

Free Legal Advice Seminars For The Public

Five more free community legal advice seminars are scheduled at the Flint Public Library through May. Members may mail or drop off business cards to be distributed at each event. Thanks to **Lynne Taft**, **Shari Baran**, and **Julia Black** for participating in the December 2009 Child Custody and Visitation Seminar.

Condolences

... to **Hon. John Christensen** on the death of his father Cecil L Christensen. Condolences also to nephews **William Delzer** and **Paul Farrehi**.

Genesee County Bar Foundation—Thank You

... to **Bernard and Louise McAra**; **Hon. Thomas and Magdalene Yeotis**; **Hon. Larry Stecco**; **George Hamo**; **Timothy and Linda Knecht**; **Kathleen Buckley-O'Neil**; **Dennis and Claudia Karas**; **Ranae Ratajczak**; **Daniel and Linda Casasanta**; **Christine Gleason**; **Patricia McNickle**; **Wayne and Nancy Knecht**; **Mary and Dale Shaw**; **Sandra Applegate**; and **Gary and Jan Martin** for making a donation in memory of **Duke Parker**.

... to **Philip Swann** for making a donation in memory of **Hon. Philip Elliott** and **Nick Pappadakis**.

... to **Dean Yeotis** for making a contribution in honor of his father, **Hon. Thomas C. Yeotis** and for his contribution to the GCBA Building Fund. Dean is the Association's newest Presidents Club Member. Thank you!

68th District Court

Effective January 1, 2010, the 68th District court will no longer accept personal checks from the general public. The court will continue to accept personal and business checks from lawyers. Thank you for your attention to this matter. *Helen Davis, Court Services Manager.*

Address Change

Franklin Kasle has relocated his office to his home, 1204 Rocky Ridge Trail, Flint, MI 48532. Telephone: (810) 241-9928. Email: fkasle@comcast.net.

Barry Wolf has relocated to 503 S. Saginaw St., Ste. 1410, Flint, MI 48502. Telephone: (810) 762-1084. Fax: (810) 244-1650.

Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors

Thanks **Danielle McCluskey**; **Jonathan Hartman**; **J. Brian MacDonald**; and **Michael Rizik** for donating their Circuit Court Case Evaluation late fees which are placed in a restricted building maintenance account.

Calendar of Events

January 13th: Lunch with Larry. See enclosed flyer for more information.

January 15th: County Furlough Day.

January 15th: Family Law and Bankruptcy Committee Seminar. See enclosed flyer for more information.

January 18th: Courts & GCBA Closed. Martin Luther King Day.

January 25th: Monthly Membership Meeting featuring funny and memorable stories from GCBA members. Reese Stipes, Master of Ceremonies. See enclosed flyer for more information.

January 28th: Cocktails at Blackstone's Pub & Grill. See enclosed flyer for more information.

January 29th: Computer Seminar on Word and Excel. See enclosed flyer for more information.

February 12: Courts Closed. Lincoln's Birthday.

February 15: Courts Closed. Presidents' Day.

March 12th: County Furlough Day.

March 12th: Save the Date - Criminal Law Seminar. More information to come.



2009 Holiday Dinner

GOAL \$12,500
RAISED: \$16,153 (*as of 1-6-10*)

Thank you for helping us to meet and exceed our Fund raising goal! An unbelievable achievement, particularly in these difficult economic times. This is truly a heartwarming reminder of the generosity of GCBA members and our friends in the legal community. *Brian Barkey*

In-Kind Contributions

Brian & Doris Barkey; Helen Church; Joan Pierson; and Lynne Taft.

Santa's Workshop—\$500 donation

Jim & Janey Dillard; Philip Olson; John Siler; Michael Smith; and State Bar of Michigan Young Lawyers.

Santa's Helper — \$250 donation

Andrus Law Firm; Hon. Duncan Beagle; Philip Beauvais; Hon. F. Kay & Michael Behm; Howard Bueche; Hon. John Christensen; Cline, Cline & Griffin; Garan Lucow Miller, P.C.; Arthur Hurand; Mark Latchana; Dennis & Karen Lazar; Mary Lazar; David & Therese Leyton; Robert MacDonald; Danielle McCluskey & Dean Schink; Barbara Menear & John Nickola; Jack & Stephanie Neal; Tom Pabst; Plunkett Cooney; Shedd Frasier & Grossman, PLLC; Sander Simen; Hon. Larry Stecco; Timothy Hensick & Associates; and Waun & Parillo, PLLC.

Santa's Elf—\$ 150 donation

Jeffrey Clothier; Flint Council No. 29 United Commercial Travelers; Gault Davison; Joan Pierson; Randolph Piper; Judge Robert & Lynne Ransom; M. Susan Schneberger; Spender & Robb; James Wascha; and Roberta Wray.

Holiday Chef—\$100 donation

Anonymous Donor (3); Rex Anderson; Carl Bekofske; Sherri Belknap; Jeffrey Birrell; John Blanchard; George Brueck; Orene Bryant; Christenson & Fiederlein; Cooley, Moulton & Smith, LLP; Dawn & Ron Crichton; Lawrence Day; Karen Dearlove; Hon. M. Cathy Dowd; John Farah; Barbara Foley; Hon. Judith Fullerton; Dennis Haley; George Hamo; Henry Hanflick; Clifford Hart; Jonathan Hartman; Henneke, McKone, Fraim & Dawes; Hon. Michael Hluchaniuk; Roger Isaac; Jakeway, Jakeway, & Jakeway, P.C.; Daniel Jaworski; L. David Lawson; John Lukes; Hon. Mark McCabe; Erwin Meiers; Morrissey Bove & Ebbott; Randy Petrides; Gilbert Rubenstein; Robert Swartwood; JD Winegarten; and Barry Wolf.

Santa's Reindeer—\$0-\$50 donation

Deborah AdeOjo; Hon. Pete & Alice Anastor; Richard Barron; Celeste Bell; Julia Black; Blankenship & Blankenship, PLLC; Carolyn Boegner; Cindy Carty; Ward Chapman; Robert Chimovitz; Hon. Tracy Collier-Nix; Dolores Coulter; Carol Fallis; Hon. Joseph Farah; Denise Fish; Sherri Frame; Gregory Gibbs; Richard Harris; Herbert Herrick; Matthew Hornik; Lynnmarie Johnson; Matthew Karr; Byron Latter; Andrea LeGendre; Beverly Martin; LindaLee Massoud; Hon. Allen Nelson; Jane O'Dell; John Pavlis; Richmond Riggs; Jeffry & Anne Rocco; Richard & Arlene Ruhala; Timothy Ruwart; Stephanie Satkowiak; Robert Schaffer; Robert Shegos; Nancy St. Onge; Scott Stensaas; Teresa Sullivan; Lori Tallman; Anthony Tomaszewski; Anthony Vance; Michael Winterfield; and Hon. Thomas Yeotis.



In appreciation for extraordinary service and
donations to the GCBF/GCBA
Annual Community Holiday Dinner, please
support those who support our efforts!

“Lunch with Larry”

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

&

“Cocktails at Blackstone’s”

Thursday, January 28, 2010



Lunch With Larry
Temple Dining
755 S. Saginaw St.
downtown Flint
11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Cocktails at Blackstone’s
Blackstone’s Pub & Grill
531 S. Saginaw St.
downtown Flint
5:15 p.m. - until ?

No RSVP necessary – just show up. See you there!



BANKRUPTCY AND FAMILY LAW SEMINAR

A joint collaboration from the GCBA Bankruptcy and Family Law Committees
 Friday, January 15, 2010 ♦ Holiday Inn Gateway

FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2010

8:30 - 9:00 a.m. Registration
 9:00 - 1:00 p.m. Washington Room, Holiday Inn Gateway

REGISTRATION FEES (handouts and continental breakfast included)

| | |
|--------------|---------|
| GCBA members | \$25.00 |
| Non-members | \$50.00 |

Genesee County Bar Association Members: The reduced rate for this seminar is brought to you by the Genesee County Bar Foundation Louis D. McGregor Continuing Legal Education Fund. For more information, or to join the GCBA, call Ramona Sain at (810) 232-6012.

REGISTRATION FORM (form may be photocopied)

Registration fee: \$25.00 GCBA member
 \$50.00 Non-member (payment required in advance)
 Add \$15.00 for walk-ins

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Cancellations made within three days of the seminar will be assessed a \$10.00 handling fee. No refunds for cancellations the day of seminar or thereafter. No-show reservations (not paid in advance) will be assessed an additional \$10.00 handling fee.

MAIL registration form with check to the Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. **FAX** registration with credit card information to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310. **ONLINE** registration at www.gcbalaw.org.

FACULTY

Hon. Daniel Opperman
U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan at Flint and Bay City (as scheduling allows)
Carl L. Bekofske: Chapter 13 Trustee
Michael A. Mason: Chapter 7 Trustee
Tom DeCarlo: Chapter 13 Staff Attorney, Detroit
Barbara A. Foley: Chapter 13 Staff Attorney, Flint
Susan Root, Genesee County Friend of the Court

TOPICS

- The Nuts and Bolts of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 including stay issues, continuation of family law matter after the bankruptcy is filed, and bankruptcy timing issues.
- The Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 Trustee's perspectives.
- Preferences and fraudulent transfers and how these impact the non-bankruptcy filing spouse or former spouse
- Consideration in drafting divorce judgments.
- FOC procedures in bankruptcy cases.

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____

LOCATION

Holiday Inn Gateway Centre (810) 232-5300: 5353 Gateway Centre at Hill Road in Mundy Township, Flint, MI, 3/4 mile south of the I-75 and US-23 interchange. The Holiday Inn is a non-smoking facility.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Checks payable to the GCBA

Note the attached check # _____

Credit card information: Visa MasterCard Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Credit Card Account #: _____ Exp. date: _____ Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Name as appears on card: _____

January 25, 2010 Membership Meeting

Featuring

Beat the Winter Blues with “A Day In the Life of a Lawyer. . .”

Reese Stipes, M.C.

*With humorous stories by Hon. Jennie Barkey,
James J. Wascha, Hon. Nathaniel C. Perry, III
and Hon. Richard B. Yuille!*

Masonic Temple — Noon

Save the Date

for the following monthly membership meetings

February 22, 2010 ♦ March 15, 2010

April 19, 2010 ♦ May 17, 2010

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.

January 25th

CUSTOMER INFORMATION: *Please print legibly*

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Payment Information: Note the attached check # _____ Checks payable to the GCBA

Credit card information: Visa MasterCard Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Credit Card Account #: _____ Exp. date: _____ Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Name as appears on card: _____

MAIL registration form with check to the Genesee County Bar Foundation, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. **FAX** registration form with credit card information to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310. **ON-LINE** register on-line at www.gcbalaw.org. Telephone reservations are not accepted.

COMPUTER SEMINAR 101: EXCEL AND WORD

Friday, January 29, 2010
Mott Community College • RTC Building (map below)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2010

8:15 - 9:00 a.m. Registration and Light Breakfast
(Room 2016, RTC Building). Note: Food and beverages are NOT allowed in the Lab so please arrive early and give yourself enough time to enjoy breakfast.

9:00 - 12:00 p.m. Mott Community College
RTC Building (Computer Lab Room 2017)

REGISTRATION FEES (handouts and light breakfast included)

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| GCBA Member | \$25.00 |
| GCBA Member support staff | \$35.00 |
| Non-members | \$50.00 |

Genesee County Bar Association Members: The reduced rate for this seminar is brought to you by the Genesee County Bar Foundation Louis D. McGregor Continuing Legal Education Fund. For more information, or to join the GCBA, call Ramona Sain at (810) 232-6012.

REGISTRATION FORM (form may be photocopied)

- Registration fee:
- \$25.00 Member
 - \$35 Member support staff
 - \$50.00 Non-member (payment required in advance)
 - Add \$15.00 for walk-ins

Total amount enclosed: \$ _____

Cancellations made within three days of the seminar will be assessed a \$10.00 handling fee. No refunds for cancellations the day of seminar or thereafter. No-show reservations (not paid in advance) will be assessed an additional \$10.00 handling fee.

MAIL registration form with check to the GCBA, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. **FAX** registration with credit card information to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310. **ONLINE** registration at www.gcbalaw.org.

FACULTY AND TOPICS

Mott Community College Professor LindaLee Massoud

Word: Styles, Paragraph numbering, Headers and footers (including document identification and location), Autotext, Drafts and Versions, Master and merge documents (letters, labels, envelopes), Tables, Sorting, Table of Cases/Authorities, Table of Contents, Index.

Excel: Spreadsheet formatting, Formulas, Text/styles in a spreadsheet, Charts, Integration of Word and Excel.

~ subject to change and presentation time ~

CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Name _____

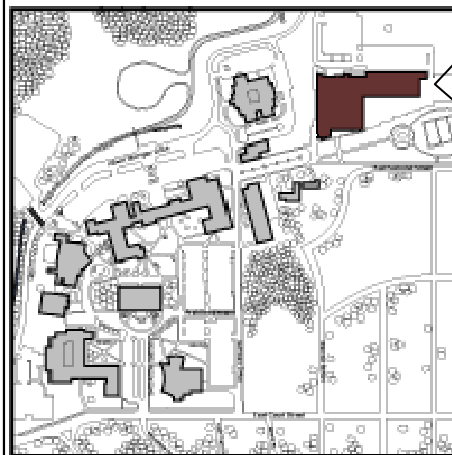
Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

LOCATION

Mott Community College, RTC Building, Room 2106 and 2107. The college is a non-smoking facility.



RTC BUILDING
From Robert T. Longway Blvd. use the NORTH parking lot and enter the building through the main doors.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Checks payable to the GCBA

Note the attached check # _____

Credit card information: Visa MasterCard Charge my credit card for \$ _____

Credit Card Account #: _____ Exp. date: _____ Last 3#'s on back of card: _____

Name as appears on card: _____

Notes N' News
A Little of What's Inside This Issue!



- ◆ Membership Meeting
- ◆ Seminar
- ◆ Lunch with Larry & Cocktails at Blackstone's
- ◆ Young Lawyers Lunch N' Learn

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

PRESORTED
STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
FLINT, MICH
Permit No. 125

GENESEE COUNTY
PROFESSIONALISM SINCE 1897
BAR ASSOCIATION
315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502-1611