



The Gavel



Newsletter of the Lycoming County Paralegal Association



ANNUAL MEETING HELD
DECEMBER 17, 2015 AT
OLD CORNER



LCPA Community Service Project



On December 18, 2015, the LCPA and LLA presented gifts to Susquehanna Valley CASA. Several members of the LCPA went shopping for 6 children who are involved with CASA. The gifts included lots of toys and clothing. Thank you to everyone involved in making the holidays a little brighter for these children!

Recent CLE Events:

On December 9th, Attorney Bob Elion hosted a Lunch and Learn.

The topic of this event was:

LIMITED TORT, UNDERINSURANCE, UNINSURANCE WITH A SMATTERING OF STACKING AND SUBROGATION



Attorney Elion has many years of experience with personal injury cases.

The information that he presented was not only useful to those involved in a motor vehicle accident,

but to anyone making decisions regarding an auto insurance policy.

Thank You!

We had 5 Lunch & Learns in 2015! Great job! Now it's time to recruit some presenters for 2016.

Remind the lawyers that you know that the LCPA offers two free CLE credits to the attorneys that host our Lunch and Learn events.

Medical Consent for Grandparents

Grandparents today are more involved in their grandchildren's lives than ever before. Some people care for grandkids after school or transport and attend extracurricular activities. Frequently, grandparents will ask if they have the authority to take their grandchildren to doctors' appointments or what to do if a grandchildren needs emergency medical treatment.



If a grandparent caregiver is not the legal guardian (or custodian) of a child, they are not able to give consent for medical or dental treatment. However, Pennsylvania's Medical Consent Act allows a parent to authorize another person to consent to medical, dental or mental health care for children and have access to medical/insurance records regarding such services. Some parents will want to limit the grandparents' authorization to only emergency circumstances.

Signing a Medical Consent allowing a grandparent to agree to medical treatment for a child does not affect the rights of the parents. A Medical Consent can be revoked at any time.

With the guidance of your supervising attorney, a paralegal can prepare a simple document that authorizes a grandparent to make medical, dental or mental health decisions. The authorization form should be executed in front of a notary public.

The **WILLS FOR HEROES** event was held on Saturday, October 17th at the Old Lycoming

Township
Volunteer
Fire
Company in
Williamsport.

The purpose
of this
program is to
provide free
estate



planning documents to military veterans, first responders, and their spouses. The event was a



success, as all appointment slots were filled. LCPA member, Stephanie Tempesco, was there to volunteer! Way to go, Stephanie!

There will be more of these events in the future, so please consider volunteering. They will need notaries and witnesses.



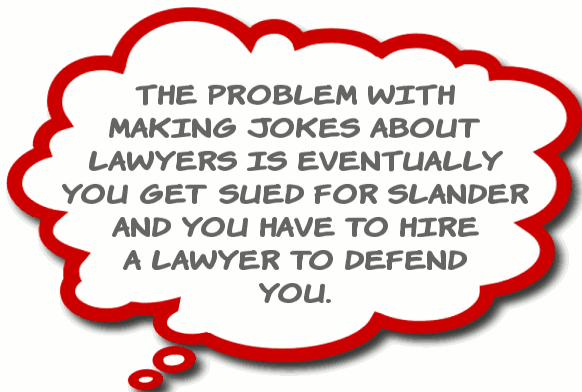
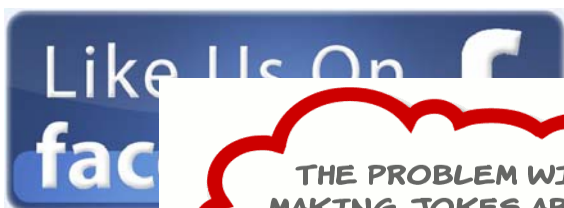
BOARD MEETING

ALL MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US!
NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 2016 AT NOON
AT THE TOWER CAFÉ

**All members are invited to Board Meetings
(held the SECOND THURSDAY of each month)
and are encouraged to join a committee.**

Please consider joining a committee when you renew your membership

**Committees: Membership, NFPA, Continuing Education,
Job Bank, Service Project, Finance, Newsletter.**



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MAKING JOKES ABOUT
LAWYERS IS EVENTUALLY
YOU GET SUED FOR SLANDER
AND YOU HAVE TO HIRE
A LAWYER TO DEFEND
YOU.

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LCPA has a facebook page!

**Please “like us” on Facebook
you will receive updates
the LCPA lunch and learn
schedule as well as**

news and events.



Rebecca Hovenstine is the 2015 editor of The Gavel.
The 2016 editor of The Gavel is.... still Rebecca!

Any submissions for the next edition may be submitted to
Rebecca at rhoenstine@comcast.net.

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2016 Membership
Applications are
forthcoming.



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