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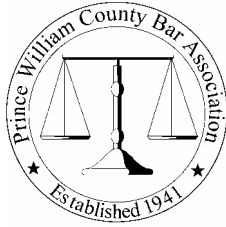
By Barry A. Zweig

“Citizen service is the very American idea that we meet our challenges not as isolated individuals but as members of a true community, with all of us working together. Our mission is nothing less than to spark a renewed sense of obligation, a new sense of duty, a new season of service . . . [n]o organization . . . will fully succeed without the active participation of each of us. Volunteers are vital to enabling this country to live up to the true promise of its heritage.” Bill Clinton

On November 6 we will be recognizing the self sacrificing individuals by inviting them to be our guests for a free lunch at Mackey’s in celebration of their *pro bono* and volunteer efforts for this organization. Since 1999, our organization has been the recipient of 19 Awards of Merit and Certificates of Achievement from the Virginia State Bar for programs we have developed and implemented almost purely on the efforts of our volunteers. Last month I talked about the professionalism and courtesy with which I was treated when I arrived in Prince William County and which continues today. Another proud tradition of this organization is the amount of *pro bono* and volunteer work our members selflessly take on each year. Volunteers are indispensable to the “So You’re 18”, Court Tours, “Wills for Heroes”, and “Books for Troubled Teens” programs, to mention but a few. John Primeau and Tracy Lenox developed the training program recently implemented to guarantee the continuation of “So You’re 18”. Turkessa Rollins is the driving force behind the Court Tours Program, coordinating all aspects to ensure Prince William County middle school children have the opportunity to learn about the court process in their civics classes. Local teens wouldn’t be empowered to “Beat the Odds” without the efforts of their mentors, members of our organization such as Brad Marshall and Olaun Simmons. Every CLE sponsored by our Bar association is organized by our CLE chairperson, Tracy Hudson, who has donated extraordinary amounts of time to guarantee our members the availability of CLE credit for local course offerings. All the members of the board donate their time for the continued vitality of the PWCBA. As chair of the Prince William County Bar Foundation, Jan Roltsch-Anoll has been leading a group of citizen and lawyer volunteers who are responsible for raising funds to support the various programs the Bar sponsors throughout the year. All of the programs offered by the Bar help our members and/or the community directly. None of these programs would have been possible without the *pro bono* and volunteer support of our members. Our organization couldn’t have earned the level of respect from the Virginia State Bar that it has without these programs. Please make yourselves available to attend the luncheon on November 6, 2009 at 12:30 pm at Mackey’s to honor the contributions of so many to our organization.

As I also mentioned in the last president’s message, I was pleased to moderate the 2009 Prince William County Bar Association Candidate’s Forum hosted at the Verizon

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In Appreciation

To all members of the Prince William County Bar Association,

I want to say how deeply touched I am by the outpouring of love, prayers and support upon Greg's passing. It not only gives me and our family great comfort, but it is a tribute to Greg that he was held in such high regard by his colleagues and friends. He loved the law and working with the local community. My hope is that you will always keep fond memories in your hearts of this good and wonderful man.

I also extend my gratitude to those of you whose professional assistance has already been given, and will be continue to be given over the next days and weeks.

*Most sincerely,
Barbara Van Doren*

Gifford R. Hampshire, New CLBA Chair

The PWC Bar extends its congratulations to Gifford R. Hampshire, Esq., who now serves as the Chair of the Conference of Local Bar Associations for the Virginia State Bar. Local and specialty bar associations in Virginia comprise the Conference of Local Bar Associations. The conference was established to maintain a mutually beneficial relationship between the VSB and the local bar associations in the Commonwealth. It sponsors a Bar Leaders Institute each year to help new local and statewide bar officers plan their bar year; publishes a newsletter, the Local Bar Connection; sponsors Awards of Merit and a local Bar Leader of the Year Award; maintains an information database, and a local bar resource and videotape library; and makes executive committee and staff members available for technical assistance or presentations to local bars. The CLBA also works with the Supreme Court of Virginia to present Solo and Small-Firm Practitioner Forums.



President's Message, Continued

Auditorium on the Prince William Campus of George Mason University on October 14, 2009. All of the candidates running in contested races appeared at the forum. Each of the candidates were allowed to give opening and closing remarks and were asked to answer questions on education, transportation and economic development. These questions were developed by individuals within the community who have specific expertise on the subjects. It was an extremely informative evening, and, by all accounts, was well received by the candidates and members of the community who attended the event. Many thanks are extended to Amy Ashworth, Petula Metzler and Dick Boatwright, all of whom stepped up to the plate and took time out of their evenings to volunteer their services to make sure the evening ran smoothly.

We will also feature a special program at the November luncheon meeting. Nora Bergman, Esq., a Practice Advisor with Atticus, Inc., an organization that provides management training for lawyers and law firms, will be giving a presentation on legal marketing that should benefit all who attend the luncheon. The Board of Directors approved the offering of this program as a way to assist members with growing their practices in these difficult economic times. We anticipate this will be an extremely informative presentation and look forward to your attendance.

Real Life Practice™

You CAN Make it Rain – Part 2 of a 2-Part Series

By Nora Riva Bergman © 2009

Last month we talked about the first two strategies you'll need to master in order to make it rain. This month we'll discuss strategies three and four. But first a quick review:

1. Become a natural marketer.

To become a natural marketer you've got to know who your best clients are; you've got to get really good at telling people how you help your clients; and you've got to build relationships that get your ideal clients knocking on your door. Many (most) lawyers are very uncomfortable talking about themselves. But when you get right down to it, lawyers help people. Get really good at telling people how you help your clients.

2. Understand that marketing is a process to be mastered day-by-day.

You should think about marketing like you think about brushing your teeth. But you may be saying to yourself, "Nora, I don't think about brushing my teeth." Precisely! You don't think about brushing your teeth because brushing your teeth is a habit. I want marketing to become a habit for you, too.

3. Do what you love.

There is nothing as painful as attending [fill in what's true for you] because you know you have to market. But you go anyway. You're miserable. Then when no referrals come, you think to yourself, "I knew that was going to be a waste of my time." Well you're right. If you're doing things you hate doing just because you think you have to in order to market your firm, here's some advice: STOP IT! It's like the old joke: Patient: Doctor, it hurts when I do this. [Lifting arm, bending knee or some other function] Doctor: Then stop doing that! If what you're doing to market your practice is painful for you, stop it. Do what you love. Focus on what you love doing and do more of it, and you will reap the benefits. If you're a member of an organization because you think you have to be in order to market your firm, you're wrong. In fact, if you hate attending [insert organization name here] meetings, the likelihood of your meeting great referral sources there is slim. Why? Because the moment you arrive you're thinking of how soon you can leave. You give off an aura of "I don't want to be here," and everyone around you knows it. So, building great relationships in that kind of atmosphere is nearly impossible. And remember the key to building your practice is building relationships.

Instead, do what you love. Find organizations that are meaningful to you and get involved. Think of how you can turn something you already love doing into a marketing opportunity. Sailing: Invite your best referral sources with you for an afternoon. Wine: Throw a wine tasting party. Cooking: Host a dinner party at your house for your best referral sources. Movies: Rent a theater for a special showing. You get the idea. An attorney I know from Kentucky has hosted a Kentucky Derby party at his house for years. He really gets into it. He lines his driveway with flags that have the colors of the jockey's silks; he has bartenders making mint juleps; he makes his own burgoo (a Kentucky stew); and orders Derby pies. He used to invite just family and friends, but a few years ago he turned the party into a marketing event for his firm. There were a couple hundred people there! He had a blast and so did everyone else.

4. Find time to market, even if you're busy.

So now you're thinking, "This is all well and good, but I'm too busy to be out there marketing. I'm a lawyer; I've got to do the work of the law." Yes, you do. But you've also got to find time to market. And think about it, if you're building great relationships with people you really like AND you're doing what you love AND you're bringing in great clients to your firm, why wouldn't you want to find time to market?

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Prince William County Bar Association, Inc.

Office Hours

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, Mon.—Fri.
The PWCBA Office is located on third floor of the Prince William County Judicial Center, next to the elevators.

Guidelines for Submissions to Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Submissions should be directed to the attention of Alissa N. Hudson, Executive Director, PWCBA preferably via email to pwcbal@verizon.net, or fax to (703) 331-5683, or mail to Prince William County Bar Association, Inc., P.O. Box 31, Manassas, VA 20108.

All submissions must be paid in advance, and are due by 5:00 PM on the 10th of the month preceding publication and must include a contact name and phone number.

For inquiries regarding classified or display advertising, contact the PWCBA office at (703) 393-8865, to request a copy of the most recent rate card, or visit the bar on line at www.pwcb.org under "About the Bar", "Advertising and Sponsorships".

PWCBA Listserv Guidelines

You are encouraged to sign up for the PWCBA listserv, which is available to ALL members in good standing of the bar.

To subscribe, send an email to pwcbal@verizon.net and you will be added to the list.

To post a message, send an e-mail to list@pwcb.org. Your message will be sent to everyone on the list.

To reply to a message, simply hit <reply> and type your response. It will go to the person who posted the original message. This is the preferred method of replying unless the entire membership will benefit from your response.

To unsubscribe, simply send a message to pwcbal@verizon.net with the word "unsubscribe" typed in the subject line.

SPECIAL FOCUS: *PRO BONO* AND VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION!!

It is with great pleasure that the Executive Board of the PWC Bar hosts the *Pro bono* and Volunteer Recognition Luncheon, November 6, 2009, 12:30 pm at Mackey's American Pub. This is a **FREE LUNCH** for all members who have provided *pro bono legal services* through PWC Bar Sponsored Programs, or have volunteered to support PWC Bar Projects, Programs or Public Service Initiatives.

The PWC Bar enjoys a certain notoriety among local and specialty bar associations in Virginia and nationally, because of the high level of volunteerism and collegiality we enjoy. We are able to accomplish much to facilitate the administration of justice in the 31st Judicial Circuit; increase access to legal services; provide law related educational programming for both our members and the local community; and support public service initiatives, primarily focused on area youth. We are able to do all this efficiently and effectively because of the willingness of our members to give of themselves to support their profession. ***For this, we are truly thankful.***

Legal Services of Northern Virginia

*By Gil Sanchez, Managing Attorney,
LSNV, Prince William Branch*

The Uncontested Divorce Project

Legal Services of Northern Virginia ("LSNV") would like to thank the Prince William County Bar Association, the Prince William County Association of Legal Professionals ("PWCALP"), the *Pro Bono* Committee of the Prince William County Bar, the CLE presenters who shared their knowledge and the attorneys who have assisted participants in obtaining an uncontested divorce. Thus, for a ninth year LSNV's Prince William office was able to provide this valuable service to low income residents of our community.

Specifically, LSNV in conjunction with the *ProBono* Committee of the Prince William County Bar sponsored another Uncontested Divorce CLE. The purpose of the CLE was to keep the project staffed with a sufficient number of attorneys to assist all the participants of the program. Interested attorneys attended the 2 hour CLE free of charge in exchange for agreeing to accept two uncontested divorces over the next year.

Moreover, we were fortunate again this year to have presenters of the CLE and other volunteer attorneys who did not attend the CLE to agree to assist participants of the Uncontested Divorce Project. Thus, notwithstanding having any obligation to assist further, they have agreed to provide such needed assistance to participants of our program.

Please be informed that LSNV in conjunction with the *Pro*

Bono Committee are in the process of preparing another Uncontested Divorce CLE. We again welcome volunteers to assist and participate in the upcoming CLE. It is only with the support of the Bar and volunteers that we can continue to provide this valuable assistance to our community.

The PWCALP volunteers who assisted participants of the Uncontested Divorce Project this year were:
Roberta Farrell, Sherry Walter, Jo Ann Meyer, Marian Foster, Patricia Hoover, and Eileen Evans.

The Uncontested Divorce CLE presenters this year were: Michele Swajger, Robert Cooper, Polly Knight, Barbara Stough, Rusty Von Keller, Abigail Miller and the Honorable Richard B. Potter.

The attorneys who have assisted participants of the LSNV Uncontested Divorce Project this year were: Maryse Allen, Donald Coulter, Larry Fabian, Jessica Gurzo, Tracy Hudson, Mary Grace O'Malley, Jane Reynolds, Tina Saunders, , Johnda Scott, Barbara Stough, Beth Von Keller, and Rusty Von Keller, IV.

ACTS/Turning Points Update

By Sherri Quinn, Court Advocacy Coordinator

Dear Members of the Prince William County Bar Association, ACTS Turning Points would like to shout "BRAVO" to the unsung heroes listed here:

Bob Cooper	Lawrie Rollison
Cathy Croft	Barbara Stough
Polly Knight	Robert Walker
Ray Morley	Loretta Vardy
Sevda Olmstead	Rusty von Keller
Tim Olmstead	Dan Voss
	Mark Voss

In these tough economic times the Prince William Bar has stepped up to the plate to represent eighteen people for their protective order hearings during the past year. We would like to commend these attorneys for their generosity as they sacrificed a paycheck to assist people who had been victimized by domestic violence. Exposure to violence is not a pleasant experience for anyone, but these attorneys have set aside any discomfort to do this vital work.

People living in a violent home are given mixed messages by the community (you need to stay for the sake of the children, you should just leave, the magistrate will give you a protective order, it's not that bad, etc.) and they don't know where to turn. These attorneys have guided people through their beginning steps to a more peaceful life by listening to their unique safety concerns. When the community responds in positive ways, people are more apt to explore options to protect themselves and their children.

As we reach out to the community during Domestic Violence Awareness Month we invite anyone interested in assisting people with protective orders to call Sherri Quinn at #703-792-4782 for more information.

Who Are Our Wonderful Volunteers?

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See related article for CLE volunteer presenters
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PWC Bar Special Projects and their supporters

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BTO Committee Members: Amy M. Ashworth, Kathleen Latham Farrell, Jacqueline W. Lucas, Amy E. McCullough, Sharon E. Pandak, H. Jan Roltsch-Anoll, , Elizabeth von Keller, and Jennifer B. Weiss

Kathleen Latham Farrell, Chair Beat the Odds Mentoring Program

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Turkessa B. Rollins, Chair Court Tours Project

Volunteers: Bobbi Jo Alexis, Tracey Lenox, Jacqueline Lucas, Jane Reynolds, Kirk Wilder, Barry Zweig, Judge William Alan Becker, Judge George M. DePolo, Judge Paul F. Gluchowski, Judge William D. Hamblen, Judge Craig D. Johnston, Judge Charles F. Sievers, Judge Peter W. Steketee, and Judge Janice J. Wellington.

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Robert P. Coleman, Administrator J&DR Court Appointed Attorney Rotation Calendar

Amy Mirabile and Laurie Sholtis, Co-Chairs for the Wills for Heroes Program

See related article for volunteers

Senior Citizen's Project

Volunteers: Kathleen Walsh, Tom Duling, Jessica Gurzo, Beth von Keller and Todd Bunn

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Special Projects and their supporters...continued

“So You’re 18” Project

Volunteers: Tasneem Ahmed, James Anderson, Amy Ashworth, , Steve Bamberger, Dennis Carluzzo, Melissa Chase, Leza Conliffe, Rick Conway, Michael Coughlin, David Daugherty, Michael Driscoll, Stephen Farmer, Phil Gross, John Gullette, Will Jarvis, Jamie Johnson, Scott Krein, Tracey Lenox, Chris Maimone, Brad Marshall, Amy McCullough, Joe McGuire, Dan Morissette, Mike Mullori, Scott Newton, Jeff Notz, Matthew Occhuzzo, John Primeau, Jane Reynolds, Judge Robeson, Ronald Robinson, Turkessa Rollins, Jan Roltsch-Anoll, Johnda Scott, Alan Shachter, Adrian Showells, Olaun Simmons, Jane Smith, Greg Stambaugh, William Tabot, Denise Tassi, Andrew Taylor, Dan Voss, Cheryl Walton, Kirk Wilder, Steve Woodside, and Jennifer Zary

CHARACTER COUNTS! Essay Contest

Volunteers: Wendy Alexander, Judge Becker, Carrie Frank, Jessica Gurzo, Tracy Hudson, Michele Jung, Claire Keena, Polly Knight, Helen Marmoll, Amy Mirabile, Tim Purnell, Elizabeth Reiter, Tina Saunders, Laurie Sholtis, Kris Spitler, Rusty von Keller, Beth von Keller, John Whittington, Jeanie Wiethop and Jennifer Zary.

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Note: As you read through the lists of *pro bono* and volunteer attorneys, you will note several names appearing more than once. A special Thank you goes to all those attorneys who volunteer over and over again.

If we overlooked you, please call the Bar office at (703) 393-8865 to let us know. We want to be sure you know how much we appreciate your efforts on behalf of the local bar.

And finally, if you forgot to volunteer, there’s no time like the present. There are so many ways to become involved, and connecting with your professional colleagues is fun. Your gift of time and talent can benefit you and the surrounding community in countless ways.



*Your Bar Works Hard for You, and
You Work Hard for Your Bar!!*

Wills for Heroes By the Numbers

By Laurie Sholtis

1050 – The number of Wills for Heroes emails in Amy Mirabile’s In Box.

760 – The dollar amount raised by the Bar Foundation to support the Wills for Heroes Program so the program could buy the supplies it desperately needed.

637 – The number of Wills for Heroes emails in Laurie Sholtis’ In Box.

600 – The dollar amount donated by private donors to support the Wills for Heroes Program.

357 - The number of Uniformed First Responders and their spouses who attended the Wills for Heroes Education Sessions.

291 – The number of Uniformed First Responders and spouses from the Fire Department, Police Department, Sheriff’s Department and Adult Detention Center who received a Free Will, Durable Power of Attorney and Advance Medical Directive from the Wills for Heroes Program.

53 – The number of volunteer attorneys who donated their time to the cause and gave the Uniformed First Responders the peace of mind that they have taken steps to protect their loved ones if the worst happens.

37 – The number of volunteers who offered to donate their Saturdays to act as notaries and witnesses for families they had never met but wanted to help.

8 – The number of Education Sessions taught by volunteer estate planning attorneys to help the Uniformed First Responders understand the estate planning process.

3 – The number of Continuing Legal Education classes to teach the volunteer attorneys the basics of wills and trust law and how to use the Wills for Heroes document preparation program.

#1 – THE PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION! The PWCBA completed estate planning documents for *MORE UNIFORMED FIRST RESPONDERS THAN ANY OTHER JURISDICTION IN VIRGINIA* that has hosted the program to date.

A lot has been written about the Prince William County Bar Association’s sponsorship and volunteer efforts during the Wills for Heroes Program that ran from early September through mid October but it’s the numbers that tell the real story.

From Amy Mirabile’s first efforts to bring this program to Prince William County, to the last email of the program more than two years later, it has been an amazing experience. The calls for help went out over the Listserv and the emails started

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Wills for Heroes, continued

coming in as the volunteers offered to help. Slowly but surely word got around and attorneys began to fill in their names for 4 hour blocks of drafting time on Saturdays in October. As the list of participating Uniformed First Responders grew, attorneys began to change their weekend plans and tell their children they would miss this Saturday's baseball game or ballet lesson because the program was in need. Slowly but surely Amy Mirabile and I began to understand that this was the Bar Association that we had hoped it was going to be. The Bar Association that was going to pull off one heck of a program and do it with style.

Amy and I knew we had a big job ahead of us but I'm not sure we realized how much fun it would be. I don't think any of us will ever forget the moment when one of our experts told a bunch of uniformed Police officers and Sheriff's Department members that you couldn't easily cut your spouse out of a will in Virginia....so your better option was to kill them! Or the moment we realized that we had a uniformed first responder from the McCoy Clan and an attorney from the Hatfield Clan finally making peace and getting down to the business of drafting a will.

We also didn't realize that there would be so many amazing moments when the program was in need and people went above and beyond to help us out. I was stunned by the private donors who were all asked for \$25 donations and instead sent checks for much more. I had been turned down for food donations by five restaurants when the owner of Luciano Italian Restaurant and Pizzeria in Oakton, Virginia, offered to donate 15 pizzas with full toppings. When a WFH laptop died the night before the first drafting session, Chris McKay from McKay Radio offered to find a replacement laptop computer and promised we would be able to afford it regardless of how much we could pay.

Over and over I was amazed at the amount of people who simply stepped up and gave even though it may not have been convenient or easy for them to do so. Calvin Coolidge said, "No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been the reward for what he gave." The list of those who gave and should be honored is below. Amy Mirabile and I thank you for your time, your money, your services and above all your willingness to help no matter what we needed.

Wills for Heroes Estate Planning Experts:

Ed Quinto
Phillip Menke
Dan Newland
James Anderson
Amy McCullough
Tim Cope

Wills for Heroes Volunteer Attorneys:

Amy Hermansen	Kathleen Walsh
Benjamin Jung	Kelly Clements Keller
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The Wills For Heroes Special Thanks List:

Chief Earl Curtis, Lorton Volunteer Fire Department – A special thank you for allowing the Bar Association to place donation collection bins at two Lorton Bingo sessions!

Anishiya Abrol, the Virginia State Bar Young Lawyers Conference and the Virginia Bar Association Young Lawyers Division – Thank you for establishing and supporting such a great program across our Commonwealth.

Finally, a huge THANK YOU to Amy Mirabile who worked tirelessly for two years to bring the WFH program to the Uniformed First Responders of Prince William County! Without you this program would not have done so much good for those who are there for us when we are most in need.

“Arthur Meets the President”—New Community Outreach Program

Through a cooperative arrangement with area elementary schools in Prince William County, Manassas and Manassas Park, The PWC Bar has launched a new community outreach program to compliment National Young Readers Day, which was established to remind students of the benefits and rewards of reading. The new program is called “Arthur Meets the President”. Through this program, a copy of the book titled, Arthur Meets the President, written by Marc Brown, will be given to each elementary school library in the tri district area. This book explores the office of the President of the United States and discusses how ordinary citizens can shape the nation by exhibiting good citizenship. The PWC Bar will also provide a lesson plan which will outline follow-up activities which may be incorporated by the school librarian, classroom teachers, or volunteer readers, to build on the message carried in the book. In addition, the Bar has agreed to provide volunteer attorneys or judges to visit five elementary schools to read the book to the students and lead them through a discussion of its contents.

National Young Readers Day is November 10th this year, and we have identified two schools in Prince William County who would like volunteers from the PWC Bar to visit their schools on that day, to read the book to the students, and to guide them through a discussion. Listed below are the schools and volunteer needs. Please take a moment to check your schedule and let me, (Alissa Hudson), know if you have time to volunteer to read to the kids. You may call me at the Bar office at (703) 393-8865 or you may email me at pwcba1@verizon.net Three additional schools will be selected in Manassas and Manassas Park and we will post their volunteer needs shortly.

Here are the Prince William County Schools and their volunteer needs:

Lake Ridge Elementary School 11970 Hedges Run Drive Woodbridge, VA 22192

- Volunteer 3: 11 a.m. - noon (reads to 3 classes)
- Volunteer 4: 1-2 p.m. (reads to 3 classes)
- Volunteer 5: 1-2 p.m. (reads to 3 classes)

Antietam Elementary School 12000 Antietam Road Woodbridge, VA 22192

- Volunteer 1: 9-10:30 a.m. (reads to 3 classes)
- Volunteer 2: 9-10 a.m. (reads to 2 classes)
- Volunteer 3: 10-11 a.m. (reads to 2 classes)
- Volunteer 4: 9-10:30 a.m. (reads to 3 classes)
- Volunteer 5: 9-9:30 a.m. (reads to 1 class)
- Volunteer 6: 10-11 a.m. (reads to 2 classes)
- Volunteer 7: 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m. (reads to 3 classes)
- Volunteer 8: 12-12:30 p.m. (reads to 1 class)
- Volunteer 9: 12-12:30 p.m. (reads to 1 class)
- Volunteer 10: 1-2 p.m. (reads to 2 classes)
- Volunteer 11: 1:30-2:30 p.m. (reads to 2 classes)
- Volunteer 12: 2:30-3 p.m. (reads to 1 class)
- Volunteer 13: 1:30-2 p.m. (reads to 1 class)

The “Arthur Meets the President” program is an adaptation of an American Bar Association Program which was developed in conjunction with Law Day 2009. Funding for the purchase of the Arthur Meets the President books was made possible by a grant from the Prince William County Bar Foundation.



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“So You’re 18”, Class of 2010

Plans are well underway to implement the “So You’re 18” Program for the benefit of area high school seniors who will graduate with the class of 2010. Through this Program, copies of the So You’re 18 student handbook are purchased and distributed to every high school senior enrolled in public school in Prince William County and the cities of Manassas and Manassas Park. The handbook explores the ways in which legal rights, restrictions and responsibilities change when a young person turns 18. In addition to making the handbooks available through the schools, volunteer attorneys or judges from the PWC Bar visit the classrooms to give live presentations in tandem with the booklet distribution. A presentation outline is provided to guide our volunteers through the material covered in the handbook. Last school year was the first year the Program went totally comprehensive, providing the opportunity for members of the Bar to visit literally every area high school, through their government classes, to speak to the seniors. We are anticipating the same level of participation this year, with presentations running from November 2009 through May of 2010.

New for the “So You’re 18” Program this year is a training component, implemented at the request of PWC Public School administrators, which will provide guidance on presentation content and methods of delivery. Many thanks to Tracey Lenox and John Primeau for developing and implementing the training component, which was approved for 1.0 hour of MCLE credit. The first two training sessions have been conducted and we currently have a list of over 30 trained volunteers for this year’s Program. We will have about 80 presentation slots to cover, however, so please look for additional training sessions to be posted on the PWC Bar Listserv, and sign up. **You can not present in the school unless you have been trained, even if you have presented before.** The good news is, Tracey and John provide a lively presentation, augmented by constructive feedback from other prior presenters, so it’s a fairly enjoyable hour to spend with your colleagues. And, you only have to be trained one time. Also, if you have never presented the “So You’re 18” Program before, we will pair you with an experienced presenter for your first classroom visit.

Special thanks to all those members who have already attended a training session. Also, special thanks to the Prince William County Bar Foundation for once again providing the funding necessary to purchase the So You’re 18 handbook for the seniors. We could not do this program without their generous support.



Pictured top to bottom:

- Tracey Lenox
- John Primeau
- So You’re 18 training seminar attendees.



Help Judge the 2009 CHARACTER COUNTS! Essay Contest.

The PWC Bar is preparing for the **2009 CHARACTER COUNTS! Essay Contest** in area middle schools. This contest is part of a number of events designed to celebrate National Character Counts! Week, October 18-24, 2009, which is a time to encourage students to focus on the six pillars of good character which are the foundation of the CHARACTER COUNTS! Program: *Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship*. Area middle school students are invited to write an essay about what one of the six pillars of character means to them.

Historically, these essays are entertaining to read, surprisingly insightful, and at times, heartwarming. We received 915 essays in 2008, our highest level of participation to date. The essays are read and judged by members of the PWC Bar, and a winning and runner up essay are selected for each pillar of character. A \$100 cash prize and commemorative medallion is awarded to the winner, and a \$50 cash prize and certificate is awarded to the runner up. The middle school with the highest level of participation also receives a \$100 donation. The monetary awards are made possible by a generous grant from The Prince William County Bar Foundation, and will be presented to the students at a special ceremony on November 30, 2009.

We need lots of help to read and judge the essays, so that the individual time commitment per volunteer does not exceed 60-90 minutes. Judging will take place on November 12, 5:00 pm at the home of Alissa Hudson. If you would like to volunteer as a judge for the essay contest this year, please contact Alissa by calling (703) 393-8865 or email her at pwcbal@verizon.net

Modest Means Panel Update

Sometimes, things just come together....

The client had moved to another state and needed legal representation to help resolve custody and support issues pending in the Prince William Courts. She was working, but her boss was not inclined to allow her to use the telephone during work, and that, coupled with the one hour time zone difference, was making it difficult for her to find the time to locate an affordable attorney in Prince William County who could represent her. Somehow, she found an attorney where she lived, who took the time to help her locate legal representation through the Prince William Office of Legal Services of Northern Virginia. The client was slightly over qualified for LSNV, and was ultimately referred to the PWC Bar Modest Means Program. The client's out of state attorney was so relieved that we were able to connect the client with an attorney here, who could address her needs immediately, because while these long distance efforts were taking place, precious time was ticking away. We referred her to a wonderful attorney, who was able to assist her with her issues successfully, in spite of the short turn around time from referral to court date.

Thank you to all of you who go out of your way to help someone, just because you can. And thank you to the wonderful attorneys who support the Modest Means Program. Access to affordable legal representation can make a huge difference in someone's life. To date, the PWC MMP has assisted 28 clients.



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PWC National Adoption Day Celebration

By Jan Roltsch-Anoll

If you have never been to one of our National Adoption Day Celebrations you have missed a unique experience, not to mention Judge Potter's GIANT gavel and the amazing stories of the children and families who have agreed to adopt each other. Our local celebration will coincide with similar events that will be happening across the country on Saturday November 21, 2009 in courtroom 4 of the Circuit Court. The Celebration is open to the public and if you have nothing better to do on the Saturday before Thanksgiving please join us. The Bar Foundation funds the Celebration annually and is privileged to be able to do so again this year as a result of the generous contributions to the Foundation from our legal community.

For those unfamiliar with National Adoption Day, it is a national effort to raise awareness of the 129,000 children in foster care waiting to find permanent homes. In November 2000, National Adoption Day sponsors worked with law firms, state foster care agencies, child advocates, and courts to complete hundreds of foster care adoptions in nine jurisdictions nationwide. In November 2001, 17 jurisdictions participated in National Adoption Day. In 2002, Casey Family Services, Children's Action Network, the Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute and Target became National Adoption Day partners, helping 34 cities across the country finalize 1,350 adoptions and celebrate adoption.

By 2003, courts and community organizations in more than 120 jurisdictions coast-to-coast finalized the adoptions of 3,100 children on Adoption Day. Today National Adoption Day is celebrated in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico as more than 300 events are held on this one day, each throughout the country to finalize the adoptions of children in foster care, and to celebrate all families who adopt. In total, more than 25,000 children in multiple jurisdictions across the country have been adopted from foster care on National Adoption Day.

Our Greater Prince William Area National Adoption Day Celebration is a collaborative effort with the Prince William County Bar Foundation, the 31st Judicial District Circuit Court, the Cities of Manassas, Manassas Park and Prince William County. This year the 10-year anniversary of National Adoption Day will be celebrated on November 21, 2009 across the country and here in Prince William County, beginning at 10:00 am.


MCLE Wrap-Up

By Tracy C. Hudson

Many thanks to all the volunteers who presented continuing legal education programs this year. The PWC Bar presented a total of 11 programs earning attendees 17.5 hours of MCLE credit. The following members and friends of the Bar presented and/or organized programs in 2009: Judge Rossie D. Alston, Jr., Judge Richard B. Potter, Clerk of Circuit Court Michelle McQuigg, Alan Newcomb, Betty Sandler, Don Coulter, Tom Breeden, Jerry Erickson, Will Jarvis, Casey Stevens, Peter Greenspun, Jim Willett, Megan Kelly, Ann Godson, Ed Walters, Cassandra Chin, Ray Morley, Tracey Lenox and John Primeau. Thank you to Scott Donovan and Mandy Petrocelli for working the registration desk multiple times, and special thanks also to Judge Hamblin for allowing the Bar to use Circuit Court courtroom 4 for our programs.

CLE Survey

As an accredited sponsor of Continuing Legal Education programs through the Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Department of the Virginia State Bar, the PWC Bar now seeks input from the membership regarding future programming. Please take a moment to complete the enclosed survey regarding CLE programming that has been offered by the Bar in the last 12 months, and indicate what additional programming you would like to see offered in the coming year. Completed surveys should be faxed to the Bar Office at (703) 331-5683 by December 4, 2009. Thank you.



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Pro Bono Committee Report

By Rusty von Keller

The Prince William County Bar Association *Pro Bono* Committee has lately sought to diversify its programs to the local community. In essence we have adopted a philosophy of "letting a thousand flowers bloom." To compliment the individual *pro bono* efforts by some members of our Bar, the Committee has either adopted or created a number of *pro bono* projects. One involves the sponsorship of an annual free continuing legal education seminar in return for a participant agreeing to take two (2) *pro bono* uncontested divorces from our local office of Legal Services of Northern Virginia. The last CLE session was on Child Support and was held last year with a panel of local volunteer experienced practitioners and experts.

The uncontested divorce caseload has built up again with Legal Services and our Committee is in the middle of planning a late Fall CLE so that the new crop of uncontested divorce cases can be distributed to the seminar participants.

Those of you who read the prior Bar newsletter are aware of the outstanding work that Amy Mirable and Laurie Sholtis did with the Wills for Heroes programs. Assisted by a cadre of volunteer attorneys, notaries and legal secretaries, Simple Wills, Advanced Medical Directives, and Durable Powers of Attorney were prepared for "first responders:" (Police Officers, Fire Fighters, Sheriff's Deputies and Adult Detention Center officers.) In all, the three (3) drafting sessions served 291 persons. Were it not for the industrious efforts of Amy and Laurie, the laudatory success of the Wills for Heroes program would not have been achieved.

The *Pro Bono* Committee is also sponsoring a new program focusing on delinquent juveniles. Sadly, neither the Juvenile Detention Center nor the Molinari Juvenile Shelter (MESH) possesses a collection of reading materials for their residents. Through the introduction of the "Books for Troubled Teens" program, the *Pro Bono* Committee is soliciting donations of both new and used books of appropriate subject matter and content for placement in these two facilities. Any assistance, financial or otherwise, would be greatly appreciated.

The Modest Means Panel, which is chaired by Tracy Hudson, has proven, to date, to be a qualified success. Those individuals who exceed the income eligibility guidelines for the local Legal Services Program but who are considered the working poor are referred to the Modest Means Panel who then refers them to local attorneys who accept the cases on a reduced fee basis.

Other potential *Pro Bono* Committee projects involve the creation of a Speakers Bureau as well as a fund raising Demolition Derby. Ideas for possible projects are welcomed as is involvement in the Committee activities.

Please note that the next meeting of the Pro Bono Committee will be held on Monday, 16 November 2009 at 12:30 PM in Courtroom 5 of the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court. We welcome your attendance.

The Pro bono Attorney of the Year Award--Nominations

Each year the *Pro bono* Committee seeks to determine whether and to whom to award the annual *Pro bono* Attorney of the Year Award. This award was established to recognize, on behalf of the PWC Bar, an individual who has made significant contributions to the community, either by way of organizing/administering *pro bono* legal programs, or by providing direct *pro bono* legal services.

Nominations are now being accepted, and may be made either on the enclosed form or by typewritten letter, to Rusty von Keller, Chair, *Pro bono* Committee, 8567-D Sudley Road, Manassas, VA 20110. The winner will be announced at the Annual Dinner Dance, February 20, 2010.

The following criteria will be used by the committee when considering nominees:

- Demonstrated dedication to the development and delivery of *pro bono* legal services in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Contributed significantly toward the development of innovative approaches to the delivery of volunteer legal services
- Participated in an activity that resulted in satisfying previously unmet needs for legal services or in extending services to under-served segments of the population
- Successfully handled *pro bono* cases on behalf of the poor
- Devoted significant time to furthering the delivery of legal services to the poor in Virginia by handling *pro bono* matters

The nominee must be a practicing member of the Prince William County Bar Association. Persons whose livelihood is derived from delivering legal services to the poor are not eligible.

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Bar Dinner Dance, February 20, 2010

By Kelly Sprissler

Please save the date for the PWC Bar Dinner Dance affectionately known as "the prom." The date will be February 20, 2010, 6:30 pm until 11:00 pm at the same venue as last year -- The Marriott Westfields Conference Center. We have a block of rooms saved for the event that are available 1st come 1st served for \$109 per night and that includes the room and breakfast for 2. Judge Alston and Judge Robeson will be joining us as honored guests of the PWC Bar, as we celebrate their retirement from the bench, and unveil their judicial portraits. There will be dinner, music, dancing, drinks, scintillating conversation and fun will abound.

I am also looking for sponsors for the event. Sponsorship opportunities will provide the sponsoring attorney or firm placement in the program, my undying gratitude, and a special thank you during the remarks. Sponsorship opportunities exist in the following amounts: \$250, \$500, \$1000, & \$5,000. Anyone interested in a sponsorship opportunity should contact me at 703-795-1192 or flag me down in the hall sometime.

Family Law Meeting Planned

By Cassandra Chin

The PWCBA Family Law Committee will meet on **Friday, November 13, 2009 at noon** in the courthouse cafeteria. We will be joined by Michele McQuigg, Clerk of Court, and Tamara Woods, Circuit Court Civil Deputy Clerk Supervisor, who will explain the new paperless filing system in Circuit Court and answer any questions you may have (and I know we all have plenty of questions)! Please note the change in date as this meeting was originally scheduled for October 16, 2009. This meeting is open to all family law practitioners. Please call Cassandra Chin at (703) 492-4200 or email her at cchin@nzslaw.com to RSVP.

September 25 PWC Bar BOD Meeting Highlights

Taken from minutes provided by Laurie J. Sholtis

- ◆ Tracey Lenox presented "So You're 18" training program
- ◆ Board approved presenting dues increase for 2010 to general membership for a vote
- ◆ Discussed "Books for Troubled Teens" program
- ◆ Board voted not to accept advertising from attorneys
- ◆ Board agreed to provide volunteers for the "Teens and the Law" series sponsored by Youth Outreach Services
- ◆ Discussed need to conduct internal audit of bar financial records.
- ◆ Status update on Candidates' Forum
- ◆ Alissa to notice all current Associate members regarding amendment to bylaws expanding criteria for Regular membership, giving them the option to update their status based on the new rules.
- ◆ Status update "Arthur Meets the President" program
- ◆ Membership in local Chambers of Commerce, tabled discussion until next meeting pending report from Kris Spitzer.

Real Life Practice, continued

Here are three simple steps to get you started. Step 1: Calendar it! Block time for three marketing events in your calendar each week. Marketing events can be lunches, dinners, breakfast, coffee at Starbucks, drinks after work – any event that puts you face-to-face with your referral sources. Use these events to connect and build relationships. Enjoy yourself. Step 2: Look for marketing opportunities in things you're already doing. I'll bet you're already doing any number of things that could be great marketing opportunities for you. The next time you attend a bar association luncheon or event make it a goal to meet someone new. Then, follow-up with that person, and build the relationship. Step 3: Use technology. Email can be a great way to stay connected to your referral sources. Set aside 15 minutes, twice a week to send a few emails to your referral sources. These emails can be very short: "Hi. I was just thinking about you and wondered if we could get together for (lunch, dinner, breakfast, coffee at Starbucks, drinks after work). I'll give you a call/have my secretary give you a call to set something up. – Looking forward to it."

The four strategies we've discussed are simple, deceptively simple. But simple doesn't mean easy. To make them work for you, you have to actually DO them. You have to take action. Knowledge without action is useless. So get out there and do it. Then, be patient. Building a great client base through relationship-based marketing takes some time. Think of it like planting a tending a garden. You must plant the seeds, water, weed . . . and wait for the flowers to come. And the flowers do come. Especially now that you know how to make it rain.

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Upcoming Dates:

November 3, Election Day,
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November 3, All three courts
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November 6, 12:30, Mackey's
American Pub, *Pro bono* and
Volunteer Recognition Luncheon,
Special Program by Atticus Inc.
See enclosed flyer for details

November 10, National Young
Readers Day, sign up to read to
elementary school children.

November 11, All three courts
closed for Veteran's Day

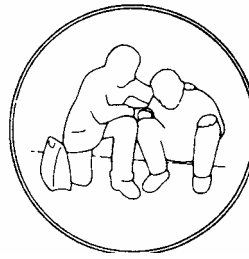
November 12, 5:00 pm, Alissa
Hudson's home, volunteer to read
essays for CHARACTER
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November 13, noon, PWC
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November 20, 2010 Bar
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November 25, All three courts
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Atticus, Inc., an organization that provides
management training for lawyers and law firms,
will give a presentation on legal marketing.*

Please RSVP (even though it's FREE),
by either calling the Bar Office at (703) 393-8865, or by emailing
Alissa Hudson at pwcba1@verizon.net, (be sure to include your name with
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that we have enough food prepared for everyone. **For those members who
wish to enjoy lunch, but forgot to volunteer in the past year, lunch prices
are \$8.00 per member and \$15.00 per guest.**

Bar Leadership Application 2010

The Nominating Committee of the Prince William County Bar Association encourages all members to consider serving in a position of leadership. Pursuant to the Association By-Laws, the committee is currently seeking applications for the following positions:

President-Elect (3 one-year terms as follows: one year as President-Elect, one year as President and one year as Immediate Past President)
Secretary (1 year term)
Treasurer (1 year term)
Board of Directors (1 four-year term)
Judicial Screening Committee (1 five-year term)

Elections will be held at the January 2010 meeting of the Bar Association. If you are interested in serving in any of these positions or wish to nominate someone to serve in any of these positions, please fill out the application below and return it by November 20, 2009, to:

Brad Marshall, Esq.
Nominating Committee Chairman
Office of the Commonwealth's Attorney
9311 Lee Avenue, Manassas, VA 20110
Fax: 703-792-7081
dmarshall@pwcgov.org

Nominees will be asked to provide a short biographical paragraph for publication in the December Newsletter for consideration by the membership, so if you are nominating yourself, you may include it with this application.

I WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED OR NOMINATE THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL FOR CONSIDERATION AS FOLLOWS:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

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Years in Practice: _____ Member of PWCBA since: _____

Position(s) interested in: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 20, 2009

CLE SURVEY

TO: Members, Prince William County Bar Association

FROM: Tracy C. Hudson
Chairman CLE Committee

RE: Mandatory Continuing Legal Education Survey

The Prince William County Bar Association is an accredited sponsor of MCLEs. To help us assess the resources we have available for providing programs from November 1, 2009 through October 31, 2010, please take a moment to complete this survey.

1. What program topics would you be most interested in hearing?

2. Did you attend the Multi-Jurisdictional CLEs organized by the Prince William, Fairfax County, Arlington and Alexandria Bar Associations in May of 2009? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, do you find such CLEs helpful and what other practice areas would you like to see covered in this manner?

4. If you might be available as a faculty member, please complete the following:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Briefly describe subject matter(s) of interest.

Return completed surveys to Alissa Hudson, PWC Bar at P.O. Box 31, Manassas, VA 20108, or fax to (703) 331-5683 or bring to the December general meeting.

All responses are due by December 4, 2009.

