

Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports Section

The Arts, Communications, Entertainment and Sports (ACES) Section held its annual section meeting and program, "Copyright Protection in the Arts: Practical Solutions for Securing and Commercializing Your Clients' Creative Works," on October 1. Moderated by Sam Fredrick of Foster Swift, panelists Thomas Doty, Susan Goldman, and Mindy Schwartz focused on the importance of copyright protection and taking your clients' ideas into the marketplace. The next ACES event, the Hensel Award, will be October 14 at the Birmingham Community House.

Business Law Section

Alex DeYonker is the recipient of the 2010 Stephen Schulman Outstanding Business Lawyer Award. "Leadership in Business During Uncertain and Challenging Times" will be presented October 5 in Troy. Business Boot Camp will be held November 8–9 in Grand Rapids and January 27–28 in Plymouth. The next council meeting will be held

December 4 in Grand Rapids. Watch for our monthly e-newsletter, visit our website at <http://www.michbar.org/business/>, or visit our Facebook page to learn about upcoming events.

Criminal Law Section

Save the date! The 34th Mid-Winter Ski Conference is scheduled for February 19–21, 2011. Next year's conference, which offers several long breaks for skiing and other winter activities, will begin on Saturday. Please join us for this popular event at Shanty Creek Resort in Bellaire. The President's Day Weekend conference is still in the planning stages, but more information will be posted in our newsletter and on our website at <http://www.michbar.org/criminal/news.cfm>.

Health Care Law Section

Section and council members are looking forward to a year focused on health care reform. We will continue offering regular teleconferences on the new health reform legislation and other developments. In addition, we will be preparing for the July 2011 *Michigan Bar Journal* health law theme issue. The section welcomes all newly practicing lawyers to join the New Lawyers and Law Students subcommittee for networking and leadership opportunities.

International Law Section

The International Law Section is looking for persons interested in writing articles for publication in the section's law journal, *Michigan International Lawyer*. The section is also encouraging members to consider joining and becoming active in one of the section's committees: International Business and Tax, International Trade, Emerging Nations, International Employment Law & Immigration, and International Human Rights. If you are interested, please contact one of the section's officers or a committee chairperson.

Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section

The Paralegal/Legal Assistant Section awarded scholarships to three paralegal

students: Denise Gau of Royal Oak attends Oakland University, Ann Marie McMichael of Clarkston attends Baker College (Auburn Hills), and Denise Rafferty of Dearborn Heights attends Henry Ford Community College. Each recipient received \$1,000. The section awards between two and six scholarships annually on the basis of demonstrated financial need, scholastic achievement, and career goals. For more information about the section's scholarship program, visit www.michbar.org/paralegal.

Real Property Law Section

The next Homeward Bound seminar, "The ABC's of Real Estate Appraisals for Lawyers," will be held November 4. Jerome P. Pesick of Steinhardt Pesick & Cohen, PC, Birmingham, is moderator. Speakers are Bruce M. Closser, MAI, SRA Closser Associates, Inc., Marquette; Michael E. Ellis, MAI, Value Trends Inc., Shelby Twp.; and David E. Nykanen, Steinhardt Pesick & Cohen, PC. Register online at www.icle.org/hb. For more information, visit www.michbar.org/realproperty/homeward.cfm or contact Arlene Rubinstein at (248) 644-7378.

Senior Lawyers Section

Our summer meeting was held August 20–22 at Crystal Mountain. On Saturday, August 21, John E. Bos and George W. Gregory held forth on winding down and ending a law practice. The presentations were useful, including the malpractice insurance "tail" available on ending a practice. The section will become the Master Lawyers Section in 2011. All section members are encouraged to attend the annual meeting for details about the new section and to elect officers.

Taxation Section

On September 7, the Taxation Section filed an amicus curiae brief with the Michigan Supreme Court in *Klooster v City of Charlevoix* involving a decision of the Court of Appeals concerning whether the death of a joint tenant is an "uncapping" for property tax purposes. A copy of the brief will be posted on the section's website. ■