

DELAWARE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES DECLARE JUNE 8-14, 2008 "PARALEGAL WEEK"

The Delaware House of Representatives has declared the week of June 8-14, 2008 "Paralegal Week" in the First State. This week is designated to recognize paralegals for their valuable contributions to the legal community and to the general public. The role of paralegals in private, corporate and government law offices has evolved and expanded throughout the years. Today, paralegals play an important role in the delivery of legal services and are becoming an integral part of any legal team. The work paralegals perform requires substantial legal knowledge, professionalism, ethical standards and continuing legal education. Paralegals primarily use their specialized expertise in the workforce, but many also contribute extensive knowledge to their communities, for example, in the form of pro bono/ volunteer services.

In honor of our paralegal members, DPA is offering numerous events and volunteer opportunities to Delaware paralegals and DPA members during Paralegal Week. Please check back frequently for updates and contact/registration information. As of June 5, 2008, they include:

- June 10** Happy Hour/Meet & Greet. 4:30 – 7:00 p.m., The Green Turtle, Lewes. Click on the "Calendar" tab to view the registration form. RSVP to Lisa Vest at lisa.vest@state.de.us by June 9.
- June 11** Pro Bono Opportunity. 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (or however little or long you can stay), Delaware Energy Office, 1203 College Park Drive, Suite 101, Dover. Research legislation from other states to determine what they are doing on particular renewable energy and energy efficiency topics. RSVP to Lisa Vest at lisa.vest@state.de.us by June 10.
- June 11** Happy Hour/Meet & Greet. 4:30 – 7:00 p.m., W. T. Smithers, Dover. Sponsored by Parcels, Inc. Click on the "Calendar" tab to view the registration form. RSVP to Lisa Vest at lisa.vest@state.de.us by June 10.
- June 12** Annual Meeting (Board Elections, Member Awards and Recognition, CLE Seminars, Vendor Exhibit Hall). All-day event (9:00 am – 4:00 pm) at the DoubleTree Hotel, Wilmington. Click on the "Calendar" tab to view the registration form. Registration deadline is June 5, 2008.
- June 13** Community Service Project. 8:15 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Habitat for Humanity. Volunteers needed to build homes at 14 and 15 Clayton Street, Wilmington. RSVP to Jeannette Raiford at jeannette.raiford@usa.dupont.com by June 4.
- June 13** Happy Hour. 5:00 – 7:00 pm, C. W. Harborside (formerly Conley Ward Steakhouse), Riverfront, Wilmington. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Live music on the deck. No RSVP necessary – meet us on the deck.