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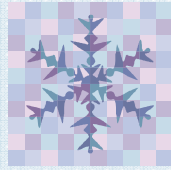
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# St. Joseph County Bar Association

## December 2014 Newsletter



## CLEs in South Bend

### UPCOMING LIVE SJCBA CLE Lunches

Wednesday, December 3, 2014

**CYBERLIABILITY—How it effects You, Your Firm & Your Clients**  
WNIT Studios

Tuesday, December 9, 2014

**Medicaid: Frequently Asked Questions for the Indiana Lawyer**  
Morris Park Country Club

Thursday, December 11, 2014

**High Conflict Mediations**  
WNIT Studios

Tuesday, December 16, 2014

**Changes in DUI/HTV Cases**  
WNIT Studios

**Registration forms and full details available at [www.sjcba.org](http://www.sjcba.org)**

ISBA & SJCBA Join together to bring you  
IN Law Survey (12 CLE, 1 Ethics) Video Replay  
December 11th & 12, 2014 in the Law Library

Call 317-637-9102 to register or register online at [www.sjcba.org](http://www.sjcba.org).

### Help the New Lawyers and CASA provide toys for Foster Children!!

We will be collecting all donations of UNWRAPPED toys and gifts for children currently in foster care through CASA's help. Please bring your new and unwrapped toy (no guns or videogames, please) to the Bar Office in the Law Library of the Main Courthouse or directly to CASA Offices in the basement of the Juvenile Justice Center. *Donations are encouraged from ALL attorneys (not just new).*



### Are you a "New Lawyer?"

Tom Walz and Ben Jonas, chairmen of the New Lawyer Committee, would like to officially welcome all of our New Lawyers. The St. Joe County Bar Association defines a "New Lawyer" as a lawyer in practice for 10 years or less. This upcoming year will be filled with networking events, discounted CLE opportunities, and philanthropic events that will be directed at and sponsored by New Lawyers.

## St. Joseph County Bar Association

### Calendar of Upcoming Events

#### December 2014

- 12/3 CLE LUNCH: Cyberliability, WNIT Studios, 12Noon-1:30 p.m. (1.5 CLE)  
12/9 CLE LUNCH: Medicaid, Morris Park Country Club, 11:00 a.m. —1:30 p.m. (2 CLE)  
12/11 CLE LUNCH: High Conflict Mediations, WNIT Studios, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. (2 CLE)  
12/16 CLE LUNCH: Changes in DUI/HDTV Cases, WNIT Studios, 11:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. (2 CLE)  
12/25 CHRISTMAS DAY—St. Joseph County Courthouses & SJCBA Offices **CLOSED**  
12/26 DAY AFTER CHRISTMAS—St. Joseph County Courthouses & SJCBA Offices **CLOSED**

#### January 2015

- 1/1 NEW YEAR'S DAY—St. Joseph County Courthouses & SJCBA Offices **CLOSED**  
1/2 DAY AFTER NEW YEAR'S DAY—St. Joseph County Courthouses & SJCBA Offices **CLOSED**  
1/19 MARTIN LUTHER KING, Jr. DAY —St. Joseph County Courthouses & SJCBA Offices **CLOSED**

#### FEBRUARY 2015

- 2/19 WINTER BAR GATHERING—5:00 p.m. -7:00 p.m. LOCATION: TBD

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

*By Matt Kaczmarek*



**Your contact information is very important to us!**

*Are you receiving this newsletter?*

*Have you received our many, many email communications recently?*

If not, we may not have your current email address. If you do not use email, please call Amy McGuire, our executive director, at 574-245-6753 and let her know you would like her to print and mail you the emails we send.

We are in the process of putting together a printed membership directory. We are at the point that E&M Publishing, the company we have enlisted to help with this, is contacting our members and vendors that we use to advertise in this directory. We appreciate your efforts in helping making this directory possible.

Happy Holidays to all!



*On Saturday, September 20, 2014, attorneys and judges from across the state came together in their respective counties to engage in hands-on community service.*

*In St. Joseph County, SJCBA members Lisa Plencner, Victoria Wolf, Troy Warner, Daniel Cory, Hon. David Chapleau, Gregory Haines, Ann-Carol Nash and Anthony Rose volunteered for the Annual Day of Service at Unity Gardens. It was a great volunteer opportunity and our members accomplished several worthy tasks! We look forward to organizing another opportunity in*

#### Update from The St. Joseph County Bar Foundation

*Submitted by Timothy Abeska, Barnes & Thornburg*

A few weeks ago, all members of the Bar Association received a solicitation letter from Rich Hill, President of the St. Joseph County Bar Foundation. As a result of recent contributions, the Foundation has two new Fellows, fifteen new Sustaining Members, and three Sustaining Law Firm Members.

With year-end tax deductions now in our thoughts, this is the perfect time for you to join the ranks of Foundation supporters, to further the Foundation's philanthropic mission. Contributors making aggregate donations after January 1, 2013 will be recognized at the following Membership Levels: Fellow (\$750); Life Fellow (\$1,500); and Life Patron Fellow (\$2,500).

Checks should be made payable to the Foundation and sent to Tim Abeska at 700 1st Source Bank Center, 100 North Michigan Street, South Bend, IN 46601.

Thanks for your support!

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**The Clerk's Corner**  
*By Terri Rethlake*

*The Clerk's Office would like to wish all a Happy Thanksgiving and a Blessed Holiday Season!*

**Expungements** – I know this is an extremely difficult statute to work with but, we are still having numerous problems with Expungement paperwork. IC 35-38-9-1 does not seal the case from public access it only seals the arrest records. Please advise your client(s) of this fact. Please be sure all petitions and orders are on **GREEN** paper. Please list all cause numbers being expunged (be sure they are correct) and state the IC code the expungement falls under. Please use the term expunge or seal as appropriate for that IC code. Also please be sure to order ALL of the CCS/files that pertain to the Expungement. Thank you!

**Amendments to Indiana Rules** – Twelve (12) orders were received by the Clerk's office from the Indiana Supreme court regarding amendments to Indiana rules. Most of these become effective January 1, 2015. Please review on the State Court Administration Website at <http://www.in.gov/judiciary/2784.htm>

**Access to St. Joseph County records** not converted to Odyssey is available through a subscription service with the Division of State Court Administration. The charge for enhanced access is \$50.00 per month or \$600 per year. Contact Mary Kronoshek at 317-234-2710 or email at [mary.kronoshek@courts.in.gov](mailto:mary.kronoshek@courts.in.gov)

**Public Access to Court Records:** <https://mycase.in.gov>

**The Volunteer Lawyer Network**  
*By Mark Torma*

**FREE CLE for Attorneys**

We are offering four dates for our **free six-credit CLE for attorneys** who are willing to volunteer for us. We will have our first CLE here in South Bend on December 5, at the WNIT studios - contact our office at [volunteerinc@att.net](mailto:volunteerinc@att.net), or at [574-277-0075](tel:574-277-0075), to register now for that opportunity. Our other dates will be December 11 in Michigan City; December 12 in Elkhart; and December 18 in Plymouth. Contact our office at [574.277.0075](tel:574.277.0075) for more information on those CLEs.

**Ask A Lawyer & Trivia Night THANK YOU!**

Thank you to everybody who helped out at our last Ask-A-Lawyer on October 20. With all the attorney, paralegal, and law student help, we served 48 people and no one had to wait very long. It went extremely well, and I can tell you that the public, as well as our host the downtown public library, really appreciate everything we do for this event. Our next Ask-A-Lawyer event will be on Martin Luther King Day, January 19, from 1 to 4 at the downtown library. Please contact our office if you would like to volunteer.

Thanks to everyone who attended our trivia night fundraiser on October 24, especially our winning team, "What's a Magistrate?" (Magistrates Rutkowski and Polando were available to both pose and answer that question.) Thanks as well to all of our sponsors, especially our Gold Sponsors, Faegre Baker Daniels and the Elkhart County Community Foundation, and our Silver Sponsors, Blackburn and Green and Integrity Investigations. **Our next Trivia Night will be on April 24** - save the date, you won't want to miss it!



**St. Joseph County Bar Association**

**ICLEF Video Replays in South Bend**

**December 2014**

- 12/2 Advanced Skills of Storytelling and Persuasion for Litigators (6CLE)
- 12/10 Mortgage Forclosures (3CLE/.5 Ethics)
- 12/16 Day 1: Annual Real Estate Institute (12 CLE/1 Ethics)
- 12/17 Day 2: Annual Real Estate Institute
- 12/18 CME for Family Mediators (6 CLE/ 6 CME)
- 12/23 Business Entity Formation (6 CLE)\*\*

**January 2015**

- 1/28 Damages in Personal Injury and Wrongful Death Cases (6 CLE)\*\*
- 1/29 Essentials of Family Law (6 CLE)\*\*
- 1/30 Collections 101: Going Green (6 CLE)

*Please call ICLEF at 317-637-9102 or go to [www.ICLEF.org](http://www.ICLEF.org) to register.*

*\*\* Indicates a moderator is needed.*

*Please note: Printed books are no longer included with seminar cost.*

*Most books are available for an additional \$25 or online at <http://community.iclef.org>*

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