

term. I would also like to thank current Vice-President, Michelle Stark, for all of her good work as she acted as Secretary Treasurer during my term. As always, our meetings and the direction of the Association would not have reached the success they did without the dedication and hard work of Trustees Michael Bordin, Janis Criger, Robert Hooper, David Howell, Kirsten Hughes, John Krawchenko, Geoff Read, Nicholas Richter, Carmelo Runco and Past President David Elliot.

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New Lawyers' Subcommittee

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This will be the final report from our Subcommittee prior to the Hamilton Law Association Annual General Meeting on June 2, 2011. We have met twice since my previous report, and have hosted two interesting speakers at those meetings, one related to volunteer opportunities at Law Day which took place on April 14. These twice-yearly events provide great opportunities for young lawyers to meet one another and to give back to the community by helping high school students with a mock trial conducted in the Sopinka Courthouse. This most recent event was a great success, and should you be interested in participating in this event in any way, please contact me

through the contact information below.

We also met with Michael Marini, the Chair of Hamilton Hive, which is an emerging umbrella group of organizations of young professionals in Hamilton. Hamilton Hive exists to encourage networking amongst groups similar to the new lawyer members of the HLA, and as such our subcommittee expects to develop links with Hamilton Hive in the months to come. For more information, please visit: www.hamiltonhive.ca

We are continuing to plan events for the fall, including the Courthouse

Tips Seminar for new lawyers scheduled for October 6, 2011. As promised on this page last month, shortly we will be in a position to announce the details of another Pub Night to take place now that patio season is finally upon us. Again, details will follow, but please mark July 14 on your calendars. We look forward to having another great turnout for this event.

As always, please feel free to contact me, or any of the other members of the Subcommittee, whose contact information can be found at our webpage, located at:

<http://www.hamiltonlaw.on.ca/About-the-HLA/Standing-Committees/New-Lawyers-Subcommittee>. ■

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