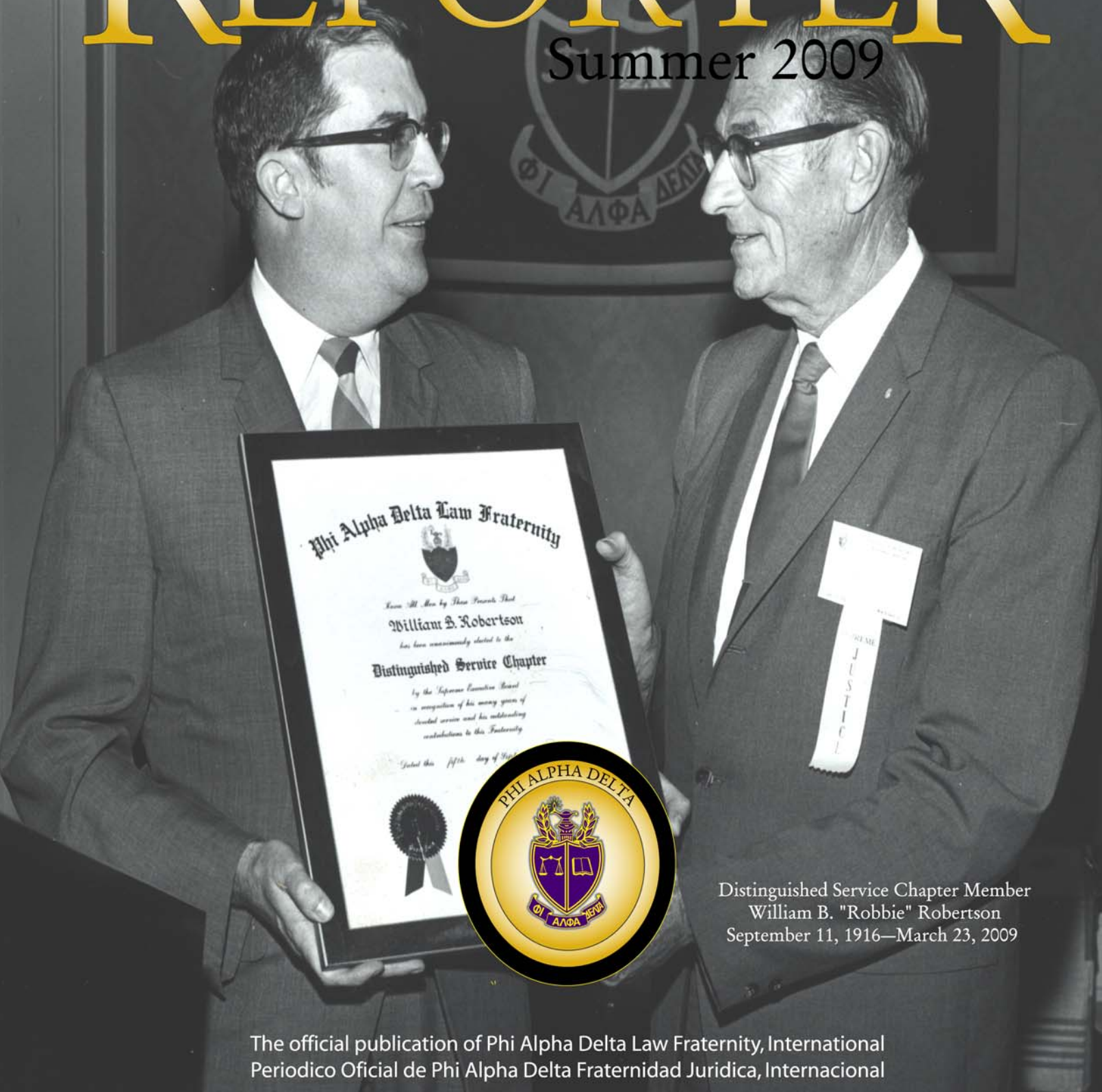


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The 2009 P.A.D. Pre-Law Conference, Mock Trial Competition and Law Expo will be held November 12-15 in Alexandria, Virginia. We'll be at the same hotel as last year and we anticipate selling out our room block again, so make reservations now! Anticipated speakers and seminars include:

- Adam Carrol of National Financial Educators who will discuss Developing Your Network;
- Andrew Brody of The Princeton Review who created the popular TPR podcast series LSAT Logic in Everyday Life;
- Dean Reyes Aguilar of the University of Utah on *Making an Informed Financial Decision about Law School*;
- Jeff Thomas of Kaplan will be presenting on Personal Statements;
- Presentations by representatives of the Armed Forces Judge Advocate Generals Office;
- Advanced Chapter Operations by Executive Office staff;
- Our Annual Law Expo;
- and much, much more!

Each chapter is expected to send representatives to the Pre-Law Conference and the Fraternity is pleased to announce that room rates have remained the same. The registration form and mock trial case will both be available online in July.

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MESSAGE FROM THE INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE:

The Interpersonal Communication Link In Your P.A.D. Legacy



CONGRATULATIONS to all of our graduating P.A.D. law student members! You did it! I trust that P.A.D. was an integral part of your law school experience. Keep in touch with P.A.D. and continue your involvement with us as an alumni member.

For those of you still laboring away in law school, we look for even greater achievements from our law school Chapters and our members this coming fall! Take advantage of this summer to finalize plans and set goals for next year's P.A.D. activities.

CONGRATULATIONS also to our graduating P.A.D. Pre-Law members! If you are a P.A.D. Pre-Law member going on to law school this fall, look up the local P.A.D. Chapter at your law school and join! If there isn't a P.A.D. Chapter there, let us know and we'll help get one started! If you are a graduating P.A.D. Pre-Law member who is not going to law school this fall, let us know where you'll be and what you are doing.

In the last issue of The Reporter, I talked about staying connected with your P.A.D. brothers and sisters as a way to build your legacy. I specifically mentioned ways to stay connected through our website, community pages, online directory and P.A.D. groups on Yahoo, LinkedIn and FaceBook. What I didn't talk about was the most important – and effective – way to stay connected.



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Mission, Vision & Core Values

Mission

Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International is a professional law fraternity advancing integrity, compassion and courage through service to the student, the school, the profession and the community.

Vision

We are the preeminent law fraternity promoting the bonds of fraternalism and we are the leader in the development and advancement of professional ideals.

Core Values

Bound together by tradition and our common interest in the law, we share these core values: Integrity, Compassion, Courage, Professionalism, Service, Diversity, and Innovation.

WELCOME

Fish Chapter Initiates the Hon. Sara Doyle

On April 20th the William Hansel Fish Chapter of P.A.D. located at the Walter F. George School of Law at Mercer University in Macon, GA, initiated newly elected Georgia Court of Appeals Judge Sara L. Doyle as an Honorary Member of the Fraternity. A reception for her, students, and faculty hosted by Dean Floyd followed the ceremony.

To qualify for honorary membership one must have attained unusual distinction in the legal profession or in the field of law on at least a statewide basis, and be unanimously approved by the International Executive Board of Phi Alpha Delta – the foremost legal fraternity for men and women law professionals. Judge Doyle is an alumnus of Mercer Law, having received her J.D. *cum laude* in 1994. She was a member of the law review and received numerous awards and honors while there.

Following law school Judge Doyle joined the prestigious law firm Holland & Knight and ultimately became a partner. In 2005-07 she was named a Georgia Super Lawyer, and also to Georgia Legal Elite in 2005. She also serves on the executive committee of the Lawyers Club of Atlanta. Judge Doyle has been admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court and all federal and state courts in Georgia.

Last year Judge Doyle ran statewide in a field of seven lawyers for a vacant seat on the Georgia Court of Appeals, ultimately prevailing in a run-off election in the fall.



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By Stephen T. King,
International Secretary

Summer, the big slow down when we are between academic calendars. But most of you are working as summer interns, or wishing you had found positions as summer interns. In the struggle for career advancement, Phi Alpha Delta is shoved deep into the cranial cavity, somewhere behind the Westlaw password and the proper method for tying a double Windsor knot. When you look for your next intern or extern position, do not forget about the Phi Alpha Delta network.

I have been a career law clerk for a federal judge for eight blissful summers now. During two of those summers, we had working in our chambers law student members of Phi Alpha Delta. In both instances, the interns were chapter officers whom I had gotten to

know through their P.A.D. activities. In fact, I met both of these summer interns at district conferences. They proved themselves by their work with P.A.D., and I happily recommended both of them to my Judge for summer internships.

The moral of the story: if you decide that you don't feel like running for a chapter officer position or if you just don't want to make the time to attend a district conference or Convention, you may be forgoing an opportunity to network and advance your career. So step up and be noticed. The career you save may be your own.

Now forgive me while I doze on the front porch with a cold glass of sweet tea and nothing but a buzzing fly for a companion to interrupt my dreams. . . .



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For most of us these days, beginning in elementary school, technology has shaped us. As wonderful and easy and convenient as technology is, it shouldn't be used to the exclusion of the personal touch. Consider that as much fun as social networking sites may be, they may very well be stifling your opportunities for professional – and personal – advancement.

Imagine going to your interview for that first job after law school. Imagine that you found the lead for that job through a website. Your only contact with that potential employer has been via email or maybe telephone to set up the interview. But now it's time to highlight your skills, person to person. You really want that job. Are you prepared? Have your online communication skills really prepared you with the interpersonal skills you need to land that job in the real world? Have your text messages broken down your ability, even a little, to write in a professional way? Do you have to think twice, proof more and work harder to produce great writing samples of briefs or arguments for that potential employer?

You are already pursuing intellectual pursuits by the very fact that you are in law school or are an undergraduate student. And one of the great things about being a member of P.A.D. is that it gives you a valuable connection to an entire network of law students, lawyers, judges and other members of the legal profession regardless of how you choose to interact. But you'll benefit the most from using P.A.D. to develop your people skills to enable you to personally engage and communicate with others.

One part of your legacy that has perhaps the most impact is how you relate to others. That's where P.A.D. comes in. The fraternal underpinnings of P.A.D. provide automatic common ground with a myriad of people and the personal touch will open a completely new world to you that isn't possible with technology. So shut off the computer, just for a while. Try to put down the "crack berry". Get out and reach out to your fellow P.A.D. members.

Fraternally,

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El Enlace de Comunicacion en Su Legado de P.A.D.

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¡FELICIDADES a todos nuestros miembros de P.A.D. que están graduando la facultad de derecho! ¡Usted lo logró! Confío en que P.A.D. era una parte integral de su experiencia en la facultad de derecho. Mantenerse en contacto con P.A.D. y continúa su participación con nosotros como un miembro ex-alumno.

Para ustedes que todavía están trabajando en la facultad de derecho, esperamos logros aún más grandes de nuestras divisiones y miembros este otoño. Aprovecharse de este verano para ultimar planes y fijarse metas para las actividades de P.A.D. del próximo año.

¡FELICIDADES también a nuestros miembros universitarios de P.A.D. que están graduandos. ¡Los estudiantes universitarios que van a la facultad de derecho este otoño, buscar la división local de P.A.D. en su facultad de derecho y unirse! Si usted es un miembro de P.A.D. que está graduando y no irá a la facultad de derecho en el otoño, decirnos dónde estará y qué está haciendo.

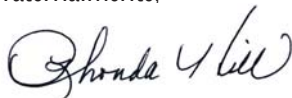
En el último número de *The Reporter*, habló sobre manteniéndose unidos con sus hermanos de P.A.D. como una manera de fortalecer su legado. Mencione, específicamente, las maneras en que ustedes puedan mantenerse unidos a través de nuestro sitio web, páginas de comunidad, directorio conectado y grupos de P.A.D. en Yahoo, LinkedIn y Facebook. Lo que no mencioné es la manera de mantenerse unidos que es lo más importante y efectiva.

Para la mayoría de nosotros hoy en día, empezando en la escuela primaria, la tecnología nos ha formados. Por maravilloso, fácil y conveniente que aparece la tecnología, no se debe utilizar a la exclusión del tacto personal. Los sitios de red social pueden ser divertidos, pero también pueden ser sofocando sus oportunidades para el fomento profesional y personal. Imagínese yendo a una entrevista para su primer trabajo después de la facultad de derecho. Imagínese que usted encontró la conexión para ese trabajo a través de un sitio web. Su único contacto con ese empleador potencial ha sido vía correo electrónico o quizás teléfono para convocar la entrevista. Pero ahora es la hora de destacar sus habilidades, de persona a persona. Usted verdaderamente quiere el trabajo. ¿Está preparado? ¿Sus habilidades de comunicación en línea usted le han preparado con las habilidades interpersonales que necesita para conseguir ese trabajo en el mundo real? ¿Sus mensajes de texto le han estropeados, aun un poquito, escribir de una manera profesional? ¿Usted tiene que pensarlo dos veces, corregir más y trabajar más duro para producir buenas muestras de escrituras, informes y argumentos para ese empleador potencial?

Usted todavía está persiguiendo ejercicios intelectuales por el mismo hecho que está en la facultad de derecho o es un estudiante universitario. Uno de las buenas cosas sobre su afiliación con P.A.D. es que P.A.D. le da una conexión valiosa a una red entera de estudiantes, abogados, jueces y otros miembros de la profesión legal, a pesar de la manera en que usted decide interactuar. Pero, usted beneficiará lo más del uso de P.A.D. para desarrollar sus habilidades personales para permitirse captar y comunicar personalmente con otra gente.

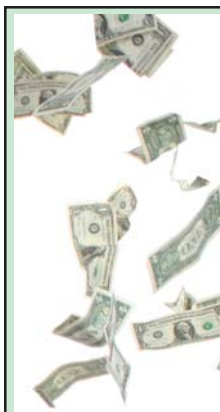
La parte de su legado que quizás tiene el impacto más grande es la manera en que relaciona con otra gente. Este es el papel de P.A.D. Los fundamentos fraternales de P.A.D. proveen terreno común automático con una miríada de gente, y el tacto personal abrirá un mundo completamente nuevo a usted que no es posible con la tecnología. Así que apágale la computadora, sólo durante un rato. Trata de dejar el "crack berry." Salga y alargar la mano a sus miembros de número de P.A.D.

Fraternalmente,



Judicia Internacional

If you are interested in becoming a District Justice, please email
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Financial Tips for New Professionals

By John N. Tsigakos (*Wormser*)

First off, congratulations! You've completed a rigorous course of study and been fortunate enough to obtain a job in a difficult business environment.

1. You're probably seeing your biggest paycheck of your life, maybe after not having earned a lot of money while in school. The temptation is to splurge. **DON'T!** Sure, do a few things to enjoy yourself, but don't overdo it. The trick to becoming rich is to spend less than you earn. Start right out of the gate with that philosophy and you'll get richer quicker.

2. If you have built up a load of debt while obtaining your degree, now is the time to begin chipping away at it. Start with your non-tax deductible, highest interest balances, particularly credit card debt. That's where you'll get the biggest benefit. You may receive invitations for new credit cards or other loans. Think very carefully before applying, and carefully read the fine print. Just applying affects your credit score. Why apply for amounts you don't need?

3. Remember that your new income may place you in a higher tax bracket than you have previously experienced. You're doing well, and Uncle Sam wants to participate in your success. Plan accordingly. A financial planner can show you tax saving opportunities.

4. Your new employer may offer a number of benefits, some of which were explained to you in the interview process, but some may be a bit more hidden. Talk to your Human Resources representative to ensure you are aware

of all benefits to which you are entitled and understand them and your responsibilities.

5. If you have student loans, stay current on your payments. Interest on these loans is typically low and tax-deductible. In the past people have tried to dodge payments or ignore them. The damage to your credit rating is not worth skipping payments.

6. You may be looking to purchase your own home in the near future. Mortgage requirements have tightened, but are no tighter now than they have been historically. Start saving for your down payment now. Figure out how much you expect you will pay out in your monthly mortgage payment. Then subtract the amount you currently pay in rent. If you save this amount each month towards your down payment, by the time you purchase your home you will also be ready to switch from paying rent to making your monthly mortgage payment. A financial planner can help you with these calculations. The money you save from the interest tax deduction can go to your other home expenses.

7. As a new professional you may incur expenses related to work that are not reimbursed by your employer. These may include professional organization dues and publications as well as continuing education. Take these into account when you budget your income and expenses. And keep receipts! Itemize these expenses, and any amount over 2% of your gross income can be deducted. Unless your profession requires clothing specific to your job

and not suitable for everyday wear, you cannot deduct a new wardrobe (Sorry!). Your financial planner can help you identify other tax efficiencies.

8. Start an investment program. Determine the amount you can invest each month. Invest it in a diversified portfolio of securities that reflects the time horizons for your various goals (retirement, new home, etc.). Your financial planner can run projections for you. Maximize the tax deferred advantages of 401(k) programs and IRAs. Even if you earn too much to deduct current contributions to your IRA you will still benefit from tax-deferred growth.

9. See if your employer offers a 401(k) match to your contributions. An employer match to your 401(k) is like free money. More companies are eliminating this program to save money in this tight economy, so take advantage of it while you can. Most programs require a certain length of employment for the matching amount to fully vest, but it cannot hurt you.

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Law Ops Review

By Jon Bassford, Director of Law Operations



“Getting the Most Out of Your Members and Officers”

As Chapters are coming up on another year of law school and probably the busiest part of the year, it is important to make sure that your chapter is getting the most out of all of your members.

Members:

In order for a chapter to be successful, it is crucial that it uses the strengths and productivity of all of its members. The success of a chapter does not rest upon the shoulders of the officers alone.

One of the most important aspects of getting your members involved is to set up a productive and organized committee system. Whether you have 20 or 200 members, the Chapter can set up a committee system. Simply ask individuals to get involved or to help out with just one thing.

Besides creating a committee system, the Chapter also needs to utilize the strengths that it has within—its members. If you have members that are mentors, class representatives, SBA officers, Law Review members, etc. make sure that they are spreading the word about P.A.D. They are often able to help with a variety of programs such as a “How Do I Get onto Law Review” academic program.

Start working on getting your members involved now so the chapter has a running start for the fall.

Officers:

Executive boards need the efforts of all officers. Every position has

assigned duties and areas in which they should oversee.

If the Executive Board finds itself in a position where one or more officers are not contributing or performing their duties, the remaining officers need to take action.

In dealing with officers who are less active, the first step should always be to talk to the individual. More often than not, they will recognize that they

have not been getting to their duties and realize they do not have the time and step down. If the officer stays in position but continues to be unproductive then the officers should consult their by-laws and contact the Executive Office.

If you, as an officer, find yourself too busy, it is important to remember that taking a different role shows great leadership skills as you are putting the Chapter and the Fraternity first.

This applies to all positions including Justice. If the Justice is not getting the job done, it's important that the remaining officers act.

Whether you are dealing with officers or members, having everyone involved will make the chapter that much stronger.

If you have questions about Law Chapter operations, please email Jon Bassford at jon@pad.org.



Featured Law Program

“Dress for Success with Brooks Brothers”

As you probably already know, the Brooks Brothers Corporate Membership Program is one of the great benefits we've been able to offer our members for a number of years. What you may not know is that Brooks Brothers has worked with a number of our Chapters on Dress for Success professional development programs.

This is an excellent event for any chapter to pick up. Watkins, Shepherd and several other Chapters have put on this program through Brooks Brothers in the last few years.

It is a program that can bring a lot of attention and not cost the Chapter a dime. This is a good example of Chapters' not needing money to put on great events! Remember, if it is a program or event that individuals want to attend, they will be there even if food is not served.

If you are interested in holding such an event, the national contact for Brooks Brothers is Charlene Dominik at 860-741-0771 x6410. Feel free to contact her directly or you can contact me at jon@pad.org if you have any questions.

Jon Bassford

Director of Law Operations

Advice from “THE VICE”

By International Vice-Justice Ronald J. Winter (*Alden*)

The school year is over and our members are scrambling – to “home”, a summer job, a summer course, the bar exam, whatever. And for a while, school is the last thing on one’s mind. And for a time, that’s how it should be. You need a break!

At some point, however, your focus needs to fall once again upon the upcoming fall semester and whatever that might bring. For those of you in leadership positions at our chapters, the fall will bring many challenges - not the least of which will be the goals of recruiting new members, conducting successful programming, and becoming the leading student organization on your campus.

Are you ready to do that? I don’t mean have you drafted a calendar of events that you would like to conduct. I mean, are you *prepared* to do those events? Do you have the contact

information for the location of the events, along with the details of who will do what when you get there? Is your advertising plan in place to alert the school and the community of your event well in advance? Will there be follow-up to let everyone know what you did and how well it went? Who is doing the follow-up?

If your calendar has those pieces missing, maybe you need to talk about the details more.

Here’s my advice: Get together with your officers, committee chairs and advisors to plan the details of the events that your chapter plans to do this fall. Get together with them in person. Get together by phone, if necessary. Do more than simply send out an e-mail or text and hope that everyone is on the same page. Get with them to make sure that everyone knows what is expected of everyone else so

that there is no guesswork or confusion when the date arrives for the event.

My friend Leo Mulvihill at Drexel University is doing just that. He is arranging a meeting of his executive staff for later this summer to go over what needs to be done in detail. Leo is the Justice of one of our newest law school chapters, but he understands the need to plan well in advance to enhance the likelihood of success of the chapter’s programs. And so he is planning a meeting this summer to get the jump on things.

May I suggest that all of our Presidents and Justices do precisely that in the coming weeks? Plan to talk for an hour or two, but plan to talk. Soon. Then do it.

Just my advice.

Monroe Chapter Economic Crisis CLE

Monroe Chapter (Hamline University, St. Paul, Minnesota) ended its programming year with an ambitious continuing legal education program on the economic crisis facing the nation and some of the efforts to combat it. The program was held on April 30, 2009, and featured a distinguished panel of experts including: Michael Blaes, Deputy Chief Compliance Officer for U.S. Bancorp; Keith Loveland of Loveland Consulting, Michael P. Carlson, partner at Faegre & Benson; Mark Teteris, CEO of Lakeland Mortgage Corporation, and J. Dan Lehman, Professor of Finance at Hamline. The panel moderator was Hamline School of Law Professor Z. Jill Barclift. The panelists addressed a crowded lecture hall on the economic crisis, the Obama administration’s efforts to deal with the crisis, and housing market trends over the past few years.

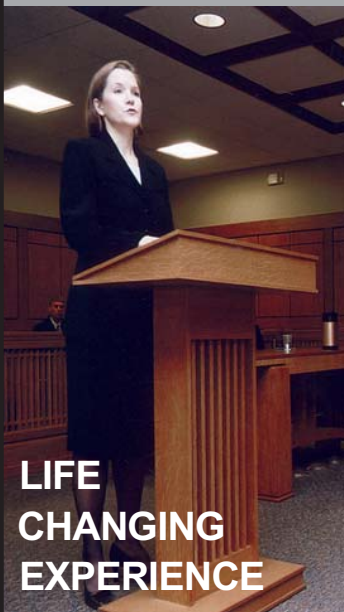


The seminar was one of the final programs for an active Spring Semester for Monroe Chapter which included educational programming like the Appellate Briefing and Appellate Argument workshops and the economic crisis CLE and service programming such as the chapter’s annual shoe drive and habitat for humanity day.

Outgoing Chapter Officers for 2008-2009 were Justice Ann Johnson, Vice Justice Jennifer Nadolney, Clerk Emily Cramer, Treasurer Garrett Kindelspire, and Marshal Theresa Johnson. The new officers for 2009-2010 were installed on April 16, 2009: Justice Jennifer Lauermaun, Vice Justice Daphne Ponds, Clerk Meghan Feehan, Treasurer Lizz Kennedy and Marshal Max Starkie.



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Pre-Law Continues to Grow!

289th Pre-Law Chapter Installed at Notre Dame de Namur

Please join us in welcoming the 289th Pre-Law Chapter. The chapter was installed at Notre Dame de Namur University in Belmont, CA on March 15th. The 21 new student members and one Faculty Advisor have already taken great steps towards becoming a strong and vital component of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity, International. Special thanks to President Yelena Massakovsky and the rest of the installing officers for their efforts in petitioning for the chapter charter.



290th Pre-Law Chapter Installed at Albion College

Phi Alpha Delta's Pre-Law Program welcomed its 290th Chapter on May 8th, 2009. The Albion College Chapter, located in Albion, Michigan, entered the Fraternity with twenty-five new members. The charter effort was led by chartering President Shannon Raupp, Vice President Debra Gibbs, Secretary Caitlin Burgess and Treasurer Kendra Metcalf. Though their terms of office were short, this group of chartering officers did a wonderful job laying the foundation for next years officers. Please join us in welcoming this new chapter into the Pre-Law Program by sending your greetings to new President Caitlin Burgess at cjb14@albion.edu.



291st Pre-Law Chapter To Be Installed at St. John's University

And even though it hasn't been installed at press time, we are pleased to announce that the 291st Pre-Law Chapter Charter has been granted to St. John's University in Queens, NY. Led by the efforts of Chartering President Jenny Min, the chapter will be installed with 20 students and 3 Faculty Advisors on the 15th of July.

We are also pleased to announce more than just new charters. Several chapter charters were granted Reactivation Status after being dormant for several years. They are:

Barry University reactivated March 15, 2009 with 22 students and 2 Faculty Advisors. Special thanks to District President Talia Dickson for her assistance in reactivating the chapter.

William Jewell College also was reactivated after a brief absence. The chapter reactivation ceremony took place on May 8th and resulted in 20 new members and one Faculty Advisor joining our ranks. Special thanks to Reactivating President Tyler Folan and the rest of his officers for all of their work to complete the reactivation process in a very short amount of time.

Two other chapters have petitioned for and received approval to reactivate the chapter charters. Though the ceremonies have not been held yet, we look forward to welcoming back the **University of Alabama** and **Southern Methodist University**. Look for pictures and more details from the Pre-Law activities at www.pad.org.



Positioning Yourself to Be Marketable in Today's Legal Job Market

By Vicki M. Huebner, Esq.

Much has been written about the unprecedented shift that is occurring in the legal job market. Law firms are reducing attorney headcount, deferring the start dates for recent graduates and contemplating changes to their compensation, recruitment, revenue generation and management structures. While there is still some question as to what exactly the law firm of 2012 will look like, most recruiters and hiring partners agree that it will be different from today.

What do you really need to know about this "brave new world" of law firm management as it relates to the development of your career? To help the faculty and administration at our law school comprehend the changes which are occurring in the private sector, we developed a legal recruitment advisory board consisting of graduates from small firms, corporations and large firms. Board members helped us to identify the skills our students needed to obtain in order to succeed in the face of change. What we learned from them is equally applicable to those who are getting ready to begin their legal education.

The old model of go to law school and later, after graduation, learn how to be a lawyer on the job is no longer valid. Clients are demanding value and a number have refused to pay for new associates to be staffed on their matters. Law students need to consider how they can leverage off of as many law school externship and clinical programs for academic credit, pro bono volunteer opportunities as well as paid clerkships or internships as possible to

decrease the divide between being a law student and a lawyer. Competencies new lawyers should bring to their first job include: strong legal writing skills, the ability to strategically develop relationships to ultimately build a book of business, discernment with regard to when communication should be conducted verbally instead of electronically, knowledge of the industry/ business sector with which they will be working, and actual experience performing legal work.

Even before entering law school, students can begin to develop the competencies that legal employers are demanding. Here are just a few suggestions:

- Explore your passions. The most successful people are those who are performing work they love. Learn more about yourself by visiting your college career services center and take the Meyers-Briggs Type Indicator and/ or the Strong Interest Inventory. Take a few minutes to self-assess and to consider about what you are truly enthused. One of my past students had a passion for ice cream and she wanted to work for a local manufacturer. She learned enough about how the product was made, how the manufacturer's supply chain worked, the factors driving overhead and about the top legal issues impacting producers of this frozen tasty treat. Armed with industry knowledge combined an understanding of the top legal issues with which manufacturers dealt, she was able to create an internship with the local ice cream producer.

- Write as much as possible that requires a sustained analysis. The pen— or the computer— is a lawyer's tool. Although students do not begin to learn the basics of legal writing until their first year of law school, they can get a head start by writing as much as possible prior to beginning their legal education. Lawyers solve their clients' problems by analyzing, drawing distinctions, and making conclusions in written documents. The more you can practice these skills and proper grammatical usage, the easier it will be to develop your legal writing skills.

- Get some exposure to legal processes by volunteering for a non-profit organization, court or governmental agency. Our legal recruitment advisory board repeatedly told us that the more work, internship or volunteer experience a law student possessed, the more likely it was that he or she would be able to secure employment. Generally, it was not *who* the student worked for that made the difference. Instead, it was the fact that they had begun to develop the foundational skills of litigation or transactional practice. Volunteering for a non-profit, government agency or judge provides students with the ability to gain exposure to filing deadlines, evidence organization and preparation, advocacy and the development of strategy to advance a cause, or preparation of basic legal forms.

- Network, network, network. There is much truth behind the adage, "It's not *what* you know, but *who* you know" that often determines whether someone's resume lands at the top of the pile of candidates to be interviewed. The practice of law is a personal services industry. Disputes are settled based upon the relationship of the lawyers and their ability to work well with each other. Junior lawyers learn their craft because of mentoring relationships with more senior lawyers. Books of business are built based upon referrals from other lawyers who know that the client will be treated well. Learning the art



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Spotlight On The District Presidents

By Byron K. Rupp, Director of Pre-Law Operations

As the Pre-Law Program continues to grow, we're pleased to have the assistance of several key volunteers who are called District Presidents. Each District President is a unique and valued resource to the Fraternity and serves as a local resource to the chapters in their area.

We have been fortunate to fill several District President positions with a diverse group of volunteers. Each is appointed for a one-year term with the option for renewal by the International Justice. We're pleased to spotlight just a few of the District Presidents here and will continue to do so in future editions as well. We thank them for their past and future efforts!

District VIII President Whitney Herzog graduated from the Oklahoma City University School of Law in May of 2008 and works as an Assistant District Attorney at the Office of the District Attorney, District #23 (Pottawatomie and Lincoln Counties in Oklahoma) in the Child Support Enforcement Division.

She began her P.A.D. days as a Pre-Law member at Oklahoma State University and served as an officer for one year. Later, she joined the Vaught Chapter of P.A.D. at Oklahoma City University School of Law as a first year student and served as the Vaught Chapter Clerk for 2006-2007 when the chapter was awarded Second Place in the Stanley H. Kohn Outstanding Chapter Competition and a Chapter Merit Award. Her success continued in 2007-2008 during her term as Vaught Chapter Justice when the chapter was awarded the Chapter Merit Award. Her involvement with the law chapter did not keep her from staying connected with the Pre-Law Program though with her attending meetings and events for the OCU Pre-Law Chapter and speaking as a member of a panel of law students for the OSU Pre-Law Chapter.

As a P.A.D. Alumni she has served as the Pro-tem Justice for the Elden S. Magaw Philadelphia Alumni Chapter and attending Alumni Chapter meetings in Philadelphia and New York, a District Conference for District 22, and a Chapter Initiation at Mifflin Chapter at the Drexel University.

District XXIII President Ramona Taylor earned her undergraduate degree from Duke University in 1985 and her Juris Doctor from the University of Richmond in 2000. She was initiated in the Patrick Henry Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity International on November 10, 1997. Taylor served as Clerk for the Patrick Henry Chapter for two years and served as alumni advisor following graduation. Since 2000, Taylor earned the University's Nina Keston

Community Service Award and continued to serve as Assistant District Justice for District XXIV and alumni advisor to William and Mary's George Wythe Chapter.

Taylor currently works as an Assistant City Attorney for the City of Richmond and has held this post for almost two years. Prior to working for the City of Richmond, Taylor was a sole practitioner, specializing in special education, family and criminal law. Taylor continues to be active in the Richmond metro area with such organizations as Project Dawn, Virginia Special Olympics, and the Greater Richmond Juvenile Bar Association.



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Missouri State University Pre-Law Chapter

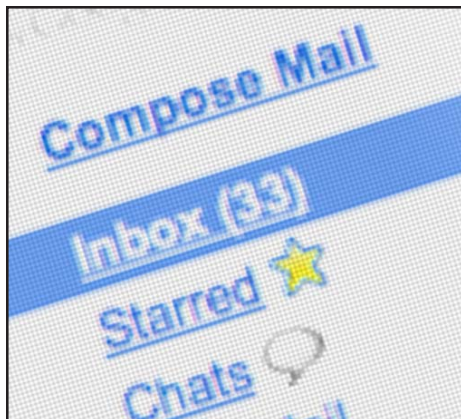
Submitted by Darrion Walker, Vice President

The Missouri State University Pre-Law chapter of Phi Alpha Delta has continued to serve the student, school, profession and community given our recent contributions and achievements over the course of this past year. Our chapter ensured the acquisition of additional knowledge of the fraternity and the profession by sending (for the very first time) representatives to the Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law conference in Washington D.C. Our members gained valuable insight that will aid in the development of our chapter so that we may contribute more to our school and profession. Additionally, our chapter sent our newly formed mock trial team to the AMTA regional competition in the spring. We hope that our experiences there will result in the formation of additional teams and future participation in this competition, along with honed advocacy skills.

Furthermore, the our chapter has been active in aiding students in their law school preparation by hosting law school forums with schools from all over the Midwest. Moreover, our chapter continued our commitment to servicing the student and profession simultaneously by hosting our first ever Personal Statement Writing Seminar in conjunction with our University's Writing Center, in an effort to increase preparation for applying to law school. Due to our commitment to the student, school and profession specifically, our institution (Missouri State University) presented the Distinguished Merit Award to our chapter in the spring of 2009 for serving as a 'model student organization'. Our chapter will continue to be a 'model' for all organizations in our future endeavors, which will undoubtedly reflect the overall commitment to excellence that Phi Alpha Delta has adopted.



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Questionable Law School Admissions Practices Revealed!

By Jodi Triplett of
Blueprint Test Preparation.

It turns out that the age-old adage—it's not what you know but whom you know—is alive and well in law school admissions.

A recent article from the Chicago Tribune discloses email communications that shed light on admissions decisions at the University of Illinois Law School. In 2005, State Senator Chris Lauzen wanted a student admitted to the law school. Dean Heidi Hurd didn't seem enthusiastic about the request, writing "She won't hurt us terribly, but she certainly won't help us...She will almost certainly be denied admission if the process unfolds as we predict. But she can probably do the work. If you tell me we need to do this one, we will. We'll remember it though!" This less-than-welcoming review was apparently enough. "Please admit," the chancellor replied. "I understand no harm."

The emails, uncovered under the Freedom of Information Act, reveal what most of us probably already knew or suspected. Namely, that people with power can use their influence to get students admitted. Even if it's not clear

that such students would gain entrance without help.

Make no mistake; you will almost certainly observe this phenomenon as you embark on the road to a legal career: the law school student who gets an A in contracts because his father is on some board of directors, the first year associate that gets more and better assignments because she's attractive. The list goes on and on.

The bottom line is that, wherever there's a queue, somewhere there are people who want to skip it, and someone else who will help them do it. And we all love this moment when it happens to us. (Come on, you know you've gotten free tickets to a concert because Roy was working the door, or received a \$5 DVD because Suzy works for Sony). But oh, does it rub us the wrong way when it's not us who's doing the line jumping.

So does this mean you should spend less time getting a great GPA and scoring well on the LSAT and more time cultivating relationships to get into law school? The truth is that while such relationships are great if you have

them, there aren't nearly enough clout-h e a v y politicians to go around as there are (somewhat) deserving students who would like to have strings pulled for

them. And the nice thing is that, sooner or later, hard work and merit really do (usually) get noticed.

So rant about the unfairness of it all, but don't close those books because a great LSAT score and high GPA can be just as effective in getting you to law school as a phone call from a governor. And perhaps, considering his recent activities, even more.

Article by Jodi Triplett of Blueprint Test Preparation. www.blueprintprep.com. Check out similar articles, LSAT tips, and pre-law blogs at moststronglysupported.com.

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She is the proud mother of four and her hobbies include screenwriting, film production, and gardening.

We're pleased to be able to spotlight just a few of our key volunteer District President. You can learn more about the others in future editions of The Reporter and online at . If you have graduated from your undergrad and are interested in learning more about becoming a District President, please go to www.pad.org and send us a message. We'd love to hear from you.



FAQs *of* Pre-Law

By Byron K. Rupp
Director of Pre-Law
Operations

Dear Pre-Law Director Rupp,

I'm a new officer at a chapter and want to learn more about improving what we do. What do you suggest?

Sincerely,

Lost and looking to improve

Dear Looking,

You're in luck! The Pre-Law Program is providing all of our officers and key members with a number of resources that will make your life easier and the Fraternity stronger. Our Pre-Law Leadership Symposia, Pre-Law Conference, P.A.D. University courses and Virtual Chapter visits will provide our officers with all the information they need. Information on each one of these resources is provided here.

Pre-Law Leadership Symposia for 2009-2010

Spring 2009 saw the creation of a new program for Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law members – the Leadership Symposia. Over the course of this past spring, five Leadership Symposia were held around the country. Over 50 chapters and 200 chapter leaders and members attended. Below are just a few of their responses.

Thank you for coming to Atlanta for the symposia. It was really helpful to interact with the officers from the other schools, and I appreciate the information you relayed to us about improving our chapters. I feel like the pre-law leadership symposia was an absolute success!

Sincerely,

Jessica Salerno

President, University of Georgia
Pre-Law Chapter

I wanted to say thank you for leading and organizing the symposium today. The four of us from IU had a really great time and the entire four hour drive home flew by as we were making plans to implement all of the great ideas we got from today.

–Steve Veldman

Professional Development Chairman,
Indiana University Bloomington Pre-Law Chapter

I learned a lot of great info and am thankful I was invited.

–Brendan Haase

Secretary, Georgia Southern Pre-Law Chapter

In response to such an overwhelming response, the Pre-Law Program will hold **ELEVEN** Leadership Symposia in 2009-2010! The Symposia will provide chapter officers and key members with the information and skills needed to succeed in the following areas:

- Fraternity expectations and requirements;
- Risk Management issues faced by officers;
- Programming;
- Time and people management; and
- Developing your leadership skills.

Chapter officers are expected to attend and the President of each chapter will need to RSVP with the names and number of attendees one month prior to the location their chapter has been assigned. We are fortunate to have sponsors for each conference and are able to not only provide breakfast and lunch, but also offer the events with no registration fee!

- September 12, 2009 - Albany, New York sponsored by Kaplan
- September 19, 2009 - San Francisco, CA sponsored by The Princeton Review
- October 10, 2009 - Los Angeles, CA sponsored by Kaplan
- October 17, 2009 - Detroit, MI sponsored by The Princeton Review
- October 24, 2009 - Austin, TX sponsored by The Princeton Review

The Spring 2010 dates and locations are:

- Atlanta, GA, February 6, 2010 sponsored by Kaplan
- Orlando, FL - February 13, 2010 sponsored by The Princeton Review
- Kansas City, KS - February 27, 2010 sponsored by Kaplan
- Washington, DC - March 6, 2010 sponsored by Kaplan
- Columbus, OH - March 27, 2010 sponsored by The Princeton Review
- Denver, CO - April 3, 2010 sponsored by Kaplan

Check your email and www.pad.org regularly for more information as it becomes available.

2009 Pre-Law Conference

Details on this year's Conference can be found on the inside front cover of this issue.

Each chapter is expected to send representatives to the Pre-Law Conference and the Fraternity is pleased to announce that room rates have remained the same. The registration form and mock trial case will both be available online in July.



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2009 P.A.D. Day at the Supreme Court

By Jon Bassford, Director of Law Operations

Congratulations to the 16 P.A.D. Alumni Members that were admitted to practice before the United States Supreme Court on Monday, June 1, 2009.

The event was, once again, a huge success. Admittees came to Washington, D.C. from all across the United States. One member, Dale Walther, and his wife

deserve special recognition for traveling all the way from Alaska. Also in attendance were a father and son pair. G.L. Ovey was admitted while his son and fellow P.A.D. member, Brett, watched on. G.L. and Brett were a delight to have with us.

The festivities began Sunday, May 31st with a reception at the Center Café in Union Station. It was a great time for members and guests to socialize.

their guests met at the court house around 7:45 A.M., full of excitement and anticipation. We were escorted to the Lawyer's Lounge where a breakfast buffet was served. During breakfast in the courtyard outside of the lounge, General William K. Suter, Clerk of the United States Supreme Court, stopped by to make a few announcements regarding the upcoming ceremony. He was well received and was kind enough to take a picture with the admittees.

Soon enough, the Admittees and their guests were escorted to the courtroom for the ceremony. As in previous years, Robert Redding, former Supreme Justice of P.A.D., was the movant. The admittees proudly took the oath that was administered and were admitted to the U.S. Supreme Court Bar.



After the ceremony, everyone returned to the Lawyers' Lounge where they eagerly awaited the arrival of Supreme Court Justices. Supreme Court Justice, and P.A.D. member, Ruth Bader Ginsburg graciously paid us a visit and said a few words. P.A.D. Day could not be complete without a visit from such a strong legal mind.

The Supreme Court experience wrapped up as it always does with a group picture on the courthouse steps. From there, the group ventured back to Union Station for a fabulous lunch at B. Smith's. At lunch we were visited by past International Justice Curtis Anderson and Director of Admissions for the United States Supreme Court Perry Thompson.

Thanks to everyone involved for making P.A.D. a tremendous success this year!



AAC ATTACK!

The Alumni Advisory Council Attacks The Fraternity's Alumni Issues

By B.J. Maley, AAC Chair

About the Alumni Advisory Council

The fraternity's Alumni Advisory Council (AAC) is an advisory body appointed by the International Justice with the consent of the International Executive Board. AAC's primary responsibilities are to review and consider issues relating to the fraternity alumni programs and policies and make recommendations regarding existing programs or proposals to establish new programs to the Convention, the International Justice, International Executive Board, and/or the Executive Office as appropriate. The size and composition of the AAC varies, but has one consistent component that is required by our International Constitution and By-Laws – that it include at least one law student member.

Most of the current members were appointed by International Justice Hill shortly after the last convention. However, there has been some turnover and some new members have recently been added. The current members and their email addresses are always available at the P.A.D. website on the Alumni Chapter page. P.A.D.s should feel free to email AAC members with their thoughts and concerns about the fraternity's alumni program. The current members include AAC Chair B.J. Maley, AAC IEB Liaison Ron Winter, Ben Hyink, Bruce Phillips, Carmen McCormick, Amanda Thomas, and Thamir Kaddouri.

New Members of the AAC

The council's student member, Ashley Varterasian, has recently graduated and two new student members have been selected to serve as the AAC's student members.

Bryan Feldman (Rockefeller): Bryan was Rockefeller Chapter's delegate to the 57th Biennial Convention, has served as the Marshal of Rockefeller Chapter, is now the Vice Justice, and has been very active in Chapter event planning, recruitment and assisting the other officers.

Lindsey Carpino (Webster): Lindsey became a Pre-Law Member of Phi Alpha Delta as an undergrad at DePaul University. She later attended Loyola Law School in Chicago and joined the Webster Chapter the summer before her first year. Lindsey worked closely with current AAC Chairman B.J. Maley to reinvigorate the chapter and prevent it from going inactive.

The Council also has three new alumni members who have been appointed within the last few months: Carmen McCormick, Thamir Kaddouri, and Amanda Thomas.

Carmen McCormick: Carmen is this council's newest member but is no stranger to service on the council, as she previously served on AAC for close to 15 years. Carmen was initiated into P.A.D. as a member of the James Dooley Chapter at Northern Illinois University in 1992. She served as Justice and during her two years at Dooley Chapter increased membership from 6 to 110 (out of a student body of 300)

in her first few weeks in office. She was also responsible for re-connecting Dooley Chapter with the rest of their brothers and sisters in District XI. After moving to San Diego, she assisted then District III Justice Nora Barson with the law school chapters, serving as Alumni Advisor to McCormick and Dooley Chapters and assisting in the Chartering of Franklin Chapter. She was also responsible for reactivating the San Diego Alumni Chapter and served as Justice for four years. She has also been involved with P.A.D. Day at the Supreme Court, involved in several District Conferences and Judges Nights throughout the US and Puerto Rico, and has served on various committees throughout the fraternity.

Carmen worked with the New York City Alumni Chapter as a member of the 2004 Sail-Away Committee and 2006 FlyAway where the NYC Alumni Chapter and Operation Helping Hands of New Orleans teamed up to clean and gut a home located in one of the areas hardest hit by Hurricane Katrina in the Lower Ninth Ward.

Thamir Kaddouri, Jr.: Thamir attended Suffolk University Law School in Boston, Massachusetts from 1996 – 1999 and reactivated the Frankfurter chapter. He served as Justice for approximately two years, and greatly increased the Chapter's membership levels so that P.A.D. was among the largest groups at the law school. He attended the biennial convention in Scottsdale, Arizona and participated in many planning events for his chapter. After graduation, Thamir was appointed as District XVIII Justice where he served from 1998 to 2001, and again attended the P.A.D. Convention.

Thamir first began practicing law in Massachusetts where he served as an ADA with the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office in Boston for approximately 2 years. In addition, Mr. Kaddouri worked in conjunction with various federal agencies in investigating and prosecuting dangerous criminals.



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The West Suburban Alumni Chapter Springs Into Action

It's been an exciting Spring for the West Suburban Alumni Chapter. Serving Phi Alpha Delta's members in the Western Suburbs of Chicago, the chapter takes the fraternity's motto of "Service to the Student, the School, the Profession, and the Community" seriously. After ending the year with a presentation of scholarships to area law student members, and beginning the year with formalization of a charitable

partnership with DuPage Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS), the chapter has continued to fill its Spring calendar with social, professional, and service events and programs.

In March, chapter members took a break from the pressures of professional life by taking in dinner at The Ram Restaurant and Brewery and an exciting hockey game between the Chicago Wolves and the Quad City Flames in Rosemont, Illinois. The Wolves didn't have a great night and haven't had a great year, but the West Suburban Alumni Chapter has enjoyed both.

April was spent organizing the first annual Phi Alpha Delta Regional Charity Bowling Tournament. The chapter organized the tournament to be held in conjunction with the DuPage PADS (Public Action to Deliver Shelter) Charity Bowl-A-Rama to raise money to help fight homelessness. All area chapters were invited to participate with the West Suburban Alumni Chapter providing the trophies. The tournament was held on May 2, 2009, and raised over \$24,000 for DuPage PADS with Phi Alpha Delta chapters raising over \$2000.00. When the tournament was over, the West Suburban Alumni Chapter's team, "The Brothers Grimm," wore their custom made team t-shirts as they took home the first place trophy. The Story Chapter team, "Ginger and the Trench Coats," took home the second place trophy. The Chicago Alumni Chapter team, captained by new District XI Justice John Norris, went home with a respectable third place. West Suburban team captain B.J. Maley also received a trophy from DuPage PADS for the second highest individual fund raising total for the charity. All the participants enjoyed the event and promised to return for a rematch next year.

May saw the Chapter assemble for a dinner meeting at Maggiano's Little Italy in Oak Brook. In addition to good food and camaraderie, the chapter celebrated the initiation of three new alumni members: Amy Aronson, Terri M. Long, and Mike Huseman. In recognition of National Mental Health Awareness Month, Chapter Vice Justice Joe Emmerth also led a discussion of a recent Bar Association Report on Mental Health and the Legal Profession.

The chapter plans to continue with its calendar of exciting programs throughout the year, and is currently preparing for its biggest summer event ever – the First Annual Phi Alpha Delta Summer Luau on July 18, 2009 which will feature a pool side buffet of island cuisine and live entertainment by professional hula dancers.

The West Suburban Alumni Chapter encourages the involvement of all members of Phi Alpha Delta from throughout western suburbs of Chicago. For more information about the chapter and getting involved please contact the chapter at westsuburbanpad@gmail.com.



Chicago Alumni Chapter

Although the seasons have changed, the busy agenda of the Chicago Alumni Chapter has remained in full force. The Chapter, through its active membership, continues its commitment in fulfilling its mission of service to the student, school, profession and community.

In March, the Chapter expanded its annual St. PADdy's Day Luncheon. Under the direction of event chair and Board member Kevin Hull, numerous sponsors and event partners were recruited to help underwrite this event at a downtown Chicago private club. Over 80 Chicago-area lawyers and judges joined the Chicago Alumni Chapter in honoring K. Stephen Anderson, editor of the Illinois State Bar Association's Bar News, with its Outstanding Contribution to the Legal Profession Award. Mr. Anderson, who is retiring after over two decades of covering Chicago legal news, was recognized not only for his career of service in supporting the profession, but also for his enthusiastic support of the efforts of the Chicago

Chapter by publicizing and covering its events. As part of the luncheon's program, a presentation was made by Chicago Alumni Chapter Justice Michele Jochner and Board member Royal Berg of a check from the Chapter in the amount of \$1,000 to Janet Piper Voss, Executive Director of the Lawyer's Assistance Program (LAP), which helps lawyers who have substance abuse and similar problems. In addition, a portion of the proceeds of this event went to funding the Chapter's Justice Daniel Ward Memorial Scholarships, which are presented annually to Chicago-area P.A.D. law students.

On the heels of this great program, the Chicago Alumni Chapter was also proud to join the Illinois Judicial Council, an organization of African-American jurists, in co-sponsoring a symposium and reception commemorating 15 years of democracy in South Africa. This event drew nearly 200 attendees and featured a prominent panel of commentators comprised of educators, lawyers, and judges, as well as keynote remarks by the South African Counsel General.

In April, members pitched their tent on Chicago's lakefront to participate in the March of Dimes 2009 March for Babies. This is an annual event, and Team P.A.D. has been enthusiastically captained for the past several years by Board member Julie-April Montgomery. Although the day was interrupted by thunder showers, the team's spirit was not dampened. Through the tireless efforts of Sister Montgomery, Team P.A.D. and the Chicago Alumni Chapter members, an incredible \$10,000+ was raised! Even more amazing is that this is the sixth straight year that the Chicago Alumni Chapter has raised this amount, and, in August, it will receive its sixth Platinum Award from the March of Dimes. Congratulations to Sister Montgomery and her team.

The charitable fundraising efforts of the Chicago Alumni Chapter continued in May, when the Chapter participated in the Annual DuPage County (IL) Public Action to Deliver Shelter (PADS) Bowl-A-Rama. Led by team captain and newly appointed District XI Justice, John K. Norris, the Chapter helped raise funds for PADS to support programs that help combat homelessness in one of Chicago's collar counties.

In concluding its Spring events calendar, the Chapter launched its "Distinguished Lecture Series," with nationally-known super lawyer Robert A. Clifford as its distinguished lecturer. Chicago Chapter Board member Barbara Andersen, a partner at Holland & Knight, and Chapter Justice Michele Jochner co-hosted the event, which was held at Holland & Knight's Chicago office. Dozens of area law students, professors, attorneys and judges attended to hear Mr. Clifford's views on the future of our profession, and what we can do to ensure that it will be the best it possibly can be in the next decade. A special thanks goes to Chapter Vice-Justice Pierre Priestley, who did a marvelous job as the event's photographer.

Our Chapter remains bound together by tradition and our common interest in the law, sharing the core values of integrity, compassion, courage, professionalism, service, diversity and innovation.

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Chicago Alumni Chapter St. Patrick's Day Luncheon. Pictured from left: Alumni Chapter Vice-Justice Pierre Priestley, Chapter Justice Michele M. Jochner, Chapter Chairman of the Board, Robert K. Downs, honoree K. Stephen Anderson. Photo by Paul Berg.



In Memoriam...

William B. "Robbie" Robertson
September 11, 1916—March 23, 2009

By John F. Weitkamp (Ford)

William B. Robertson, better known in our Fraternity as "Robbie," joined the William Howard Taft Chapter at Georgetown University Center in 1948. He attended his first convention in Los Angeles that year and proposed a constitutional amendment that would forever change Phi Alpha Delta. It did not pass at this convention. Robbie returned to Georgetown and finished his law school career, serving as Taft's justice.

After graduation, he involved himself in the Washington, D.C. Alumni Chapter (now known as the National Capital Area Alumni Chapter), which had fallen on hard times. He helped to revitalize the chapter and worked his way up their hierarchy and eventually served as Justice of the alumni chapter. During these decades, Brother Robertson attended all of the P.A.D. Conventions from 1950 through 1970, with the exception of one. Robbie usually participated in some role as a committee chair, advisor or workshop panelist. In 1954, he was the chair of the Awards Committee that developed the Outstanding Chapter Competition, now known as the Stanley H. Kohn Outstanding Law School Chapter Competition.

In 1953, our brother was appointed Justice of District XII, which then was comprised of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. He served as DJ for three years and performed admirably. Even after he stepped down as DJ he worked on revitalizing weak chapters, reactivating others and installing new chapters.

In 1960 at the Deauville Hotel in Miami, Florida, Brother Robertson was elected to the Supreme Tribunal as an Associate Tribune. He served the Tribunal for two years and did not seek re-election so a friend and brother could serve in that capacity.

Robbie was also one of our members responsible for developing P.A.D. Day at the Supreme Court, our annual admissions of P.A.D. members before the United States Supreme Court. He chaired the first such event which was held on May 20, 1969 and continued to chair P.A.D. Day for several years thereafter. He also served for eight years as the chair of the standing committee on Constitution & By-Laws, a committee responsible for extensively updating and modernizing our P.A.D. organizational documents.

In 1968, our brother was co-chair of our Washington, D.C. Convention at the Mayflower Hotel.

Of course, Robbie attended the 1970 Convention in New Orleans, Louisiana. This was a pivotal convention for Phi Alpha Delta. I believe our International Historian Emeritus, C. Raymond Judice, put it best in his histories of P.A.D.:

"The subject of admission of women to membership in Phi Alpha Delta had long been discussed and had been formally proposed at a number of previous conventions. This amendment was first offered in 1948 at the Los Angeles convention by Brother William B. Robertson (Taft), who was later to serve as a member of the Supreme Tribunal and a member of the Distinguished Service Chapter. This proposal had failed to attain the necessary two-thirds vote at the two immediately preceding conventions. Now, in 1970, its time had arrived. With national television news cameras recording the scene from the rear of the convention hall, a roll call vote was taken on the question: Whether the constitution of Phi Alpha Delta shall be amended to allow women into membership. When it was announced that the amendment

Supreme Justice Henry C. Rohr presents Brother Robertson with his certificate of membership in the Distinguished Service Chapter, 1970.



L—R: Past Supreme Justice Robert E. Redding, U.S. Supreme Court Justice and Past P.A.D. Supreme Justice Tom C. Clark, and William "Robbie" Robertson





P.A.D. University

Though P.A.D. University isn't new, the content is constantly being updated. All chapter officers will receive emails throughout the year with their course assignments and are expected to complete the course and exam within the stated timeframe. For that reason, please login to www.pad.org and make sure that we have your current email address in the system.

The courses are short PowerPoint presentations followed by a short exam of 5-10 questions. The required courses cover our Open Membership Policy, the Alcohol and Anti-Hazing Policies, Chapter Expectations and Financial Policies. We will also offer other, non-mandatory courses that will provide programming and recruiting ideas.

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Vicki M. Huebner is the Assistant Dean for Law Career Services at Santa Clara University School of Law. She has extensive experience counseling law students regarding legal career opportunities. She was a practicing lawyer prior to beginning her career in legal education and is still active in local and national bar associations.

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Vaught Chapter Alumna Receives Recognition

Former Vaught Chapter Justice Jahni S. Tapley was recognized at the Oklahoma County Bar Association Law Day Luncheon on May 1, 2009. She received a Leadership in Law Award for her dedication to community service in the field of healthcare, particularly with the McCurtain County Memorial Hospital, where she serves as risk manager/house counsel. One of Sister Tapley's professional achievements was to help reduce several categories of insurance premiums by nearly \$300,000 in one year. The results were more affordable health care for the community and improved job security for the hospital's staff.

Sister Tapley also serves as a court-appointed attorney for the State of Oklahoma and McCurtain County, where she represents deprived or abused children. She is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association and the McCurtain County Bar Association.



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In celebration of the approaching 100th anniversary of the fraternity's alumni chapter program in 2011, our International Justice has set a goal of having 100 active alumni chapters by the end of that year. We have had some recent success with the reactivation of several alumni chapters and organization of committee's to reactivate several others, but there is a long way to go.

If there is not currently an active alumni chapter in your area, please consider assisting in the reactivation or chartering of a chapter. To reactivate an inactive alumni chapter, or to charter a new alumni chapter, requires a petition to the International Executive Board signed by no fewer than ten P.A.D. alumni members who actually reside or work in the community served by the chapter. If it is a statewide alumni chapter, the required number is twenty-five. For information about how you can help or for assistance in activating an alumni chapter in your area, please contact the Alumni Advisory Council Chair B.J. Maley at attybjm@ameritech.net.



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Thamir currently litigates Construction Defects and construction related injury cases for the Tampa Law Office of Thamir A.R. Kaddouri, Jr., P.A.

Amanda Thomas: Amanda "Mandy" Thomas was born a "Volunteer" in Knoxville, Tennessee and eventually settled in Arkansas. She attended the University of Arkansas School of Law in Fayetteville where she joined P.A.D. in the spring of 2004. She took the position of Treasurer and chaired the Barrister's Ball Committee, the law school's largest student event. The following year, she was elected Justice of the Augustus Hill Garland Chapter and along with the aid of her officers and chairs, more than doubled the chapter's membership, instituted the first membership t-shirt for the chapter, and collected 150 toys and raised \$500 in three days to benefit the Arkansas Children's Hospital. She graduated law school in 2007, passed the Arkansas bar, and finished her Masters of Law in May 2008 on full scholarship. She also served as Asst. District VIII Justice under the tutelage of DJ Jeff Crain throughout the year.

After a brief stint as District XXV Justice and temporary employment by the fraternity as Membership Services Consultant, she now resides in Fort Smith, Arkansas. She is the sole female associate in the firm of Pryor, Robertson, Beasley & Smith with a civil litigation and estate planning practice. She is currently serving as the Assistant District VIII Justice and the alumni advisor for the Garland and Robinson chapters.



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had received the necessary two-thirds vote for adoption, Brother Robbie Robertson was there, leading the cheering for a proposal finally adopted twenty-two years after he had first proposed it."

At the conclusion of this convention on September 5, 1970, our brother was inducted into the Distinguished Service Chapter the seventh member so recognized.

Robbie remained active in P.A.D. for many years thereafter and attended the 1976 Convention in Kansas City, Missouri as a NCAA delegate and the 1986 Convention in Baltimore, Maryland. He was a proud contributor to the P.A.D. Building Opportunities Capital Campaign.

District XI Alumni Snapshots



Above L to R: Robert Clifford (the Chicago Alumni Chapter's inaugural Distinguished Lecturer), Barbara Andersen, partner at Holland & Knight and co-host of the event, Michele Jochner, justice of the Chicago Alumni Chapter, and Hon. James F. Holderman, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and Honorary Chairman of the Board of the Chicago Alumni Chapter.

Below: At its recent St. Patrick's Day Luncheon, the Chicago Alumni Chapter of Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity presented a \$1,000 check to the Lawyers' Assistance Program, which it raised from its Second Annual Prof. Vincent Vitullo Ethics and Professionalism Seminar in January. Pictured l-r: Royal F. Berg, Vitullo Seminar co-chair, Janet Piper Voss, Executive Director of LAP, and Michele M. Jochner, Chicago Alumni Chapter Justice.



At left: The Chicago Alumni Chapter's team preparing to participate in the 2009 March of Dimes' Walk for Babies.



Above and left: The Chicago Alumni Chapter and Western Suburban Alumni Chapter compete for the District XI Bowling Trophy while raising money for the DuPage County Public Action to Deliver Shelter. Western Suburban Alumni Chapter took home the trophy.

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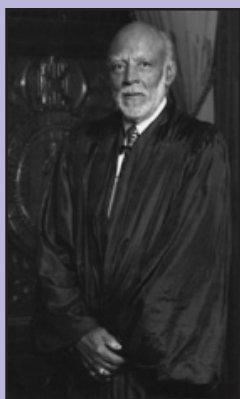
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Justice Birch was the first Tennessee Supreme Court Judge to have served at every lower judicial level. He served as Chief Justice from 1994–1996, 1997–1998, and again from 1999–2001.

Justice Birch retired from office in 2006. That same year, the A.A. Birch Building which houses the Davidson County Criminal Courts was dedicated in his honor.

At right: The A.A. Birch Building, Nashville, TN



C. Bryant Boydston, Jr. (*McReynolds*)

For the fourth consecutive year, C. Bryant Boydston, Jr., was honored as “an outstanding lawyer who has attained a high degree of peer recognition and professional achievement” in the Super Lawyer by Law & Politics. Brother Boydston is a partner with Fisher & Sauls, P.A. in St. Petersburg, FL, and is a Board Certified Civil Trial Lawyer practicing in the areas of Personal Injury, Probate Litigation and Products Liability. Boydston earned his B.A. in 1971 and earned his law degree from the University of Tennessee in Knoxville in 1974.

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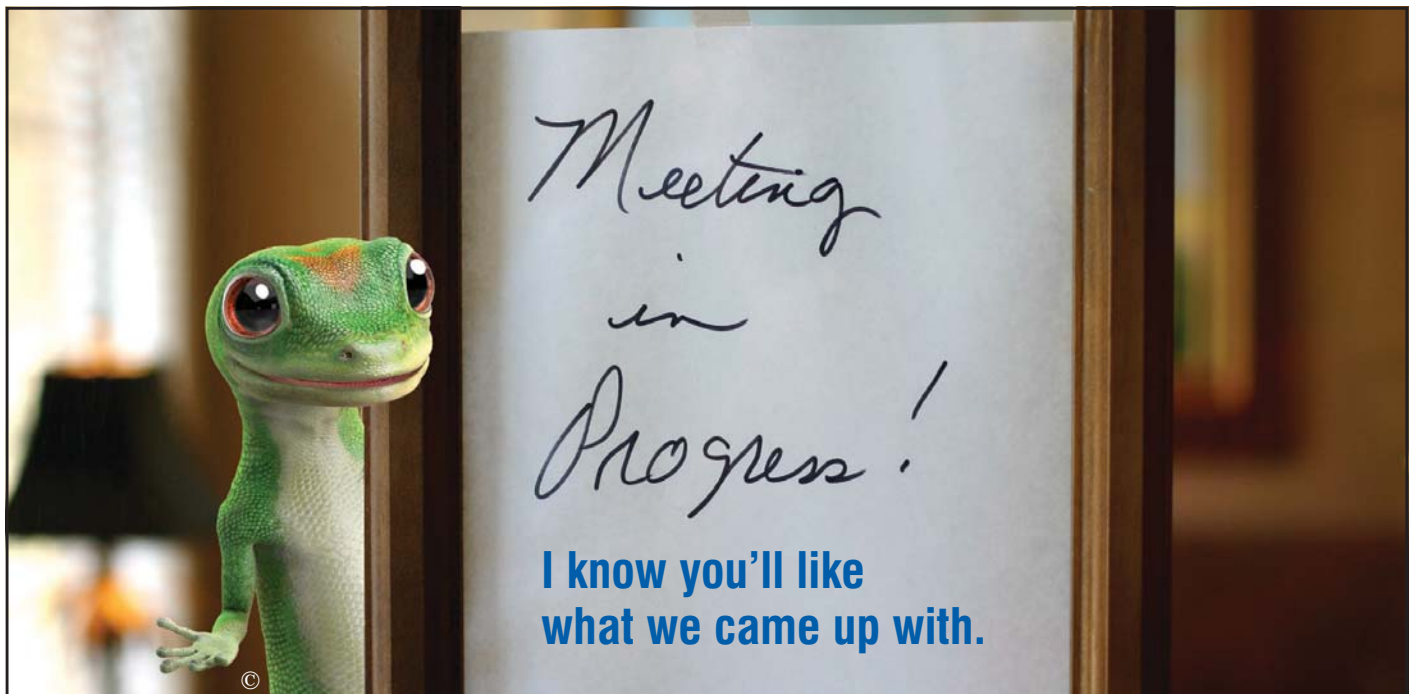
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