

## **Yolo County Bar Association Newsletter – February 2012**

### **Our Next Meeting - "Substance Abuse in the Legal Profession"**

**The next meeting will occur on February 16, 2012.**

**Topic: Substance Abuse in the Legal Profession <sup>1</sup>**  
**Speaker: The Honorable David Reed**  
**When: Thursday, February 16, 2012 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.**  
**Where: Yolo County Law Library**  
**Cost: \$ 20**

**Please R.S.V.P. to Allison Zuvela at [azuvela@yolocounty.org](mailto:azuvela@yolocounty.org) by Tuesday, February 14, 2012 so that we have an accurate count. Thanks.**

### **YCBA 2012 Membership Dues are Due**

Please make the check for your dues payable to **"Yolo County Bar Association"** and mail your completed application and dues check to: **Yolo County Bar Association, P.O. Box 1903, Woodland, CA 95776-1903.**

### **President's Message**

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By Sarah Orr

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your Bar President for 2012. I am excited about the events and activities coming up for YCBA this year. We started off the year with our annual "Meet the Judges" luncheon, and as always we had a wonderful turnout from the bench. We will be sponsoring a "Judicial Forum" on March 22, which will feature Judge Daniel Maguire and judicial candidate Clinton Parish as they exchange their views on the judicial process prior to this year's election.

The Law Day committee is very pleased to announce that this year's Law Day speaker and

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<sup>1</sup> The Yolo County Bar Association is a State Bar of California approved MCLE provider. This program is approved for 1 hour of MCLE credit.

honored guest with be Tani Cantil Sakauye, Chief Justice of the California Supreme Court. This event will occur on April 26th at noon at the Woodland Community Center and we anticipate that it will be an exciting and well-attended event. Credit goes to the members of the Law Day committee who have been working for the last several years to reinvigorate Law Day. Planning is still underway to do community outreach with local schools and to involve the Yolo Superior Court in the event as well.

As President of YCBA, I invite all members to get more involved with our local bar. If there is a topic of interest for the monthly meetings. or if you know of a speaker that you might recommend, please send me an email at [sarahorrlaw@gmail.com](mailto:sarahorrlaw@gmail.com). I look forward to working with all of you to make this a successful year for YCBA.

### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

March 22 - Judicial Candidate Forum

April 26 - Law Day

Featuring **Tani Cantil-Sakauye**, California Supreme Court Chief Justice as the Keynote speaker "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom"

May 17 - CEB Speaker - Topic TBD

### **Miscellaneous**

The Yolo County Bar Association is accepting nominations from the community through Monday, April 18th for its 2011 Liberty Bell Award. The Liberty Bell Award is presented by the Yolo County Bar Association each year to honor a non-lawyer who has promoted better understanding of the rule of law, encouraged greater respect for law and the courts, stimulated a sense of civic responsibility, or contributed to good government in the community. The Liberty Bell Award was established more than 30 years ago to acknowledge outstanding community service.

This year's Law Day theme is "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom." Law Day was established by President Dwight D. Eisenhower as a "day of national dedication to the principle of government under law," and will be celebrated with events throughout the country. Law Day celebrates the American heritage of liberty, justice and equality under the law. Every year, Law Day provides legal professionals and others with opportunities to help students and the public understand the importance of our legal system and how the law protects our freedoms.

Nominations can be submitted by contacting Sarah Orr at [sarahorr@law@gmail.com](mailto:sarahorr@law@gmail.com), by phone at 530-753-4450 or by fax at 530-753-9457. Please provide contact information and a brief description of the nominee and why they are deserving of the award.

### **Announcements**

Attached please find a job announcement for a part-time mediator for the Sargent Shriver Civil Counsel Act Housing Court Pilot Project, a collaboration between Legal Services of Northern California, the Yolo County Superior Court and the Yolo County Health Department. The position involves mediating landlord-tenant cases pre-trial and during the trial calendar on Wednesdays. Please see the attached PDF with the job announcement.

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Attached is the registration form and tentative speaker schedule for the Placer County Bar Association MCLE Conference at Granlibakken (Lake Tahoe) April 20-21, 2012.

There is an early registration discount that expires January 31. Please see attached PDF for further information.

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### **News from the Law Library**

The Law Library has just received a very generous donation of books from the Sacramento County Public Law Library!

Come on in and take a look! We now have publications on Internet Law, Copyright, newer material on Defense of Drunk Driving and Illegal Substances, a copy of the *Model Penal Code* (Hurray!) and many more. The gift also includes an up-to date set of *Corpus Juris Secundum*.

Additionally, the library has added *Forecite* to its collection and to its online capabilities. All Forecite updates and peripherals are now available on the law library's public computers.

### **Input Needed**

CEB is coming to town this spring! They will generously sponsor one of our YCBA meetings, but we need to provide them with a **topic**. Please contact the law library if there is a particular subject you would like to have presented. (530)666-8918. Email: [law.library@yolocounty.org](mailto:law.library@yolocounty.org)

### **Law Library Birthday Celebration Imminent!!**

Yolo County Law Library will be **120 years old** this May!!! Parties, photos and memorabilia, and goodies for patrons will be forthcoming! Watch the YCBA Newsletter for more information.

**Submissions?**

Please send submissions for the next newsletter to Allison Zuvela by e-mail (azuvela@yolocounty.org) or by fax to (530) 753-9457.

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