

**Condolences**

- ◆ to **William D. Smith** on the death of his father Ervin Holland who passed away on December 30, 2011.
- ◆ to the family, friends and colleagues of **Robert A. Burchfield** who passed away on December 31, 2011.

**Genesee County Bar Foundation—Thank You**  
 To **Dennis M. Haley** for making a donation in memory of Myron Winegarden.

**Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors**

Thanks to **Peter Diesel, Brian Barkey, Robert Chiovitz, Jo Robin Davis, Steven Moulton and Ricky Carlson** for donating their Circuit Court Case Evaluation late fees. Donations are placed in a restricted account for long term maintenance of the building.

**GCBA Senior Attorneys**

The GCBA senior attorneys will meet on January 12th, February 9th and March 8th, 12 noon at Valley Coney Island, at Linden and Miller Rd. Anyone over 65 (retired or not) is welcome to attend.



**SAVE THE DATES**  
**UPCOMING SEMINARS**

- ◆ PROBATE SEMINAR  
**“HOW NOT TO GET IN TROUBLE  
 IN PROBATE COURT”**  
 FEBRUARY 8, 2012
- ◆ FAMILY COURT SEMINAR  
**“DIVORCING TODAY”**  
 MARCH 20, 2012

**Calendar of Events**

- January 13th:** Circuit and 67th Courts Furlough day.
- January 16th:** GCBA and courts closed for the M.L. King holiday.
- January 23rd:** Monthly Membership meeting featuring Barbara A. Menear, Administrator, 7th Judicial Circuit Court; noon; Masonic Temple. See enclosed flyer for more information.
- January 25th:** Viewing of 12 Angry Men at the Flint Institute of Arts. See enclosed flyer for more information.
- January 26th:** Young Lawyers Lunch N’Learn. See enclosed flyer for more information.
- February 1st:** Lunch With Larry. See enclosed flyer for more information.
- February 13th:** Circuit and 68th courts closed.
- February 20th:** Courts closed.



**34th ANNUAL  
 GOLF OUTING**  
 FRIDAY, JUNE 1, 2012  
 CAPTAIN’S CLUB AT WOODFIELD  
 SHOTGUN START 9:00 A.M.

**COUNTDOWN:**  
 142 days to 34th Annual Golf Outing  
 111 days to end of discounted golf package rate

**JANUARY GOLF TRIVIA CHALLENGE**

1. (a) Name the first sitting U.S. President to try the game of golf and (b) the year in which he did so. (Hint: What year did the first Genesee County Bar Association president start his term?)
2. (a) Name the first American born president of the PGA and (b) the GCBA President who was serving that same year.

[Submit your answers to each GOLF TRIVIA CHALLENGE by email to emh@gcbalaw.org within 14 days of publication. We’ll be keeping score over the next several months and announce the winner(s)!]



## 2011 Holiday Dinner



**GOAL:** \$12,000  
**RAISED:** \$12,507 (as of 1-10-12)

**Thank you for helping us to meet and exceed our fundraising 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**

### Santa's Workshop—\$500 donation

Larry Barnett; John Siler; Michael Smith; Tom R. Pabst, P.C.; and Danielle McCluskey-Schink

### Santa's Helper — \$250 donation

James & Janey Dillard; Garan Lucow Miller, P.C.; Roger Isaac; Barbara Menear & John Nickola; Plunkett Cooney; Temple Dining, Payne, Broder & Fossee, P.C.; Morrissey, Bovey & Ebbott, P.C.; Dennis Lazar; Jo Robin Davis; Philip Beauvais; and Cline, Cline & Griffin, P.C.

### Santa's Elf—\$ 150 donation

Darrin Andrus; Hon. Duncan Beagle; Kurt Brown; Hon. John Christensen; Cooley, Moulton & Smith, LLP; William Delzer; Flint Council No. 29, United Commercial Travelers; Gault Davison, P.C.; George Hamo; Brett Howell; David Lawson; Hon. Robert Ransom; and Spender & Robb, P.C.

### Holiday Chef—\$100 donation

George Brueck; Kathleen Buckley-O'Neill; Christina Burns; Robert Chimovitz; Christenson & Fiederlein, P.C.; Hon. Joseph Farah; Gregory Gibbs; Richard Harris; Clifford Hart; Hon. Michael Hluchaniuk; John Lukes; Hon. Mark McCabe; Erwin Meiers, III; Thomas Mitchell; Richard Morley Barron; Hon. Allen J. Nelson; Randall Petrides; Joan Pierson; Linda Pohly; Theresa Schurman; Robert Segar; Lynne Taft; Michael Tesner; Paul Watson; J. D. Winegarden; and John Wright.

### Santa's Reindeer—\$0-\$50 donation

Deborah AdeOjo; Rex Anderson; Carl Bekofske; Julia Black; Blankenship & Blankenship; Carolyn Boegner; Heather Burnash; Dolores Coulter; Carol Fallis; Sheila Farr; Denise Fish; Sherri Frame; Jeffrey Himelhoch; Mary Hood; Jakeway, Jakeway & Jake-way; Lynnmarie Johnson; Matthew Karr; Byron Latter; Andrea LeGendre; Beverly Martin; LindaLee Massoud; Tracey Merithew; Jill Nylander; Jane O'Dell; Tricia Raymond Ponsetto; Richmond Riggs; Jeffry Rocco; Richard Ruhala; Dawn Scharer; Scott Stensaas; John Streby; Teresa Sullivan; Lori Tallman; A.J. Tomaszewski; Anthony Vance; and Hon. Thomas Yeotis.

### In-Kind Contributions

Brian Barkey; Diane Bayeh; Helen Church; and LindaLee Massoud.



# GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP MEETING

JANUARY 23, 2012

featuring

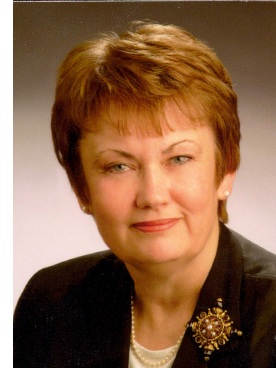
**BARBARA A. MENEAR**

ADMINISTRATOR

7TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

on

“ADMINISTRATION, THE DEFENDER PROGRAM  
AND THINGS”



MASONIC TEMPLE ♦ 12 NOON

FEBRUARY 27, 2012

featuring

**COMMANDER PHILIP HART,**

MICHIGAN STATE POLICE

on

“MICHIGAN STATE POLICE WITHIN THE  
CITY OF FLINT”



MASONIC TEMPLE ♦ 12 NOON

**CUSTOMER INFORMATION:** Please print legibly

January 23rd    Sustaining Member - Free    GCBA Member - \$10    Non-member - \$15  
 February 27th   **\*\*\*\$15 for walk-ins. Unpaid no-shows will be billed \$15.\*\*\***

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: \_\_\_\_\_

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**MAIL** registration form with check to the Genesee County Bar Association, 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](http://www.gcbalaw.org). **Telephone reservations are not accepted.**

GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

— presents a private showing of —

# 12 ANGRY MEN

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2012

FLINT INSTITUTE OF ARTS

1120 East Kearsley Street, Flint

5:15-6:15 p.m.

Cocktail reception with hors d'oeuvres.

Browse the facility. Entire gallery will

be available for viewing.

6:15-6:30 p.m.

Movie review

6:30 p.m.

Showing of *12 Angry Men*



Tickets \$10 (tickets will be held at the door)

All proceeds will benefit the Genesee County Bar Foundation

Co-Sponsors:

Genesee County Bar Foundation

Yeo & Yeo, P.C.

Centennial American Inns of Court

Flint Trial Lawyers

Mallory, VanDyne, Scott Bar Association

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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# Young Lawyers Lunch N' Learn Series

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featuring

**Jack Battles**  
**Friend of the Court Administrator**

on

**“Friend of the Court and Child Support”**



**Thursday, January 26, 2012 ♦ 12 noon**

at the

**Genesee County Bar Association**

315 E. Court St. ♦ Flint, MI 48502

Lunch will be provided

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Open to attorneys with five or fewer years of practice, or those under the age of 35. Reservations are absolutely required. Luncheon cost is \$5, non-members \$10. Unpaid no-shows will be billed \$10. Thanks to the GCBF MacGregor Fund for underwriting some of the costs related to the luncheon.

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**CUSTOMER INFORMATION:** *Please print legibly*

Jan. 26th

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment Information:     I will pay at the door     Note the attached check # \_\_\_\_\_    Checks payable to the GCBA

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

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DECEMBER  
TWENTY-EIGHTH  
2011

To My Colleagues Of The Bench And Bar of Genesee County:

It is difficult to grasp the fact that 44 years have passed since I took our common oath of office in the Genesee County Court-house and began the practice of law with Morrie and Michael Pelavin in the Phoenix Building. Now, the only thing that has been there longer than I have is the building itself! Ecclesiastes (3:1) teaches that, ***“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.”*** For many reasons, the time has come for me to begin the transition from a full time active legal practice to the lesser stresses of a limited practice, doing those things that I enjoy the most.

Effective January 1, 2012, I am closing my office in the Phoenix Building. I ask you to take note of my new letterhead and change your records accordingly. I am taking this action with the myriad of mixed emotions that you would expect and there are a few thoughts I am compelled to share with you on this occasion.

Having tried cases throughout the State of Michigan and at every court level from the Justice of the Peace to the Supreme Court, it is my objective opinion that there is no finer group of men and women than the lawyers who routinely practice in our County. For the most part, our Bar is comprised of kind and decent professionals who care about the clients and the causes they represent. The multitude of good deeds performed by our Bar and its membership often goes unnoticed but the good works continue. It has been my personal and professional joy and honor to have practiced with all of you and I look forward to continuing those relationships.

The collective Bench in our County is as a whole the best I have seen since I began this journey as a lawyer. Whatever internal strife may exist within its membership, it does not find its way into the public forum. Our Judges are hard working, dedicated and caring men and women and while they are not always right (as every trial lawyer will attest) they strive to do justice. I am pleased to salute them publicly as I have often done privately.

While my new mailing address is indicated above, I will be relocating my physical facilities to 6070 South Saginaw Street, Grand Blanc, MI 48439, where I intend to continue to see a limited number of clients.

Over the past ten years, I have come to thrive on that portion of my practice devoted to Alternative Dispute Resolution. At this stage of my life I have found my niche in ADR in which I have been quite successful in assisting lawyers and their clients in the resolution of problems both before and after the commencement of litigation. I have been appreciative of and honored by your confidence in me and I continue to look forward to serving the Bench and Bar as a Facilitative Mediator, Arbitrator, Case Evaluator, Fact Finder or in any other such position. Additionally, I continue to be available as a consultant to my brothers and sisters at the Bar.

I want to thank all of you and your respective support staffs for your kindness, courtesy and, often, friendship over the years and I look forward to continuing those relationships. “May we go from strength to strength and continue to strengthen one another.”

Kindest regards,

EDWARD H. POWERS  
ATTORNEY AT LAW, PLLC

Edward H. Powers

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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, February 1, 2012



Lunch With Larry  
Temple Dinning  
755 S. Saginaw St.  
downtown Flint  
12 noon - 1:30 p.m.

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



# 2012 Genesee County Bar Association 34th Annual Golf Outing



**Friday, June 1, 2012 ♦ 9:00 a.m. Shotgun Start  
Captain's Club at Woodfield**

**10200 Woodfield Dr., Grand Blanc, MI ♦ (810) 695-5555**

**Schedule**

- ♦ 8:00 a.m. Registration  
Complimentary Driving Range  
Continental Breakfast
- ♦ 9:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
- ♦ Buffet immediately following outing

**Prizes**

- ♦ 1<sup>st</sup> Place, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place
- ♦ Hole-in-1
- ♦ 50/50 Raffle
- ♦ Longest Drive male & female
- ♦ Closest to the Pin male & female

**\$105 Price Includes**

- ♦ Driving Range ♦ Golf & Cart ♦ Continental Breakfast ♦ Buffet

**~ JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED DAY OF GOLF AND CAMARADERIE ~**

**Limited number of teams available: register early**

*Golf fees are not waived for members. Dress Code: Shirts with collars; no metal spikes, tank tops, gym shorts, cutoffs or blue jeans.*

**Register Early! If payment is received by May 1st you only pay \$95!**

**TEAM** (4 person scramble)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Captain)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**GOLF FEE**

\$95 p/golfer x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment received by May 1st

\$105 p/golfer x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payment received after May 1st

I cannot attend but would like to make a donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**BUFFET ONLY**

\$25 for buffet only x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**ADVERTISEMENT AND DONOR OPPORTUNITY** (May 18th: deadline for flag and sign advertisements)

\$125 tee/green sign x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\$175 embroidered flag x \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT**

Enclosed is a check made payable to the GCBA in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card Payment:  Visa  MasterCard  Charge my credit card for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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*Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or register on-line at [www.gcbalaw.org](http://www.gcbalaw.org). For more information contact the GCBA at (810) 232-6012. Early registration due by May 1, 2012. No refunds for cancellations made within five days of the outing or thereafter.*

**Register by May 21, 2012 ♦ Please support your local Bar Association**



# 2012 GENESEE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

## 34th ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Friday, June 1, 2012 ♦ Captain's Club at Woodfield

### FLAG & TEE/GREEN ADVERTISING FORM

- YES!** I will sponsor \_\_\_\_ embroidered personalized tee flag(s) for \$175 each, as a souvenir of the outing. Only 18 will be sold! Hole choice: \_\_\_\_ (first come, first served)

Name you wish to appear on the flag (you may use two lines):

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- YES!** I will sponsor \_\_\_\_ personalized tee/green sign(s) for \$125 each, as a souvenir of the outing. Tee/Green hole choice: \_\_\_\_ (first come, first served)

Name you wish to appear on the tee/green (you may use two lines):

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- I will donate \_\_\_\_\_ as a door prize for your outing. The value is \$ \_\_\_\_\_.
- Please contact me about donating door or golf prizes.
- Please contact me about playing in the outing.

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Business \_\_\_\_\_

#### PAYMENT

Make checks payable to the Genesee County Bar Association, 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. For credit card payment, which can be faxed to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310, please complete the following:

Visa       MasterCard      Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_

Last 3#'s on back of card \_\_\_\_\_

Name as it appears on card: \_\_\_\_\_

Account # \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or e-mail the GCBA at tyb@gcbalaw.org.

**DEADLINE: MAY 18th**



## University of Michigan - Flint Recreation Center

Discounted rates are available for  
GCBA members and families.



For more information contact  
Amy Clolinger at 810-762-3441 or  
<http://www.flintrec.com>

~A member benefit of the Genesee County Bar Association~

## GCBA Conference Room

The GCBA Conference Room seats 12 - 16 comfortably and is **\*free** to members. This room may be used for meetings, conferences, depositions, mediation, arbitration and other needs.

### Amenities Include:

- ◆ Television
- ◆ DVD Player
- ◆ Computer/Internet Access
- ◆ Dry Erase Board & Markers
- ◆ Complementary coffee, tea, and water.

For more information or to rent the conference room please  
contact the Genesee County Bar Association at (810) 232-6012.

\*A nominal fee applies to all non-members

