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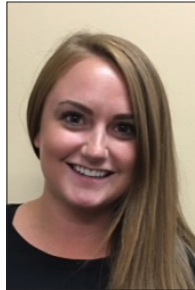
## Paralegal PERSPECTIVES

# PAR Kick-off Dinner and Annual Auction draws 57 attendees

On Oct. 18, 2017, PAR held its Kick-Off Dinner and 13th Annual Auction at Brook Lea Country Club. The event was well attended: 57 people in total, consisting of members, sponsors, paralegal students and the PAR scholarship winner, MCC paralegal student Charles Gifford.

The night started off wonderfully as it was a beautiful, unseasonably warm day for October. Brook Lea Country Club was a beautiful venue that allowed us to open up the doors, grab a refreshing cocktail, and enjoy the weather and patio overlooking the golf course.

Our attendees perused all the amazing items up for raffle and bought plenty of raffle tickets. There were over 70 amazing items up for grabs. A little something for everyone! We had gift cards to Genesee Brew House, Monroe's Restaurant, Black Button Distillery, Amazon, Village Bakery and Alex & Ani. For our wine connoisseurs, we had numerous wine bottles and baskets. If you weren't a wine fan, we had plenty of other spirits baskets up for grabs. For our adventurous attendees, we had tickets to Rock Ventures, Rochester Red Wings, Seabreeze and Corning Mu-



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seum of Glass. For our members who love to be pampered, we had multiple gift cards and items from Salon Enza, Salon Raven, Scott Miller Salon and Massage Envy.

Prior to announcing the lucky raffle winners, we enjoyed delicious meals consisting of prime rib, chicken or vegetable

wellington, followed by cookies, brownies and coffee. After we were all contentedly stuffed (or over-stuffed), we sat on the edge of our chairs while PAR President Jane Gorski read off the winning numbers. Our lucky winners beamed with excitement as their numbers were called, while our not so lucky attendees shook their heads in disbelief and opted for another cookie instead. Some had more luck than others, but it was undoubtedly a fun and suspenseful night for all.

In addition to the fabulous raffle, PAR was pleased to present our 2017 Schol-

arship Winner, Charles Gifford, with his \$500 scholarship for the 2017-2018 academic year. Charles is currently a paralegal studies student at Monroe Community College and completed his pro-bono internship at Volunteer Legal Services Project. The Scholarship Committee who selected Charles was impressed by his short essay explaining his reasons why he has chosen to become a paralegal. PAR is pleased Charles was able to join us at our Kick-Off dinner!

Thank you to all who made this event such a success. A special thank you to our sponsors: All New York Process Servers; Appeal Tech; Batavia Legal Printing, Inc.; Broom Clean Estate Services; Counsel Press, LLC; D4, LLC; ER Select; First American Title Insurance Company; Genesee Regional Bank; Legal Med; and Stewart Title. We are already looking forward to next year!

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