LAW DAY is celebrated by local and national bar associations on or near May 1 of each year. The purpose of LAW DAY is to bring awareness and an appreciation of our country’s legal system to the local communities and, in particular, to the students. This year, the Omaha Bar Association and the Nebraska Paralegal Association are again sponsoring a poster contest as part of their annual LAW DAY activities. The poster contest is open to students in 5th grade.

The LAW DAY theme this year is:

**Magna Carta: Symbol of Freedom Under Law**

About the theme: Perhaps more than any other document in human history, Magna Carta has come to embody the simple but enduring truth: No one, no matter how powerful, is above the law. In the eight centuries that have elapsed since Magna Carta was signed in 1215, it has taken root as an international symbol of the rule of law and as an inspiration for many basic rights Americans hold dear today, including due process, habeas corpus, trial by jury, and the right to travel.

Law Day, 2015, will provide an opportunity to explore how the principal of the rule of law has impacted our understanding of individual freedom in American society.

**RULES**

- Omaha and surrounding area schools - Grade 5 Only
- Entries shall be submitted on 12” x 18” paper (please, no paste-ons)
- Posters will be judged on theme, clarity, creativity, and neatness
- Attach a 3” x 5” card to the reverse side of the poster indicating student’s name, school and teacher (posters will not be returned but electronic images will be available upon request)
- Deadline to submit an entry is March 20, 2015

**PRIZES**

First Prize: $100 and one year Family Membership to the Durham Museum
Second Prize: $75
Third Prize: $50

The winning poster will be displayed on a billboard on Dodge Street and all winners, along with parents and teachers, will be invited to join the Omaha Bar Association, Omaha Law League, the Nebraska Paralegal Association, and the Omaha Legal Professionals Association at their LAW DAY luncheon at the Omaha Marriott Regency, 10220 Regency Circle, Omaha, at 11:45 on, April 30, 2015. Please contact Tom Tilden at 402-350-5968 with any questions.