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Message from the President

Thanks so much to Lou Gasperec, Sr and Dennis Gianopolus for an informative and entertaining Real Estate CLE on "Closing the Deal" in March. From attorneys wanting to learn more about real estate closings to seasoned real estate attorneys, all had take-away tidbits.

PLEASE NOTE the upcoming JUDGES' NIGHT at Crystal Tree Country Club on May 1 from 5:30-8:30. There will be food, an open bar and

scintillating conversation. The guest of honor is our own Sixth District Presiding Judge, Marjorie Laws. Let's show her how we appreciate her in the Sixth District! Cost to attorneys: \$100.

I would love to see more of our membership participating in our monthly meetings and events....the meetings are open to all membership now. Help us address issues that are important to you, and particularly issues important

in the Sixth District.

More CLEs are coming up. What topics would you like to hear?

The ever-popular golf outing will be in August. Non-golfers can join us for the dinner afterwards.

-Debby Niesen

Judges Night

The Southwest and the South Suburban Bar Associations will be hosting our annual Judges Night on Thursday, May, 1, 2014 at 5:30-8:30 pm. The event will be held at Crystal Tree Country Club in Orland Park. This year we will be honoring Sixth District Presiding Judge Marjorie Laws. Tickets are \$100 and include an open bar and food.

Free CLE June 18

The South Suburban Bar Association will be having a FREE CLE on June 18, 2014 from 5:00 pm-6:00 pm at Flossmoor Station entitled "A VIEW FROM THE BENCH". Our guest speakers are Judge Tommy Brewer, Judge Brian Flaherty, Judge Elizabeth Hayes, and Judge Alan Murphy. Food & beverages will be provided.

Expungement Summit

Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, will be hosting the annual expungement summit on June 7, 2014 at Living Word Christian Center, 7600 W. Roosevelt Rd, Forest Park. Volunteer attorneys are needed to help individuals with the application, preparation and filing of their expungement. For more information please call 312-603-5200.



April 23, 2014 is

Administrative

Professionals'

Day- Remember

to take the time

to thank your

support staff.

SSBA Board & Members

Meeting

The next SSBA Board Meeting is **May 7, 2014 at 4:30 pm** at the Flossmoor Station. The SSBA general members' meeting will be held at the same time as the board meeting. All meetings take place at Flossmoor Station, 1035 Sterling Ave. Flossmoor. Scheduled meetings are as follows:

June 18, September 17, October 15, November 19

New SSBA Board

Member

A very special **Welcome** to the following new SSBA Board Member:

McStephen "Max" Solomon- is an attorney in private practice. His main concentrations are in Family, Immigration & Entertainment Law. Max went to Valparaiso Law School and graduated in 2012. He was the SSBA's Henry Gentile Scholarship recipient in 2010.

Upcoming

Events

May 1, 2014- Judges' Night at Crystal Tree Country Club: Honoree: Presiding Judge Marjorie Laws

May 1, 2014- Law Day at South Suburban College with an Appellate Court Argument 10:30-noon

June 7, 2014- Expungement Summit

June 18, 2014- Free CLE "View from the Bench" at Flossmoor Station

August, 2014- Golf Outing- date to be determined

2014 New Members

A special Welcome to the following new SSBA members:

Attorney Samuel Briones, Homewood, concentrating in Personal Injury Law.

Attorney Rodney Carr, Supervisor, Markham Public Defenders' Office.

Attorney Lashunda Cooperwood, Markham Public Defenders' Office

Attorney Toya Harvey, Markham Public Defenders' Office,

Attorney Kenneth Jenkins, Markham Public Defenders' Office.

Attorney Dolores Leone, Evanston, concentrating in criminal defense and traffic matters.

Attorney Arthur Willis, Markham Public Defenders' Office

Women's Criminal Defense Bar Assoc.

The Women's Criminal Defense Bar Association will be hosting their Judge's Night on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, 5:30 pm. at Pompei, 1531 W. Taylor St, Chicago. Private Lawyers: \$65.00, Public Defenders & ASA's: \$50.00. For more info and to RSVP: Susana Ortiz, sorfiz@kentlaw.il.edu

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Law Day

On May 1, 2014 at South Suburban College, you will have the opportunity to observe oral arguments of an actual case. Arguments begin at 10:30 at the main campus and will go till approximately 12:00. For more info, contact Jason Cieslik at 708-596-2000 ext 2579

Lawyer Referral Program Case Law Updates

Our lawyer referral program is accepting members at this time. We are in need of attorneys who specialize in Civil Defense, Labor Law, School Law, Real Estate Property Tax Disputes, and IRS Tax Attorneys. If you are interested, please contact Kelly Senn at 708-633-9700.

See document immediately following this newsletter regarding a brief overview of the Consumer Financial Protections Bureau's rule on mortgage disclosure and what led to its creation. (provided by Stewart Title)

About Our Organization

The purpose of the South Suburban Bar Association is to act on behalf of its members collectively, as their governing body and to cultivate the science of jurisprudence, to promote reform in the law, to facilitate the administration of justice, and to maintain a high standard of integrity,

honor and courtesy in the legal profession and the community, to encourage legal education among its members, and to cultivate a spirit of collegiality among the members thereof along with the benefit of fraternal, social and professional feeling and understanding, to

participate in civic community affairs and correlate and coordinate the activities of this Association with other Bar associations.