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Paralegal Perspectives

PAR's president lays out goals for next term

At PAR's Annual Meeting on May 12, I was elected as president for a second term. I look forward and am excited to work with the board again – the existing members and three new board members.

We had a very busy year last year with PAR hosting a variety of seminars and events, starting its newsletter again after six years, scanning its corporate records from the last 40 years, drafting a PAR Board Guidelines Manual, and working on a wine fundraiser with Casa Larga.

Over the next year, I would like to see PAR focus on increasing membership, continue providing a variety of seminars and events, and getting more involved in the community.

PAR is pleased to announce the following upcoming seminars and events:

Valor Day Reminder: Saturday, June 18, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. PAR members will join forces with local attorneys and participate in Valor Day 2016. This event, which will be held at the Monroe Community College's Brighton Campus, is hosted by One Team One Fight, an organization formed by several local veteran focused service providers.

Valor Day is an annual one-day event featuring Pro Bono legal services provided by Monroe County Bar Association (MCBA) members and will offer the following veteran related services: one-on-one legal consultations, workshops, employment counseling, and credit/financial counseling among others. The event is a 'one stop shop' where veterans can receive information and legal services on site.

If you are a member of PAR and interested in volunteering, please contact



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PAR's Pro Bono Coordinator, Bobbi L. Ahearn, at bahearn@ randisilaw.com and add your name to the volunteer list. If you are not a member and would like to find out how you can volunteer, please contact Erin Kuhn, Ameri-Corps VISTA Paralegal at Law, NY 585-295-5656 or ekuhn@ lawny.org.

Bankruptcy Seminar: Wednesday, July 13, presented by Christopher Werner, Esq. and Bruce Lawrence, Esq. of Boylan Code at The Powers Building, 16 West Main Street, 8th Floor Conference Room, noon to 1 p.m.

Legal Profession: Where We Are and Where We are Headed: Tuesday, Aug. 23, presented by Timothy Hoover, Esq. of Hodgson Russ LLP at The Powers Building, 16 West Main Street, 8th Floor Conference Room, noon to 1 p.m.

Kick-off Dinner and 12th Annual Auction

PAR will host its Kick-off Dinner and Twelfth Annual Auction on Wednesday, Sept. 21, from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Tavern at Clover in Pittsford. Please join us for an opportunity to connect with members and sponsors and enjoy an evening of fun.

Golf! Par for PAR

PAR will host its Inaugural Golf Charity

Event at Shadow Lake Golf Course on Friday, Sept. 30, 2016. Proceeds will benefit HELP. Additional details will be posted on our website at www.rochesterparalegal.org.

Casa Larga Wine Tour and Tasting

PAR will host a wine tour and tasting at Casa Larga Vineyards on Thursday, Oct. 27, at 5:30 p.m. Please join us to unwind and uncork, local, award-winning wine. Additional details will be posted on our website at www.rochesterparalegal.org.

PAR has also partnered with Casa Larga Vineyards. A percentage of all wine, personalized labeled wine, merchandise, festival tickets, patio party tickets, cabin fever tickets, painting party tickets, Bella Vista Room Rental Rates, Tours and Tastings* and individual purchases will go to PAR.

Please email Cathy Fabretti, B2B Sales Director at Casa Larga, at cfabretti@casalarga.com or call 585-223-4210, ext. 121 and Bobbi L. Ahearn, Director at Large of PAR, at parcasalarga@gmail.com to place your order.

Please note that wine inventory changes and you will be contacted by Cathy should your choice be unavailable and she will provide alternatives and/ or suggestions.

As mentioned above, we have a few seminars and events planned; however, we want to hear from our members. I encourage the members of PAR to contact me, Dina Beaudette at dbeaudette@merzbachlaw. com or anyone else on PAR's Board, if you have suggestions for seminars, questions, or want to get involved. We hope to see you soon!