

Genesee County Bar Association

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April Notes N' News

2007

Election of Officers & Awards Ceremony

The GCBA Election of Officers and Awards Ceremony is Monday, May 21, 2007, Masonic Temple, downtown Flint, 12 noon; \$10 per person; Sustaining Members free. The slate of Officers and Directors are: President **Kurtis L.V. Brown**; Vice President **David S. Leyton**; Treasurer **Timothy H. Knecht**; Secretary **Karen L. Folks**; and Directors **Shayla Blankenship**, **Orene Bryant**, **Ridley S. Nimmo II**, and **Jeremy R.M. Piper**. Awards will be bestowed upon the Distinguished Case Evaluator of the Year **TBA**; the 2007 Herbert Milliken, Jr. Civility Award **TBA**; Pro Bono Attorney of the Year **James C. Dillard**; and 2007 Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award **Gregory T. Gibbs**; 2006 Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award **Robert L. Segar**.

Attorney Update

Brooke Moynihan has relocated to Joseph Auto Group, 16555 Silver Parkway, Ste. C, Fenton, MI 48430, Phone: (810) 750-4739; Fax: (810) 750-4008; Email: bmoynihan@josephautogroup.net.

Henry J. Clark, Jr. has relocated to 503 S. Saginaw St., Ste. 219, Flint, MI 48502. Phone: (810) 233-3939. Fax: (810) 238-5536.

Jeffrey A. Childers has relocated to 503 S. Saginaw St., Ste. 219, Flint, MI 48502. Phone: (810) 767-5836. Fax: (810) 238-5536.

Effective May 1, 2007, **Megan Barnes** will relocate to The Law Offices of Timothy J. Tozen, 901 Huron Ave, Suite 4, Port Huron, MI 48060. Phone: (810) 987-3970. Fax: (810) 987-3972. Email: mbarnes@lozenlaw.com.

New Members

Welcome new member **Clarke Allan Hagen**, **John F. Early, Jr.**, **Thomas Charles Wimsatt** and **Shannon Nicole Price**.

Case Evaluation Late Fee Donors

Thanks to **Ronald Haldy**, **Peter Diesel** and **Barney Whitesman** for donating their Circuit Court Case Evaluation late fees. Donations are placed in a restricted account for long term maintenance of the building.

Thanks

. . . to **Gilbert Y. Rubenstein** for making a donation to the Genesee County Bar Foundation in honor of the GCBA's incoming and past presidents.

Listserv

One of the outcomes of the Board of Directors strategic planning efforts was the creation of a member only e-mail listserv. We are pleased to announce this listserv is now available. Below is an invitation to join a general discussion listserv that is available to all GCBA members. You can subscribe any time at <http://lists.gcbalaw.org>

Law Day Donations

Thanks to the following contributors for sponsoring student Law Day lunches: **Nancy Abraham**; **Sherri Belknap**; **Carolyn Boegner**; **George Brueck**; **Orene Bryant**; **Howard Bueche**; **Clay Carter**; **Ward Chapman**; **Darryl Chimko**; **Christenson & Fiederlein, P.C.**; **Dolores Coulter**; **Carol Fallis**; **John Folts**; **Arthur Hurand**; **Michael Kelly**; **John Lukes**; **Robert MacDonald**; **Fred Meiers**; **Tracey Merithew**; **Richard Ruhala**; **Hon. Larry Stecco**; **Tess Sullivan**; and **Lynne Taft**. In order to avoid a shortfall, the Law Day Committee is in need of an additional \$500 to cover expenses for student luncheons.

68th District Court Attorney Window

GCBA District Court Committee Chairman Jeremy Piper is pleased to announce that the 68th District Court Administration Department has agreed to designate an Attorney window for filings at the Teller Department. The sign will read, "**Attorneys will be called first.**" The tellers will rotate working the Attorney window on a daily or weekly basis depending upon staff availability.

As stated by Paula J. Peterson, Administrative Services Office Manager, "*It is our hope that this process will make the interaction with 68th District Court a more pleasant and efficient experience for the Attorneys that serve our community.*"

Notes N' News by Email

More than 100 members have signed up to receive Notes N' News by email. Sign up at www.gcbalaw.org to add your name to the list.

Condolences

. . . to **Greg Meihn** on the death of his mother, Betty J. Meihn.

. . . to **William Cavanaugh** on the death of his mother, Lona Cavanaugh.

. . . to **James and Suzanne Cole** on the death of his mother-in-law, Wanda Miller.

. . . to **George Rizik** and **Michael Rizik** and on the death of their father, Michael Rizik Sr. Thanks to **Judge Robert & Mrs. Lynne Ransom** for making a donation to the Foundation in memory of Mr. Rizik.

Yeotis Lifetime Achievement Tribute

On Tuesday, May 15, 2007, the Honorable Thomas C. Yeotis will be honored with a Lifetime Achievement Tribute hosted by the Centennial American Inns of Court on behalf of the Genesee County Bar Foundation at the Flint Golf Club. Invitations have already been mailed. The deadline for registration is May 8th with advanced registration only! A program advertising booklet is available and advertising content is due by April 27th. The front inside cover and the back outside cover have already been sold. Detailed information is enclosed.

Calendar of Events

April

- 16 Monthly Membership Meeting featuring Hon. Jessica R. Cooper of the Michigan Court of Appeals; 12:00 noon; Masonic Temple, downtown Flint.
- 18 Probate Committee meeting; 12:00 noon; GCBA.
- 23 Criminal Law Seminar. Flyer enclosed.

May

- 1 GCBA 5K Run/Walk Committee meeting; 12:15 p.m.; Milliken Mediation Room.
- 4 Law Day Luncheon; 11:30 a.m.; Masonic Temple, downtown Flint.
- 4 Law Day Mock Trial, 1:00 p.m., Genesee County Circuit Court.
- 7 Criminal Law Seminar; detailed flyer enclosed.
- 10 GCBA Senior Attorneys meeting; 12 noon; Valley Coney Island; no RSVP needed.
- 15 Lifetime Tribute honoring Hon. Thomas C. Yeotis, 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. at the Flint Golf Club.
- 21 Monthly Membership Meeting featuring the Election of Officers & Directors, and Awards Ceremony, 12 noon; Masonic Temple, downtown Flint. See enclosed flyer for additional information.
- 28 Courts and GCBA closed.
- 30 GCBA 5K Run/Walk Committee meeting; 12:15 p.m.; Milliken Mediation Room.

April Membership Meeting

featuring

Hon. Jessica R. Cooper
Michigan Court of Appeals

Monday, April 16, 2007 ♦ Masonic Temple - 12 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) _____

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Criminal Law Lunch Break Seminar
Monday, April 23, 2007
Jury Room ♦ Genesee County Circuit Court
12 noon – 1:30 p.m.

“Sentencing Alternatives”

Speakers

12:00 – 12:30 p.m.	Mark Jagos: Pretrial Services
12:30 – 12:45 p.m.	Diane Milton: Drug Court
12:45 – 1:00 p.m.	Janice Buchannan: Jail Work Release
1:00 – 1:30 p.m.	Debra Quinlan, Probation

An early R.S.V.P. would be appreciated. Luncheon \$5.00.

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LAW DAY 2007



Theme: *Empowering Youth, Assuring Democracy*

Donations are needed to sponsor student meals for the Law Day luncheon on Friday, May 4, 2007. A modest gift of \$15.00-\$20.00 or more would very much be appreciated and will cover the cost of one student.

Luncheon & Awards Ceremony

featuring

Vertigo Productions

vignette of

"To Kill A Mockingbird"

Friday, May 4, 2007

Masonic Temple, downtown Flint
755 S. Saginaw St.
11:30 - 12:45 p.m. (registration at 11:00 a.m.)

Luncheon Menu

Chicken breast, twice-baked potato, california vegetable blend, salad, rolls & butter, punch, milk, iced tea, coffee & dessert.

Lunch \$15.00 each

Donation to sponsor a student

\$ _____

Walk-ins will be charged \$20

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Fax _____

Email _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT

◆ Check payable to the GCBA: # _____

◆ Credit Card: VISA MasterCard Debit Card

Credit Card # _____

Last 3 digits of on back of card: _____

Exp. date: _____

Billing address _____

***Ticket Sales Deadline: April 27, 2007 ◆ Tickets Will Be Held At The Door
Genesee County Bar Foundation, Activities Sponsor***

***Thanks to Bill & MaryAnn Reising and Lynne Taft & Jim Draper for
underwriting the cost of the Vertigo Productions***

Return to the GCBA at 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502; or fax to (810) 232-8310; or e-mail the GCBA at rls@gcbalaw.org. For additional information or special dietary needs, contact the Genesee County Bar Association at (810) 232-6012.

LAW DAY 2007

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Name _____ Phone# _____
Please Print

Law Day Lunch Donations

Donations are needed to sponsor student meals for the Law Day Luncheon. A modest gift of \$15.00–\$20.00 or more would very much be appreciated and will cover the cost of sponsoring student Law Day activities. This year we expect 200 students for the Law Day Luncheon. _____ Amount Enclosed.

Law Day Luncheon

Assist with decorations, registration and publicity. _____

Senior Outreach

Speak to senior citizens throughout the county about estate planning, durable power of attorney and many other important issues. _____

Mock Trial Attorney Advisor

Assist high school students with mock trial preparations _____

Teens & The Law

Speak to students, community educators and parents about legal topics. _____

Please select your preferences.

Consumer Issues

- Bounced Checks
- Buying a Car
- Consumer Protection
- Credit Cards/CARE Program
- Small Claims Court

Criminal Law

- Alcohol
- Drugs
- Forfeiture
- Gang Activity
- Graffiti
- Shoplifting
- Vandalism

Employment Law

- Employment of Minors
- Minimum Wage
- Working Hours

Family Law

- Abuse and Neglect
- Child Support
- Custody
- Emancipation
- Grandparents Rights/Raising a Grandchild
- Guardianship
- Teen Fathers/Mothers

Landlord Tenant/Renting a House

- Understanding the Lease

Rights and Responsibilities

Miscellaneous

- Babysitting Responsibilities
- Curfews
- Tolerance
- Settlements for minors

Constitutional Law

- Freedom of Speech/or Religion
- Racial Profiling
- Privacy Law
- Election Law
- Search and Seizure

Traffic Law

- Driving Impaired
- Fake Identification
- Operating Under the Influence
- Vehicle Searches
- Violations: lights; tinted windows; loud music
- Zero Tolerance

Fax this form to the GCBA at (810) 232-8310 or mail to 315 E. Court St., Flint, MI 48502. Deadline to respond is Friday, March 30, 2007.



Bankruptcy Seminar for the Non-Bankruptcy Practitioner

Wednesday, May 16, 2007 ♦ Masonic Temple
Registration and Lunch 12:00 - 12:30 p.m. ♦ Seminar 12:30 - 4 p.m.

- \$20 GCBA Members** (lunch and materials included)
- \$40 for Non-GCBA Members** (lunch and materials included)

TOPICS

- ♦ The Court's View, Bankruptcy overview for the non - bankruptcy practitioner
- ♦ Chapter 7 issues for the non - bankruptcy practitioner
- ♦ Chapter 13 issues for the non - bankruptcy practitioner
- ♦ Domestic relations issues in Chapter 7 and Chapter 13
 - ✓ Domestic Support Obligations
 - ✓ Continuation of child support in on-going Chapter 13 cases
 - ✓ Tax intercepts for domestic support obligations
 - ✓ Other property execution for fulfillment of domestic support obligations
 - ✓ Dischargeability of governmental domestic support obligations
 - ✓ Dischargeability of debt arising out of the Judgment of Divorce

SPEAKERS TO INCLUDE

- ♦ Judge Daniel Opperman, U.S. Bankruptcy Court Judge for Flint and Bay City
- ♦ Chapter 7 Representative
- ♦ Other Bankruptcy practitioners

REGISTRATION

An early R.S.V.P. would be appreciated. No refunds after Monday, May 14, 2007. Walk-ins will be charged an additional \$10.00.

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May Membership Meeting featuring Election of Officers & Awards Ceremony

Masonic Temple, downtown Flint ♦ May 21, 2007 ♦ 12 Noon
\$10.00 per person

Election of Officers & Board of Directors
President Kurtis L.V. Brown 2008
Vice President David S. Leyton 2008
Treasurer Timothy H. Knecht 2008
Secretary Karen L. Folks 2008
Director Shayla Blankenship 2010
Director Orene Bryant 2010
Director Ridley S. Nimmo II 2010
Director Jeremy R.M. Piper 2010

Herbert Milliken Jr., Civility of the Year Award TBA
Distinguished Case Evaluator of the Year TBA
Pro Bono Attorney of the Year
James C. Dillard
Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award
Gregory T. Gibbs
2006 Jerome F. O'Rourke Advocacy Award
Robert L. Segar

Terms begin July 1, 2007 and expire the year listed.

NOTE: The lunch is FREE for Sustaining Members. No refunds after May 17, 2007.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone _____

of tickets _____ Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

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GCBA 5K Run for the BAR

Volunteer Opportunities



Volunteer Name _____ Phone# _____

Please Print

Email Address: _____

VOLUNTEERS PLEASE INDICATE YOUR SHIRT SIZE (Circle) S M L XL XXL

RACE DAY: Friday, June 15, 2007

(time includes 30 minute orientation)

- | | | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Deliver supplies | 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. | (4 volunteers needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Picnic | 2:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. | (10 volunteers needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Office volunteers & finish line | 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | (10 volunteers needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Course volunteers | 5:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. | (20 volunteers needed) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Clean-up | 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. | (10 volunteers needed) |

Note: Volunteers can check off more than one time slot.

Event Sponsor Opportunities

- \$350.00 Supreme Court Sponsors**

 - ◆ Logo on t-shirt sleeve: limited to 2 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 2 race entries ◆ 2 t-shirts
- ◆ **\$250.00 Court of Appeals Sponsors**

 - ◆ Larger name printed on top back of t-shirt (imprint area: approx 4.5" x 2"): limited to 3 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 2 race entries ◆ 2 t-shirts
- ◆ **\$200.00 Circuit Court Sponsors**

 - ◆ Name printed on back of t-shirt (imprint area: approx 1" x 3"): limited to 7 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 2 race entries ◆ 2 t-shirts
- ◆ **\$150.00 Post Race Party Sponsor**

 - ◆ Name printed on banner: limited to 3 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 2 race entries ◆ 2 t-shirts
- ◆ **\$100.00 Finish Line Refreshment Sponsor**

 - ◆ Name printed on race-day refreshment sign: limited to 10 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 1 race entry ◆ 1 t-shirt
- ◆ **\$ 50.00 Water Station Sponsor**

 - ◆ Name printed on race-day water station sign: limited to 10 donors
 - ◆ Listing in *Bar Beat* ◆ 1 race entry ◆ 1 t-shirt

Sponsor Name _____ Phone# _____

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