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Thank You LCBA Members!

The LCBA's October Social (Oct. 21st) at the Oregon Electric Station was an enjoyable, well-attended event. Thank you to all of our members (and soon to be members) who were able to attend and made this event a huge success. The next LCBA social will be the Holiday Social on December 10, 2009, at the Oregon Electric Station. We hope to see you there!

LCBA Luncheon

On Thursday, November 12, 2009, LCBA President Matt Longtin will be welcoming our new Oregon admittees (this time it will happen). Please invite any new admittees for lunch, and introduce them to the Bar. Lane County Circuit Court Presiding Judge Mary Ann Bearden will update us on the court's budget. Gerry Gaydos will join us to welcome the admittees. Lunch will be at noon at the Oregon Electric Station. The cost is \$13, cash or checks payable to OES accepted at time of luncheon; no credit cards. Please RSVP by Tuesday, November 10 to Jerry Pierce at Leahy, Van Vactor & Cox via email jlp@emeraldslaw.com, or via phone 746-9621.

LCBA Holiday Party

The weather outside may be frightful, but a cocktail party is most delightful!

Please join us for Wine, Beer and Hors d'oeuvres:
Thursday, December 10, 2009, 5:30-8:00 pm
Oregon Electric Station, 27 E. 5th, Eugene
Casual holiday attire

Please bring canned goods or nonperishable food to be donated to Food for Lane County.

LCBA Debtor-Creditor Section

The November meeting of the Lane County Bar or LCBA Debtor-Creditor section will be held Tuesday, November 10, 2009, from noon to 1:00 p.m. in the 5th floor conference room of the Wayne L. Morse US Courthouse. Susan Anderson of the IRS will be speaking. Information on the topic and on ordering lunch will go out by e-mail to the section's listserve. For more information please contact Robert R. Russell or Cassie K. Kellogg, section co-chairs, at Gleaves Swearingen Potter & Scott LLP, (541) 686-8833, kellogg@gleaveslaw.com, or russell@gleaveslaw.com.

New Committee Chairs

The Lane County Bar Association Executive Committee and Board of Directors would like to thank the following LCBA members for volunteering as committee chairs during 2009 – 2010:

Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee – H. Eric Watkins
Community Education/Law Day Committee – William Bromley
Computers/Office Technology Committee – James Olmsted
Debtor/Creditor Committee – Cassie Kellogg and Robert Russell
Employment Law Committee – Amanda Walkup
Environmental Law Committee – James Olmsted
Family & Juvenile Law Committee – Bradley Litchfield
Federal Court Committee – Lance LeFever
Judicial Administration Committee – The Honorable Mustafa Kasubhai
Law Library Advisory Committee – William Carpenter Jr.
Lawyer/Realtor Committee – William Bromley
Mentoring Committee – Kamala Shugar
New Lawyers Committee – Rogelio Cassol and Molly Danielson
Probate Committee – Lee Kersten
Program Committee – Kay Hyde-Patton

We truly appreciate the time, effort and dedication that you put forth on behalf of the LCBA and its members.

Domestic Violence Clinic 10-Year Anniversary

FREE CLE & LUNCH - December 4, 2009, 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please join Lane County Legal Aid & Advocacy Center, Legal Aid Services of Oregon and the U of O Law School in celebrating the 10-year anniversary of the Domestic Violence Clinic. To mark this milestone, we are offering a FREE CLE presentation and lunch on December 4th at the U of O Law School. The program is the first in a series of mini-CLE's to be presented over the next year, and this program will include the following:

- Access to Justice and Legal Aid, Erika Nordhaus, LASO Regional Director
- Relocation and Abduction in Family Law Cases, Pat Vallerand, DV Clinic Director and Prof. Merle Weiner
- Securing Appropriate Protective Orders for Your Clients, Judge Debra Vogt
- Ethics Issues and Red Flags for Family Law Practitioners, John Fisher

CLE credits being applied for will include 1 hour of Access to Justice and 1 hour of Ethics. Space is limited. Please RSVP to Sido Surkis at ssurkis@lclac.org, or 485-1017, ext. 150, by no later than Friday, November 20th.



Lane County Women Lawyers Second Annual Mandatory CLE Conference

Friday November 13, 2009, 11:30 – 5:00, University of Oregon School of Law, Classroom 175, 1515 Agate St., Eugene, Oregon. This is a fun afternoon with lots of networking breaks in a relaxed interactive environment. We have door prizes and a raffle during each break. The \$95 fee includes a boxed lunch and plenty of snacks. Panel Discussion on Child Abuse Reporting - 3 one hour Access to Justice Credits. Please Contact Mary Savage, Kernutt Stokes Brandt & Co. LLP, msavage@ksbc.com

Applications available <http://www.ksbc.com>

New Lawyers Committee Free CLE

Workers' Compensation Basics - On Wednesday November 11, 2009, the LCBA New Lawyers Committee welcomes Keith Semple of Shlesinger & de Villeneuve to our November CLE. Mr. Semple will present a basic introduction of workers' compensation practice in Oregon. Please bring your brown bag lunch and join us from noon-1:00 p.m. in courtroom 305 of the Lane County Courthouse for this free, one hour CLE. One general credit will be applied for. For more information, call Rogelio Cassol (541-484-7022).

Employment Law Section Meeting

The Lane County Employment Law Section will meet Tuesday, November 17, 2009 from noon to 1:00 pm at Hershner Hunter LLP, 180 East 11th Avenue, Eugene. This is a brown bag lunch event. For more information please contact Amanda Walkup, awalkup@hershnerhunter.com, 686-8511.

Holiday Fundraising Competition - Oregon Lawyers Against Hunger

Since its inception in 1997, Oregon Lawyers Against Hunger has raised over \$1 million dollars for hunger relief in our state. This year, FOOD for Lane County is asking lawyers to give where they live during the holidays. For every dollar donated, FOOD for Lane County can access and move approximately 5 pounds of food. In Lane County, more than 10,000 children live at or below the poverty line. Lawyers see how individuals, seniors and families are impacted on almost a daily basis. Please join this local fund drive competition if you are able to give. The fund drive begins on November 1, 2009, and continues through December 10, 2009. The firm (individuals can donate and indicate that their contribution should be credited toward the total amount raised from other individuals within their firm (or the firm itself)) that raises the most money will have their picture placed in a FOOD for Lane County "thank you" ad in the Register Guard. There will be a separate category, with the same opportunity, for solo practitioners. There will also be a certificate of appreciation for these two categories, presented by FOOD for Lane County on December 10, 2009. If you or your firm would like to participate in the holiday fundraising competition, please contact Kristie Gibson at 729-3266 or kgibson@levontis.com for a donation packet.

Announcements

Notice of State Filing Fee Changes - Circuit Court Filing Fee Changes Effective October 1, 2009. Legislative changes in 2009 that become effective October 1, 2009, will significantly change some court filing fee amounts. (HB 2287, ch. 659, Oregon Laws 2009). Before filing papers in a state court on or after October 1, 2009, please check the court's website or contact the court for correct fee amounts. Information about the fees and a link to a "filing and additional party fee calculator" are available on the OJD website. <http://courts.oregon.gov/OJD/>. A link to the local fee schedule (with local mediation and conciliation fees included) will be posted on the Lane County Circuit Court website. <http://courts.oregon.gov/Lane/> The court is addressing a number of issues involved in the implementation of the new fees. We thank you for your patience as we work through this. We will provide the bar with continuing information as it becomes available.

Melissa A. Bates has become an associate with the law firm of Hershner Hunter, LLP. She graduated from George Mason University in 2003. After working for a few years first in the office of Senator Ron Wyden and then in the Washington D.C. Government Relations Office of Nike, she attended the University of Oregon School of Law where she graduated 6th in her class in 2009. Her primary focus will be in the Business transactions and Litigation practice groups.

Adam J. Cohen has become an associate with the law firm of Hershner Hunter, LLP. He graduated from the University of Oregon in 2006 and the University of Oregon School of Law in 2009, where he was 5th in his class. He was the Systems Editor of the Oregon Law Review, which published his article "Circumventing Fair Use: How the Digital Millennium Act Restricts Fair Use and What to Do About It." Mr. Cohen's primary focus will be in the Litigation and Creditors' Rights practice groups.

New Associate - The law firm of Gleaves Swearingen Potter & Scott LLP is pleased to announce that **Thomas K. N. Moseman** has joined the firm as an associate with our Business Law Practice. Tom worked as a software engineer and systems analyst in the San Francisco bay area prior to graduating from the University of Oregon School of Law. Gleaves Swearingen is a Eugene law firm, serving Oregon and the Northwest since 1924.

Office Space Available - Beautiful, Professional, Friendly, "Turn-Key" office space available in downtown Eugene at 142 W. Eighth. Open or transfer your existing office [alongside several experienced practitioners] without the details of administrative staff, phones, copiers, faxes, shredders, library. Turn Key prices range from \$685.00 - \$900.00 per office and \$175 per paralegal station. We have no less than 7 offices ranging from 155 - 220 Square Feet [most with attached paralegal stations], 6 of which are contiguous and on same floor. Offices come with full reception services, telephone system, voice-mail,

ADSL access, use of 3 conference rooms, adequate library, break room, daily refreshments, 3 bathrooms (one with shower), and two work rooms equipped with copiers/imagers, facsimile machines, postage meter, and shredder. For more information or to view the offices, contact Donald R. Slayton - 485-4942

Contract Attorney - Experienced attorney available to do contract work, including work such as legal research, preparing documents, and litigation support. Experience includes almost 15 years of insurance defense and business litigation work. Additional experience includes work in medical malpractice defense, medical provider law and government law. Member of Oregon State Bar (OSB 810544), federal courts, Lane County Bar Association, and Oregon Association of Defense Counsel. Please contact **Lloyd Helikson** at 357-0923 (cell), or lhelikson@gmail.com.

Legal Secretary/Assistant Available for Part or Full Time Work - I am experienced in numerous practice areas and available for work either in your office or for overflow at my home. Very computer savvy and skilled in Word, Outlook, Excel, WordPerfect, as well as other software applications. Please call **Kathy Robertson** at 541.726.7183 or 541.954.7749, or e-mail to mkrobertson@q.co

Associate Attorney Position - DYNAMIC AND EXPANDING EUGENE LAW FIRM seeks an associate or lateral transfer level attorney experienced in litigation. Practice areas to focus on civil litigation, family law and creditors' rights. Any experience with creditors' rights is a plus as well as some client base to bring. Our firm has been repeatedly selected as one of the 100 Best Businesses in Oregon to work for and has prided itself on blending a high quality of work and life for nearly 40 years. This is an excellent opportunity to join a collegial, supportive firm committed to quality legal work. Must have strong academic credentials and professional references. Please send cover letter, resume and writing sample to Nancy K. Read, hutchinson, cox, coons, dupriest, orr & sherlock, p.c., 777 High Street Suite 200, Eugene, OR 97401 or email to nread@eugene-law.com. All inquiries confidential.

Law Students Available for Research Projects - Do you need some quick help on a research project? Consider hiring a University of Oregon School of Law student on a one-time basis. Please contact Assistant Dean for Career Services Joshua Burstein at burstein@uoregon.edu or (541) 346-3809 with information about the project. The Career Services Office would be happy to help you find someone.

Your Bar Dues at Work - Over the past three years, the LCBA board has approved several grants to the Lane County Law Library. The financial support has allowed the library to update and supplement its resources. Linda Falken, the county's law librarian, first approached the LCBA back in 2006. At that time the library's television and DVD/VCR equipment was aging and technologically outdated. A new audio-visual pack-

age was purchased which should be serviceable for another five years. This equipment is available for checkout to bar members, many of whom use it for trial. The cost is \$10/day, and includes use of the high definition flatscreen TV, DVR, computer interface and cable connectors, and a cart for moving the equipment around the courthouse. In addition to its demonstrative use in the courthouse, various nonprofit groups rent the equipment for presentations and training sessions throughout the Public Safety Building.

Lane County's library is one of only four in the state which makes CLE materials available for checkout. The CLEs are well used, as many members of the bar take advantage of this service to earn mandatory credits at no cost. At the present time, roughly 50 titles are available and include both the CD-ROMS and necessary written materials.

Since May 2007, the Lane County Bar Association has responded to the Lane County Law Library's request for financial support. LCBA is one of the Library's biggest supporters, with grants from March 2007 to October 2009, totaling \$5030.00.

Campaign for Equal Justice Report - Efforts have been underway in Lane County to raise funds for the Campaign for Equal Justice. Local volunteers on behalf of CEJ include: Merv Loya, Gerry Gaydos, Joe Richards, and John Gartland. As a result of our luncheon on October 6, 2009, initial pledges to this year's Campaign total \$40,929. Efforts are now underway to obtain pledges from those who have not yet given to this year's Campaign. You can do so by contacting the Campaign at www.cej-oregon.org. Our contributors to date are as follows:

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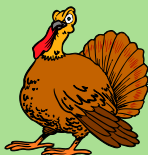
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Coming Events

- 11/4-6/09** **Learning The Ropes seminar**
- 11/10/09** **LCBA Debtor-Creditor Meeting**
- 11/11/09** **Bar LCBA Lunch, Noon, OES**
- 11/11/09** **New Lawyers Committe**
Workman's Comp Basics CLE
- 11/12/09** **LCBA Luncheon, Noon, OES**
- 11/13/09** **LC Women Lawyers**
CLE Conference
- 11/17/09** **Employment Law Section**
Meeting
- 12/04/09** **Domestic Violence Clinic**
Anniversary CLE & Luncheon
- 12/10/09** **LCBA Holiday Party, OES,**
5:30-8 p.m.



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