



July 2015

Vol. 32, No. 7

THE DICTA

The Docket

July 21 (Tuesday)
DAYL Elder Law Committee Meeting
Noon, Belo Mansion

July 21 (Tuesday)
DAYL Pub Trivia
7:00 p.m., State and Allen

July 22 (Wednesday)
DAYL CLE - Practical Implications of *Obergefell v. Hodges*
Noon, Belo Mansion

July 22 (Wednesday)
DAYL Animal Welfare Committee Happy Hour
6:00 p.m., Truck Yard

July 24 (Friday)
DAYL Freedom Run Committee Meeting
Noon, Belo Mansion

July 27 (Monday)
DAYL Solo / Small Firm Committee Meeting
Noon, Belo Mansion

July 29 (Wednesday)
DAYL Lunch and Learn CLE
Noon, Belo Mansion

July 30 (Thursday)
DAYL Wellness Social
6:30 p.m., Luke's Locker

Volunteers Needed!

Join DAYL as we provide free legal advice to the Dallas Community at the Lakewood Library on **Saturday, August 1st** from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Please Contact **Leslie Chaggaris** (leslie.chaggaris@rgmfir.com) for more information.

Save-the-Date

October 7, 2015
2015 Probate Symposium

Presented by the DAYL Elder Law Committee, Dallas County Probate Courts, and Dallas Volunteer Attorney Program

DAYL ONE TO WATCH

Helen Hutton has been selected as the July 2015 DAYL One to Watch! To find out why, visit www.dayl.com.

Save Your Soles

The DAYL Wellness and Social Committees invite you to join us **Thursday, July 30th** from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Luke's Locker's new location in Lakewood, 7317 Gaston Avenue, for free drinks, appetizers and an informal discussion on the importance of proper footwear and its role in awakening the natural footwear movement.

Luke's Locker is a Dallas-based retail store

that specializes in running and fitness gear and apparel. Attendees will receive a 15% discount on store products purchased that evening during an exclusive, after-hours shopping opportunity. A raffle will also be taking place. We hope you will join us in our endeavor to "save your soles."

The cost to attend is \$3.00 for DAYL members and \$5.00 for non-members. RSVP to **Cherie Harris** (cherieh@dayl.com).

Dallas' New Civil Court Judges to Offer Practice Tips

Please join DAYL on **Wednesday, July 29**, at noon at the Belo Mansion for a one-hour CLE lunch and learn discussion with several Dallas County civil district court judges. Among other things, the panel will provide lawyers with an opportunity to meet some of the newer civil district judges and learn about their preferences, pet peeves, and best practices through a structured panel discussion. The discussion will also address existing protocols and how young lawyers can best

practice in Dallas County District Courts. Our panel includes **Judge Bonnie Lee Goldstein** of the 44th Judicial District Court and **Judge Staci Williams** of the 101st Judicial District Court. The panel will be moderated by **Judge Eric Moyé** of the 14th Judicial District Court.

The program is free for DAYL members. Non-members may attend for \$10. Parking is available at the Belo Mansion, and lunch is available for purchase.

RSVP to **Cherie Harris** (cherieh@dayl.com).

DAYL's Lawyers Promoting Diversity Committee invites you to the Tenth Anniversary of Dinner & Dialogue

10 Years of Changing the Face of the Modern Workplace

Thursday, July 16, 2015 • 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. • Belo Mansion

Dinner and Dialogue provides a forum where Dallas' legal community can discuss issues related to diversity in the legal profession. Topics are thought-provoking and delve into current issues related to race, gender, religion, and sexual orientation.

Opening remarks by **Judge Tonya Parker**, 116th District Court, and closing remarks by **Peter S. Vogel**, Partner at Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP. This program is approved for 1.5 hours of ethics.

Visit www.dayl.com for more information and to register.

THE DICTA

Charles Gearing, Editor

Published monthly by the
DALLAS ASSOCIATION OF YOUNG LAWYERS
2101 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75201
214-220-7420 | 214-220-7422 fax
www.dayl.com
Cherie Harris
Executive Director

DAYL BOARD OF DIRECTORS OFFICERS

Jonathan Childers, *President*
Stephanie Gause, *President-Elect*
Paul Simon, *Vice President*
Jennifer Larson, *Treasurer*
Charles Gearing, *Secretary*
Meyling Ly, *Imm. Past President*

DIRECTORS

Alex Bolton
Stefanie Bradshaw
Ann Chao
Justin Gobert
Terry James, *JLTL Representative*
Andrew Jenkins
Whitney Keltch
Jodi McShan, *DHBA Representative*
Timothy Newman
Dustin Paschal
Barbara Pelaez
Ayesha Rafi, *DWLA Liaison*
John Ting, *DAABA Representative*

EX OFFICIO

Alex Bell, *TYLA Director*
Aaron Burke, *TYLA Director*
Aaron Capps, *TYLA Director*
Lacy Durham, *ABA-YLD Chair-elect*
Bill Gardner, *TYLA Director*
Rusty O'Kane, *ABA YLD District 26 Rep*
Courtney Barksdale Perez, *TYLA Director*
Krisi Kastl, *Chair, Fellows
of the DAYL Foundation*
Kevin Pierce, *SMU Law Student Rep*

Copy Deadline for August Issue:

July 20, 2015

Charles Gearing

Phone: 972-731-6500

Email: cmg@hanshawkennedy.com

Articles in The Dicta are provided for informational use only, and are in no way intended to constitute legal advice or the opinions or views of the DAYL.

From the President

Ten Tips for Young Partners

For the young partners out there, we've joined the club and learned that the real work has just begun. Here are ten takeaways realized by my colleagues and me thus far:

1. Better Management = Better Results. Plan, prioritize, and execute so that the world knows you run an effective operation on all of your cases/deals. Set internal deadlines to stay on track. Don't assume that your work team knows what's on your plate – instead, *communicate* with associates, paralegals, your legal assistant, and fellow partners. Each morning, e-mail a task list of the deliverables that your team needs to perform that day.

2. Stay on the pulse of client expectations, and be responsive. Keep your clients informed and monitor their expectations. Deliver the candid advice necessary to protect your clients and advance their interests. Never ignore client emails! If you are swamped, send client a one-sentence email saying you are occupied and will call them tomorrow. Be responsive, and new clients will find you.

3. Delegate with purpose. Effective delegation requires: (1) assigning a task with clear and sufficient instructions; (2) ensuring the associate understands the assignment; (3) checking-in *during* the process; and (4) providing feedback after the work/project is complete. Do these things, and delegating will save you time and increase your reach and leverage.

4. Develop buy-in from those who work with you. Create an environment where people desire to work with you. Running a tight ship while maintaining a positive work environment *is possible*. Just ask my former boss and now law partner **Michael K. Hurst**, who has perfected this combination.

5. Building a brand requires getting out of the office and balancing multiple pri-



Jonathan Childers

orities. People must know you and what you do. So get out of the office and in front of potential clients and other lawyers. Join a DAYL or DBA Committee. Present a CLE, then write a brieflet about the topic. Trial victories or successful deals become “skins on the wall.” Become comfortable working from anywhere, including a plane, conference room, or hotel.

6. Think exhaustively, act decisively. Clients demand an experienced, bold leader and not an anxious flip-flopper. Evaluate all available options, consider what a more seasoned lawyer would do in the situation, and then act deliberately like the confident, experienced leader you are becoming.

7. Emulate the successful lawyers you aspire to become. Mentoring is more important now than ever. Watch and learn from astute practitioners and business developers both inside and outside of your firm, even on an informal basis.

8. Make friends, don't “business develop.” You will be hired by clients who know and trust you, or who embrace the recommendation of someone who does. Don't grow your “business contacts”; make friends and deepen existing friendships. Make sure your friends know the exact type of work you do and some of your war stories.

9. Be generous and pay it forward. Remember that new partner that you admired when you were a second-year associate? That partner is now you. Act like it.

10. Be a successful person, not just great law partner. Life outside of the office takes effort, patience, and time. Live an integrated life so that your values at home and at work match. Exercise, eating healthy, and weekly “down time” are essential in order to practice law as a sustainable career.

DAYL's Traveling Lawyers Plans Trip for October 2015

Join the DAYL on an exclusive trip to the Crescent City – New Orleans. Take a break from work, meet interesting people, indulge in Cajun and Creole cuisine, and explore the cultural heritage of New Orleans in the company of fellow DAYL members this fall. Anticipated activities include:

- A visit to the highly-acclaimed WWII Museum;
- An exclusive tour of the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals;
- An evening walking tour of New Orleans haunted sites;

- A dinner jazz cruise on a steamboat;
- A food tour of the French Quarter;
- An airboat tour to get an up-close view of alligators;
- A social and service project with New Orleans young lawyers.

The trip is scheduled for **October 22-25, 2015**. The travel group will be kept small. Significant others/spouses are welcome, but all must guests be over the age of 21. Please indicate your interest by **July 20, 2015** by sending an email to TLC_Committee@dayl.com.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Astor Crowne Plaza located at the

corner of Canal and Bourbon Street so that we will be able to enjoy the excitement of the French Quarter during our stay. The Astor has provided us with a special group rate of \$199/night based on double occupancy. Pricing of events and attractions is still being negotiated, but please note there will be additional costs associated with optional daily activities. Travelers are responsible for all costs associated with this trip. Additionally, travel arrangements to and from New Orleans will be left to each traveler. More information will be provided to those who indicate their interest via email by July 20th.

Judge Mary Brown Offers Practice Tips to DAYL Members

DAYL was honored to have 301st Family Court District **Judge Mary Brown** and **Associate Judge Drew Ten Eyck** host coffee with the Court on June 17, 2015. Judge Brown and Judge Ten Eyck spent time with the attending attorneys and also gave them some helpful practice tips.

The judges stressed the importance of proof of service and notice in each case, particularly when a default is requested. They recommended that in addition to e-filing the proof of service or notice, attorneys bring a paper copy with them to court to show the judge in case the e-filing has not been accepted yet. They also discussed the necessity of coming to

hearings with proposed orders prepared for contempt and final protective orders since time is of the essence in processing these orders. Finally, both Judge Brown and Judge Ten Eyck requested that on any hearing each attorney prepare a summary of requested relief, which is especially helpful to the Court when rulings are taken under advisement.



DAYL's Trial Skills Boot Camp -- A Resounding Success

On a Saturday in June at the George Allen Sr. Courts Building, DAYL's President **Jonathan Childers'** vision for the first-ever Trial Skills Boot Camp came to life. Over 120 young lawyers and law students piled into the Merrill Hartman Courtroom, where there was standing room only. The young lawyers spent the day interacting with and learning from premier Dallas trial lawyers and judges. Nationally recognized lawyers shared thoughtful and insightful tips with the young lawyers and then demonstrated various trial skills. **Lisa Blue, Pete Marketos, and Jason Bloom** discussed the psychology of voir dire and then conducted a mock voir dire. **Victor Vital and Mark Werbner** shared their approaches to cross examination and then demonstrated how to effectively examine fact and expert witnesses.

During lunch, **Judge Martin Hoffman, Judge Ken Molberg, Judge Ken Tapscott, and Jeff Levinger** explored the in's and out's

of pretrial conferences and the jury charge. **Michael K. Hurst and Jeff Tillotson** then closed the day with their top ten tips for closing argument and showed everyone how to do it right.

The participants also had the chance to put their skills to use by conducting a mock cross examination before **Judge Martin Hoffman, Judge Bonnie Goldstein, Judge Ken Molberg, Judge Emily Tobolowsky, Judge Tonya Parker, Judge Phyllis Lister Brown, Judge Ken Tapscott, and Judge Sally Montgomery**. Some of Dallas's best seasoned trial lawyers such as **Ann Marie Arcadi, Stephanie Baenisch, Frederick Barrow, Barry Brooks, Gary Eisenstat, Al Ellis, Dawn Estes, Steve Fox, Michael Gardner, Michael K. Hurst, Ralph C. "Red Dog" Jones, Marc Katz, Sean Lemoine, Steve Malouf, Pete Marketos, Melanie Okon, Eric Pinker, Bryan Pope, Tex Quesada, Rick Robertson, Jeff Tillotson, Vitor Vital, and Kirk Willis** were

also on hand to provide amazing feedback.

The Trial Skills Boot Camp would not have been possible without an outstanding committee comprised of **Maria Aceves, John Burkhead, Leslie Chaggaris, Jonathan Childers, Dan Felz, Susan Hannagan, Crystal Jamison, Andy Jones, Austin Jones, Jennifer Larson, Emily McDonald, Alex More, Debrán O'Neil, Julie Pettit, Dennis Siaw-Latthey, and Judge Martin Hoffman**.

The event was free to DAYL members due to the generosity of **Ricoh** (who provided breakfast and help with the printing cost of the materials), **Community Trust Bank** (who provided lunch), **Charles River Associates** (who provided expert witnesses for the mock examinations and closing happy hour), and the **Texas Young Lawyers Association** (who provided a grant to help with the printing costs of the materials). Thank you to all who participated in this fantastic event.



Judge Martin Hoffman moderates a panel on Jury Charge and the Pre-Trial Conference during the DAYL Trial Skills Boot Camp.

DAYL's Second Breakfast with Business Peers Focused on Commercial Real Estate

DAYL hosted its second Breakfast with Business Peers event featuring industry-specific experts and moderators to educate and enlighten interested DAYL members. The June 9 event showcased commercial real estate. DAYL's President-Elect, **Stephanie Gause** (Partner at Bell Nunnally & Martin LLP) moderated a panel featuring **Robert Baty** (Director at Cushman & Wakefield), **Nathan Nash** (President at Nash Development Company) and **Katy Slade** (Development Director at Gables Residential). Over 60 DAYL members took advantage of the Belo's spread and the panel's wisdom.

The breakfast event was complimentary thanks to a grant from the **Texas Young Lawyers Association** and the support of our headline sponsor **Berkley Research Group** (www.thinkbrg.com). BRG is a leading

global strategic advisory and expert consulting firm that provides expert testimony, forensic investigations, valuation, independent advice, authoritative studies and regulatory and dispute consulting to



Fortune 500 corporations, government agencies, law firms and regulatory bodies around the world.

During the program, Mr. Baty explained the evolving needs of his tenant clients, the city and local amenities that drive interest and rents, and the roles bro-

kers and attorneys play in finalizing leases. Mr. Nash educated attendees about the nuances in build-to-suit projects and retail developments as well as why he started his own development company.

Mrs. Slade shared her perspective on multifamily assets, changes coming to Uptown, and the challenges and opportunities when building in a historic district. All agreed they need counsel to learn their (and their ultimate clients') needs and to highlight and prioritize the major issues while understanding counsel's role is to facilitate the deal instead of killing it. Finally, the panelists offered insights about how young lawyers can educate themselves about commercial real estate (in-

cluding some key blogs and local organizations) and make the most of today's booming commercial real estate market in their practices.

Stay tuned for details about the third, and final, breakfast about the health care industry.

Don't Miss Pub Trivia!

Join DAYL on Tuesday, July 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at State and Allen, located at 2400 Allen Street in Uptown, for Pub Trivia.

Some of the subjects we will touch upon are FIFA, Independence Day, and NBA Draft.

There is no cost for members; the non-member fee is \$5. Space is limited and will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Teams are limited to 5 people each. RSVP to Barbara Pelaez at bmpelaez@gmail.com.

Practical Implications of *Obergefell v. Hodges*

Since the Supreme Court's decision in *Obergefell v. Hodges*, news and social media have been ablaze with discussions of the decision's political implications. But what about the legal implications? On July 22 at noon at the Belo Mansion, we will set aside politics, and dig into the practical consequences *Obergefell* will have on different areas of the law. The discussion will focus on employment law, family law, and constitutional law. The panel will be comprised of **Judge Dennise Garcia** (303rd Family District Court Judge), **Professor Brian Owsley** (UNT Dallas College of Law), and **Steve Fox** (Polsinelli). **Alex More** (Carrington Coleman) will moderate the discussion. RSVP to **Cherie Harris** (cherieh@dayl.com).

DAYL Recognizes Outstanding Young Lawyer and Others

On Friday, May 1, the DAYL presented three awards at the Dallas Bar Association annual Law Day Luncheon. The awards, given annually, were presented to **Sakina Rasheed** as the DAYL Outstanding Young Lawyer of 2014/2015, the **Honorable D. Michael Lynn** as the DAYL Outstanding Mentor of 2014/2015, and the **Honorable Jerry Madden** as the DAYL 2014/2015 Liberty Bell recipient. The Honorable Jerry Madden was recently named as the TYLA award recipient of the Liberty Bell award in the statewide competition and will be recognized during the State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting at the end of June. Congratulations to the Honorable Jerry Madden!

DAYL 2014/2015 Outstanding Young Lawyer Award Recipient – Sakina Rasheed

Sakina represents financial institutions and borrowers in complex acquisition financing and secured lending transactions at Haynes & Boone. In 2014, Sakina served as President of the Dallas Asian American Bar Association (DAABA), dedicating her efforts to expanding DAABA's mentorship program as well as organizing women's empowerment programs. After being elected to DAABA's Board of Directors in 2012, Sakina served as Co-Chair for DAABA's main fundraising event, raising an unprecedented \$60,000 towards scholarships. Her service to the legal profession reaches beyond DAABA, as following Sakina's participation in the State Bar of Texas Leadership Class in 2014, she was appointed by the State Bar President as Advisory Director to the SBOI's Lawyers' Assistance Program Committee. Sakina has dedicated countless hours towards service projects organized by the DBA and the DAYL including the DBA's Peer Assistance Committee, the DBA's LegalLine, and the DAYL Ask a Lawyer Clinic.

DAYL 2014/2015 Outstanding Mentor

Award Recipient – Honorable D. Michael Lynn

Judge Lynn is known among his peers as one of the sharpest legal minds in the country and, for the past three decades, has helped shape the careers of countless young lawyers in the Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex. In addition to his role as a member of the judiciary, Judge Lynn has dedicated twenty years to teaching an Advanced Bankruptcy Course, beginning at SMU Dedman School of Law and now also at Texas A&M University School of Law.



DAYL President Jonathan Childers (left) presents Sakina Rasheed and Honorable Jerry Madden with awards.

Judge Lynn serves as a Master of the Hon. John C. Ford American Inn of Court, an organization that makes it their mission to foster, among other things, mentoring of young lawyers. Judge Lynn helped spearhead the Inn's creation of a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Course to help young lawyers obtain a better grasp on a difficult area of law, and played a central role in developing a curriculum for the Inn's "Breakfast in Chambers" program. Judge Lynn also developed and drafted a Bankruptcy textbook, enlisting the help of his law clerks to draft substantive portions of the text as bankruptcy case law developed.

DAYL 2014/2015 Liberty Bell Award Recipient – Honorable Jerry Madden

Representative Jerry Madden served ten consecutive terms in the Texas House of Representatives, having first been elected in 1992. During this time, Representative Madden held honored roles on twelve committees, including four years as the Chairman of the House Committee on Corrections, where he led innovative and effective criminal justice system reforms in the State of Texas. Chairman Madden focused on investing in preventative measures and community supervision programs to minimize initial prison intake and

reduce re-offending. Representative Madden was instrumental in passing major systemic reforms for the Texas Juvenile Justice Department, including the establishment of the Office of the Independent Ombudsman, which ensures that youth committed to the State of Texas are safe and afforded their Constitutional rights. Representative Madden was named to *Texas Monthly's* 10 Best Legislators list, and recognized in a national publication for "turning the State of Texas into a shining model of corrections reform." Mr. Madden continues his work today serving on the Texas Public Policy Foundation's Right on Crime campaign as a Senior Fellow, where he strives for "a better state and a better

nation by informing Texas leaders, as well as leaders in many other states, of the great benefits that can be achieved through common sense reform in criminal justice."

DAYL Animal Welfare Committee
Happy Hour
Wednesday, July 22
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Truck Yard

Sponsored by



THE ASHMORE LAW FIRM, P.C.
 Expertise. Experience. Excellence.

Civility and Chesterton: What a Cigar-Chomping, Three Hundred Pound English Writer Can Teach Young Dallas Lawyers

by Nicholas Sarokhbanian

Texas Governor Greg Abbott recently signed a bill that added an important new requirement to the oath sworn to by new Texas lawyers: the obligation to “conduct oneself with integrity and civility in dealing with and communicating with the court and all parties.”¹ According to the *Texas Lawbook*, this legislation is part of a national push to add civility requirements to oaths taken by lawyers: so far, Texas is the fourteenth state to do so.² The civility requirement targets the “Rambo” or “scorched earth” styles of litigation where litigators see themselves as hired combatants who wage wars of attrition against their client’s opponents.

The addition to the oath is not the only place where Dallas lawyers obligate themselves to act civilly. For instance, the Dallas Bar Association publishes its own Lawyers Creed³ in addition to the Lawyers’ Creed promulgated by the State Bar of Texas.⁴ And any litigator in Dallas should be familiar with the *en banc* decision of the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas in *Dondi Props. Corp. v. Commerce Sav. & Loan Assoc.*, 121 F.R.D. 284 (N.D. Tex. 1988) (*en banc*).

But civility is more than a negative prohibition on bad behavior. For instance, insisting on civility in the practice helps uphold the legal system on which we depend for employment. Remember, lawyers earn livings partly because people consent to fight in courts rather than in the streets: agreeing to scorch earth and to stack bodies as a client’s surrogate weakens a main reason we’re hired in the first place.

More than pure self-interest, civility in your dealings can make you a better advocate for your clients. Take, for instance, the case of G.K. Chesterton. Although many (until recently, including the author) have not heard of him, the Englishman was one of the greatest writers, thinkers, and orators of the twentieth century. A journalist by trade, Chesterton wrote prolifically on a range of topics, penning nearly a hun-

dred books and thousands of essays on philosophy, politics, theology, history, economics, and more. Although he expounded on life’s serious questions, he never took himself seriously often caricaturizing his imposing frame: six foot four and three hundred pounds. Chesterton was known for being absent-minded, reportedly once asking a cabbie to stop at a newsstand so he could remember where his newspaper’s offices were located. He puffed cigars, carried a “swordstick,” missed trains, and emptied his pockets for beggars. But he also debated—and defeated—the best minds of his time: H.G. Wells, George Bernard Shaw, and even the famous American trial lawyer Clarence Darrow.

Chesterton debated Darrow in January 1931 in New York City during Chesterton’s second American tour. According to press clippings, Chesterton trounced Darrow, who, “seemed heavy, uninspired, slow of mind, while G.K.C. was joyous, sparkling and witty. . . . The affair was like a race between a lumbering sailing vessel and a modern steamer.” Shortly before his death, Darrow wrote that he “was favorably impressed by, warmly attached to, G.K. Chesterton. I enjoyed my debates with him, and found him a man of culture and fine sensibilities. If he and I had lived where we could have become better acquainted, eventually we would have ceased to debate, I firmly believe.”

Like his other adversaries, Chesterton won Darrow over. How? According to author Dale Ahlquist, by always being fair to his opponents, listening so carefully to their arguments that could state them better than they could, and by starting off his arguments by “finding something in their argument that he agrees with, even if it is the thinnest shred of truth, so that he can start on common ground with them. He then proceeds to show how their ideas are not so much wrong, as merely incomplete.” Chesterton’s humility and quickness to mock himself also

helped earn his adversaries admiration.

The author recently finished a heated arbitration where facts were hotly contested and the parties were inextricably at loggerheads, but the lawyers were cordial and amiable throughout the proceedings. Litigating with skilled, tenacious, but humble lawyers that are quick to share laughs and to invite one another to drinks after a hard day’s work makes the practice much more rewarding and makes one relish the next day. While no one was necessarily Chesterton or Darrow, the civility that permeated the proceedings ensured that the arbitration was conducted professionally, finished on schedule, and with the lawyers left with new friends. Let us all take the addition to the Lawyer’s Oath as another encouragement to elevate the practice, no matter how long we have been at it.

¹<http://www.texasbar.com/Content/NavigationMenu/ForLawyers/MembershipInfoandServices/NewLawyerFormsFees/OathofOfficeForm.pdf>

²New Texas Lawyer’s Oath to Stress Civility, the Texas Lawbook (May 19, 2015).

³<http://www.dallasbar.org/sites/default/files/Lawyers%20Creed.pdf>

⁴<https://www.texasbar.com/Content/NavigationMenu/ForLawyers/ResourceGuides/EthicsResources/Lawyers-Creed.pdf>

⁵<http://www.chesterton.org/clarence-darrow-debate/>

⁶*Id.*

⁷Ahquist, Dale; Common Sense 101: Lessons from G.K. Chesterton.

Nick Sarokhbanian is a trial lawyer at Greenberg Traurig trying important cases for businesses and individuals in their commercial and criminal trial matters. Nick is active in the community and has always contributed over 100 hours to pro bono causes each year. Nick and his wife Katie keep themselves busy raising and chasing their three baby daughters around the house.

2014 Leadership Class Volunteers at North Texas Food Bank

After learning about “throw-up Mondays” and food insecurity among Dallas families, the 2014 DAYL Leadership Class dedicated its class project to fighting child hunger. After the successful **Crawfest: Claws for a Cause** event in April raised over \$37,000 for the North Texas Food Bank Food 4 Kids program, the class got to see its donation at work.

In May, many class members spent an Saturday afternoon volunteering at the North Texas Food Bank warehouse packing bags of food for the Food 4 Kids program. The class, along with other volunteers, packed 1,890 bags of food which will provide 5,625 meals to children in danger of food insecurity in the D/FW area. Thanks to all who donated and volunteered their time, resources, and effort to make the class project a success!



DAYL's Young In-House Lawyers Committee volunteering at Catholic Charities.



DAYL's Sailing Social at the Corinthian Sailing Club was a great success!