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# **President's Note**

Welcome to the 2012-2013 season of the Washington County Bar Association. Lawyers associated for justice, service, professionalism, education, mentoring, social interaction and leadership for our members and our community.

Our last event was the June 13, Wine Event at the Oak Knoll Winery which was a lovely success. We had wine as well as



other beverages available to accompany the appetizers for those in attendance. It was especially nice to have live entertainment provided by the Crazy Chester Jackson's Ramblin Choirboys, Paul Vames, Pete Hamlin, Doug Jacques, Greg Clemmons, Cam Clitheroe. Who knew these guys were so talented! I was late to the event because of a flat tire, but thanks to President-Elect, Amy Velazquez and past president, Sharon Brown, who took good care of everyone.

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# WCBA Newsletter

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The Professionalism Award was presented to Laura Orr, Washington County Law Librarian. She really does a lot in our community to make sure we have the information and resources to do our jobs.

Last year's President's Award of Appreciation

went to the staff of the Washington County Courthouse. We know how important they all are in our justice system and how hard they work. Richard Moellmer, Trial Court Administrator, accepted the



award along with just some of the staff: Christine Ashenbrenner, Jury Coordinator; Estela Gutierrez, Domestic Clerk; Erin Larsen, Release Assistance Officer; Julia Rainbolt, Criminal Clerk; and Doug Jacques, Judicial Assistant to Judge Butterfield, was there playing with the band.



Speaking of staff, Washington County Bar Association lawyers and their staff were called upon again to volunteer their time to file at the courthouse with Judge Raines on the most recent furlough day, August 17. The half day filing crew included Laurie Zwingli, Kathy Hall, Sandra P. Naranjo, Patricia Clements, Nicole Schneider, Amy Velazquez, Sharon Brown, Merlin Wilkinson, and Kathy Proctor. Judge Raines instructed us on what we needed to do, and when the time was up he took us to lunch afterwards. We managed to get a photo of the

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group after lunch in front of the Venetian, none the worse for wear after the three-hour filing marathon.

Volunteering is a great way to contribute, get to know other lawyers, and learn a little about what it takes to keep the system moving. Keep your eyes open for the next call for volunteers.



Pictured left to right: Sharon Brown, Kathy Hall, Laurie Zwingli, Judge Keith R. Raines, Patricia Clements, Nicole Schneider, Sandra P. Naranjo, and Amy Velazquez. Not pictured: Merlin Wilkinson, Kathy Proctor.

#### **Election Results**

Amy Velazquez was voted President-Elect. During the next year she will be preparing to take over as President of the Washington County Bar Association in the year 2013-14. It may seem like a long time, but it is really just around the corner.... I know Amy will be an excellent President.

In other results, Becky Mehringer was re-elected Secretary for another two year term, Rebecca Guptill, is our new treasurer, and we have two new directors: Matthew McKean, and Simeon Rapoport. I would like to welcome back all of our other hard working directors: Sharon Brown, Nicholas Heydenrych, Kevin Luby, Elizabeth Lemoine, Arthur Saito, and Nicole Schneider. Of course we could not function without Julie Viner, our administrative assistant, who keeps everything running smoothly.

At our summer planning meeting, the Board brainstormed a schedule for upcoming CLEs, but if you have an idea for a speaker or topic that you think would benefit our members, please contact me. I am always available via email at <u>kproctor@proctorlawpc.com</u> and Julie Viner is available at wcba.association@frontier.com.

Our monthly meetings will continue to be held at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Tanasbourne, but this year we're trying something new. Everyone who shows up and pays for dinner will automatically be entered into a random drawing and one lucky person will win a FREE DINNER voucher for the next meeting.

> Sincerely, Kathy Proctor

Share Your News With Colleagues

Have you moved?

Changed your practice areas or firm?

Need or have a space to rent?

Have a position to fill?

Send your news and updates to washingtoncountybarnews@gmail.com

### WCBA CLE Series Planned

The 2012-13 Washington County Bar CLE series will include innovative and current topics in the law that will benefit all lawyers, new and old. The series kicks off on September 12 with Dee Crocker from the PLF with a CLE entitled "Employment Practices for Lawyers" which will cover issues in screening and hiring, pay issues, discipline, contract workers, and the well-known "of counsel" designation and what it actually means.

On October 10, the WCBA will present "Current Issues in Mortgage Foreclosures" in which experts will discuss the new mediation requirements that went into effect in July, 2012, the temporary rules for services made permanent in July by AG Ellen Rosenblum, and the Niday v. GMAC et al ruling from the Oregon Court of Appeals which also came down in July, 2012. Other planned CLE's include Basic Estate Planning with Judge Cobb, Court Practices and the new Washington County SLRs, Search and Seizure update, Virtual Discovery, and Animal Law. The cost for each CLE is \$15 for one credit hour, and we ask that you please sign up in advance with WCBA Secretary Julie Viner if you plan to attend a CLE so that we can provide written materials to all. However, we do accept walk ins as well! We look forward to seeing you there!

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# THE WCBA FAMILY LAW BENCH BAR COMMITTEE ANNUAL MEETING

The Washington County Bar Association Family Law Bench Bar Committee Presents its 2012 Annual Meeting

This meeting is open to all Washington County Family Law Attorneys

Please join us September 24<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 1:15pm at the Venetian in Downtown Hillsboro for lunch to hear reports from the sub-committees of the WCBA Bench Bar Committee to learn about what we are doing to improve family law practice in Washington County. Bring your ideas, questions and concerns.

> The Venetian Theater and Bistro 253 E Main St. Hillsboro OR 97123

Please send your pre-registration form and payment to:

Laura L. Schantz, Attorney at Law, Attention: Julie Viner, 3000 NW Stucki Pl. Ste. 230, Hillsboro OR 97124; phone: 503.466.9626, by Tuesday September 18<sup>th</sup> so that we will be able to guarantee space.

> Lunch Reservation (lunch includes pizza, salad bar and drinks)

Your name:\_\_

Number of attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ x \$10 = <u>\$</u>\_\_\_\_\_

(Please make checks payable to Laura L. Schantz)



#### WASHINGTON COUNTY KICK-OFF EVENT - OWLS

#### Save the date! 5-7pm, September 19 at the Venetian.

The Washington County Chapter of OWLS (WCWL) is off and running again. In celebration, WCWL will have a kick-off event at the Venetian in downtown Hillsboro on Wednesday, September 19, at 5pm. WCWL is pleased to announce that our keynote speaker will be Federal District Court Judge, Marco Hernandez.

#### WCWL is not just for women

The mission of OWLS is to transform the practice of law and ensure justice and equality by advancing women and minorities in the legal profession. Whether you are already a member of OWLS or not, this is a great opportunity to meet and mingle with Judge Hernandez and other lawyers in Washington County. If you would like to join, or would like more information, we are happy to talk with you.



#### Just Getting Started in Private Practice?

The Professional Liability Fund is sponsoring a practical skills seminar, Learning the Ropes, for new admittees to the Oregon State Bar and lawyers entering private practice in Oregon. The seminar includes information on developing a successful practice and avoiding legal malpractice, practical tips from judges and lawyers, presentations on setting up effective office systems, negotiation tips, and access to justice presentations.

Attendance at the full program will satisfy MCLE requirements for new admittees' first reporting period. The seminar will be held October 31, November 1 & 2 at the Oregon Convention Center in Portland. Your \$65 registration fee includes the entire Seminar and lunch on October 31 and November 1. Register early—the deadline is October 24.

All new admittees and all lawyers in private practice who were admitted to the Bar from 2007 through October 2012 will receive a registration flyer. If you were admitted to the Bar before 2007 and would like a registration flyer, it will be available on the PLF Website in September. To print one from the PLF, click on "Seminars under Loss Prevention," then "Learning The Ropes" to download the brochure/registration form in PDF format. If you do not have internet access and would like a registration flyer, please write, fax, or call DeAnna Shields, at the Professional Liability Fund, PO Box 231600, Tigard OR 97281-1600, Fax: 503.684.7250, Phone: 503.639.6911, 800.452.1639.

# Wednesday, September 12, 2012 CLE at 5:15pm Cocktails at 6pm Dinner at 6:30pm

The Old Spaghett i Factory 18925 NW Tanasbourne Dr. Hillsboro OR 97124

Please send your pre-registration form to: Julie Viner PO Box 912 Hillsboro OR 97123 Phone: 503.648.0300; fax number 503.693.9304; or via email to wcba.association@frontier.com.

Please register no later than September 7th so that we will be able to guarantee space.

Each month, paid-for DINNER registrants will be entered into a drawing where one person will win a voucher for a FREE DINNER at the next meeting.

## DINNER COST \$15 (PLEASE CHOOSE AN ITEM)

### **Dinner** Reservation

Name:\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_Potpourri Spaghetti Sampler (Mizithra Cheese, Meat, Clam & Tomato Sauces)

\_\_\_\_\_Spaghetti with Meat Sauce

\_\_\_\_\_Spaghetti with Marinara

\_\_\_\_\_Spaghetti with Mizithra Cheese

\_\_\_\_\_Fettuccini Alfredo

\_\_\_\_\_Baked Chicken with Steamed Broccoli

(Gluten free & Whole Wheat Pasta Available upon Request)

**CLE** Reservation

Your name:

\_\_\_\_\_Yes, I will attend the September CLE Number of attendees\_\_\_\_\_\_ \$15 for members, \$25 for non-members

# WASHINGTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION 2013 DUES

The WCBA is a local association of lawyers serving Washington County practitioners. It provides a forum for the exchange of ideas and for local bar members to voice their views on matters of importance to their everyday practice. Consider the benefits of low-cost membership:

You will receive the *WCBA Newsletter*, which keeps you informed (and sometimes entertained) on updated information from Washington County judges, various bar committees, monthly CLE Programs, social dinners and activities, the law library, etc. The newsletter is also an excellent and inexpensive place for advertising and classifieds.

- Discount on monthly CLE programs and materials.
- Discount on monthly dinner meetings with speakers or opportunities to express your views and become informed directly from local practitioners.
- Events and committees for relaxation, networking and socializing with your colleagues.
- Leadership opportunities and community service.

Membership Dues: \$75 per year (September 2012 to August 2013) (Note: new members have this fee waived for the first year!)

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