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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

Cocktails and Social – 5:30
Dinner and Program – 6:30 p.m.

Hampton Yacht Club

Presentation by Pupilage Group IV

OCTOBER MEETING RECAP

The I' Anson-Hoffman Inn got back into action with our first regular meeting of the year on October 12, 2019. Marshall-Wythe was as charming and hospitable as ever, as members enjoyed drinks and conversation before the program.



In a moment of pride for the Inn, former President Polly Chong and current President Ryan Snow accepted commemoration of platinum status for the 2018-2019 year. Thanks to great leadership and continued excellence in mentorship, communication, and outreach, our Inn has achieved the highest

possible recognition from the American Inn of Courts for five straight years. Let's all take a



minute to thank our presidents, old and new, for helping to build an Inn that continues to gain national attention for achieving excellence.

After some introductory remarks from

President Snow, members were treated to an enthralling presentation from Dr. Iria Giuffrida on the Legal Implications of Smart Cities and emerging technologies. Dr. Giuffrida, who serves as Deputy Director of the Center for Legal & Court Technology (“CLCT”), spoke on legal issues in emerging artificial intelligence and the rapidly growing “internet of things” –



devices communicating with each other and interacting with the environment around them.

Dr. Giuffrida challenged us with emerging litigation questions, such as: which party is liable in an accident caused by a faulty, fully-



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autonomous vehicle? The manufacturer, patent-holder, driver, auditor, and software algorithm used by the vehicle are all possibly implicated.

NOVEMBER MEETING RECAP

The Inn had its second regular meeting on November 13, 2019 at the Norfolk Yacht & Country Club. This meeting was designated as our annual drive for the Foodbank of Southeast Virginia. Thanks to the efforts of Mark Favaloro, Gregory Sandler, the Foodbank committee, as well as the generosity of our members, the Inn donated over 3,000 meals.

Scott Krystiniak gave a memorable toast about the oft-overlooked topic of “Lawyer Wellness.” As tradition dictates, Scott gleefully passed the toastmaster torch to the Honorable Cheshire I. Eveleigh for next meeting.

Finally, Pupilage Group II gave a rousing presentation in the form of a Jeopardy game.



Members sat by pupilage group and faced off in categories such as “Don’t Call on Me!” and “The SCOTUS with the Mostest.”

Competition for most of the game was tight, but Pupilage Group III

prevailed, correctly guessing the Final Jeopardy Answer of: “The only Supreme Court Justice to be impeached (Samuel Chase).” The group claimed two packets of vegetable seeds as a prize, and AS

PROMISED, the members of Pupilage Group III are hereby commemorated for all-time in the annals of I’Anson-Hoffman Newsletter History as 2019 trivia champions – **Great Job Pupilage Group III!** Next up is Group IV for the January meeting!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Before we all take a short winter hiatus, there are two opportunities Inn members should keep in mind. First, anyone interested in being a 2020 Pegasus Scholar should submit an application to no later than January 17, 2020. Additional information can be found at home.innsocourt.org/PegasusScholarships. Second, The Bencher is soliciting articles for its May/June issue. The issue’s theme is “Protecting the Vulnerable.” The article submission deadline is February 1, 2020. Further detail is provided at home.innsocourt.org/Bencher. Happy Holidays!

Until next time,

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