Law Day Committee Report – 2015 By: Christian Frey

The 2015 Law Day celebration was held at the County Courthouse on Friday, May 1, 2015. The essay and art topics all related to the theme, *Magna Carta: Symbol of Freedom Under Law*.

The Law Day Committee, under the guidance of Judge McCoy, consisted of both lawyers and paralegals. The LLA members who served on the 2015 Law Day Committee were: Yun Lee, John Pietrovito, Julieanne Steinbacher, Tammy Taylor, Kurt Schmidt, Dave Wilk, Lindsey Locraft, Meghan Young and Jenna Neidig.

There was an enormous amount of submissions to sift through. Ultimately, six essay winners were selected from the kindergarten through fifth grade group, one essay from the grade six through twelve group, as well as four art winners (all ages) were selected.

The event itself was overwhelmingly successful. In addition to the Law Day Singers and the Proclamation by the county commissioners, awards for the local Mock Trial teams were presented and each Law Day winner was called up to present his/her winning submission and receive an award. The Sun Gazette was in attendance and Strunk Digital broadcast the event on cable television. Additionally, a Facebook Page for "Lycoming County Law Day" was created. All the information about the contest and its winners was posted to this page for public viewing.

After the ceremony, the Law Day celebrations continued with a reception sponsored by the Lycoming County Paralegal Association for student winners and families in the juror's lounge.

A theme has already been selected for 2016 and a date has been set with the Court. Preparations for 2016 Law Day will begin with a meeting of the Law Day Committee in February.