

PRESIDENT'S *Message*

DEAR MEMBERS:

Every so often it is good to try something new and this spring the FCBA Newsletter is introducing a new feature. Starting this month we are publishing a "Get to Know an FCBA Member" interview. I am delighted that FCBA member and FCC Commissioner **Jessica Rosenworcel** was kind enough to share some personal, as well as professional, insights for the inaugural piece on [page 13](#) and I look forward to interviewing more FCBA members and highlighting their careers and personalities as time goes on. Thanks to the efforts of our Commendations Committee (co-chaired by **Doug Bonner** and **Russell Fox** this year), our newsletter profiles members of our profession after death. It just seems to me that there are plenty of interesting current members who add so much to the life of the Association that we should be interviewing some of them for their insights.



Another bit of news is that the FCBA is migrating its webhosting to a different vendor this month. One of the benefits of moving it is that we should have a more flexible platform to introduce new and useful features. See [page 10](#) for information about the upcoming April 24 brown bag lunch where we will be getting interested members talking about what is feasible and desirable in a new design of the website.

I hope many of you are reserving your rooms and anticipating attending the Annual Seminar, which is coming up on May 17-19 at The Hotel Hershey in Hershey, PA. We have not had a seminar there for some years, and for families and kids of all ages, there are many attractions, not the least of which is Hershey Park. The Park will be open Saturday and Sunday and discounted admission tickets are available through the hotel. The Hotel has a complimentary shuttle to and from the Park. For those more interested in spas, The Hotel Hershey has many chocolate-themed treatments; take a look at the offerings and reserve a space soon if you are intrigued. All in all, with the programming, the facilities and cuisine, and the great company of other FCBA members and their families, you could not find a more rewarding and interesting weekend, at least not in May of this year. Karaoke participation is optional, but it is truly a sight to see if not uniformly a treat to hear!

Finally, I want to extend my thanks to **Yaron Dori** and this year's Nominations Committee, who worked efficiently and well in coming up with a strong slate of candidates for next year's officers, Executive Committee members, Nominations Committee members, and Foundation Trustee candidates. In recent years, we've moved to an electronic ballot, so please be watching for the alert that voting is commencing; that should happen in late April or early May. We want and need participation in this important annual process.

Please "Get to Know an FCBA Member" this month. What you learn will no doubt boost your cocktail chat IQ to new levels by the time of the Annual Seminar!

Laura Phillips

2013-2014 Committee and Chapter Co-Chairs

President-Elect **Joe Di Scipio** is beginning the process of identifying FCBA Committee and Chapter Co-Chairs for this coming year (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014). Please contact him by **Friday, April 12** (jdiscipio@newscorp.com, 202-715-2350) if you are interested in serving, or would like to suggest someone else who might be interested.



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