

MEMORANDUM

To: Lycoming Law Association
From: Robert Cronin, Esquire
Chair, Young Lawyers Division
Date: December 14, 2011
Subject: YLD Annual Report

In 2011, the YLD continued to provide an atmosphere which fostered professional growth by providing bi-monthly meetings between the members, social events, and community service.

The YLD had a total of seven committee meetings in 2011. Though attendance varied, the meetings provided an outlet for Young Lawyers to discuss any issues they may have with the practice of law to people in similar circumstances. Six of the Seven 2011 meetings took place in the LLA Office. This meeting location is paramount to the development of the Young Lawyers. By holding the meetings at the LLA Office, the members can come to recognize the resources the LLA has in providing professional assistance each member may require.

In 2011, the YLD sponsored two community service projects: Lawctoberfest and the annual Toy Drive. This year, the Lawctoberfest was held at the Holiday Inn in Williamsport. 26 people attended this event, with any moneys raised from the event to be presented to the Law Foundation. In addition, the YLD continued supporting the Salvation Army through its Toy Drive. Though the event was not well announced as in years past, the drive brought two full boxes of toys for the Salvation Army to benefit its Angel Tree.

In addition to its meetings and community service projects, the YLD held a number of social events. In February, the YLD continued its tradition of holding a social bowling event. This year, 14 people attended the YLD bowling social. In addition, members of the YLD have met socially on at least two occasions during 2011 at the Old Corner during happy hour.

In addition to those events previously listed, the YLD also had a large role in the Commonwealth Court events in September 2011. Specifically, the Lycoming Law Association YLD and the Pennsylvania Bar Association YLD joined together for a "caravan", in which Young Attorneys from Zone 4 were able to eat breakfast with the Commonwealth Court Judges prior to the Commonwealth Court Judges holding Court at the Lycoming County Courthouse. Approximately 35 people attended this breakfast.

This chairperson hopes that 2012 can see the growth of the YLD. Specifically, the YLD hopes to restart its participation in the canned food drive to benefit the Central Food Bank. Additionally, the YLD hopes to sponsor, in conjunction with other committees of the LLA, a CLE in which all participants watch a video CLE and receive CLE credits while taking a bus to an event, such as a baseball game, casino, or Broadway show.