beyond. During the program, volunteers informed students about addressing and eradicating bullying and helped them gain different perspectives on the epidemic by viewing the project video co-produced by the YLD that features a host of U.S. political and cultural figures, including President Barack Obama and Vice-President Joe Biden.

Diversity Programming: The Spring Conference featured several CLE programs related to diversity, including two panel discussions, "Perspectives on Race and Gender in the Law" and "Practicing Law While Breaking the Confines of Implicit Bias In and Outside the Courtroom" and CLE programs on "Ensuring the Safety, Permanence and Well-Being of LGBTQ Youth" and creating anti-bullying policies and laws.

Additionally, the 2014 Next Steps Diversity Challenge Winners were announced during the Closing Session on Saturday, May 17th. Congratulations to the winners of this year's program:
Affiliate Category:
1st place: The State Bar of New Mexico Young Lawyers Division - "Creating a Culture of Collaboration: Promoting Diverse Law School and Bar Association Leaders"
2nd place: South Carolina Bar Association Young Lawyers Division - "Color of Justice Roadshow"
3rd place: Alabama State Bar Young Lawyer's Division - Minority Pre-Law Conference ("MPLC")

Law School Category:
1st place: American University Washington College of Law - "Spring International Carnivale"
2nd Place: Elon Law Community Council, Elon University School of Law - "Diversity Week: Celebrating Elon Law's Community"

The Next Steps Diversity Challenge is sponsored by the ABA Young Lawyers Division, Center for Racial and Ethnic Diversity, and Law Student Division and recognizes and awards top young lawyer organization and law student programs that increase diversity in the pipeline to the legal profession. This year's winners received a special subgrant to expand their programs. The Young Lawyers Division would like to extend a special thank you to the program's Premiere Sponsor, Walmart.

The deadline for the 2015 Next Steps Diversity Challenge is November 1, 2014.

UPDATE: PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, AND ACTIVITIES

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1. Educating Parents, Teachers, Students and School Administrators. Materials are available to assist young lawyers in presenting programs and seminars in local schools which will cover: defining bullying; issues facing victims and the aggressors; bullying is not just something kids go through or part of growing up, but is harassment, torture, and other various crimes that adults would seek the legal system to address; and combating bullying and the need for us all to work together to address the wrong and make schools safe.

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3. Legislative. Sample Anti-Bullying Policies are being made available to assist young lawyers in working with state legislatures and school administrators to create and implement anti-bullying policies and legislation.

To access these materials and learn more about Bullyproof, visit the project website.

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Additionally, the Career Development Initiative continues to offer members resources for different career paths in the law. More information on the Program is available here.
YLD Awards of Achievement Nominations Accepted through June 15
The Division is accepting nominations for the 2014 Awards of Achievement Program, which recognizes activities that benefit local communities, leaders, members and the profession. The nomination deadline is June 15.

2014 ABA Annual Meeting
Registration is open for ABA Annual Meeting, August 8-10 in Boston. YLD leaders are encouraged to attend and take advantage of the ABA Annual Meeting's many networking, collaboration and learning opportunities.

Several different registration packages are available; a menu of the choices is available on the YLD 2014 Annual Meeting page. YLD programming will take place August 7-9, primarily at Sheraton Boston; view schedule. Register by June 16 to take advantage of early registration discounts. We look forward to seeing you in Boston.

YLD Elections
The YLD elections will take place during the YLD Assembly at the ABA Annual Meeting in Boston on Saturday, August 9. You must be registered for the Meeting and certified as a delegate to vote. Register online at www.ambar.org/annual. Visit the website for delegate certification details.

We encourage you to learn more about the candidates:

Secretary: Mark Nichols, Fort Lauderdale, FL and Anna Romanskaya, San Diego, CA
Assembly Clerk: Stefan Palys, Phoenix, AZ
Treasurer: Christina Liu, Chicago, IL
House of Delegates Representative: Myra L. McKenzie-Harris, Bentonville, AR
Nominating Committee Representative: Mario A. Sullivan, Chicago, IL
Board of Governors Representative: Erica Grinde, Missoula, MT

YLD Assembly
Please consider being a delegate to the YLD Assembly on Friday, August 8 and Saturday, August 9. We need and want YOUR voice and participation to help shape Division policy and the profession! To become a delegate, contact your local young lawyer affiliate, state young lawyer bar organization, national affiliate, or military branch, and let them know of your interest. Note that voting members of the YLD Council are automatically delegates to the YLD Assembly, but we ask that Council members forward this information to their Affiliate(s) and encourage them to participate in the Assembly.

Below are a few ways Affiliates can participate. Additional information about the Assembly, including Delegate Certification Information, is also available online, or you can contact Assembly Speaker Myra McKenzie-Harris or Assembly Clerk David Scriven-Young.

1. Send delegates to Boston. Local affiliates should have submitted delegate information to their state affiliate by May 1. States, National, and Military branch affiliates should have submitted their delegate information to the YLD via the online Delegate Certification Form by May 15. If you have any questions about the Delegate Certification process, please contact Tara Blasingame or David Scriven-Young.

Note: All delegates need to register for the ABA Annual Meeting which requires a separate registration. Several different registration packages are available; a menu of the choices is available on the YLD 2014 Annual Meeting page. (Per ABA policy funding is not available to the Annual Meeting). More information about networking opportunities, social event tickets, and educational programs will be available soon.

2. Volunteer to debate a resolution at Assembly. We are always looking for interested young lawyers to speak on issues of importance to the profession. Please contact Assembly Speaker Myra McKenzie-Harris if you are interested.
YLD Assembly Roll Call: Additional Assistance Needed from District Reps
The Assembly will recognize affiliates at the beginning of the Annual Meeting as it did at the beginning of the Midyear Meeting, where a presentation of songs from each District got things off to a lively start.

As before, we plan to pre-record the Assembly Roll Call, and state-specific material must be submitted. We are asking that all DRs submit a short video (no longer than 5 to 7 seconds) for each state, each territory or District (D.C.), and each military branch within his or her jurisdiction; national affiliate representatives are asked to do the same. These videos may be created through the use of a smart phone (the latest iPhone or Android, for example) in mp4 or .mov file format.

Each 5 to 7 second video must be submitted to ydassemblyvideo@gmail.com no later than Friday, June 6 so that we have adequate time to create and edit the Roll Call presentation. Please include the name of your state, territory, military branch or District in the subject heading of your e-mail. Ideal videos will include a brief greeting from the DRs or representative Young Lawyers from each state, territory, district or military branch, and a friendly welcome to their specific delegation at the 2014 YLD Annual Assembly.

Here are a few sample video scripts:

Hello from the Connecticut Bar Association Young Lawyers Section on the steps of the Capitol in Hartford, Connecticut! We’d like to welcome our full delegation to Boston for the 2014 YLD Annual Assembly! (lawyers wearing business suits on the steps of the state capitol).

Greetings from the Young Lawyers in Oregon, home of YLD Chair-Elect Andrew Schpak! Our delegation is excited to be in Boston and looks forward to seeing you all here in October for the Fall Conference! (lawyers wearing suits in front of one of Fall Conference locations).

Hello from Washington state, the home of the reigning Super Bowl Champions! We’re excited to be in Boston and look forward to an exciting YLD Annual Assembly! (lawyers wearing Seattle Seahawks gear).

Hello from Arkansas, home of America’s only natural diamond mine! The Arkansas Bar Young Lawyers are glad to be in Boston and “shine bright like a diamond!” (lawyers wearing bling rings in tribute to Rihanna’s song “Diamonds”).

The videos can be one person, several people, or many people. You can wear business suits, jeans and t-shirts, or location-specific costumes! It’s completely up to you. Be creative! If a video clip is not submitted, one will be created on your behalf—and it might be boring and not that fun. So we ask that you get working on your quick videos and send them in to ydassemblyvideo@gmail.com!

After you submit your video, please e-mail Dana Hrelic with a CC to Myra McKenzie-Harris and Dave Morrow to confirm that it’s been submitted. Don’t forget to spread the word to Affiliate leaders to make this new and better introduction during our Assembly Meeting a success!

OTHER IMPORTANT UPDATES

The 2014-15 Bar Year Meetings and Conference Schedule is as follows:
Summer Cabinet: August 22-23, 2014 in Park City, Utah
Fall Conference: October 9-11, 2014 in Portland, Oregon
Winter Cabinet: pending budget approval, date and location TBA
Midyear Meeting: February 5-9, 2015 in Houston, Texas
Spring Conference: May 14-16, 2015 in Tampa Bay, Florida
Annual Meeting: July 30 – August 4, 2015 in Chicago, Illinois
COUNCIL UPDATE

The ABA YLD Council met at the Spring Conference in Pittsburgh on Thursday, May 15th. Highlights included:

Council Approval of Revisions to YLD Policies and Election Guidelines. YLD Secretary-Treasurer Lacy Durham presented to Council revisions to YLD governance documents (the Boards Policy, Bylaws, Council Standing Rules, and Election Guidelines). Council approved all of the revised documents.

Council Approval of Revised Regional Summit Policy and Guide. YLD Affiliates Director Anna Romanskaya presented the revised Regional Summit Policy and Guide, which Council approved.

Break-out Brainstorming and Discussion Groups. Council members also participated in an in-depth discussion of the Division and its governance, including ways to improve Council and Assembly, Affiliate needs and programming, committees and liaisons, and member service. Please send ideas for future break-out discussion topics to YLD Administrative Directors Stefan Palys and Kimber Gallo.

Collection of LinkedIn Topics to Enhance the ABA YLD Group on LinkedIn. YLD Administrative Director Stefan Palys (on behalf of YLD Social Media & Online Coordinator Jaime Ackerman) asked Council members to contribute one to two topics for threads (or submit the content themselves) for use on the Division’s LinkedIn page to help spur discussion on the page and provide helpful information to the many members of the Division’s LinkedIn group. Please submit topics to Jaime Ackerman.

UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

June 6, 2014: Deadline to submit videos for 2014 YLD Annual Meeting Assembly Roll Call
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For more information, visit www.americanbar.org/groups/young_lawyers/about_us/affiliates.html.
Young Lawyers Division Business Meeting Agenda

Friday, August 1

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Approval of the Minutes

III. Wills for Heroes Report
   a. To learn about the program, sign up to volunteer, or to see the schedule of events throughout the year please visit the YLD’s Wills for Heroes page https://www.pabar.org/public/yld/Projects/willsforheroesyld.asp
   b. Want to bring the program to your County? Train to be a Coordinator! Event will be September 26-27, 2014. For more details, please contact Maria Engles (maria.engles@pabar.org)

IV. Chair Report

V. Chair Elect Report

VI. Treasurer Report

VII. YLD Division Delegate Report

VIII. ABA Delegate Report
   a. Interested in serving as a delegate during the upcoming Annual Meeting in Boston? There are a few spots that have opened up. If anyone is interested, please contact Alex Guminski (alexander.f.guminski@gmail.com) and Samara Gomez (Samara.a.gomez@wellsfargo.com).
   b. Michael Santanasto to be nominated for the ABA YLD young lawyer of the year

IX. Statewide Mock Trial Program Report
   a. Interested in being a Juror, County Coordinator or an Attorney Advisor for a team? Please contact State Mock Trial Chairs: Jonathan Koltash (jonathan.koltash@gmail.com) and Traci Naugle (TNaugle@sfshlaw.com)

X. At Issue

XI. Upcoming Events

XII. New Business
examined the barriers female lawyers face throughout their careers and drew on the experiences and opinions of attendees. The Dialogue was co-sponsored by the ABA Section of Litigation, ABA Commission on Women in the Profession and Walmart.

**CareerLine LIVE!** Immediately following the Council Meeting, the Division hosted CareerLine LIVE! During the event the Division provided nearly 200 newly licensed lawyers and law student ABA members with resume feedback and career-related advice, and also spoke with almost 100 newly licensed lawyers in Chicago, welcoming them to the profession and the ABA.

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**Application Deadline for ABA Presidential Appointments:** As an ABA Young Lawyers Division Leader, we encourage you to apply for a [2014-2015 ABA Presidential Appointment](#) to the many ABA
Standing Committees, Special Committees, Commissions, and other entities and initiatives. If you apply for an appointment, please email the position(s) you are applying for to YLD Staff Director Robin Rone. The application deadline is **February 28**.

**Application Period Open for YLD Subgrant Program:** Encourage Affiliates to **apply for a subgrant** by **March 1**. Awarded annually by the YLD with support from the ABA Fund for Justice and Education, subgrants provide funding for activities that benefit local communities, develop leadership skills, and help young lawyers.

Entries are still being accepted for the **4th Annual Law Day Contest**, which provides a wonderful opportunity for high school students to learn about our legal system, justice, get creative and win prizes. The Contest calls for students to submit an art piece that may be represented in two dimensions, and students are encouraged to use their creativity and create art pieces in any medium desired (including, but not limited to, drawings, paintings, films, photographs, graphic novels, comics, etc.) on the 2014 Law Day theme, **American Democracy and the Rule of Law: Why Every Vote Matters**. Details on the Contest are available. Please help us promote the contest by “liking” the **contest Facebook page** and sharing Contest information with your Facebook friends, Twitter followers and LinkedIn connections. Submissions are due **March 7, 2014**; visit the **Contest website** for more details.

**Application Period Open for YLD Scholarship Program:** The Division is accepting applications for the **2014-2015 Scholarship Program**. The program provides Minority, Solo/Small Firm, Government, Private Sector, and Military Service Attorneys partial conference funding and an opportunity to become more involved in the division for. The application deadline is **April 15, 2014**.

**Nomination Period Open for YLD Child Advocacy Award:** The Division is accepting nominations for the **2014 Child Advocacy Award**, which honors lawyers for distinguished service on the behalf of children. Two winners (one young lawyer and one non-young lawyer) will receive award, to be presented during the ABA's 2014 Annual Meeting in Boston. The nomination deadline is **April 30, 2014**.

**THE ASSEMBLY:**

**General**

The Speaker and Clerk certified 232 delegates for Assembly. The Affiliate Roll Call with music selected by our Affiliates was a hit! Thank you, Affiliates!

The Assembly extends great appreciation and thanks to the Assembly's special guests: ROTC Detachment 195 Honor Guard, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, IL, organized by Joshua Roman (Fed. & Military D.R.); Law-cappella; ABA President Jim Silkenat; ABA President-Elect William Hubbard; ABA HOD Chair Bob Carlson; ABA SOC Chair Mike Burke; ABA Day Planning Chair Linda Klein; FJE Chair Gene Vance; ABA President-Elect Nominee Paulette Brown; ABA Solo, Small Firm, and General Practice Division Chair Hon. Jennifer Rymell; YLD members William Kruse, Tommy Preston, Roula Allouch, Chris Rogers, Erica Grinde, Marla Presley, Erin Hamilton; YLD Credentials Board.

**National Outstanding Young Lawyers Award Ceremony**

Congratulations to this year's recipient and finalists:

- Jason Sengheiser, St. Louis, MO (Winner)
- Brittany Byrd, Dallas, TX (Finalist)
- Keya Koule, Albuquerque, NM (Finalist)

Additional information about the recipients and the award are available [online](#). The Award is presented annually to recognize a young lawyer who exhibits professional excellence, service to the profession and
the bar, service to the community, and/or a reputation for the advancement of legal ethics and professional responsibility. The nomination deadline is the August 31 of each year.

YLD Resolutions

The Assembly also extends thanks to the YLD delegates who debated resolutions, and those who submitted YL resolutions for the Assembly's consideration, including: Chris Fortier; Ryan Blay; Michael Bergmann; Regine Francois; Daniel Thies; Joshua Roman; Andrea Ciobanu.

Please click here for additional Assembly information, including the full text of all resolutions.

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Consent Calendar

All resolutions on the consent calendar were adopted by the YLD Assembly except for 110 (which was withdrawn from the Consent Calendar and whose sponsors withdrew their request for support). The ABA House of Delegates (HOD) voted on the HOD resolutions during its Midyear Meeting session, and all resolutions on the YLD consent calendar were adopted by the ABA HOD. The HOD resolutions are available online.
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**YLD Elections**

The YLD elections will take place during the YLD Assembly at the ABA Annual Meeting in Boston on Saturday, August 9. You must be registered for the Meeting and certified as a delegate to vote. Register online at [www.ambar.org/annual](http://www.ambar.org/annual). Visit the website for delegate certification details.

We encourage you to learn more about the candidates:

- **Secretary:** Mark Nichols, Fort Lauderdale, FL and Anna Romanskaya, San Diego, CA
- **Assembly Clerk:** Stefan Palys, Phoenix, AZ
- **Treasurer:** Samuel J. Edmunds, Mendota Heights, MN and Christina Liu, Chicago, IL
- **House of Delegates Representative:** Myra L. McKenzie-Harris, Bentonville, AR
- **Nominating Committee Representative:** Mario A. Sullivan, Chicago, IL
- **Board of Governors Representative:** Erica Grinde, Missoula, MT

Next Assembly: August 8 & 9 at the 2014 ABA Annual Meeting in Boston, MA

Register at [www.ambar.org/annual](http://www.ambar.org/annual).

**Call for Resolutions:**

Submit your resolution via the YLD’s online Resolution Proposal Form. YLD Speaker Myra McKenzie-Harris and the Resolutions Team are also available to assist you with all aspects of drafting and presenting your resolution. Contact Myra with questions.

**Delegate Certification:**

Make sure your state, national affiliate or military branch is fully represented:

- May 1: deadline for local affiliates to submit delegate information to their state affiliate.
- May 15: deadline for state affiliates, national affiliates and military affiliates to submit their delegate information to the ABA YLD via the online Delegate Certification Form.
Note:

The following information is needed for each delegate: name, contact information including email address, ABA ID #, birth date, and whether he or she qualifies under ABA YLD bylaws or the organization's bylaws. If you have any questions regarding delegate certification, contact Assembly Clerk Dave Scriven-Young.

Additional information about the YLD Assembly and Delegate Certification is also available online.

COUNCIL UPDATE

The ABA YLD Council met at the Midyear Meeting in Chicago on Thursday, February 6th. Highlights included:

Special Midyear Meeting Assembly Preview. Assembly Speaker Myra McKenzie and Assembly Clerk David Scriven-Young provided Council with a preview of Saturday’s Midyear Assembly meeting. At Midyear, Assembly roll call will utilize state-specific songs to introduce each Affiliate. Resolution ideas for the Annual Assembly meeting should be submitted to Myra McKenzie. Additionally, Council members were encouraged to call on their Affiliates to send delegates to the Annual Assembly meeting.

Update on Truth in Law School Education Committee (TILSEC). Assembly Clerk David Scriven-Young discussed the two items that TILSEC worked on during the past quarter: (1) a comment to the ABA Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar concerning proposed changes to accreditation standards, and (2) an Assembly resolution urging Congress and the Department of Education to establish reasonable and effective benchmarks for successful law school debt repayment by a law school's graduates that the law school must meet to maintain its eligibility to enroll students receiving federal student loans. The resolution was drafted by Daniel Thies, a member of TILSEC. During the Council Meeting, TILSEC requested Council’s support for the resolution. After some debate, Council voted unanimously to support the resolution, which was ultimately adopted by the Assembly.

Social Media: Revised YLD Social Media Policy. Jaime Ackerman, YLD Social Media & Online Coordinator, presented the revised YLD Social Media Policy to Council members. After a brief discussion, the revised policy was adopted unanimously by the Council. Next steps include developing a social media plan for the Division.

UPCOMING DATES AND DEADLINES

February 28, 2014: ABA Presidential Appointments Deadline
March 1, 2014: Deadline for Affiliates to Submit Applications for the Subgrant Program
March 7, 2014: Deadline for Law Day Art Contest Submissions
April 15, 2014: YLD 2014-15 Scholarship Program Application Deadline
April 30, 2014: Child Advocacy Award Nomination Deadline
May 15-17, 2014: YLD Spring Conference, Pittsburgh, PA
August 7-9, 2014: ABA Annual Meeting, Boston, MA

For more information, visit www.americanbar.org/groups/young_lawyers/about_us/affiliates.html.
Zone Reports

Zone 1 (Philadelphia)
Zone 1 continues with its law school outreach, working with Temple and Drexel law schools to coordinate events in the coming months. Drexel is looking to have its law students assist with the Philadelphia Mock Trial program and possibly the Youth Courts initiative. Temple is planning on having a quiz-show event, in which young lawyers and students would form teams and compete for prizes in a trivia format. The Temple event is tentatively scheduled for March 27 and is co-sponsored by Lexis and The Brehon Society.

Lars and Maria helped to purchase group tickets for the Phillies vs Nationals game at Citizens Bank Park on Saturday, July 12, 2014. It is currently scheduled as a 7:15 p.m. game, although that may be subject to change if it is bumped up to a nationally televised game. We will be planning the logistics of that caravan shortly.

Zone 2 (Berks, Carbon, Lehigh, Northampton, Schuylkill)

Zone 3 (Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Juniata, Lancaster, Lebanon, Perry, York)

Adams - No YLD

Cumberland - December 2013 – Adopt-a-Family campaign. Over 45 attorneys, Judges, law clerks, law students, and other individuals assisted in donating holiday gifts for members of a local domestic violence shelter in Carlisle, Safe Harbour. This was the 4th year the YLD participated in the event, and we assisted over 72 individuals (about 37 families) donating over 200 presents. This was the highest turnout of donations and volunteers to assist. We also had “Lunch with Santa,” where the YLD donated over 25 pizzas to the shelter, for the families of the shelter to have lunch with us. And who came to visit and join in the festivities? Why Ol’ Saint Nick himself! This was a wonderful event and we look forward to working with the shelter again next year.

Currently, the YLD is working and planning for Law Day. We have approved this year’s theme will be “Every Vote Counts.” We will be presenting with local middle schools in the county, as well as putting on a community presentation regarding the subject. We are still planning the details, but expect the community event to occur in mid-April at Dickinson School of Law.
Planning for a March Swear-In Ceremony for new attorneys to the CCBA. We’re reviving this ceremony that had been put on hold for the past couple of years as we believe it is a very important ceremony. We’ll be introducing new attorneys to the line officers in the courthouse and giving a tour of the courthouse prior to the ceremony. We’ll follow the ceremony with a happy hour for all new admittees at Market Cross Pub.

Continued planning for our Basic Practice Series where we have members of the bench and bar come to our monthly meetings to present various topics of interest to young attorneys.

The YLD was also able to grant 10 scholarships to local YLD members, who needed financial assistance with paying their yearly membership dues with the CCBA, but were unable to due to their rate of pay, and that their employer does not assist in paying the fee for them. We also provided scholarships for members of the YLD to attend the annual CCBA Meeting in January, but unable to also due to financial need and their employer not assisting with the fee.

The YLD is making a donation to the Dickinson Law Public Interest Law Fun for their event in March. The YLD is donating memberships to the CCBA, as well as memberships to our local Inn of Courts.

**Dauphin**

**Past Events for DCBA:**

November 2013 – Casino Night (night out at the Hollywood Casino)

December 2013 – Holiday Party with toy collection for Vinny’s Kids

**Upcoming Events DCBA [still planning a few of them]:**

March 2014 – St. Patrick’s Day Party

April 2014 – Meet the Judges Night (local state and federal judges)

May 2014 – Start of Summer Volleyball League

Summer 2014 – Social with Harrisburg Young Professionals

September 2014 – Outing at Hershey Winery/Brewery

October 2014 – Oktoberfest Party

November 2014 – Casino Night

December 2014 – Holiday Party

We also are planning to participate in two charity runs throughout the year, but they have not been planned yet.
Franklin

Recent Events:

In November, we held our annual Holiday Party at a local restaurant. Significant others were invited and we held an Ugly Christmas Sweater contest.

November-December, we held a pajama drive and collected new pajamas and books for foster children.

In December, the FCBA had its annual Admission Ceremony and the YLD provided a breakfast reception.

In February, we joined with Wilson College and Rotary Club of Chambersburg for a Career Development Conference. Interested students signed up to attend and were required to attend in business attire. YLD members and other local professionals sat on panels addressing issues such as networking, interview tactics, resume tips, continuing your professional education once in your career, going on to graduate school, and several other topics. YLD members also put together and etiquette lunch for the students. Interested students also could be paired with a professional mentor after the event. It was hugely successful and we plan to continue doing the event, hopefully once a semester.

Upcoming Events:

February 15 – a lunch social is scheduled at a local restaurant

February 22 – A Wills for Heroes event is planned for Waynesboro, PA

May 2 – We will be participating in Law Day by putting on a mock trial for 8th grade students and having select students serve as jury members. We also are sponsoring a poster contest on the Law Day theme with prizes to be awarded before the mock trial.

General Plans, no specific date yet – We are looking into joining with a local nursing home to do some sort of “Adopt a Grandparent” type event. We also are looking into sponsoring a water booth or some other sponsorship at an upcoming Race Against Poverty.

Additionally, we likely will have at least one other Wills for Heroes event and other happy hours and/or lunch socials, and will continue to do our usual events such as the breakfast reception at the annual meeting, pajama drive, holiday party, and the Career Development Conference.

Juniata – No YLD
Lancaster

November 6   Touring & Tasting Event, Jack Walker Clubhouse, Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster, Fenz Restaurant

November 8   Brown Bag Lunch Section Meeting, Chris Rabzak, CRXJEM Consulting, LLC

November 14  Bridge the Gap

December 6   Quarterly Informal Happy Hour @ Annie Bailey’s

December 14  Wills for Heroes

Jan. 27, 2014 Quarterly Informal Happy Hour @ Dispensing Company, Welcoming LBA’s Newest Admittees

March 8      Wills for Heroes

March 31     The Stepping Out Program, Panel, Jack Walker Clubhouse, Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster

April 1      [Pending CLE – possibly estate planning, social media risk, ERISA, or marketing for lawyers]

April 26     Lancaster YWCA Race Against Racism, YLS-sponsored team

April 28     The Stepping Out Program, Panel, Jack Walker Clubhouse, Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster

May 6        [Pending CLE – possibly estate planning, social media risk, ERISA, or marketing for lawyers]

May 12       Quarterly Informal Happy Hour @ [Dispensing Company/TBD], Celebrating and Thanking Members of Race Team and Stepping Out Program Volunteers

May 26       The Stepping Out Program, Panel, Jack Walker Clubhouse, Boys and Girls Club of Lancaster

June 3       [Pending CLE – possibly estate planning, social media risk, ERISA, or marketing for lawyers]

The remaining two quarters of 2014 are too tentative at this point to outline. We will have at least 2 or 3 CLE’s, two more happy hours, and one more Stepping Out Program in the 3rd and/or 4th quarter(s). If you would like an update on our events at a later point in the year, please let me know.
Lebanon - The Young Lawyers of Lebanon County have been holding regular happy hours, and are planning a more formal networking event for the upcoming year, that will include all the members of the Bar Association. They are also working on a Lunch-and-Learn session with a judge, to be held in the Spring or Summer.

Perry – No YLD

York – No Report

Zone 4 (Lycoming, Montour, Columbia, Northumberland, Snyder, Tioga, Union)

The YLD held the annual Angel Tree Toy Drive from November 13 – December 12 to benefit the Salvation Army. Several hundred toys, games, books, and clothes were collected.

Zone 5 (Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming)

The High School mock trial competition was recently held earlier this month. Hazleton H.S. and Wyoming Seminary H.S. will be moving on to the regional competition.

The young lawyers enjoyed a night out this past Saturday for a hockey game between the W-B Scranton Penquins and Providence Bruins. After a shootout, the Bruins beat the Penguins by one score.

A Valentines afternoon tea has been planned for Saturday, March 8th beginning at 12 noon at Sugar's Tearoom & Gift Shoppe in Forty Fort.

The annual St. Patrick's Day mixer with Lackawanna County will be held on March 19th. Location still to be determined, but has been held at Cooper's in Scranton the past few years.

On April 5th the YLD is volunteering to rehab one of the visitation rooms at Children & Youth Services. The room is in need of painting and new flooring. Members of the YLD are being asked to donate new or gently used baby/toddler toys/clothing/supplies for CYS.

The annual Law Day Dinner Dance will be held on April 12th at the Woodland's Inn and Resort.
Zone 6 (Fayette, Greene, Washington, Westmoreland)

Greene County - Greene County remains without an official YLD. At their last meeting four new young lawyers were admitted to the bar association. The Zone 6 Co-Chairs are currently putting a proposal together for the Greene County Bar Association to start a YLD and elect officers at their next meeting in several months.

Westmoreland County - Westmoreland County had a great end of 2013 and are ramping up to have a similar 2014. In August the county had its annual "seasoned" lawyers vs. younger lawyers softball game. The mayor of Jeanette threw out the first pitch, and the young lawyers predictably won 15-6. The Westmoreland County YLD also had 30 participants in the Westmoreland Croquet Club tournament, a charity event that benefits the Westmoreland Community Foundation. The YLD has also been hosting numerous CLEs by seasoned lawyers aimed at young lawyers. Finally, members of the YLD are currently serving as jurors and coaches for the Mock Trial Competition.

Fayette County - The Fayette County YLD has planned the 5th annual Law Day Mock Trial Competition for May 1 where they are expecting significant turnout.

Washington County - Unlike Westmoreland County, the Washington County YLD lost their softball game against the senior bar for the first time in many years. But that didn't stop them from having a spirited fundraiser at a local mini-golf range. Proceeds benefited the Washington County Bar Foundation. The YLD also held numerous happy hours (sometimes one hour right after the other) during the end of 2014. Washington County co-hosted a Zone 6 Caravan at the Meadows Casino which it hopes to start having more than once a year.

Several committees including the Family Law Committee, Juvenile Law Committee, and Criminal Justice Committee of the Washington County Bar Association are now chaired by young lawyers. Working with the county bar president Dave DiCarlo, the YLD has organized monthly casual lunches at the bar office in an effort to promote congeniality and networking between young and seasoned lawyers. The YLD, with the help of executive director Kathy Sabol, hosted the regional Mock Trial competitions in the county courthouse. There have been several happy hours so far this year with more to come.

Zone 7 (Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Jefferson, McKean, Venango, Warren)

Nothing new to report
Zone 8 (Bedford, Blair, Cambria, Fulton, Huntingdon, Indiana, Mifflin, Somerset)

The Mock Trial Competition has been in full swing in Zone 8 with many of the Young Lawyers volunteering their time as attorney advisors and scoring jurors.

Lunch & Learns, sponsored by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee continue, with presentations to be scheduled in the near future. The most recent one was schedule on February 6, 2014 titled Practice Tips for Unemployment Compensation. The cost is $15.00 per person. Lunch & Learns will continue to be scheduled by the Blair County Young Lawyers Committee in the next few months. Zone 8 young lawyers received invitations, but anyone is welcomed to attend.

Blair County Bar Association Young Lawyers Committee will meet next month to discuss a March Madness happy hour similar to what they hosted last year. We will discuss possible upcoming events and possible fundraisers.

Anyone Zone 8 who is interested in being on the mailing list for events in the Zone, please email Zone 8 Chair, Joel Seelye at joel@grabillandseelye.com

Zone 9 (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery)

Delaware

1. The annual YLS Christmas Party occurred on December 7, 2013. Every year, the YLS of the DCBA hosts underprivileged children and their families for a morning/afternoon of food, entertainment, present opening, and meet and greet with Santa. The event on December 7th was a great success with approximately 70 children and 45 adults attending.
2. The Mock Trial Competition began in Delaware County on January 28th with the YLS organizing and running same.
3. On February 11, 2014, Patrick T. Daley (current President of the YLS) and William Baldwin (Executive Director of the DCBA) attended a breakfast at the Chestnut Street Ronald McDonald House in recognition of the YLS being an Adopt-A-Room Sponsor for 2014. The YLS was able to raise and donate $5,000.00 to the Ronald McDonald House through our annual 5K Young Lawyers’ Section Run for the House.
4. The annual “Judges’ Cocktail Party” thrown by the YLS is scheduled for Thursday, April 10th.
5. The annual outing to the Phillies’ game organized by the YLS will be occurring on May 13th.
6. The 4th Annual Young Lawyers’ Section Run for the House will be occurring on Saturday, September 13th.
Zone 10 (Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Lawrence, Mercer)

The Beaver County YLD has just wrapped up the Mock Trial Competition and we sent Beaver Area High School (Team 1) to the district competition. We annually host a mock trial appreciation happy hour on the first Friday during March Madness as a way to thank those who participated, this year the event is on March 21, 2014 @4:30pm at the Beaver County Bar Association. We are also hosting mix and meets with the more experienced members of our Bar Association and the mix and meet for March will be with our Judges. At law day the YLD gives out a Civic Appreciation Award to a member or a group in our community that has helped provide for the area. We are currently seeking nominations for that award. Our next large event is our annual YLD Golf Outing that is held each year on Flag Day at the Blackhawk Golf Course, anyone is welcome to attend. Each year we select a charity and the funds raised are donated to that charity, through our charitable giving committee.

Zone 11 (Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Elk, Potter)

Zone 12 (Allegheny)

Practicing Bankruptcy Law in the Western District of Pennsylvania

On November 18, 2013, the Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA sponsored a lunch and learn entitled "Practicing Bankruptcy Law in the Western District of PA." Chief Bankruptcy Judge, Judge Jeffery Deller from the United States Bankruptcy Court of the Western District of PA and bankruptcy attorneys from Clark Hill Thorp Reed will discussed the ins and outs of practicing bankruptcy law in the Western District of PA.

YLD's Judicial Team Trivia Night - On November 19, 2013, the ACBA and the PBA jointly sponsored the YLD's Judicial Team Trivia Night. This was our zone caravan, and annual judges' event. It is one of the biggest events of the fall and is a unique opportunity for YLD members to network with Judges outside of the courtroom. The event was held at the Rivers Club in One Oxford Center. Those in attendance enjoyed a cocktail hour with judges, and then were placed in small teams, headed by a judge, for an hour and a half of trivia designed to test your knowledge in various law-based categories in a fun way. Prizes were awarded to the top team. Judges and Justices from the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, the Superior Court of Pennsylvania, the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania, the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania, and the Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County were invited to participate.
Annual YLD Holiday Party - On December 5, 2013 the ACBA YLD hosted its annual YLD holiday party at Olive or Twist the event raised money for the Allegheny County Bar Foundation Attorneys Against Hunger Program. It was one of the YLD's best-attended events of 2013, the party included drink tickets, hors d'oeuvres and plenty of holiday cheer.

Annual Children in Shelter Holiday Party - On December 7, 2013, the ACBA Young Lawyers Division's Public Service Committee organized holiday parties for children living in shelters around Allegheny County, complete with cookies, juice, Santa Clause, Christmas carols, and of course- presents! The YLD collected gifts donated by individuals and firms which were then wrapped by YLD members and distributed to the children during the parties.

YLD Education Committee Insurance Law 101 Lunch and Learn - On December 9, 2013, the Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA hosted an Insurance Law 101 lunch and learn program. This informative program provided an excellent opportunity for young lawyers in any practice area to be introduced to basic core concepts of insurance law. Speakers included: Bridget Gillespie, a Shareholder at Picadio Sneath Miller & Norton, P.C. and co-author of the book Norton on Insurance Coverage in Pennsylvania, Brandon McCullough, an Associate at Picadio Sneath Miller & Norton, P.C., and Richard Victoria, a Partner at Gordon & Rees, LLP.

Wellness Strategic Planning Workshop Lunch and Learn - On January 23, 2013, the Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA hosted a lunch and learn with Reggie Dulaney, owner of Panthro Fitness, to discuss his plan for creating a vision of wellness that incorporates fitness and nutrition into a young lawyers ambitious daily goals. Mr. Dulaney is an engineer by trade and understands the ambitious, goal oriented mind-set required for success in a professional career, and he has adapted that mind-set to help professionals achieve their personal vision of wellness and fitness.

Wills For Heroes - On February 8, 2014, the ACBA hosted a Wills For Heroes event for the City of Pittsburgh Police at Police Headquarters on Western Avenue. The event was held from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM, and helped a number of first responders.

East Pittsburgh Breweries Tour N'At - The Member Services Committee held an event on Saturday, February 8, 2013 for a "East Pittsburgh Breweries Tour N'At" brewery tour through PA Brew Tours. This tour provided an opportunity to network in a creative environment while exploring two of Western Pennsylvania's finest breweries: Rivertowne & Full Pint Brewery.

UPCOMING ZONE 12 EVENTS

Annual YLD Meeting, February 27, 2014 - The Young Lawyers Division will hold its annual meeting on February 27, 2014 at Noon in the ACBA Conference Center Auditorium at 920 City-County Building. A complimentary lunch will be served.
The Better Mousetrap - How to Protect it with Patents and Trademarks, March 3, 2014 - The Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA invites you to a lunch and learn with James Porcelli, Senior Shareholder of the Webb Law Firm, to discuss the basics of intellectual property law for the non-intellectual property specialist. This program will provide an overview of patents, trademarks, and copyrights in terms understandable to the non-IP specialist, along with options a non-IP specialist may have for a client seeking advice in these areas. Included will be a brief explanation on the processes requiring federal protection through patents, trademarks, and copyrights and how you know if you need such protection.

Lunch with the Judges, March 13, 2014 - The Education Committee of the Young Lawyers Division of the ACBA invites you to a lunch with federal judges from the Western District of Pennsylvania. This lunch will provide members of the YLD with a unique opportunity to meet and chat with the judges in an informal setting on an array of topics ranging from the diverse backgrounds and career paths of the panelists to topics relevant to practice before the Court.

Panelists include: Chief Judge Joy Flowers Conti, Senior District Judge Maurice B. Cohill, Jr., Magistrate Judge Cynthia R. Eddy, District Judge Mark R. Hornak and District Judge Arthur J. Schwab. The event will be in the Jury Assembly Room on the Third Floor of the U.S. Courthouse.

Cabin Fever Happy Hour, March 20, 2014 - The YLD is planning for the “spring thaw” happy hour. Join the YLD for drinks and appetizers on March 20, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at La Cucina Flegrea in Market Square (100 Fifth Avenue, Suite 204) and enjoy seasonal Italian treats. There will be a $10 assessment for the event.
YLD AWARDS
*Presented at the YLD Awards Luncheon in May at the PBA Annual Meeting

YLD LIBERTY BELL AWARD CRITERIA

The PBA/YLD presents the Liberty Bell Award to a non-lawyer for his/her outstanding community service and for promoting the “blessing of liberty” guaranteed by our Constitution. Service meriting nomination for the Liberty Bell Award includes:

1) Promoting a better understanding of our form of government and especially the Bill of Rights;
2) Encouraging greater respect for the law and the courts;
3) Creating a deeper awareness of individual responsibility so that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights;
4) Contributing to the effective functioning of our government; and
5) Encouraging a better understanding and appreciation of the rule of law.

Each Zone Chairperson and YLD Officer is encouraged to submit at least one nomination for this award.

YLD MICHAEL K. SMITH EXCELLENCE AWARD CRITERIA

The PBA/YLD presents the Michael K. Smith Excellence in Service Award to a Pennsylvania young lawyer who through his exemplary personal and professional conduct reminded lawyers of their professional responsibilities. This award is very dear to the hearts of those of us who worked in the YLD with Michael Smith. Again, please keep this award in mind as well as your responsibility to make nominations during the year so that the best possible candidate can be chosen.
MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!
Upcoming PBA YLD Events

March 28 - 29, 2014
PBA/YLD Statewide Mock Trial Championship
*Dauphin County Courthouse*
Harrisburg, PA

May 14 – 15, 2014
PBA Annual Meeting & Committee Section Day
*Hershey Lodge*
Hershey, PA

May 16, 2014
PBA House of Delegates Meeting
*Hershey Lodge*
Hershey, PA

August 1 - 3, 2014
YLD Summer Meeting/New Admittee Conference
*Toftrees Resort*
State College, PA

November 20, 2014
PBA Committee & Section Day
*Holiday Inn East*
Harrisburg, PA

November 21, 2014
PBA House of Delegates Meeting
*Sheraton Harrisburg-Hershey*
Harrisburg, PA

January 27-31, 2015
*Hilton Rose Hall Resort & Spa*
Montego Bay, Jamaica

February 26-28, 2015
PBA Conference of County Bar Leaders (CCBL)
*Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square*
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