

Genesee County Bar Association

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August Notes N' News

2007

Dues

Dues statements have been mailed. Please return the statement with remittance.

Thanks

. . . to **Judge Thomas Yeotis** for making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation in memory of Roberta Wray's mother, Dorothy Funsch.

. . . to **Glen Lenhoff** for making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation in memory of Robert Shannon.

. . . to **Robert Segar** for making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation in memory of Karen Piper.

New Members

Welcome new member(s) **Gerard Mantese** and **Anthony Y. Abueita**.

Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors

Thanks to **Ted Leffler, Kevin Rush, Randolph Piper, Doug Philpott, Tom Pabst, Glen Lenhoff, Tim Knecht, Mark Newman, Mike Rizik, Phil Swann** and **William Brickley** for donating their Circuit Court Case Evaluation late fees. Donations are placed in a restricted account for long term maintenance of the building.

Indigent Representation

The Bay County Finance Department is accepting bids for Legal Service Provider for Indigent Representation. If you are interested the requirements for the bid can be found on our homepage at www.gcbalaw.org. If you downloaded the requirements prior to 8-2-07 three addendums have been made to the RFQ/P Legal Services Provider. Failure to access these addendums may limit your ability to submit a complete competitive proposal.

Summer Hours

Just a reminder that the GCBA closes at 4 p.m. on Fridays during the summer until Labor Day.

Foundation Dues Donations

Thanks to the following members who made a voluntary donation to the Bar Foundation through the dues statement: **Nancy Abraham, Russell Bowers, Robert Bellairs, Richard Behm, Melvin Bragman, George Brueck, Howard Bueche, Clifford Carter, Howard Cline, William Coppel, Robert Crites, Hon. Philip Elliott, Hon. William Evans, John Folts, Ernest Gifford, Norm Gottlieb, Clifford Hart, Arthur Hurand, S. Olof Karlstrom, J. David Karr, Matthew Karr, Hon. Arthalu Lancaster, Robert Mainprize, Michael Manley, Anthony Mansour, Michael Mason, LindaLee Massoud, Erwin Meiers, Edward Neithercut, Douglas Philpott, Susan Philpott Preketes, M. Harry Piper, Hon. Robert Ransom, James Ricker, Hon. Dale Riker, Richard Ruhala, Sander Simen, Reese Stipes, Jack Straley, Martin Tyckoski, Hon. Val Washington, Pamela Wistrand, John Wright, John Wright and Hon. Thomas Yeotis.**

Address Change

A long time member of the Genesee County Bar Association and one of Michigan's largest full-service law firms, PLUNKETT & COONEY, P.C. has simplified its corporate name. The firm is now known as **Plunkett Cooney**. While this may seem like a small thing we would ask that you please take a moment to update your records to reflect our new name. The firm's Flint office address, phone and fax numbers remain the same. THANK YOU! *H. William Reising.*

William Delzer has rejoined Simen Figura & Parker. His address is 5206 Gateway Centre, Ste. 200, Flint, MI 48507. Phone: (810) 235-9000. Fax: (810) 235-9010. Email: wdelzer@sfplaw.com.

GALSP

Beginning in August GALSP will hold monthly meetings at Little Joe's Restaurant in Grand Blanc the second Tuesday of every month at 6 p.m.

Centennial Inn of Court

Be advised that the Centennial Inn of Court is now accepting a limited number of new members for the 2007-08 Inn year. This is formidable opportunity for GCBA members to meet, on a social and professional basis, prominent members of the local Bench and Bar while, at the same time, and after a fine meal, increasing one's professional knowledge and skills. Younger attorneys are particularly solicited. The Inn generally meets at the Flint Golf Club on the third Tuesday of each month. Invest in your professional future now. For further information you should contact Inn Membership Chair, Richard Morley Barron [810-487-1368] or Inn Administrator, Linda Pohly [810-733-7480].

Save the Date

Please book your calendar for the following GCBA events that will take place at the Masonic Temple, downtown Flint:

Monthly Membership Meetings

September 17, 2007	October 15, 2007
November 19, 2007	January 28, 2008
February 25, 2008	March 24, 2008
April 21, 2008	May 19, 2008

Holiday Dinner

December 19, 2007

Law Day Luncheon

May 2, 2008

Art Show (Greater Flint Arts Council)

October 9, 2007

September Membership Meeting

featuring

Tony Dearing
Editor of *The Flint Journal*

Monday, September 17, 2007
Masonic Temple ~ Noon

An early R.S.V.P. would be appreciated. Luncheon free to Sustaining Members; \$10 members; \$15 non-members; \$15 walk-ins. Unpaid no-shows will be billed \$15.

Name(s): _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ Check # _____ I will Pay at the Door

CREDIT CARDS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED

Debit Card Visa MasterCard Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Credit Card Account #: _____ Exp. date: _____

Name as appears on card: _____ Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Billing address of credit card:

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____ @ _____

Signature: _____

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or email the GCBA at rls@gcbalaw.org; or register on line at www.gcbalaw.org. No refunds after the Friday before each luncheon. **No-shows not paid in advance will be billed \$15. TELEPHONE RESERVATIONS ARE NO LONGER ACCEPTED!**

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July 30, 2007

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Dear Judges, Attorneys, Staff, Colleagues and Friends:

Never in my life have I experienced the amount of caring and support that I have received from this Bar Association in the last few weeks. Mere words cannot express the level of appreciation and gratitude I have for all of you, during this difficult time in my life. You have all lent an ear, granted adjournments, covered cases, sent sympathy and just understood the difficult time I was having. You have all been a part of my being able to come back to work which was something I needed to do for myself and my clients and for that I Thank all of you.

It is amazing to me that it took this experience to realize that I have taken the legal community for granted. I have gone through my time as an attorney interacting with all of you on a daily basis not realizing how lucky I am. We are not the typical cut-throat legal community that is portrayed to the world weekly television programs, instead we are a community where we all care and respect each other personally and professionally. I was taking for granted that we are a very unique class as we are able to work together as adversaries and still care about one another personally as well.

Until this recent tragedy, I didn't realize the network of support that surrounded me in each and every one of you. I wish to express to all of you that your support has helped me tremendously and continues to help me in even my darkest hours. I am very honored to be associated and a part of a legal community that supports and understands the true sense of the word camaraderie. Again, my sincerest thanks to all of you for your support, patience, understanding, adjournments and friendship. I don't know what I would have done without it.

Sincerely,

Rochelle J. Thompson
Attorney at Law



COLIN J. DEMBO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

A Michigan Non-Profit Corporation

934 Church Street

Flint, Michigan 48502

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www.ColinsAngels.org

Mitch@ColinsAngels.org

Mitchell Dembo, President
Jason Phillips, Secretary

Patrice Dembo, Vice President
LuAnn DeFouw, Treasurer



June 26, 2007

Dear Family and Friends,

We hope this letter finds you, your family and loved ones happy, healthy and safe. We sincerely thank everyone who visited and/or called us, sent a card or gift, and kept us in their thoughts and prayers, after Colin unexpectedly passed to the arms of God in heaven. The support we have had, and continue to have, is so much appreciated and there are no words to express our gratitude. This has been a most difficult twenty months, and we would not have been able to experience it as well as we have if we did not have everyone's thoughts, prayers and emotional support.

We miss Colin dearly; there are no words that can describe our heartfelt loss. Several memorials have been made to honor Colin's loving and happy life. A beautiful evergreen tree has been planted near the playground and Colin's kindergarten classroom at Cook Elementary School in Grand Blanc, donated by the Cook-Mason Elementary Schools PTO. A really cool Kentucky coffee tree was donated to our family, by our wonderful neighbors, which has been planted in our front yard for all to enjoy. Each tree is donned with a plaque honoring and memorializing Colin's life. Our website, ColinsAngels.org, has been created as a medium to reach the general public to memorialize Colin's life, and to promote awareness about the illness that caused his early departure to heaven. (The tree picture and texts are the home page of Colin's website). We have formed the Colin J. Dembo Memorial Foundation created in Colin's memory. We feel so very blessed for the short time Colin has been part of our lives as physical beings. We look forward to being with him again when it becomes our turn to share heaven with Colin and our other loved ones who have passed before us. Colin has become our guardian angel and we feel his spirit with us every day.

The Foundation is a non-profit corporation, created in Colin's name, to benefit local, state and national organizations, with the mission to provide funding for donations in education, research of viruses and heart disease, and to promote awareness about viral myocarditis. For more information, please visit our website. If you do not have access to the internet, please ask someone close to you who does, to help you log on and visit the website. It contains information about Colin's illness, the Foundation's mission, and has many great pictures of Colin!

On Monday, August 27, 2007, the Foundation is hosting its first fundraising event, the First Annual Colin's Angels Golf Outing at the Flint Elks Club. A flyer is attached to this letter. We are asking for support from the general public by way of donations, participants, sponsors and volunteers to help us make this event a success! We have already received some donations, participants, sponsorships and volunteers from Michigan as well as both the east and west coasts, but we need more support. We hope to raise significant funds to help us promote awareness about viral myocarditis, donate funds to Colin's elementary school for class trips for the students, and to donate funds to organizations and laboratories to aid in the research for the treatment of viruses and heart disease. Please help support our nationwide cause to benefit the lives of people all around us.

This is a big task to undergo, and while we are starting out small, we can make a difference and we can grow just like any other charitable organization with your strong support. Please consider donating, participating, sponsoring and/or volunteering for our first fundraising event and become one of Colin's Angels. Please fill out the enclosed flyer and mail it back as soon as possible. As Colin's parents and godparents, we have challenged ourselves to do more positive things for our world in Colin's name, as Colin would have continued to do had he not passed so young. We look forward to your support to help keep Colin's spirit strong! Become one of Colin's Angels today!

"Be happy and keep smiling!"

With Love,
Mitch, Patrice, LuAnn, Jason & Colin

msd/md

COLIN J. DEMBO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION

www.ColinsAngels.org, Mitch@ColinsAngels.org

FIRST ANNUAL COLIN'S ANGELS GOLF OUTING 2007

MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2007

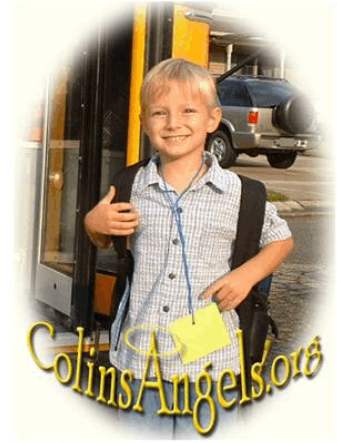
Registration 10:30 a.m., Lunch 11:00 a.m.

Shotgun start 12:00 p.m.

THE FLINT ELKS CLUB

7177 E. Maple Road, Burton, MI, 810-743-0730
(Maple Road at Vassar Road)

All proceeds benefit the **Colin J. Dembo Memorial Foundation**, a Michigan non-profit corporation established to benefit local, state and national organizations, with the mission to provide funding for donations in education, medical research of viruses and heart disease, and promote awareness about viral myocarditis. Sponsors, participants, volunteers and all donors become one of "Colin's Angels."



Sponsorship/Participant/Donations/Volunteers

18 holes of golf w/cart, lunch and dinner, prizes, contests and lots of fun!

- Team & Hole Sponsor _____ \$500 your company brings a team and is also a hole sponsor
- Team Sponsor _____ \$400 your company brings a team
- Hole Sponsor _____ \$100 your company name will appear in text at a tee or green
- Individual Participant _____ \$100/per person, bring your own team of 4 or we can place you w/team
- Beverage Cart Sponsor _____ \$200 your company name on the beverage cart
- Putting Green Sponsor _____ \$100 your company name will appear in text at the putting green
- Dinner only _____ \$30/per person for three meat buffet dinner with all the fixin's

Donations in Memory of Colin Dembo \$ _____ (donation enclosed)
(Please make all checks payable to: Colin J. Dembo Memorial Foundation)

If you would like to donate prizes for additional advertising exposure for your company or business, please consider either or both of the following; please fill in below the donation item(s):

Prize Donation: _____ Golfer Goodie Bag Donation: _____

Sponsor/Company/Volunteer Name: _____
Contact Person: _____ Phone #: _____
Address: _____ City: _____
State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Email: _____
Authorized signature of sponsor/company rep.: _____
Team players names _____

We MUST give a final headcount for golf and food on August 14, 2007

PLEASE RETURN BY AUGUST 14, 2007

Please mail to: Colin J. Dembo Memorial Foundation, 934 Church Street, Flint, MI 48502

For more information, please contact Colin's Angels at (810) 232-5678,

ColinsAngels.org, Mitch@ColinsAngels.org.

SPECIAL INVITATION

hosted by the Sustaining Members of the GCBA

to Genesee County Bar Association members, spouses, family and staff,
for a night to socialize with friends and colleagues

2nd Annual GCBA Art Show

Premier of Original Artwork from
GCBA Members and their Family
at the



Greater Flint Arts Council

816 S. Saginaw Street ♦ downtown Flint

Tuesday, October 9, 2007 ♦ 5 – 7 p.m.

Cocktail reception with hors d' oeuvres ♦ Jazz entertainment

Special Opportunity: Auction of selected items crafted by GCBA members
with proceeds to benefit the Genesee County Bar Foundation

*If you are an artist and wish to display your artwork, please contact the
GCBA at (810) 232-6012.*

SUSTAINING MEMBERS AS OF AUGUST 2, 2007

Nancy A. Abraham ♦ Richard M. Barron ♦ Tedd E. Bean ♦ Carl L. Bekofske ♦ Kurtis L.V. Brown
♦ George F. Brueck ♦ Orene Bryant ♦ Robert M. Chimovitz ♦ Bernhardt D. Christenson III ♦
James C. Dillard ♦ Craig R. Fiederlein ♦ Karen L. Folks ♦ Ronald L. Halby ♦ Clifford H. Hart ♦
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A. Streby ♦ Lynne A. Taft ♦ James J. Wascha ♦ Valdemar Washington ♦ Thomas W. Waun ♦
Kendall B. Williams ♦ J.D. Winegarden, Jr. ♦ Hon. Thomas C. Yeotis ♦ Trachelle C. Young

GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

2007-2008 COMMITTEE REGISTRATION FORM

If you would like to serve on a committee(s) for the 2007-2008 bar year, place a check in the space to the left of each committee. Fax this form by October 31, 2007 to the GCBA at 810-232-8310, register on line at www.gcbalaw.org, or mail to:

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Flint, MI 48502

PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY TO SERVE – YOUR CONTRIBUTION IS VALUABLE.

Committees

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ADR | <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bar Beat | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Circuit Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Law |
| <input type="checkbox"/> District Court | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Court |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Outing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Law Day | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer Referral |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Aid | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership and Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Law | <input type="checkbox"/> Probate Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Practice | <input type="checkbox"/> 5K Run for the BAR |

Name _____
(Please Print)

Signature _____ Date _____

Email Address _____

**RETURN BY OCTOBER 31, 2007
FAX TO (810) 232-8310 OR
REGISTER ON LINE AT WWW.GCBALAW.ORG**

Ad-Hoc Committees will be appointed by the president as needed.

GALSP

the association of legal professionals

August 2007

NOW IS AN EXCITING TIME TO JOIN “GALSP”

The *Genesee Association of Legal Support Professionals*' Board and members cordially invite the legal community to join them at their general membership meetings. Anyone working in the legal field is welcome and membership in our association is not a requirement to attend.

GALSP holds dinner meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m., at Little Joe's Food & Spirits located downtown Grand Blanc. All meetings are published in the Flint-Genesee County Legal News. Our next scheduled event is Tuesday, August 14, 2007.

If you are interested in obtaining more information about the Genesee Association of Legal Support Professionals, and are not able to attend a meeting, please contact our President, Vickie Beardsley, at 810-767-3600, or email at GALSP@aol.com.

GALSP BOARD

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AUGUST 2007

GALSP JOB CONNECTION

Are you an experienced legal secretary
or paralegal looking for employment?

Are you a lawyer looking for an experienced
legal secretary or paralegal?

If you are, then we might be able to help you. The Genesee Association of Legal Support Professionals is now providing a connection service to provide lawyers with the resumes of experienced secretarial staff.

If you are an experienced legal secretary or paralegal looking for employment in the legal field, then fax your resume to Vickie Beardsley at (810) 767-8776, or email to GALSP@aol.com. Your resume will be kept on file for six months.

If you are a lawyer looking for an experienced legal secretary or paralegal, please contact Vickie Beardsley at (810) 579-3600 and she will provide you with the resumes on file.

GALSP is simply providing a service to assist lawyers find experienced legal professionals, and cannot make any recommendations for employment.





GCBA FINISH LINE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Date:

Saturday, August 25, 2007

Arrival Time:

8:00 a.m.

Meeting Location:

Finish Line Staging Area near the
Mott Foundation Building



If you are interested in volunteering for the 2007 Crim Festival of Races please fill out the volunteer form and fax to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310.

Volunteer Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Number: _____

Volunteers please indicate your t-shirt size (circle):

S M L XL XXL

Additional Volunteers (be sure to indicate t-shirt size):

For more information please contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6012.



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