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AABA Nonprofits and Public Sector Boards Panel

On April 20, the AABA held a panel discussion at the United Way of Greater Houston about serving on boards of nonprofit organizations and in the public sector. Panelists Danielle Bartz, Becky Jasso, and Claudia Gee Vassar shared their insights with members of the AABA in an engaging discussion moderated by Mark Lee. Many thanks to our speakers and to Tom Nguyen, VP of Programs, for organizing.
AABA Wills Clinic CLE Training

On April 27, the AABA held its annual training session for the upcoming Wills Clinic for the Asian community on June 24. Thanks to Porter Hedges for hosting, and to the Law Office of Peter J. Bennett for providing an overview of wills and estate planning law. Houston Volunteer Lawyers was also present at the event to assign cases to AABA’s volunteer attorneys. The number of AABA volunteers exceeded the number of available cases this year. Thanks to all volunteers to their generosity and dedication to the community.
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AABA in the Community

As the representative for the AABA on the Houston Bar Association’s Law Week Committee, VP of Community Relations Nickie Tran read to children at Cunningham Elementary in southwest Houston as part of the Houston Law Week celebration in April. Nickie read Grandaddy’s Turn: A Journey to the Ballot Box, and spoke to the students about the importance of the Fourteenth Amendment.

AABA Upcoming Events

- **AABA Solo & Small Firm Networking Reception**
  Wednesday, May 17
  Ritual, 602 Studewood, Houston, 77002
  6:00PM—8:00 PM
  RSVP by May 15 at www.aabahouston.com
  See attached flyer for more details

- **AABA Wills Clinic**
  Saturday, June 24
  VN Teamwork, 11210 Bellaire Blvd. #118
  9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
  To volunteer as a notary, witness, or interpreter, contact ntran@porterhedges.com

Founded in 1984, the AABA’s membership reflects all aspects of Houston’s Asian-Pacific legal community. Its mission is to promote the professional development of its members and to serve the Houston community at large.

The AABA welcomes the following new and renewing members in April:

Geraldine Young
Jennifer Lin
Michele Gibbons
Christine Roberts
Andrew Kim
Get to Know an AABA Member!

Name: Jiha Ko
Firm/Company: DLA Piper LLP
Practice Area(s): M&A, Finance
Language(s): Korean

1. If I weren’t an attorney, I would be . . . a writer
2. In my spare time, I enjoy . . . reading fiction, playing soccer, computer games
3. In my opinion, the best restaurant/bar in Houston is . . . Oxheart (closed now, unfortunately, but looking forward to whatever Justin Yu does next!)
4. The oddest food I have ever eaten has been . . . boiled silkworms
5. The coolest store in Houston is . . . Hmart
6. My favorite TV show is . . . Atlanta
7. My favorite music artist is . . . Nas
8. My favorite quote is… “Help! Help! I’m being repressed!” - Dennis, from Monty Python and the Holy Grail
9. I recommend reading . . . “Nice Big American Baby” by Judy Budnitz
10. If I were ever stuck on an island, and could only bring 3 items with me, they would be . . . a fishing rod, a solar-powered generator, and a Nintendo Switch
11. Most AABA members probably don’t know that I . . . grew up in Sydney, Australia
The AABA invites you to a

SOLO AND SMALL FIRM NETWORKING RECEPTION

Meet and mingle with AABA’s solo and small firm attorneys at Ritual in the Heights. All AABA attorneys are welcome and encouraged to attend. Food and drink will be provided. Please RSVP in the provided link.

WHEN
Wednesday, May 17th
6:00 – 8:00 PM

WHERE
Ritual
602 Studewood
Houston, TX 77007

COST
Free for Solo & Small Firm Attorneys and other AABA members

RSVP
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2017 ANNUAL BOARD FAIR IS LOOKING FOR LEADERS

Have you ever wondered what it was like to serve on a nonprofit board of directors? The 2017 Board Fair links you with dozens of opportunities to make a difference in your community. This is your chance to explore an array of options among nonprofits looking for board members with your skills and interests.

Meet with representatives of more than 30 area nonprofit organizations actively recruiting candidates for board service. You will learn about the work of each organization, talk with current board members and learn how board service helps you develop your leadership capabilities while helping others.

This is an excellent networking forum, so bring lots of business cards, invite your co-workers, friends and colleagues, and prepare to find your seat on a nonprofit board of directors.

Admission is Free. Refreshments served.

Click here to register.
LEGAL NIGHT
AT RICE UNIVERSITY

Join fellow bar associations on Tuesday, May 16 for a happy hour networking event at Reckling Park and receive exclusive drink specials.

TO PURCHASE TICKETS, PLEASE VISIT www.riceowls.com/legal
PROMO CODE: legal
VALID ID MUST BE PRESENTED AT WILL CALL TO RECEIVE TICKETS AND WRISTBANDS FOR DRINK SPECIALS.

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TICKETS: $15
RECKLING PARK
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2017
FIRST PITCH - 6:30 p.m.

For more information, please contact
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2017 Membership Application/Renewal

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By completing this membership application, I hereby consent to the receipt of notice of meeting through electronic means.

Please give us any comments or programming suggestions you might have: ____________________________

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