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Message From The President

Christie S. Cameron



Looking to the Future . . .

It is a huge honor for me to be able to serve as your President this year. I am especially pleased to be able to follow Nan Hannah's capable leadership. She did a fabulous job last year. She undertook an extraordinary task when she decided we needed to look at our vision, our mission, our bylaws and our policies. It had been years since we had looked at these items, and the membership has grown greatly since they were reviewed. It was not a "glamorous" assignment, but she tackled it head-on, and we will be the better for it.

Part of the impetus in looking at our organization anew was to reassess us in our current state with more than 2,200 members in the Wake County Bar Association, and more than 4,350 members in the Tenth Judicial District Bar. The Bylaws and our Strategic Planning had last been given a good overhaul when we were half our current size. The way we fund-raised for events, established office policies for our staff, and evaluated our facilities, our structure, and our committees all needed a fresh look. Nan

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Upcoming Meetings

LOOKING AHEAD: WCBA Meeting Schedule

January 4	Noon	Woman's Club
February 8	12:15 p.m.	Woman's Club
March 1	12:15 p.m.	Woman's Club
April 5	12:15 p.m.	Woman's Club

Please check the *Bar Flyer* to confirm the meeting location.

February

On Feb. 8, 2011, join us for our luncheon meeting at the Woman's Club. Our speaker will be North Carolina Bar Association President Gene Pridgen.

January Meeting

The January meeting of the Wake County Bar Association will be held on Jan. 4, 2011, at the Woman's Club. Lunch will be served at **noon**, and the meeting will begin at 12:25. Please note the change in time.

The program will be a return engagement (by popular demand) of the Honorable Lindsay Warren, Robert McMillan and Bonnie Weyher. Also joining us for this panel will be the Honorable Dickson Phillips. This very distinguished panel will speak of the implementation of the Unified Court System in North Carolina with stories about how the changes affected a practicing attorney at that time and the struggles within the legislature.

The Woman's Club is located on Woman's Club Drive (off Glenwood Avenue and just inside the I-440 beltline.) Please note that parking is limited. No parking is allowed in the surrounding private lots. Carpooling is highly recommended.

Please Note!

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Please note: If materials are received after the deadline, they may be published in a subsequent issue of the Wake Bar Flyer.

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got us into and completed a huge amount of the process, but there will be implementation and a little “clean-up” that will need to occur this year, and I am looking forward to seeing the tasks which Nan began come to full fruition.

The big task Nan gave me last year was to take the essentials from a Strategic Planning Conference which took place in late November 2009 and work with subcommittees to get the thoughts into a plan. With the help of a tremendous committee, we did exactly that, and the plan was approved by the Board of Directors at their August board meeting last year. The plan was divided into five separate sections, and I will briefly describe each section.

The first subcommittee, Finance, was led by Debbie Hildebrand. The goal of this committee was to guarantee the financial stability of the Wake County Bar Association and the Tenth Judicial District Bar by ensuring adequate resources are available to carry out the work of the organization. In their work on this committee, they looked at the ways in which our organization has fund-raised for certain projects like the swearing-in ceremony or some athletics events. They felt it was important to move from the fairly haphazard way in which we have funded the projects outside our dues revenue and provide more structured, “audit ready” additional revenue streams which would better benefit our various sponsors and our organization. We found that many committees have become fund-raising committees for at least part of their duties; many sponsors are solicited from multiple sources and at random times; and there are sponsors who would like to be asked to contribute to our various projects or events, who have not been asked. They suggested a Sponsorship and Development Committee be appointed to organize and coordinate the requests, the resources, the needs and the stewardship. We have not raised our dues in over seven years for the Tenth Judicial District Bar and more than nine years for the Wake County Bar Association. This new committee will work, in part, to help us maintain our reasonable dues levels.

Scott Hatfield and Mike Tadych chaired the Communications subcommittee. Their stated goal was to develop a communications strategy that incorporates effective use of technology to communicate with members and the community about the activities and value of the WCBA and Tenth Judicial District Bar. To meet this goal, their committee proposed continually improving

the *Bar Flyer*; undertaking a detailed analysis of the WCBA/Tenth Judicial District’s presence on the Internet and in Social Media, developing a plan for external communication to enhance the visibility of the WCBA and the Tenth Judicial District Bar, and developing a plan for enhancing communications with the membership. Implementation of their plan includes steps ranging from investigating outsourcing or hiring an in-house technology person, developing a media relations plan to promote events and programs, to reviewing the business plan and distribution of the *Bar Flyer*.

The Membership subcommittee was chaired by Ronnie Ansley. Retaining current members and attracting new members by enhancing and communicating the value of a WCBA membership was their goal. To reach this goal, they suggested improving the communication of the many ways in which a membership in the WCBA is a cost-effective, professionally supportive, business savvy thing to do. They also suggested ideas ranging from developing closer relations with the Young Lawyers Division, developing more programs for solo practitioners and struggling small firms, to setting up lunch dates on predefined topics for interested members of the Bar.

Eric Stevens chaired the Public Service subcommittee whose stated goal was “through enhanced education, outreach and direct action, increase members’ opportunities to serve the public and improve public respect and understanding of the legal system, the role of lawyers and the administration of justice.” Creatively, they suggested enhancing public education programs like the successful People’s Law School program and the Rule of Law Program. They proposed establishing a pro bono services subcommittee to facilitate the provision of pro bono services by Wake County lawyers. Finally, this active subcommittee suggested identifying and implementing new opportunities for members to engage in group community service projects and outreach projects to other professional groups.


The final subcommittee, Organizational Infrastructure, was ably chaired by Tom Davis. This subcommittee’s goal was to evaluate the administrative and operational infrastructure of the WCBA and Tenth Judicial District Bar to ensure they have the capacity to fulfill the goals including evaluating the best home for the organizations. They suggested creating a current facilities study committee tasked with

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developing a cost comparison between the Bar's current space and services agreement with the NCBA with the purchase/lease of space and services in the open market. They also suggested reviewing institutional processes like the financial policies, yearly calendar of milestones, activities and meetings and finally to evaluate the programs and committees of the Bars.

Now that the work of the Long Range Planning/Strategic Planning Committee is done, the task moves to implementation of the plan. Nan astutely observed that often the plans, once done, lay on a shelf undisturbed. There was too much good work done on this plan to let this happen, and Nan established a Strategic Planning Implementation Committee which will be chaired this year by Joey Propst and Gray Styers. It will include many of the chairs of these committees, and the main task of this committee will be to nudge committee chairs to fulfill their goals and to do some of the serious organizational infrastructure work suggested by that subcommittee.

We, as a Bar, are thankful to Nan and these committee chairs for their excellent leadership in steering us toward our next ten plus years. 

Bits 'n' Pieces

Local Attorney Awarded Fellowship

The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF) announced recently that 44 emerging American leaders representing 16 states and the District of Columbia have been awarded the prestigious Marshall Memorial Fellowship (MMF) for 2011. During the 24-day traveling program, fellows will develop extensive knowledge of political, economic, and social institutions and issues facing the United States and Europe. **Cynthia A. O'Neal**, General Counsel in the Office of the Lt. Governor, was one of those selected for a Marshall Memorial Fellowship for 2011 by the German Marshall Fund of the United States.

Thank You Great Committee: Great Teamwork!

The Wake County Bar Association Foundation Endowment Award and Oversight Committee would like to thank the 2010 WCBA Athletics Committee and the golf tournament organizers for donating the proceeds to the Wake County Bar Association Foundation Scholarship Fund. A check in the amount of \$2,753 has been deposited in the WCBF scholarship account.

Save the Date!

Members of the Wake County Bar Association AND the Tenth Judicial District Bar are invited to join us for breakfast upstairs at the Mecca Restaurant (dutch treat) on **Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 7:30 a.m.**, as the Lawyer Support Committee hosts a discussion on Planning for the Unexpected: Lessons learned from either the sudden loss of a partner (from illness, death or firm change) or the need to quickly close your solo practice. All Tenth Judicial District Bar members are invited to attend; topics will include planning strategies and coping with the stress and grief that may follow.

Memorial Scholarship Fund

Brian O. Beverly,
*Endowment Scholarship Award and
Oversight Committee Chair*

The WCBA Memorial Scholarship Fund is a means for individuals and firms to make donations in the memory of, or in honor of, WCBA members. The fund is used to provide law school scholarships for Wake County residents. The Endowment Committee maintains a roster of donors and honorees. Memorial gifts and honoraria are acknowledged directly to the families of the deceased or honored member. If you or your firm wish to make a contribution, please contact Whitney von Haam at 657-1572.

N.C. Supreme Court Library

The North Carolina Supreme Court Library is located on 5th floor, Justice Building, 2 East Morgan Street, Raleigh. To gain access to the facility, attorneys should provide their state bar number and photographic identification to the guard on duty. Employees of attorneys should present a completed visitor authorization form (see Library's Web site for this form) or library card. State employees need only show employee badges to gain access. Normal hours of operation for the facility are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Holiday Schedule

Martin Luther King Jr.'s
BirthdayJanuary 17
Good FridayApril 22
Memorial DayMay 30

**2011 WCBA
Luncheon Meetings**



Please mark these upcoming dates on your calendar. Except when otherwise noted, the buffet lines open at 12:15 p.m.; meeting begins promptly at 12:45 p.m. We hope to see you at each meeting!

Jan. 4	Woman's Club
Feb. 8	Woman's Club
March 1	Woman's Club
April 5	Woman's Club
May 3	Mordecai Park (Tentative)
June 7	Woman's Club
July 12	Woman's Club
August	No Meeting
September	No Meeting
Oct. 4	North Raleigh Hilton (tentative)
Nov. 1	Woman's Club
Dec. 6	North Raleigh Hilton (tentative)

Congratulations!

The following WCBA members were presented with President's Awards at the December 2010 meeting.

- Carrie Barbee
- M. Keith Kapp
- Marty Martin
- R. Donavon Munford, Jr.
- Ashley Matlock Perkinson
- Charles Putterman
- Alice G. Roman
- John M. Silverstein

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

MUSICIANS WANTED: The Poyner Spruill firm band "Instruments of Justice" (IOJ) is searching for horn players. IOJ consists of lawyers and staff of Poyner Spruill. Samples of our music are available on YouTube and Facebook. We would like to keep the band within the legal community if possible. If you or someone in your firm (lawyer/staff) plays horn or sax and would like to be part of IOJ, let us know. We have openings for tenor, baritone and trumpet. The time commitment is one Sunday afternoon every other month for rehearsal and one Wednesday night at Buku every other month for a performance, plus occasional other gigs for firm events, benefits, etc. It's great fun. If you are interested, contact David Dreifus at ddreifus@poyners.com.

**Interested in Serving
on a Committee?**

Contact Kathy Ruppert
at the
Wake County
Bar Association

657-1573

or

kruppert@ncbar.org.

Please note
Committee Sign-Up
Forms are available online
under "Forms" on the
WCBA website.

www.wakecountybar.org

Wake County Bar Association Directory/Membership Update Changes

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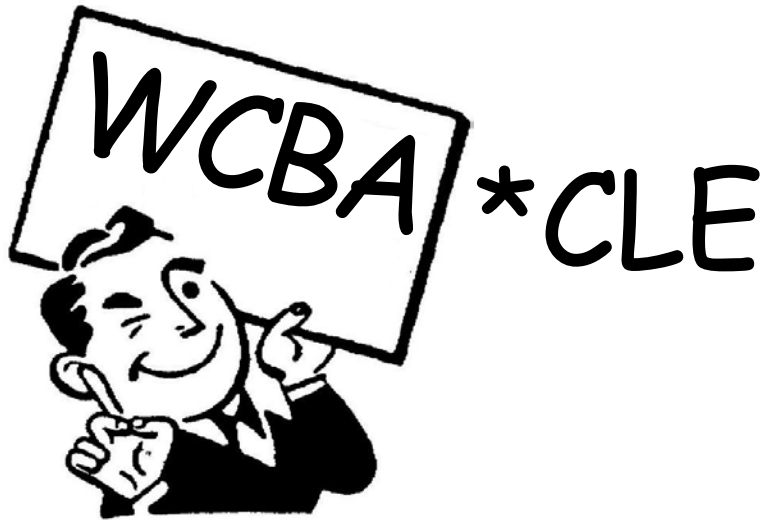
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If any of your "vital statistics" have changed since the latest WCBA Directory was issued, please complete this form and return to: Maria Dover, WCBA Directory Change, mdover@ncbar.org, P.O. Box 3686, Cary, N.C. 27519-3686 or fax it to her attention at 657-1564.

Please note that any change in your WCBA records will change your NCBA data records.

(This form available on WCBA website under forms: www.wakecountybar.org)



Criminal Law Update

Date/Time: Wednesday, January 26, 2011
5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Wake County Courthouse - Courtroom TBA

CLE Credit: Requesting 1.0 hours CLE Credit
Will qualify for General credit

Cost: WCBA members – Free
Non Member of WCBA – \$30 by credit card or check upon registration

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Awareness

Date/Time: Thursday, February 24, 2011
4:00 to 6:30 p.m.
The Healing Place, 1251 Goode Street, Raleigh

CLE Credit: CLE Credit: Requesting 1.5 hours CLE Credit
Will qualify for Substance Abuse

Cost: WCBA members – Free
Non Member of WCBA – \$30 by credit card or check upon registration

*Attendees are responsible for paying the State Bar fee of \$3.00 per credit hour, for which the State Bar will bill you.

To register for a CLE program, please contact Kathy Ruppert at the Wake County Bar Association, kruppert@ncbar.org or at 657-1573, with your NAME, STATE BAR NUMBER and TELEPHONE NUMBER.

Public Service Projects

Public Service Committee

Carrie Barbee, Chair

Michelle Cofield, Vice-Chair

Please consider the following requests for assistance:

The Capital Area Teen Court is an alternative sentencing program for first offender youth who commit a misdemeanor and admit guilt to the charge.

The Teen Court is funded by a grant from the North Carolina General Assembly. Due to budget cuts, however, the Teen Court received \$20,000 less than it needs this fiscal year to run its operations. One way WCBA members can help is to provide them with office supplies they would otherwise not be able to afford. Amy Hall, the administrator of Teen Court (856-5671), provided the following list:

- standard staples
- folders with pockets on each side with fasteners in the center
- paper clips (large and small)
- pens (Sanford Uniball)
- scotch tape refills
- printer paper
- colored/black ink for Dell 948 printer
- Post-it notes
- clear address labels
- colored/black ink for Dell Photo 966 printer (for 2 printers)
- manila folders (3 tab positions)
- Sharpie highlighters
- correction tape/white out tape
- legal pads
- pencils
- liquid paper

We greatly appreciate your help.

Assistance League of the Triangle Area

(ALTA) Thrift Shop (Antiques to Zippers Resale Shop) is located at 1689 North Market Drive, Raleigh, NC 27609. (875-8901.)

Shop for household furnishings and much more. Volunteers work to support Operation School Bell, WIN (Women In Need), KID'S PLACE at Wake Med (856-5671) and Scholarships. Many of these programs support family development. The Thrift Store is open Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. (ALTA accepts donated items and will provide receipts for income tax purposes.)

Guardian ad Litem — Volunteers are needed to serve either as (1) guardians ad litem, to investigate and advocate for the best interests of abused and neglected children in juvenile court, or (2) pro bono appellate attorneys, to either appeal juvenile court decisions or defend against appeals on behalf of the best interests of the children. If you are interested in option one, contact Naeime Livingston at 755-4120 or naeime.n.livingston@nccourts.org. If you are interested in appellate work, please contact Kurt D. Stephenson or kurt.d.stephenson@nccourts.org or visit their website at www.nccourts.org/Citizens/GAL/Default.asp.

YMCA Big Brothers Big Sisters —

Volunteers are needed to mentor youth ages 8–16 in the Wake County area. Training and ongoing support are provided. Required time is extremely flexible. If interested, contact Ruel Charles or Eva Hobson at 828-1140.

The RL Mace Universal Design Institute

(www.udinstitute.org), a Triangle-based 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to education and training in making the built environment accessible to all persons regardless of ability, needs the following:

- LCD projector
- extra computer printer (any make/model)

Tax donation credit available.

If you know of a community need, contact Elaine Whitford at 789-9315, or whitelaine@aol.com.

Attention Wake County Attorneys:

You may save a life or help improve the quality of someone's life. The Lawyer Support Committee has volunteers who are always ready, willing and able to help others. Don't put off asking for help for yourself or encouraging someone else to seek help from BarCARES, your Lawyer Support Committee, a mental health professional or a minister with your church or synagogue. Even lawyers have problems

Call BarCARES at:

1-800-640-0735
1-877-FYI-BART (statewide)
or
919-929-1227
24 hours a day

or call Whitney von Haam at the Wake County Bar office, 677-9903, for a confidential referral.

Tip of the month: Reward in public. Punish in private. . . . And remember, our BarCARES.

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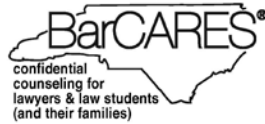
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Other Meetings

Senior Lawyers

Any Wake County Bar member who publicly admits that he or she is 60 years of age is welcome and encouraged to attend. Senior Lawyers meet the third Tuesday of every month (except June, July and August). Meetings are held at the University Club with lunch at 12:30 followed by a speaker.

For more information, contact George Anderson at 787-1152.

WCBA Breast Cancer Support Group Come Eat Lunch With Friends!

The Breast Cancer Support Group meets periodically at 12:15 p.m. at 42nd Street Oyster Bar (508 W. Jones St.). Anyone who is a Wake County Lawyer or family member is welcome to eat with us. We have camaraderie, compassion and confidentiality, and we always have a great lunch. Call or e-mail Cindy Wittmer (890-4171 or cindywittmer@parkerpoe.com) for information on the next meeting or to get your name on the e-mail list.

Wake County Family Lawyers

Attorneys interested in family law issues are invited to meet for dinner and discussion on the third Wednesday of each month. For more information, please contact familylawyers@rosen.com or the Rosen Law Firm at 787-6668 ext. 0.

Wake County Academy of Criminal Trial Lawyers

WCACTL provides regular e-mail bulletins on criminal law issues and legislation, judicial forum opportunities, social events and CLE for members.

Please join us the second Wednesday of every month for our regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the Oxford (located directly across the street from the Wake County Courthouse on Fayetteville Street). All members and those interested in joining are encouraged to attend. Dues are \$35 for the year. For more information contact Anna Smith, President, at 834-3790 or at www.annaesmithlaw.com for questions, membership or CLE information.

Collaborative Lawyers

Attorneys interested in or practicing family collaborative law are invited to meet for lunch and discussion on the first Friday of each month. Rotating location. For details contact Randolph (Tré) Morgan, III at 781-1311 or tmorgan@nichollscrampton.com.

Wake County Real Property Lawyers Association

The Wake County Real Property Lawyers Association meets for lunch and brief program on the third Wednesday of each month at the Cardinal Club at noon. Please contact Maureen Miller at mmiller@bridgetrusttitle.com for reservations and further information.

Capital City Lawyers Association

The Capital City Lawyers Association meets the first Thursday of every month. During our meetings, we conduct "Law Experience Seminars" and provide CLE opportunities. Please see a member for additional information or contact Dayatra Matthews at dmatthews@bdixon.com. Please visit us at www.thecapitalcitylawyers.org.

Wake County Chapter – Christian Legal Society

The CLS meets on the third Friday of every month at Pam's Farmhouse off Western Blvd. (12:30 P.M.). We have a "keynote speaker" (local attorney, clergy, parachurch organization leader, etc.) who gives an inspiring talk, usually geared towards applying faith to legal practice. To be placed on the CLS monthly e-mail or fax list, call Rik Lovett at 783-9333 or e-mail him at riklovett@mindspring.com.

Solo Women In Law

Women attorneys who practice law solo and are interested in networking are invited to a monthly lunch of SWIL. Lunches are held on the second Thursday of every month, 12:00 p.m., at Bear Rock Café, 7400 Six Forks Rd. (north Raleigh across from Celebration Shopping Center). For information call Jan at 870-1770 or Leslee at 846-6585.

Emerging Family Lawyers

Early- and mid-career family law attorneys are invited to meet for lunch on the third Friday of each month. Gatherings are informal, and discussion topics run the gamut from legal issues, to local rules and procedures, to building and managing your domestic practice in Wake County. For more information contact Jeff Gillette at 747-8290 or jeff@GilletteLawNC.com.

Raleigh-Wake Paralegal Association

The Raleigh-Wake Paralegal Association has its member luncheon/speaker meeting the second Wednesday of the month at 12:30 p.m. at the Holiday Inn on Glenwood and 440. For information on becoming a member or upcoming meetings, please go to www.rwpa.net. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact RWPA President Dianne Shackelford at dianne.shackelford@klgates.com or (919) 743-7300.

Editor's Note: If your organization has periodic meetings and you would like to "get the word out" to your fellow attorneys through the Wake Bar Flyer, please mail your information to Lucy T. Austin, Bar Flyer Editor, 3900 Merton Drive, Suite 158, Raleigh, N.C. 27609, or e-mail ltaustinlegal@gmail.com.

U.S. Supreme Court Swearing-in Planned

By Ryan Shuirman



WCBA members and families at the November 2007 U.S. Supreme Court Swearing-in in Washington, D.C.

The Wake County Bar Association and Tenth Judicial District Bar have previously organized two successful trips to Washington, D.C. where members were presented to the United States Supreme Court for admission. These events have been well-attended and have included ceremonies before the full panel of justices and historical events like Justice O'Connor's last day on the Court. Those members who have attended our past trips have fantastic memories of their swearing-in ceremony at the Supreme Court, the austerity and grandeur of the setting, and the opportunity to meet with the justices who have joined us following the ceremonies.

The Swearing-in Committee is now preparing to offer the event again. The WCBA has been allotted 25 spaces to present candidates for admission on November 14, 2011 in Washington, D.C. Applicants must have been in practice at least 5 years and

be in good standing with the North Carolina State Bar. For more details on the requirements for admission and the application process, you can visit the Supreme Court website at <http://www.supremecourt.us.gov/bar/baradmissions.html>. The WCBA Swearing-in Committee will begin accepting fully completed applications on August 1, 2011. The deadline for applications will be either receipt of the 25th application or September 21, 2011, whichever occurs first.

We are planning a reception at the Court immediately following the ceremony which, in the past, has been attended by various Supreme Court justices. We are also considering plans for a reception on the evening of November 13, 2011, as the group gathers in Washington, D.C. the night before the ceremony. Participants will be responsible for their transportation, meal and lodging expenses, as well as all expenses associated with the application process.

We again hope that this event will be special and memorable for all involved. If you have any questions, or you or your firm would like to sponsor events surrounding the ceremony, please contact Ryan Shuirman (rshuirman@ymwlaw.com; 919-835-0900), Bryan Brice (bryan@atybryanbrice.com; 919-754-1600) or Debbie Hildebran-Bachofen (hildebran@manning-fulton.com; 919-787-8880).



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WCBA Young Lawyers Division Upcoming Activities

YLD 2010 Quick Calendar

- Jan. 6** 6:00 p.m. YLD Social @ Tobacco Road Sports Café
Jan. 24 5:30 p.m. YLD Board Meeting @ Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog
Feb. 3 6:00 p.m. YLD Social @ The Big Easy
March 3 6:00 p.m. YLD Social @ The Oxford
April 7 6:00 p.m. YLD Social @ The Point
May 23 5:30 p.m. YLD Board Meeting @ Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog
Sept. 12 5:30 p.m. YLD Board Meeting @ Cranfill Sumner & Hartzog
Dec. 1 6:00 p.m. YLD Board Meeting and 2012 Elections/Location TBD

11th Annual WCBA-YLD Clothing Drive a Huge Success!

For the eleventh straight year, the Annual WCBA-YLD Holiday Clothing Drive was a resounding success, resulting in 350 large bags of clothes being donated to 13 different need-based charities throughout the Triangle area.

Numerous young lawyers from various law firms and state agencies conducted a clothing drive from November 22 through December 10. On Friday, December 10 and Saturday, December 11, a group of very dedicated volunteers met at the collection site to sort and bag the clothes. The bags then were distributed to a number of organizations serving the needy in our community, including the following: Haven House, First Baptist Church, Helping Hand, Durham Rescue Mission, Abbeygail's Closet, Brooks Avenue Church of Christ, The Healing Place, With Love from Jesus, Triangle Vineyard Church, Catholic Parish Outreach, Falcon Children's Home, Holly Hill Hospital and Vidas de Esperanza.

As in prior years, this project was huge success because of the volunteers, law firms and state agencies that donated their time, energy, and of course, their clothes. In addition, the project would not have been possible without the generous donation of facilities by Crosspointe Church located off Carpenter Fire Station Road in Cary. We are very grateful for their willingness to help such a worthy cause. In addition, we would also like to recognize the Apex Home Depot, which lent us a number of large flat carts for the sorting process, and Grand Rental Station, which gave us a discount on tables.

Also, a very special thanks to the following individuals who helped gather, sort and deliver the items on December 10-11—this is the toughest part of the project, and we couldn't have made it through the mountain of clothing without you: Tré Morgan, Jeff Bradford, Caroline Koo, Drew Hathaway, Parker Chesnutt, James Hash, Stephanie Gaston, Dennis Fairbank, Teresa Fairbank, Adam Fairbank, Alexis Fairbank, Linda Hawkins, Mary Kristen Kelly, Logan Buck, Pedro Koe-Krompecher, Alyssa Mazingo, Jennifer Haines, Joe Stevens, Victoria Bender, Max Lopez, Nick Lopez, Arun Singh, Sig Singh, James Stuart, Winnifred Stuart, Yvone Najm and Jina Jung.

We hope everyone has a wonderful New Year and look forward to everyone's participation in the 2011 clothing drive!

Thank you, Alice! And Welcome, Whitney!

The YLD would like to recognize and thank Alice Roman for all her hard work and dedication to the WCBA. It has always been a pleasure to work with Alice and her presence and leadership will be greatly missed.

The YLD is excited about getting to know the WCBA's new Executive Director, Whitney von Haam. Welcome, Whitney! We look forward to working with you this year!

Silent Partners Program

We are looking for volunteers in the Silent Partners Program. The program pairs a new lawyer with an experienced lawyer from the same community who can answer the new lawyer's questions about the practical aspects of practicing law. At the moment, we need some volunteers to serve as mentors. Anyone interested should contact Rebecca Redwine at redwine@hendrenmalone.com.

Board Meetings & Committee Participation

The 2011 YLD Officers & Committee chairs need the YLD membership's ideas and suggestions during the coming year! Everyone is invited to participate in our quarterly Board meetings, though an RSVP is requested since meeting space may be limited. If you want to attend a meeting, participate in any of our committees, or make suggestions please let our new President, Stephanie Gaston (sgaston@cshlaw.com), Secretary, J.T. Crook (jcrook@bdixon.com), or Treasurer, Nick Carr (ncarr@sc.nc.state.us) know. We look forward to a great 2011 and from all of us, Happy New Year!

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We Need Your Help

On January 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16, Campbell Law School will be hosting the Southern Regional Black Law Student Association (SRBLSA) Annual Convention. The SRBLSA convention will bring law students from nine states to Raleigh. Campbell anticipates 400–500 students will attend the convention. The convention will have multiple components including a symposium that will take place at the North Raleigh Hilton and a student competition that will take place at Campbell Law School.

As the host school for the SRBLSA convention, Campbell Law will be assisting the leadership of SRBLSA in coordinating the Moot Court and Mock Trial Competitions. Campbell anticipates a significant need for judges for these two competitions (in excess of 150 judges). Competition rounds in the Moot Court and Mock Trial Competitions will occur on January 13, 14 and 15. The heaviest need for judges will be on Thursday, January 13 and Friday, January 14.

Campbell is requesting that the Wake County Bar Association membership consider assisting in making this a great event for the visiting law schools and students by volunteering to participate in the event as a judge in the competitions.

If you are interested in assisting in serving as a judge for either or both competitions, please contact Keith Faulkner, Vice Dean of Campbell Law School, at Faulkner@law.campbell.edu.

Don't Forget

Keep your membership records up to date (including e-mail address). Call Maria Dover at 659-1441 or e-mail her at mdover@ncbar.org.



Have you moved or changed law firms? Do you have a new e-mail address? If so, please fill out the change of address form on page 4 and either fax it to the WCBA office at 657-1564 or e-mail it to mdover@ncbar.org.

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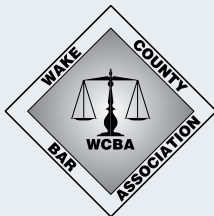
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