

Administrative and Regulatory Law Section

The Administrative and Regulatory Law Section is sponsoring the annual luncheon with members of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission on Tuesday, March 25 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, East Lansing. Come hear from the commissioners and commission staff regarding the latest developments in liquor licensing law. Cost is \$20 for section members and \$40 for nonmembers. Register online at <http://e.michbar.org>.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Section

The section has continued exciting forays into exploring ADR with governmental units this year. Contacts include the city of Inkster, Michigan Attorney General's Office, State Tax Tribunal, State Treasury, Wage and Hour Program, and Ann Arbor Transit Authority. We are also preparing a series of webinars on ADR topics of interest to many bar members. Contact Chair Toni Raheem at arlaw@sbcglobal.net with ideas for collaborating with the ADR Section.

Appellate Practice Section

At the January meeting of the Appellate Practice Section Council, members discussed whether to get involved with the petition challenging the constitutionality of legislation changing the jurisdiction of the Court of Claims to the Court of Appeals, and what points they could concur with if the decision was made to participate. The

council also considered House Bills 4064 and 4532 involving e-filing, which are now public acts, and whether to offer input regarding procedures.

Criminal Law Section

Save the date! It's almost time for the Criminal Law Section's 7th Spring Conference, which will be held June 6–7 at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth. This year's topic is forensic science. The conference is still in the planning stages, but more information will be posted in our newsletter and on the section's website at <http://www.michbar.org/criminal/news.cfm>. Questions? Contact Kenneth Malkin at (989) 895-4177 or malkink@baycounty.net.

Elder Law and Disability Rights Section

The Elder Law and Disability Rights Section will hold its 12th Annual Spring Conference on Friday, March 14 at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth. Register at <https://e.michbar.org> or <http://www.michbar.org/elderlaw/pdfs/springReg14.pdf>. Section council meetings are held the first Saturday of each month at alternating locations, and all are welcome. For more information about upcoming meeting times, locations, or the section in general, please visit <http://www.michbar.org/elderlaw/>.

Family Law Section

Less than 48 hours after introduction of SB 743 ("Voluntary State Bar"), 15 Family Law Section members survived brutal

weather conditions traveling to the section council meeting on January 25 in Lansing and unanimously voted to oppose this improvident and politically motivated legislation. All council members believe this proposal would dismantle the State Bar of Michigan, cause irreparable damage to our citizens, and foist an unnecessary burden on Michigan taxpayers.

General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section

The General Practice—Solo and Small Firm Section invites members to attend its council meetings held the third Thursday of every month at 6:30 p.m. at Sweet Lorraine's restaurant, 29101 Greenfield, Southfield. Visit <http://www.michbar.org/general/> for meeting minutes and agendas. We are also seeking member recommendations for judges to participate in an upcoming afternoon seminar, "Crossfire with Judges and Lawyers."

Health Care Law Section

The section is offering teleconferences on March 26 regarding IT contracting and May 14 regarding licensing investigations, and is working on a joint teleconference with the Labor and Employment Law Section. The Publications Committee is working on four major publications this year. The Legislative Committee currently is monitoring efforts toward revising the Public Health Code. The section encourages attorneys interested in health care law to view our website at <http://www.michbar.org/health/> for more information on section activities.

Master Lawyers Section

The Master Lawyers Section participates in the State Bar's annual Law Day contest, which involves students from middle school through higher levels of education partnering with members of the legal community. This year's theme is "Democracy: Why Every Vote Matters." For contest information, visit <http://www.michbar.org/programs/lawday/home.cfm>. The entry deadline is 5 p.m. on April 4. Richard Ruhala, subcommittee chair, is eager to hear from those interested in

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NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS AND PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO LOCAL RULES

The United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan publishes proposed amendments and approved amendments to its Local Rules on its website at www.mied.uscourts.gov. Attorneys are encouraged to visit the court's website frequently for up-to-date information. A printer-friendly version of the Local Rules, which includes appendices approved by the court, can also be found on the website.

participating in Law Day activities. Contact devans@mail.michbar.org and mention "Law Day Subcommittee."

Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

The Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section presented the February 2014 Shining Star Award to Ida Rose Farhat, ACP. Congratulations, Ida! Submit nominations for the Shining Star Award at <http://www.michbar.org/paralegal/shiningstaraward.cfm>. The *Michigan Paralegal* is seeking submissions. Contact editor Doreen Defauw at drae328129@yahoo.com. Mark your calendar for the next section Meet & Greet on March 7 at 6 p.m. at the Black Finn in Royal Oak. Stay tuned via the section's Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/State-Bar-of-Michigan-Paralegal-Legal-Assistant-Section/421047361287823>.

Real Property Law Section

The next Groundbreaker Breakfast Roundtable, "Leasing Boot Camp—Part II," will be held April 17, 7:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m., at the Detroit Athletic Club. Glen Zatz of Bodman PLC is program chair. The program will explore aspects of leasing real estate, focusing primarily on commercial leases, and provide a comprehensive overview of the more critical areas a practitioner needs to effectively represent a client—whether landlord or tenant—in negotiating and drafting leases. Register at <https://e.michbar.org> or http://www.michbar.org/realproperty/pdfs/groundbreakersApril14_reg.pdf.

Young Lawyers Section

The Young Lawyers Section's 7th Annual Summit takes place May 30–31 at the Lansing Radisson Hotel, beginning with a Lansing Lugnuts game on Friday. Saturday will offer a full day of educational sessions followed by an evening reception. The YLS also presents the New Member Orientation on Friday, May 30 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Attendees will learn about resources and benefits available through the State Bar and its sections. Visit <http://www.michbar.org/younglawyers> or <http://www.facebook.com/sbmlys> for information. ■



Meeting Directory

Lawyers and Judges Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous

The following list of meetings reflects the latest information about lawyers and judges AA and NA meetings. Those meetings marked with "*" are meetings that have been designated for lawyers, judges, and law students only. All other meetings are attended primarily by lawyers, judges, and law students, but also are attended by others seeking recovery. In addition, we have listed "Suggested Meetings," which others in recovery have recommended as being good meetings for those in the legal profession. For questions about any of the meetings listed, please contact the Lawyers and Judges Assistance Program at (800) 996-5522 or jlark@mail.michbar.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous Meetings

*Monday 12:00 PM

St. Joseph Hospital East, Bailey Room A
Parkview and North Streets
Mt. Clemens

*Monday 7:00 PM

St. Paul of the Cross
23333 Schoolcraft Rd., Detroit
(I-96 south service drive, just east of Telegraph Rd.)

*Wednesday 12:00 PM

First Presbyterian Church
321 W. South St., 3rd Floor, Room 301
Kalamazoo

3rd Wednesday of each month 5:30 PM

Texan Restaurant
5656 State St. (back room)
Saginaw

*Wednesday 6:00 PM

Kirk in the Hills Presbyterian Church
1340 W. Long Lake Rd.
(1/2 mile west of Telegraph)
Bloomfield Hills

Wednesday 6:00 PM

Unitarian Church
2474 S. Ballenger Rd., Room 2E, Flint

*Wednesday 7:30 PM

Westbrook Recovery Center
3210 Eagle Run NE, Ste. 200
Grand Rapids

Wednesday 8:00 PM

Sense of Humor AA Meeting
Michigan State University Union
Lake Michigan Room
(S.E. corner of Abbot and Grand River Ave.)
East Lansing

*Thursday 4:00 PM

Al-Anon of Berrien County
4162 Red Arrow Highway
Stevensville

*Thursday 7:00 PM

Central Methodist Church, 2nd Floor
(Corner of Capitol and Ottawa Streets)
Lansing

*Thursday 7:30 PM (Barefoot Meeting)

Maple Grove
6773 W. Maple Rd., Group Room 141
West Bloomfield Township

*Friday 12:30 PM

Detroit Metropolitan Bar Association
645 Griswold
3550 Penobscot Bldg., 13th Floor
Smart Detroit Global Board Room 2
Detroit

Narcotics Anonymous Meeting

*Monday 7:00 PM

St. Paul of the Cross
23333 Schoolcraft Rd., Detroit
(I-96 south service drive, just east of Telegraph Rd.)

Gamblers Anonymous Meetings

For a list of meetings, visit <http://www.gamblersanonymous.org/mtgdirMI.html>. Please note that these meetings are not specifically for lawyers and judges.

Suggested Meetings

Monday 12:15 PM

Lawyers, Judges, and Friends Meeting
Henry Ford Macomb and
Select Specialty Hospital
215 North Ave., Mt. Clemens
(Use main entrance off parking lot
in rear of building, then upstairs
to Bayley Meeting Room)

Monday 7:00 PM

Women Lawyers/Judges AA Meeting
St. Paul of the Cross
23333 Schoolcraft Rd., Detroit
(I-96 south service drive, just east of Telegraph Rd.)

Tuesday 7:00 AM

Antioch Lutheran Church
33360 W. 13 Mile, Farmington Hills
(Corner of 13 Mile and Farmington Rd.,
use back/north entrance, basement)

Tuesday 12:05 PM

Professionals in Recovery
Human Potential Center
22 W. 2nd St., Monroe
(Closed meeting; restricted to professionals
who are addicted to drugs and/or alcohol)

Tuesday 6:00 PM

St. Aloysius Church Office
1232 Washington Blvd., Detroit

Thursday 5:30 PM

Professional Women's Group
Brighton Hospital, Room 35
12851 E. Grand River, Brighton

Thursday 8:00 PM (also Sunday 8:00 PM)

Manresa Stag, 1390 Quarton Rd.
Bloomfield Hills

Friday 8:00 PM

Rochester Presbyterian Church
1385 S. Adams (South of Avon Rd.)
Rochester
(Closed meeting; men's group)