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PARALEGAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION CAPITOL TOUR

In April, the Paralegal Student Association, along with faculty sponsor Carrie Vaia, toured the newly remodeled Minnesota State Capitol.

During a guided tour that included the Senate and House of Representatives chambers and the Supreme Court courtroom, the students observed the restorations, repairs and updates that were part of the \$310 million preservation effort, which will be completed in 2017.

The newly restored artwork on display throughout the capitol treated the group to vibrant colors and painstaking detailed work, some of which has not been seen in the present condition for over 100 years. The tour began inside the main entrance of the building, where the guide described how Minnesota came to be the home of the second-largest self-supported marble dome in the world.

The group also viewed the Governor’s Reception Room and learned the history behind the Civil War paintings on display, depicting some of Minnesota’s involvement in the conflict.

After the tour, the group met at the Sawatadee Thai Restaurant in St. Paul for a delicious meal.

The Paralegal Student Association outside the main entrance to the Minnesota State Capitol.



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FALL 2017 REGISTRATION OPEN

Registration for the 2017 Fall Semester is open! Mary Fenkse, Paralegal Program Director & Instructor, has reminded everyone to register for the fall semester so classes can be planned accordingly.

The schedule showing Paralegal Courses that will be offered during the fall semester is attached on page 6.

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PARALEGAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

Join the NHCC Paralegal Student Association for a chance to participate in fun and engaging events and to add notable experience to your resume.

Our next meeting will be held during the Fall 2017 semester. Look out for posters announcing the date of the first meeting or contact PSA@nhcc.edu.

If you are interested in being involved as an officer of the club, several positions are available as listed below with a description of the duties of each officer:

Roles and Definitions

- **Vice President**
 - It shall be the duty of the vice president to assist the president in the discharge of his/her duties and in the president's absence to assume his/her duties and officiate in his/her stead.
- **Treasurer**
 - The treasurer shall have charge of the funds of the club and shall keep a record of all receipts and disbursements and shall render a written report when requested by the president or board of directors.
- **Secretary**
 - It shall be the duty of the secretary to keep the minutes of the meeting of the club and to supervise all reports.
- **Editor**
 - It shall be the duty of the editor to write, plan, and edit content for the newsletter *Gears of Law*; solicit for content for the newsletter; edit all solicited content.
- **Media Officer**
 - It shall be the duty of the media officer to photograph any club events or board meetings; create and supply visual aids for any club events or board meetings; create advertising media if requested or needed.



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FALL 2016 PARALEGAL “SPEED NETWORKING” EVENT PHOTOS

Last October, the Paralegal Student Association hosted a panel of local legal professionals and paralegals in an event for students.



Want to Write for Gears of Law?

If you have something you would like to share for the next newsletter, please contact Sonia Nelson at sonia.nelson.7345@my.nhcc.edu



CURRENT EVENTS

- 15 Years In Prison For Gunman Who Shot 5 Jamar Clark Protesters <http://www.startribune.com/sentencing-today-for-gunman-who-shot-5-jamar-clark-protesters/420485043/>
- The Supreme Court Rules In Favor Of A Special Education Student <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2017/03/22/npr-the-supreme-court-rules-in-favor-of-a-special-education-student>
- Ohio Governor Delays Nine Executions Amid Court Fight <https://www.nytimes.com/reuters/2017/05/01/us/01reuters-ohio-executions.html>
- Maine Governor Sues Attorney General For Not Defending Cases <http://www.seattletimes.com/nation-world/maine-governor-sues-attorney-general-for-not-defending-suits/>
- Eminem Sues New Zealand Political Party Over 'Lose Yourself' Copyright <http://www.nbcnews.com/news/world/eminem-sues-new-zealand-political-party-over-lose-yourself-copyright-n753206>
- Facebook Live Gun Video Could Send Broward Man To Prison For 15 Years, Feds Say <http://www.sun-sentinel.com/local/broward/fl-reg-facebook-live-video-gun-20170501-story.html>
- Judge Strikes Down Wisconsin 'Cocaine Mom' Law Aimed At Protecting Fetuses <https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/local/wisconsin/2017/05/01/judge-strikes-down-wisconsin-cocaine-mom-law-aimed-protecting-fetuses/101155566/>
- Trump Tabs Minnesota Justice Stras For Federal Appeals <http://www.kare11.com/news/trump-tabs-minnesota-justice-stras-for-federal-appeals-court/437933269>
- Attorney: Suit Alleges Minn. Bishop Threatened Retaliation Against Victim <http://m.startribune.com/attorney-suit-alleges-current-minn-bishop-threatened-retaliation-against-abuse-victim/421656743/>
- Fyre Festival Organizers Hit With Sixth Lawsuit <http://www.rollingstone.com/music/news/fyre-festival-organizers-hit-with-sixth-lawsuit-w481274>
- Lawsuit Presses the Issue of Lower Pay for Female Law Partners <https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/07/business/dealbook/law-firm-pay-gender-bias.html>
- Texas Governor Signs 'Sanctuary Cities' Ban, But Law Enforcement Leaders See Problems Ahead <http://www.latimes.com/nation/nationnow/la-na-texas-sanctuary-cities-20170508-story.html>
- Vermont Law Adds Bitcoin As 'Permissible Investment' For Msbs <http://www.coindesk.com/vermont-law-bitcoin-msbs-investment/>
- Woman Who Said Johnson's Baby Powder Gave Her Cancer Wins \$110.5 Million In Lawsuit <http://www.latimes.com/nation/nationnow/la-na-baby-powder-lawsuit-20170505-story.html>

PARALEGAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION CAPITOL TOUR PHOTOS CONTINUED



This is the first comprehensive preservation of the Capitol building since its original construction in 1905. When completed, this historic project will prepare our Capitol for the next 100 years.

– Minnesota State Capitol Restoration Project website



PARALEGAL COURSES FALL SEMESTER 2017

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	PLEG 1430-91 Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) 4:30 – 6:10 p.m. (first 8 weeks) 1 credit Instr: Vaia	PLEG 1210-91 Computer Applications 4:30 – 6:10 p.m. 2 credits Instr: Woodbury			PLEG 2930-91 Legal Studies Seminar 9:00 – 2:00 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Fenske Every Other Weekend
PLEG 2212-91 Legal Research and Writing II 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Fenske	PLEG 2211-91 Legal Research and Writing I 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Fenske	PLEG 2310-01 Criminal Law 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Woodbury	PLEG 1330-01 Family Law (Hybrid) 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr. Woodbury Alternates weeks with Wills, Trusts & Estates		
PLEG 1411-91 Litigation I 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Klopfleisch	PLEG 1412-91 Litigation II 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Klopfleisch		PLEG 2710-91 Wills, Trusts, Estates (Hybrid) 6:30 – 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr: Vaia Alternates weeks with Family Law		
	PLEG 1111-91 Intro to Law and Paralegal Studies 6:30 - 9:10 p.m. 3 credits Instr. Vaia				