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An Invitation to Law Day 2006



Justice Marilyn Kelly

Save Monday, May 1 for a special Law Day luncheon and celebration at the Hall of Justice in Lansing. The Michigan Lawyers Auxiliary and the State Bar of Michigan will host this event to honor Law Day essay contest winners who wrote on the topic, "Liberty Under Law: Separate Branches, Balanced Powers." The Crystal Apple teacher winner will also be recognized. The guest speaker will be Michigan Supreme Court Justice Marilyn Kelly. Law Day will begin with a tour of the Hall of Justice Learning Center at 10:30 a.m., followed by the luncheon at 11:30 a.m. A tour of the Capitol will take place at 2:45 p.m. Please RSVP by April 29 to Julie Turcotte at the State Bar at (517) 346-6318 or jturcotte@mail.michbar.org.

Lawyers Connect with Communities in Pro Bono Bowl



General Motors attorney Steven J. Cernak (left) gave advice, lots of it, to Victoria Lumpkin and Glenn Hodges of Beulah Community Services of Detroit on February 3 at a "Pro Bono Bowl" organized by Community Legal Resources (CLR). The event at Youthville Detroit gave CLR clients a free one-on-one audit with attorneys. Nonprofit organizations that attended learned how recent changes in the law affected them

and were able to check key documentation and get answers to issues such as structure and insurance. CLR provides free legal services to Michigan nonprofits by linking them with pro bono lawyers. Since 1998, more than \$5 million in free legal services has been generated by hundreds of volunteer lawyers from major Detroit-area law firms helping nonprofits build affordable housing, operate job training and youth programs, and feed and shelter the homeless.

Attorneys from GM who participated in the "Pro Bono Bowl" were: (L-R) Renee J. Phillips, Joyce S. Kornbluh, CLR Executive Director Angela Zemboy, Steven J. Cernak, and Anthony P. Thrubis.

(Courtesy photos)

