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President's Message

by Hon. Pamila J. Brown



*Two Roads Diverged
In A Wood, And I took
The One Less Traveled
By, And That Has
Made All The
Difference.*
- Robert Frost

The "snowmageddon" is finally behind us as we approach the last months of winter. The unprecedented storms wreaked havoc on all systems, businesses and our even institutions including our Courts as well as the practice of law. Never before have we seen the magnitude of multiple snow storms that effectively shut down our transportation system for days. Throughout the ordeal however, little acts of kindness mostly unreported continued to be displayed and is a testament to the general good will of the people. That feeling of goodwill continues as we watch the Olympic Games in that we are constantly reminded that we part of a global community and that our humanity knows no boundaries.

One of the joys of serving as President is the opportunity to welcome the newest members of the Bar to our Association. Several of you had the pleasure of meeting many of them last month but I want to again extend our collective best wishes to each of them as they begin their legal careers. They are: Steve Adler, Vinita Ananth, Biola Bakare, Songeeta Biswas, Henry Boyd, III, Kaiser H. Chowdhry, Frederic Cook, III, Brett Dieck, Ryan Dymek, Marie Fox, Richard Gibson, Erin Gloth, Julie Grufferman, Fani Kantartzis, Mojgan Katouzian, Stephane LaTour, Kellie Lego, Kevin Mattingly, Carolyn Mech, Jacob Mueller, Sarah Novak, Kristina Newcomb, Jumoke Oladapo, Michael Ostroff, Pamela K. Riewerts, Lisa Staeven, Audrey Wallace, Amos Whitney, Mark Wisniewski, and Christiana Yunkunis.

Indeed for some of us it has been decades and others just a few years or months since we were sworn in and recited our Oath. You

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Upcoming Events

- March 9**
HCBA Board of Directors Meeting
- March 10**
Howard County Pro Bono Committee Mtg
- March 12**
HCBA Family Law Section Meeting
- March 16 - HCCP Luncheon Meeting**
- March 17**
HCBA Luncheon Meeting
- March 24**
HCWBA Luncheon Meeting
- March 25**
HCBA Estates & Trust Section Meeting
- Retirement Dinner in Honor of
The Honorable Alice P. Clark
- April 13**
HCBA Board of Directors Meeting
- April 16**
HCBA Family Law Section Meeting
- April 22**
HCBA Chamber Chat
- HCBA Estates & Trust Section Meeting
- April 27**
HCWBA Network Event
- May 5**
HCWBA Annual Legislative Review Lunch
- May 6**
HCCP End of Year Party
- May 7**
HCBA Annual Meeting and
Election of Officers
- May 11**
HCBA Board of Directors Meeting
- May 12**
Howard County Pro Bono Committee Mtg
- May 14**
HCBA Family Law Section Meeting
- May 19**
Drug/DUI Court Graduation
- May 20**
HCBA Estates & Trust Section Meeting

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS HOWARD COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION'S BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2010-2011

The Annual Meeting of the Howard County Bar Association, will take place on Friday, May 7, 2010, Location TBA. Pursuant to Article VIII of the By-Laws of the Howard County Bar Association, notice is hereby given that the election of Officers and HCBA's Board of Directors for 2010-2011 shall take place by confidential ballot at this Meeting.

2010 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH 2010

Tuesday, March 9, 7:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 10, 8:00 a.m.

Friday, March 12, 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 16, 11:45 a.m.

Wednesday, March 17, 11:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 24, 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 25, 9:00 a.m.

Thursday, March 25, 6:00 p.m.

HCBA Executive Board Meeting
 Howard County Pro Bono Committee Meeting
 HCBA Family Law Section Luncheon Meeting
 HCCP Luncheon Meeting @ The Bombay Peacock Grill
 HCBA Luncheon Meeting @ Bare Bones Grill and Brewery
 Guest Speaker: The Hon. Dennis Sweeney; Topic: Social Media
 HCWBA Luncheon; Location TBA
 HCBA Estates & Trust Meeting; Speaker: Megan Wallace, Esq. who will discuss "estate planning for domestic partners"
 Retirement Dinner in Honor of The Honorable Alice P. Clark
 Columbia Hilton; Cost is \$55.00 per person

APRIL 2010

Tuesday, April 13, 7:30 a.m.

Friday, April 16, 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 22, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 22, 9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, April 27

HCBA Executive Board Meeting
 HCBA Family Law Section Luncheon Meeting
 HCBA Chamber Chat with the District Court Judges with a Happy Hour event immediately following at LaPalapa's
 HCBA Estates & Trust Section Meeting; Guest Speaker: Matthew A. Mace, Esq. of Ober, Kale, Grimes & Shriver
 HCWBA co-sponsored event with Business Women's Network @ Union Jack's; detailed information will be forthcoming

MAY 2010

Wednesday, May 5, 11:30 a.m.

Friday, May 7, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, May 11, 7:30 a.m.

Wednesday, May 12, 8:00 a.m.

Friday, May 14, 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 20, 9:00 a.m.

HCWBA Annual Legislative Review with Liz Bobo; Location TBA
 HCBA Annual Meeting and Election of Officers; Location TBA
 HCBA Executive Board Meeting
 Howard County Pro Bono Committee Meeting
 HCBA Family Law Section Luncheon Meeting
 HCBA Estates & Trust Section Meeting

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY



JUNE 2010

Wednesday, June 9, 11:30 a.m.

June 9-12, 2010

HCWBA End of Year Luncheon at Tersiquel's
 MSBA Annual Meeting, Ocean City, Maryland

JULY 2010

July 24, 2010

MSBA Crab Feast - Details will be forthcoming

The Howard County Bar Association would like to extend its sincere appreciation for the great food and drinks they provided for our Annual New Admittees Reception.

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 Election Day - **November 2, 2010**
 Veteran's Day - **November 11, 2010**
 Labor Day - **September 6, 2010**
 Veteran's Day - **November 11, 2010**
 Thanksgiving & Day After-Nov. **25 & 26**
 Christmas Day - **December 24, 2010**

**HCBA DUES
2010-2011**

The notice for the HCBA and Lawyer Referral Service annual dues for 2010-2011 have been mailed to all members. In order to keep your membership current, please complete and return the dues invoice to:

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COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS

The Honorable Robert A. Zarnoch
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The Honorable Kathryn Grill Graeff
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The Honorable Pamela J. Brown
The Honorable Mary C. Reese

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President's Message

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may not remember who spoke that day or exactly what was said but I feel confident in saying that we each had an enormous sense of pride at our accomplishment and joy as we joined our learned profession.

Please mark your calendar for 2 exciting events this month. At our monthly luncheon on March 17th we will meet at the Bare Bones Grill and Brewery to hear from Judge Dennis Sweeney on how social networking circles can affect the practice of law. On March 25 we will celebrate the retirement of District Court Judge Alice P. Clark at the Columbia Hilton.

Finally, I want to wish one of the newest members of our Association and in fact my courts law clerk, Jake Mueller a fond goodbye and safe travels as he and his wife (who is also a lawyer) prepare to travel as part of the Peace Corp to Haiti to participate in the relief efforts for the next several weeks. We wish him Gods speed and a safe return. Certainly we each have roads to travel and I hope the one you choose allows you to make a difference.~

*Honorable Pamila J. Brown
President, HCBA*

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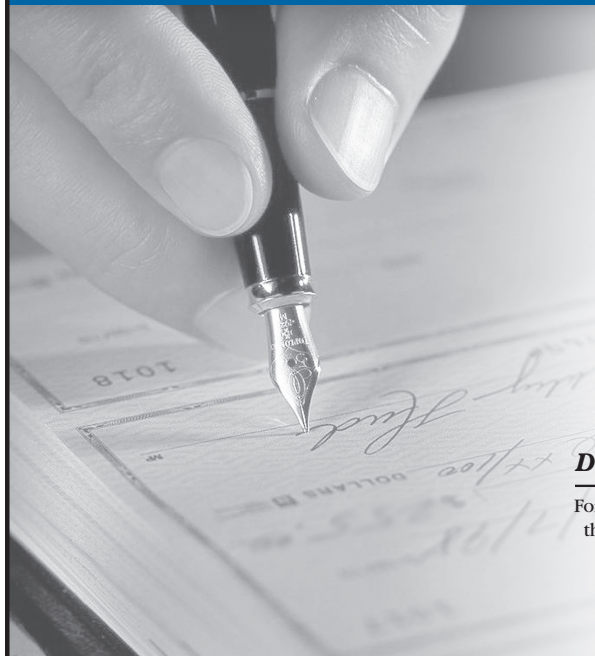
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Civil Law Update

by Cecilia Paizs

A review of the Amicus Curiarum for February 2010 reveals the following civil cases of interest:

THE COURT OF APPEALS:

Earlene Burnside, et.ux. v. Randall V. Wong, et al., No. 4, Sept Term 2009. Opinion filed Jan. 7, 2010 by Battaglia, Lynne A., Judge

Ms. Burnside brought suit against Dr. Wong in the Circuit Court for Baltimore City. Alleging medical malpractice, lack of informed consent, and loss of consortium stemming from his treatment of her for a degenerative eye disease. Dr. Wong filed a Motion to Dismiss for Improper Venue on the bases of Sections 6-201(a) and 6-202(8) of the Courts and Judicial Proceedings Article, Maryland Code (1974, 2002 Repl. Vol.), asserting that he neither resided nor carried on a regular business in Baltimore City, and that the alleged misdiagnosis, negligent medical treatment, and failure to obtain informed consent took place solely in Baltimore County. The Court granted the motion and transferred the venue to Baltimore County. Ms. Burnside filed a Motion to Reconsider, Alter, Amend, or Revise the ruling, relying for the first time primarily on Section 6-202(8), arguing that her "first eye injury while under Dr. Wong's care" occurred in Baltimore City, where she resided, because her eye condition deteriorated there. The Circuit Court denied the Motion, and the Court of Special Appeals affirmed.

The Court of Appeals affirmed, holding that per Section 6-202(8), the "first injury" and "cause of action arose" when Ms. Burnside first saw Dr. Wong for treatment and his alleged to properly diagnose and treat Ms. Burnside allegedly resulted in a deterioration in her condition. The Court further held, relying on its recent decision in *Nodeen v. Sigurdsson*, 408 Md. 167, 178, 968 A.2d 1075 (2009), that

the relevant time for determining venue under Section 6-201(a), pertaining to carrying on a regular business or engaging in a vocation, is the time suit was brought. The Court also rejected Mrs. Burnside's argument that because Dr. Wong maintained "active privileges" at Mercy Medical Center and "teaching privileges" at the University of Maryland School of medicine, venue was proper in Baltimore City. Rather, the Court reasoned that merely having such privileges, without exercising them, as here, was insufficient to confer venue in Baltimore City.

Emma Elder v. Cherry Elder Smith, Personal Representative of the Estate of Colonel Percy Elder, Sr., No. 34, September Term 2009. Opinion filed January 13, 2010 by Battaglia, Lynne A., Judge

As a result of a divorce action, an order was entered granting Ms. Elder a \$31,500 monetary award against Colonel Elder and was to receive one-half of the proceeds of a sale of property located in Anne Arundel County known as "Beales Trail." Emma Elder's \$31,500 marital award was not reduced to judgment and remained unsatisfied at the time of Mr. Elder's death. After his death, Ms. Elder had the monetary award reduced to a judgment and recorded in Anne Arundel County, thereby hoping to establish a lien against the Beales Trail property. Prior to the sale of Beales Trail, the Orphans' Court ordered Emma to release her lien, reasoning that her monetary award, reduced to judgment and recorded as a lien after Mr. Elder's death, was not entitled to priority within the context of estate administration. The Court of Special Appeals affirmed, holding that the statutory scheme embodied in the Estates and Trusts Article governing creditors' claims, does not permit "a creditor with a pre-death claim to enhance the priority of its claim after the debtor dies."

The Court of Appeals affirmed. The Court reviewed the statutory scheme governing estate administration, their legislative history, as well as the statutory schemes in other states and determined that a lien cannot be created against a debtor's interest in real property after the debtor's death, because upon death, title to real property passes out of the hands of the decedent, pursuant to Section 1-301(a) of the Estates and Trusts Article, Maryland Code (1974, 2001 Repl. Vol.). The Court further held, however, that as a court of special and limited jurisdiction, the Orphans' Court for Baltimore County was without authority to affect the lien recorded in Anne Arundel County, either directly, or by ordering Emma Elder to release her lien. The Court reasoned that although an orphans' court has the ability to effectuate the administration of an estate, only circuit courts, as courts of original and general jurisdiction, have the authority to enter judgments upon which liens are based and to order their release. The Court concluded that although the lien held by Emma Elder on the Beales Trail property is not afforded priority, the release of the lien must be effected in a different manner.

COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS:

(I could not resist putting this one in based on the recent weather!)

E. Daris Warsham v. James Muscatello, Inc., No. 1041, September Term, 2008. Opinion filed on December 30, 2009 by Hollander, Ellen A., Judge

Mr. Warsham fell while salting an icy parking lot at work, in an attempt to prevent others who might arrive at work from falling on the ice. He brought a negligence suit against his employer's landlord to recover for injuries he sustained in the fall. The Circuit Court for Montgomery County granted the landlord's motion for summary judgment, ruling that suit was

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Criminal Law Update

by Bob Lidston

The February *Amicus* features three decisions of interest to practitioners - two from the Court of Appeals, and one from the Court of Special Appeals.

Smith v. State, No. 1, September Term, 2009, filed December 30, 2009 (opinion by Greene, J.).

Smith was charged with taking part in two different robberies of the same two individuals. The victims identified Smith as one of the robbers, but they admitted that they could not be completely certain. The charges against Smith included robbery with a dangerous weapon, use of a handgun in the commission of a felony, and first degree assault among others.

At trial, Smith argued that the evidence was insufficient to identify him as one of the robbers and that, even if the identification was accurate, there was insufficient evidence to indicate he had aided and abetted the gunman. He was convicted of robbery with a dangerous weapon and the use of a handgun in the commission of a felony. The first degree assault charge was dismissed. On appeal, COSA reversed the two convictions, concluding that they were inconsistent with the acquittal for first degree assault. COSA remanded the case to the trial court with instructions to enter a guilty verdict for misdemeanor theft, an offense that was never charged. Smith appealed to the Court of Appeals.

The Court decided that COSA's order to remand with the direction to enter a guilty finding for an offense that was never charged was improper for two reasons. First, COSA reversed the conviction for robbery with a dangerous weapon because it was inconsistent with the acquittal for first degree assault. That reversed conviction, however, would have been the only basis for telling the trial court to find Smith guilty of misde-

meanor theft. A court may not rely on a conviction that has been reversed for inconsistency as the basis for directing a trial court to enter a guilty finding for a lesser included offense. A guilty finding that is reversed for inconsistency is not reliable enough for the conviction of a lesser included offense because there can be no confidence in the judge's rationale for reaching the inconsistent verdict. *Johnson v. State*, 238 Md. 528 (1965).

Secondly, neither the State nor the Defendant had an opportunity to present arguments with regard to misdemeanor theft at trial. A trial court may not convict a Defendant of an uncharged lesser included offense unless the State and the Defendant are given an opportunity to present arguments on the offense.

Gauvin v. State, No. 148, September Term, 2008, filed December 18, 2009 (opinion by Murphy, J.).

Gauvin was stopped while driving. A search of his vehicle found rolled cigarettes, eye droppers and glass bottles containing PCP, a jar of parsley soaked with PCP, and other items. At trial, a certified drug recognition expert testified that Gauvin was under the influence of dissociative anesthetic and narcotic analgesic and was unable to drive. He testified as an expert in narcotics, but the defense objected to his being admitted as an expert in the field of PCP. The objection was overruled. During the trial, the expert was asked whether he had formed an opinion as to Gauvin's use of the PCP as either personal or for distribution. Over objection, the expert said that based on other factors, the evidence would indicate that Gauvin had the PCP with the intent to distribute it.

The Court of Appeals held that Maryland Rule 5-704(b) prohibits expert testimony that a defendant had or did not have the criminal intent that is an element of an offense. This rule, though, does not keep an expert from explaining why

an item of evidence is consistent with a particular mental state. The prosecutor's question was "Whether or not the PCP that was seized was for personal consumption or for distribution?" The answer to this would be prohibited by Maryland Rule 5-704(b). The expert's answer, however, did not address Gauvin's specific intent. Instead, the expert testified what the factual circumstances indicated to an experienced officer. Gauvin was not entitled to a new trial on the ground that the trial court erroneously overruled the defense objection to a question that called for an answer in violation of Maryland Rule 5-704(b) because the records showed that the testimony offered after the erroneous ruling did not violate the rule.

Harris v. State, No. 581, September Term, 2008, filed November 30, 2009 (opinion by Zarnoch, J.).

Harris was convicted by a jury in Baltimore County of second degree murder and sentenced to 15 years incarceration. At his trial, after voir dire was completed and a jury was empaneled, a juror told the judge that his grandmother was in the hospital and not expected to live much longer. He told the judge that he would like to be able to leave if his grandmother died or to see her if it "looked like it was the end coming". The juror was not excused, but the judge gave him the chamber's telephone number so the juror could be contacted if necessary.

Just after the closing of the evidence and before the jury began deliberating, the jury was excused for lunch. The judge's secretary got a telephone call from the juror's father that the grandmother had died. The secretary called the juror to the phone. After he hung up, the secretary asked the juror, "Are you all right to continue?" The juror answered that he was. This occurred before the alternate jurors were discharged.

At some point, the judge found

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Criminal Law Update

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out about this conversation but did not inform the State or defense counsel. Just after the jurors began deliberating, the juror in question sent a note to the court asking to be excused for funeral preparations and to be replaced by an alternate juror. The note said: "If you can exchange me for an alternate jury member without disrupting anything, that will be great. If it is a big deal, please discuss with me." The judge then told the State and defense counsel about the earlier conversation between the juror and the secretary. The secretary testified on the record about her conversation with the juror. The defense counsel moved for a mistrial because the Defendant had not been informed of the communication earlier and would have requested that the juror be replaced with an alternate. The motion was denied and the judge sent a note to the juror that the court would not excuse him. The jury continued deliberating and convicted the appellant later that day. COSA reversed the conviction and remanded the matter for a new trial. Maryland Rule 4-326(d) provides that "the court shall notify the defendant and the State's Attorney of the receipt of any communication from the jury pertaining to the action as promptly as practicable." COSA opined that, for the purposes of this rule, a judge's secretary is included in the meaning of "court". The communication between the juror and the secretary was a communication between the court and the jury. The conversation about whether the juror was "all right to continue" "pertained to the action" under Rule 4-326(d). The purpose of Rule 4-326(d) is to give an opportunity for the State and the defense to provide input in designing an appropriate response to a juror's question in order to assure fairness and avoid error. Even though the juror indicated that he could continue, the court should

have informed the parties while the alternate jurors were still available. The attorneys could then have provided input as to whether the juror should be replaced. When an ex-parte communication occurs between the court and a juror, prejudice is presumed and the State bears the burden of demonstrating that the communication was harmless. The record did not show whether the communication was harmless because it was not clear whether the alternate jurors had been discharged when the judge found out about the communication. Thus, it was not clear whether the juror could have been replaced had the communication been promptly disclosed. It could not be determined from the record whether the juror whose grandmother had died or other jurors deliberated properly or rushed to reach a verdict. Thus, the trial court erred when it failed to declare a mistrial and COSA reversed the conviction. COSA also determined that the evidence was sufficient to sustain a conviction and, therefore, it remanded the matter to the circuit court for a new trial.

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Civil Law Update

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barred by the doctrines of assumption of the risk and contributory negligence. The Court of Special Appeals affirmed. The trial court did not err in granting summary judgment to the landlord because Mr. Warsham voluntarily assumed the risk of his injuries. The circumstances were not so exigent as to compel the plaintiff's conduct in order to protect the lives of others. He also had other alternatives available to him to prevent injury to others.

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HCBA COMMITTEE/SECTION NEWS

FAMILY LAW COMMITTEE

The Family Law Committee will host its monthly meeting on March 12, 12:00 Noon; Topic of Discussion: Q and A with the Administrative Judge. Guest speaker: The Honorable Diane O. Leasure. To RSVP for this meeting or any of the future meetings, please e-mail hcflc@agclaw.com.

Future meetings scheduled are as follows:

April 16: Jennifer Keiser and Lisa Mohink
Topic: Update on Court Procedures and Family Law in the Circuit Court for Howard County

May 14: End of the Year party with a member round table of tips: Pitfalls and Prat falls:
Lessons from the Trenches



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following new members as their applications were approved for membership:

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ESTATES AND TRUST SECTION

The Estates and Trusts Section has finalized the schedule of meetings through June 2010. They are held at the Law Offices of Cynthia Lifson, 10440 Little Patuxent Pkwy, Ste. 300 in Columbia, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The meetings are as follows:

March 25, 2010 - Attorney Megan Wallace, who will discuss "estate planning for domestic partners".

April 22, 2010 - Matthew A. Mace, Esq. of Ober, Kale, Grimes & Shriver, who will discuss proposed legislation for 2010 and a review of the bills which were introduced and approved this session.

May 20, 2010 - (NOTE - Third Thursday), Linda D. Schwartz, Attorney at Law with Paley Rothman, will discuss "ethical considerations for the estate planning attorney".

June 24, 2010 - No speaker is scheduled, as we will discuss pitfalls our members have encountered in estate planning, probate and trust administration, and offer suggestions to questions posed.

If you plan to attend any of the above scheduled meetings, please RSVP to Suzanne Simpson at 301-421-0190.

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HOWARD COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE WBA

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Vice President: Margaret Oliver
Past President: Rebecca Yoshitani

Last month, the HCWBA and the HCBA co-hosted the New Admittees Reception at Lapalapa. We had a super turnout, and met many new faces that we hope to see in Howard County in the future!

The HCWBA was the host for the State WBA's Board meeting in February, which was held at Katherine Taylor's conference room. Fourteen members attended. Michelle Sapp provided the food and all loved it. Major topics discussed included the Golf Tournament 2010 (date TBD), and the WBA Annual Meeting 2010 at Hershey Lodge, May 14-15.

Our February Luncheon was held on February 24 at Synergy Pilates and Yoga. Charmaine Gordon, lawyer, owner and founder of Synergy, was our presenter. This was a fun time and we learned some tips for taking care of ourselves as we relaxed with a savory lunch in Synergy's retreat room.

The March Lunch Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, March 24, at 11:30 AM** and will feature Tim Faith, a solo practitioner and member of the MSBA-IPS Program Committee who has agreed to speak on how to efficiently use technology in law practices and the ethics ramifications of using technology. Tim recently provided the MSBA Small and Solo practice Section with a similar presentation. **Location TBA.**

In April the HCWBA will co-sponsor a networking event with the Business Women's Network, a Howard County organization. The **tentative** plan is to hold the event after work on April 27 at the new Union Jack's (where That's Amore used to be). Look for details.

SAVE THE DATE! On **Wednesday, May 5, 2010 at 11:30 AM**, the HCWBA will hold its annual Legislative Review with Liz Bobo. **Location TBA.**

SAVE THE DATE! Our last lunch of the year will be held **Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 11:30 AM** at **Tersiquel's** on Main Street in Historic Ellicott City, and we will at that time announce our selection for the annual Connie Sapp award. We also plan to host a local attorney-turned mystery author, Debbie Mack, who will talk about her book Identity Crisis, a mystery novel about a local lawyer.

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HOWARD COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT!!

Date: March 17, 2010
Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Cost: \$15.00
Speaker: Honorable Dennis Sweeney
Topic: Social Media and the Impact on Jury Trials
Location: Bare Bones, Ellicott City

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**CHAMBER CHAT WITH THE
DISTRICT COURT JUDGES**

Date: April 22, 2010
Time: 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Cost: \$5.00
Speakers: Honorable Neil E. Axel
Honorable Pamila J. Brown
Honorable Mary C. Reese
Topic: Trial and Courtroom Do's and Don'ts
Location: District Court of Maryland for Howard County
Court Room 5

After the Chamber Chat, please join us for a
Drinks (Cash Bar) and Hors D'oeuvres
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Tuesday, March 16, 2010 @ 11:45 a.m.

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WHERE: The Bombay Peacock Grill 10005 Old Columbia Rd
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R.S.V.P. by e-mail to Bookkeeper@jknust.com by Friday, March 12, 2010; or
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Questions: Cynthia Lifson 410-531-1619 or Sheela Reddy 301-785-7991

Board meeting before the Members' Meeting



*It is with great pride that the Drug/DUI Treatment Court
of the District Court of Maryland for Howard County
announces its 11th Graduation Celebration*

On Wednesday, the 19 of May, 2010

At 4:30 in the afternoon

District Court Multiservice Building, Courtroom 5
3451 Courthouse Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043



Howard County Adult Drug/DUI Court
3451 Courthouse Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21044

**Fax RSVP to: Bobbie Fine, Esq., Drug/DUI Court Coordinator
410-480-7731, by May 3, 2010**

_____ I will be coming to the Drug/DUI Court graduation

_____ I will not be coming to the Drug/DUI Court graduation

Name: _____

Phone No: _____

Date: _____

Reception to Follow Graduation

PRO BONO SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Civil Law Self-Help Center

The Civil Law Self-Help Center was created in April 2008 to meet the civil legal needs of individuals who cannot afford an attorney, who do not qualify for Legal Aid, yet have a need for guidance from an attorney. Due to the cessation of grant funding, we are looking for volunteers to staff the Center. The Center will continue to be available on Tuesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Law Library at the Circuit Court. The Center will also continue to be available two evenings a month in the meeting room at the East Columbia Branch public library. We are looking for attorneys familiar with civil law matters who are able to donate pro bono hours for the dates and times listed below. The Center is designed to provide legal assistance only during Center hours to walk-in self-represented litigants with low income. This does not include individual representation. Your assistance is needed to continue to offer this invaluable service in Howard County. If you are interested in increasing your pro bono hours and helping with this project, please contact the Circuit Court Law Librarian at 410-313-2135. If you have a specific date that you want to sign up for, please indicate your availability by filling in your name and contact information below.

- June 15, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 22, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 29, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____

Family Law Legal Assistance Program

The Program will continue to be available on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court in Room 401C. The program will add an additional one evening per month in the meeting room at the East Columbia Branch public library. We are looking for attorneys familiar with Maryland family law who are able to donate pro bono hours for the dates and times listed below. The program is designed to provide legal assistance only during program hours to walk-in self-represented litigants with low income. This does not include individual representation. Your assistance is needed to continue to offer this invaluable service in Howard County. This service helps individuals who cannot afford an attorney and who do not qualify for Legal Aid, yet have need for guidance from an attorney. If you are interested in increasing your pro bono hours and helping with this project, please contact the Circuit Court Family Law Office at (410) 313-2225. If you have a specific date that you want to sign up for, please indicate your availability by filling in your name and contact info below.

- April 5, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- April 19, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- May 24, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 14, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 16, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 21, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 28, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____
- June 30, 2010, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. _____

IN AND AROUND HOWARD COUNTY

March 13, 2010 - SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB OF ELLICOTT CITY - ANNUAL FUNDRAISER: "A DAY AT THE RACES" - at the Laurel Race Track from 11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tickets are \$65.00 per person which includes a catered luncheon, an afternoon of horseracing, door prizes and silent auction. All proceeds will benefit the Head Start Summer Enrichment Program for Low-Income Children in Howard County. If you cannot attend, please consider making a donation for the Summer Enrichment Program. All contributions are tax deductible through the Rotary Club. Hope to see you there!!

March 21, 2010 - Columbia Pro Cantare's Faure's Requiem - A cappella songs of Andrew Caplet, 3:00pm at the 1st Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ellicott City, www.procantare.org

Official CHERRYBRATION DAYS Event! - April 25, 2010 **TriColumbia LIFEfest** - Fitness festival in Columbia featuring the BLOSSOMS OF HOPE Half Marathon, Half Marathon Relay, Think Pink 5K, and the ULMAN CANCER FUND's "CycleFest Howard County"; Begins at 7am at the pedestrian bridge over Little Patuxent Parkway. Contact www.tricolumbia.org/HowardLifeFest to register.

April 30, 2010 - LANTERNS OF HOPE Arbor Day Celebration Let your light shine in this luminary procession as we celebrate and honor over 1,400 Blossoms of Hope Cherry Trees that have been planted countywide to bring beauty and hope. Gathering begins at 6:30pm at Meadow Brook Park, Ellicott City. Parade begins at 8:15pm. For more info www.blossomsofhope.com

May 1 & 2 - Sheep & Wool Festival - This unique festival has been held at the Howard County Fairgrounds on the first full weekend in May for more than 35 years. It features working sheepdogs, weaving and shearing, delicious lamb dishes and a large array of wool crafts. For additional information, visit www.sheepandwool.org or call 410-531-3647.

May 27, 2010 - Wine in the Garden - Enjoy wine and music in the Honors Garden, 7-9pm at The Howard County Conservancy, 410-465-8877, www.hcconservancy.org

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MSBA NEWS

MD STATE BAR BULLETIN

The MSBA Bar Bulletin Editorial Department seeks attorneys interested in submitting articles for its upcoming 2010 focus issues. Articles should present an overview of the topic. Publications and deadlines are as follows:

APRIL 2010 - Consumer Bankruptcy
Deadline: March 19, 2010

If you want to discuss your article idea, please contact Patrick Tandy, 410-685-7878 or (800) 492-1964 or via e-mail at ptandy@msba.org.

MSBA'S ADR SECTION - March 18, 2010 - Chief Judge Bell Annual ADR Awards Dinner, 6:45 p.m. at the Annapolis Marriot Waterfront Hotel in Annapolis. Keynote Speaker: Professor Erica Fox, Harvard law School and Founder of the Global Negotiation Insight Institute

MSBA'S COMMITTEE ON PARALEGALS - April 8, 2010, Paralegal Networking Event, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the Westminster Hall in Baltimore, Maryland

MSBA'S ANIMAL LAW SECTION - April 9, Animal Law Symposium, in conjunction with other sponsors, at the University of Baltimore School of Law

MSBA'S ANNUAL MEETING - June 9 - 12, Ocean City, Maryland; Reserve your room at the Clarion Headquarters Hotel. For further information, please contact Wanda Claiborne at 410-685-7878 or 800-492-1964, ext. 3022, or e-mail WClaiborne@msba.org

SAVE THE DATE!!! - ANNUAL CRAB FEAST - July 24, 2010

LAW DAY 2010

The Elder Law Section Council of the Maryland State Bar Association will once again sponsor a statewide free preparation of Health Care Powers of Attorney and Living Wills / Advance Directives in Senior Centers throughout Maryland on **April 30, 2010**.

In 2009 Law Day efforts took place in nearly every county in the state, reaching several hundred seniors. This year our goal is to place at least one attorney in each of Maryland's 122 Senior Centers to provide this service.

All attorneys, regardless of areas of practice, are invited to participate in this pro bono event. For those attorneys less familiar with the documents being prepared, coordinators strive to pair them with others who have more experience. Helpful information is also available on the Internet

The suggested commitment on Law Day is at least 2.5 hours, with approximately ½ hour per appointment. Coordinators match their volunteers with centers. Senior Centers handle time slot bookings for the volunteer attorney, generally one-half hour per client.

Law Day information will be distributed through the Elder Law Section newsletter, State and Local Bar Association publications and through the Maryland Association of Senior Centers. The Senior Center Association's e-mail list includes the Area Agency on Aging Directors in each county and Baltimore City, along with 200 staff working in Senior Centers across the state.

The Howard County Law Day coordinator is Daria A. Carney, Esquire. Potential volunteers can contact her directly at daria@rbslaw.net; phone 443-276-1820.

MSBA LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

The Maryland State Bar Association Leadership Academy is currently accepting applications for the 2010-2011 Leadership Academy Fellows' Program. Each year 15 Fellows are chosen from applications submitted to the MSBA. During their term, the Fellows will spend time attending MSBA events, developing and implementing a public service project, as well as attending a special program on public speaking, media relations, interviewing skills, conducting effective meeting, budgeting and many other related areas. Fellows establish a relationship with past Bar Presidents and current bar leaders to learn more about the MSBA and to enhance leadership skills. Team building is a significant part of the Academy, wherein the Fellows develop relationships that will last long after the Academy. The skills the Fellows learn will benefit the MSBA, the local or specialty bar associations and the public as a whole. The deadline to submit an application is **March 31**. Application and additional information is available at http://www.msba.org/sec_comm/committees/leadership/index.htm

NATIONAL AND LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS

Nominations are being accepted for the following awards:

The **Hodson Award**, named in honor of the distinguished public service career of the late Major General Kenneth J. Hodson, a former Judge Advocate General of the U.S. Army, and a founding member of the Division, recognizes sustained, outstanding performance or a specific and extraordinary service by a government or public sector law office (it is not an award for an individual). Eligible nominees include all government (including military) or public sector law offices (e.g., legal aid bureaus, public defender offices and other legal organizations funded by the Legal Services Corporation) at the federal, state and local levels. To be eligible, nominees must receive funding from a government entity. Departments or units within offices are also eligible.

The **Dorsey Award** recognizes exceptional work by a public defender or legal aid lawyer. The Award was established as a tribute to the late Charles H. Dorsey, Jr., long-time Executive Director of Maryland's Legal Aid Bureau, Inc., a champion of the poor and underprivileged and, at the time of his death, the Chair-Elect of the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division. Eligible recipients are lawyers who serve indigent persons, in the employ of legal aid bureaus, indigent defense, or Legal Services Corporation funded legal organizations providing legal service to the disadvantaged. To be eligible, nominees must be employed by an entity that receives government funding.

The **Nelson Award** was established as a tribute to the late L. Clair Nelson, who served as a Council member of the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division. He contributed his loyalty, time and extraordinary talent to American Bar Association activities and held numerous leadership positions within the ABA. The Award recognizes outstanding contributions to the ABA by a government or public sector lawyer, and all government and public sector lawyers are eligible nominees. The Division will consider an individual's specific extraordinary accomplishments as well as sustained superior contributions to the ABA over a number of years.

All nomination materials must be received by **April 12, 2010**. Please send 16 copies of your nomination package to:

David A. Anderson, Chair
Awards Committee
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Lawyers Division, ABA
740 15th Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20005-1022

Audrey Robbins Humanitarian Award - This year we celebrate the 35th anniversary of The Audrey Robbins Humanitarian Awards. This prestigious award recognizes the work of human services organizations and those volunteers and staff who go above and beyond all expectations in their service to the community. Nominate a colleague, friend, or organization whose services deserve recognition.

Nomination Deadline: Friday, May 7, 2010 5:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE - The 2010 Audrey Robbins Humanitarian Awards Luncheon, will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2010, 12:00 (Noon) - 1:30 p.m. at the Meeting House, 5885 Robert Oliver Place, in Columbia. For more information please contact Maureen Heim at maureen.heim@acshoco.org

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2. Acknowledge Others
3. Think the best
4. Listen
5. Be inclusive
6. Speak kindly
7. Don't speak ill
8. Accept and give praise
9. Respect even a subtle “no”
10. Respect others' opinions
11. Mind your body
12. Be agreeable
13. Keep it down
(and rediscover silence)
14. Respect other people's time
15. Respect other people's space
16. Apologize earnestly
17. Assert yourself
18. Avoid personal questions
19. Care for your guests
20. Be a considerate guest
21. Think twice before asking
for favors
22. Refrain from idle complaints
23. Accept and give
constructive criticism
24. Respect the environment
and be gentle to animals
25. Don't shift responsibility
and blame

DISTRICT TEN COURT SCHEDULE - MARCH, 2010

DAY/DATE	HOWARD #1 JUDGE	HOWARD #2 JUDGE BROWN	HOWARD #3 JUDGE REESE	HOWARD #4 JUDGE HANTMAN	HOWARD #5 JUDGE AXEL	CARROLL #1 JUDGE RASINSKY	CARROLL #2 JUDGE JONES	TRAVEL
MON. **	NO COURT	CIVIL	CIVIL (B)	NO COURT	CIVIL-am/DV-pm	CIVIL	CIVIL	
TUE. **	NO COURT	TRAF-am/DV-pm (B)	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	CRIMINAL	
WED. **	SER.TR-am/CRIM-pm - VJ	CRIMINAL	CRIM-am/DV-pm	NO COURT	TRAF- AM ONLY (B)	TRAF -AM ONLY	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	
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FRI. **	TRAFFIC - VJ	CRIMINAL	CRIM-am/RENTS-pm	NO COURT	SER.TR-am/DV-pm (B)	CIVIL	CRIMINAL	
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WED. **	TR-am/TR-Redlts-pm-VJ	SER.TR-am/DV-pm (B)	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	DRUG COURT	TRAFFIC	NO COURT	
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TUE. **	NO COURT	TR-am/TR-Redlts-pm(B)	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	TRAF-am/DV-pm	NO COURT	CRIMINAL	
WED. **	NO COURT	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC-JONES (B)	NO COURT	SER.TR-am/DV-pm	NO COURT	CRIMINAL	
THU. **	CRIMINAL - VJ	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIM-am/DV-pm (B)	NO COURT	DRUG COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC-REESE	
FRI. **	TRAFFIC - VJ (B)	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIM-am/DV-pm	NO COURT	NO COURT	TRAFFIC	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	
MON. **	SERIOUS TRAFFIC - VJ	RENTS	CRIM-am/DV-pm (B)	NO COURT	NO COURT	CRIM-am/SER.TR-pm	CRIM-am/SER.TR-pm	
TUE. **	CIVIL - VJ	CIVIL-am/DV (B)	CIVIL	NO COURT	NO COURT	CIVIL	CIVIL	
WED. **	TRAFFIC - VJ (B)	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIM-am/DV-pm	NO COURT	TR-am/TR-Redlts-pm(B)	CRIMINAL	CRIMINAL	
WED. **	NO COURT	SER.TR-am/DV-pm	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	NO COURT	TRAFFIC	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	

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AJM = ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGES' MTG.	AXEL: 17 = JI (Instructor) 19=AJC	AXEL: 3-pm = A 25,26,29,30 = A	3/9/10: Commissioner Mtg. - 9 am
B = BAIL REVIEWS	BROWN: 24 = MCM	BROWN: 3-pm = A 25,26,29,30 = A	District Judges Mtg. - 1:30 pm
CEC = COMMISS. EDUC. CONF.	HANTMAN: 17 = JI	HANTMAN: 1,2,3,4,5,8,9,10,11,12,15,16,17,18,19,22,23,24,25,26,29,30,31=M	Howard County (Jones)
CEM = COMMISS. EDUC. MTG.	JONES: 10 = ELR	JONES: 17 = JI 19=AJC	Bench/Bar Liaison Mtg. - 4 pm
ELR = EXEC. LEADERSHIP RETREAT	RASINSKY: 23 = JI	RASINSKY: 3-pm = M	Ctrm. 5 (Jones)
JFC = JUD. EDUC. COMMITTEE	REESE:	REESE:	Note: PTC's may be scheduled on a routine Traffic day at 3:30 pm
JJ = JUDICIAL INSTITUTE			REVISSED: ** 1/27/10
3JP = THREE JUDGE PANEL			
MCM = Management Council Meeting			
VJ = VISITING JUDGE			

DISTRICT TEN COURT SCHEDULE - APRIL, 2010

DAY/DATE	HOWARD #1 JUDGE	HOWARD #2 JUDGE BROWN	HOWARD #3 JUDGE REESE	HOWARD #4 JUDGE HANTMAN	HOWARD #5 JUDGE AXEL	CARROLL #1 JUDGE RASINSKY	CARROLL #2 JUDGE JONES	TRAVEL
THU. *	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC	NO COURT	CRIM-AM/DV-PM	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC	
FRI. *	SER.TR-AM/REN-TS-PM-VJ	NO COURT	TRAF. - AM ONLY	NO COURT	CRIM-AM/DV-PM (B)	CRIMINAL	CIVIL	
MON. *	CIVIL - VJ	NO COURT	NO COURT	CIVIL	CIVIL-AM/DV-PM (B)	CIVIL	CIVIL	
TUE. *	NO COURT	NO COURT	CRIM-AM/DV-PM	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	CRIMINAL	
WED. *	NO COURT	TR-AM/TR-Redlghts-PM(B)	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	CRIMINAL	DRUG COURT	TRAFFIC	NO COURT	
THU. *	NO COURT	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	TRAFFIC	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC	
FRI. *	TRAFFIC -VJ (B)	NO COURT	SER.TR-AM/REN-TS-PM	CRIMINAL	CRIM-AM/DV-PM (B)	CRIMINAL	CRIMINAL	
MON. *	NO COURT	CIVIL	CIVIL-AM/DV-PM	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	
TUE. *	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM (B)	CRIMINAL	CRIMINAL	
WED. *	NO COURT	CRIM-AM/DV-PM	CRIMINAL	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TR-AM/TR-Redlghts-PM Jones	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFFIC-AXEL	
THU. *	TRAFFIC - VJ	SERIOUS TRAFFIC (B)	CRIM-AM/DV-PM	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	TR-AM/TR-Redlghts-PM	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	
FRI. *	NO COURT	CRIM-AM/DV-PM	TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	SER.TR-AM/REN-TS-PM	CRIMINAL	SER.TR-AM/P.I-PM	
MON. *	NO COURT	CIVIL-AM/DV-PM (B)	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL - VJ	
TUE. *	TRAFFIC - VJ (B)	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIM-AM/DV-PM (B)	CRIMINAL	NO COURT	
WED. *	NO COURT	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	NO COURT	CRIMINAL	DRUG COURT	TRAFFIC	NO COURT	
THU. *	NO COURT	TRAFFIC (B)	CRIMINAL	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	NO COURT	
FRI. *	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	TRAFF-AM/DV-PM (B)	CRIM-AM/REN-TS-PM	CRIMINAL	CRIM-AM/SER-TR-PM	NO COURT	
MON. *	NO COURT	CIVIL (B)	CIVIL	CIVIL	CIVIL-AM/DV-PM	CIVIL	CIVIL - VJ	
TUE. *	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	CRIMINAL	TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	CRIM. - AM ONLY	
WED. *	NO COURT	TR-AM/TR-Redlghts-PM-Jones (B)	CRIMINAL	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	CRIM-AM/DV-PM (B)	NO COURT	TRAFFIC-BROWN	
THU. *	NO COURT	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	TRAFFIC	CRIMINAL	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	NO COURT	SERIOUS TRAFFIC	
FRI. *	TRAFFIC - VJ (B)	CRIMINAL	SER.TR-AM/DV-PM	CRIMINAL	REN-TS	NO COURT	CRIMINAL	

LEAVE:	ADMINISTRATIVE:	OTHER:
AXEL: BROWN: 2,5,6,9 = A HANTMAN: 1,2 = M JONES: 22,23,26 = A RASINSKY: 28,29,30 = A REESE: 2-pm, 5 = A	AXEL: BROWN: 20 = JI HANTMAN: 7-am = CEC JONES: 19,20,21-DV WORKSHOP RASINSKY: REESE: 20 = JI	4/7/10: Team Meeting-Howard, 2:30 pm (Jones) 4/27/10: Team Meeting-Carroll, 2:30 pm (Jones) Note: P.T.C.'s may be scheduled on a routine Traffic day at 3:30 pm

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