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I am honored and grateful to serve as the Stanislaus County Bar Association President this year. Stanislaus County Bar Association Presidents usually serve as a Board member and then as an Officer over a period of seven + years before being "elected" into office as President. We have the vantage point of witnessing and participating in most, if not all, of the Stanislaus County Bar Association ("SCBA") events prior to serving as President. And what I have witnessed is that our SCBA has a focused commitment to professionalism, to Minimum Continuing Legal Education ("MCLE"), to the Lawyer Referral Program, to the building and strengthening of relationships between lawyers, the bench and the community and to member development of thriving law practices.



Four SCBA events and four MCLE events are calendared in the next two months. The New Lawyer's Reception has been revived. It is set for April 2, 2015. New Judge Ruben Villalobos will say a few words to welcome these new attorneys to the practice of law. The Honorable Alan K. Cassidy and the Honorable Ruben Villalobos will be honored at the New Judges' lunch on April 10. 2015. Then on May 8, 2015 the SCBA will celebrate Law Day at the Gallo Center. California Supreme Court Associate Justice Goodwin Liu is honoring us as our Keynote Speaker. The 2015 Law Day celebrates the 800th anniversary of the Magna Carta with the theme of "The Magna Carta, Symbol of Freedom Under the Law."

At the Law Day luncheon, the annual Liberty Bell Award will be presented to a lay man or woman who has promoted a better understanding of the rule of law and/or encouraged respect for the law in our county. Additionally, the SCBA will present a \$1,000 scholarship each to two Stanislaus County students demonstrating an interest in the law. The Modesto 500 Lions Club generously provides the SCBA with an additional \$1000 donation for a scholarship in memory of John Grisez, a local attorney. The SCBA Scholarship Committee is currently taking applications of high school students for consideration of these three scholarships. Anyone who knows of a student who might be interested in applying for these available scholarships, please have them contact the SCBA Executive Director for the scholarship information.

Last but not least on the upcoming calendar of SCBA events is the Annual SCBA Golf Tournament. Bring your clubs and sunscreen and be ready for a lot of fun and networking with lawyers, judges, associates, service providers and friends on Saturday, May 30, 2015, at Dryden Golf Course in Modesto. Sponsorships and raffle prizes are being solicited. The foursome entry fee will include green fees, a golf cart, unlimited beverages during play and lunch. For those who need assistance, a limited number of Mulligan tickets will be for sale. We always have a great raffle and barbeque immediately following the tournament at Dryden. Please log into the SCBA website/ calendar for specific times and locations for these upcoming SCBA events.

The SCBA's Minimum Continuing Legal Education programs are offered primarily on Fridays from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Jury Room of the Stanislaus County Superior Court, 800 11th Street, Modesto, CA 95354. The programs are aimed at providing helpful tips and guidance regarding legal topics pertinent to the full spectrum of practicing attorneys. The SCBA is an approved MCLE provider

by the State Bar of California. Suggestions for potential MCLEs are welcome and requested.

The achievements of the SCBA would not be possible without the daily support of our Executive Director Deana Skelton. Through the events, meetings and requests whether in planning or at a moment's notice, Deana works diligently to deliver excellence on each occasion, while also ensuring that our budget is balanced, the bills are paid, our phones are answered and our technology is up and running.

The events provided by the SCBA would not be possible without the financial support of sponsors. Last October the SCBA brought one of the original Little Rock Nine to Modesto as a Keynote speaker. It was a wonderful event according to all reviews and one of the best attended Bench-Bar Dinners in years. But it also cost money to bring this historical figure to our Bench-Bar Dinner and sponsors stepped up. Sponsorship dollars (for a second year in a (Continued on page 3.....)



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SCBA Calendar of Events

** You may also register & pay online for all Bar Association events, at STANBAR.ORG **

APRIL

- 2 **NEW LAWYERS' RECEPTION**, Court House tour at 4:15 p.m. and Reception following at 5:15 p.m., in Modesto Commerce Bank's Lobby on J Street. Come and meet our newest attorneys!
- **10 NEW JUDGES' LUNCHEON**, to celebrate Stanislaus County's 2 newest Judgeships, for the Honorable Alan Cassidy and Honorable Ruben Villalobos, 12-1 PM on Galletto's Patio.
- 17 MCLE: ABC's of Social Security, by Terri Isaac, Esq., 12-1 PM, in the Jury Room, worth 1 hour of aeneral MCLE credit.

MAY

- **8 2015 LAW DAY LUNCHEON –** at The Gallo Center from 12-1 p.m. with **Keynote Speaker: Calif. Supreme Court Assoc Justice Goodwin Liu**. Contact the Bar Office to be an Event Sponsor!
- 15 MCLE: Are You Ready For Trial?, by Ret. Judge Hurl Johnson, 12-1 PM, in the Jury Room, for 1 hour of general MCLE credit.
- 22 MCLE: Avoiding Probate Pitfalls & Continuances, by Judge William Mayhew, Margaret Middleton & Nina Wendt, Court Probate Examiners, 12-1 PM, in the Jury Room, for 1 hour general credit.
- **30 GOLF TOURNAMENT –** Dryden Park Golf Course, Saturday, May 30, Check-In at 8:00 a.m. and Shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. Contact the Bar Office to be a Tee-Sign and/or T-Shirt Event Sponsor!

JUNE

26 MCLE: **Private Judging V. Mediation**, by Ken Cochrane, of McCormick Barstow, Ret. Judge Hurl Johnson, Ret. Commissioner Jerry Corman, & 5th DCA Justice Dennis Cornell. 12-1 PM, in the Jury Room, and worth 1 hour of general MCLE credit.

MINIMUM CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION

Group 1 (A - G)2/1/13 - 1/31/16
Deadline: 2/1/2016

Group 2 (H - M)2/1/12 - 1/31/15
Deadline: 2/2/2015

Group 3 (N - Z) 2/1/14 - 1/31/17 Deadline: 2/1/2017

AMENDMENTS TO THE CALIFORNIA RULES OF COURT

Effective on January 1, 2015

http://www.courts.ca.gov/documents/2015-01-01_Rules_doc.pdf

This is a link to short summaries of rule amendments recently adopted but the Judicial Council.

Please refer to the history legend of each rule for its effective date.

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(President's Message - Continued from Page 1....)

row, from Union Bank) have allowed the Lawyer's Referral Service ("LRS") to continue its exposure to the public and to assist those in our community to obtain low cost initial legal guidance. We are woefully low on attorneys who have signed up to assist our community citizens, however. An occasional donation of a thirty (30) minute consultation is all that is requested. The downside is a thirty minute donation; the upside is a potential client. The LRS attorneys are prescreened for experience and are required to carry malpractice insurance.

The SCBA is also requesting that members refer the public to the Lawyers Referral Service. For the program to work, we need potential clients and the donating attorneys. We are lacking in both and are looking to our members to help bring this very important public service back to life with a goal of making the program sustainable and thriving.

Finally, the SCBA would like to welcome Sonja Bouma as our newest board member. She joins board members Jeff Mangar, Andrew Mendlin, George Rodarakis, Kristina Vaz, Stacy Speiller, Vice President Keric J. Cushing, Secretary, Robert Farrace, Treasurer Michael Dennis and myself as voting members of the SCBA. Ex- Officio Past President Jeff Bean and Executive Director Deana Skelton are non-voting members of the Board of Directors.

The SCBA continually seeks to insure its long term financial stability and growth and needs members to do this. I am asking our current members to seek out other practicing attorneys in our county who are not SCBA members to encourage them to join the SCBA. We need their enthusiasm, their ideas, their energy, and their commitment to maintain and improve our local bar association.

Thank you for your continued support. The SCBA exists because of you.

LAWYER'S REFERRAL SERVICE

- Are you willing to support your local Bar Association?
- Are you looking for new clients?
- Are you willing to provide some pro bono time?

If you answer "YES" to the above, please consider serving on the LRS panel.

As an SCBA member, you only pay a \$50 annual LRS panel fee!

Simple appointment process: LRS representative will schedule appointments with your office at your convenience with clients who have a matter in your area(s) of expertise. The client pays a \$50.00 administrative fee to us over the phone, for a 30-minute consultation. Each month you will receive a statement from the LRS listing your appointments for that month. All you do is indicate the LRS clients who kept their appointments (and those that did not), and send the statement back to the LRS office.

If the client retains you, any further attorney's fees are entirely yours!

STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATIONS

2015 LAW DAY LUNCHEON

58th Annual at The Gallo Center for the Arts 1000 "I" Street, Modesto CA

Keynote Speaker: Justice Goodwin Liu, Of the California Supreme Court

> Friday, May 8th, 2015 Noon to 1:00 p.m.

"LAW DAY SPONSORSHIP LEVELS"

Platinum \$500

Silver \$250

Bronze \$100

Table for 10 \$750

Includes Table & Sign, 10 Admissions & Lunches, and Bronze Membership level.

*ALL SPONSORSHIPS INCLUDE: Verbal recognition at the Event, Appear in Event Program, Acknowledged in the Non Sequitur newsletter, Posted on The Bar Website.

Without the generous donations of our member legal community, we would not be able to bring you these wonderful programs. Thank you!

THE STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND THE

NEW LAWYERS' RECEPTION

Sponsored and Hosted by BANK OF STOCKTON

Modesto Commerce Bank



Evening's Speaker

HONORABLE RUBEN VILLALOBOS

Superior County Superior Court Judge

PLEASE HELP US WELCOME AND INTRODUCE THE NEW LAWYERS WHO PASSED THE BAR EXAM IN 9014 TO THE STANISLAUS LEGAL COMMUNITY.

Thursday, April 2nd, 2015 4:15 p.m. Court Tour by Rebecca Fleming, Court CEO 5:15 to 7:00 p.m. Reception at the Modesto Commerce Bank Main Branch Lobby, 1302 J Street, Modesto CA

HORS D'OEUVRES \diamond HOSTED COCKTAILS \diamond RAFFLE

Please RSVP to Lynn Salerno A.S.A.P. at 209.929.1521 or E-mail: lsalerno@bankofstockton.com

THE STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

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THE NEW JUDGES' LUNCH

To Recognize

The HONORABLE
ALAN CASSIDY &
HONORABLE RUBEN
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FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015 12:00 O'CLOCK NOON

GALLETTO'S RISTORANTE PATIO

1101 J STREET ~ MODESTO CA

The Honorabile alan cassidy & Honorabile Ruben Villalobos

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

CHOOSE A LUNCH ENTRÉE: Chicken & Machroom Ricotto Grilled Chicken Salad

GALLETTO'S RISTORANTE PATIO ~ NOON TO 1:00 P.M.

BENCH/SCBA MEMBER \$55 ~ NON-MEMBER \$75

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The Stanislaus County Bar Association is proud to host

A RECEPTION IN HONOR OF THE 2015 LAW DAY KEYNOTE SPEAKER, JUSTICE GOODWIN LIU, OF THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT

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FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2015

11:00 O'CLOCK

RECEPTION BEFORE THE LAW DAY LUNCHEON
HISTORICAL EL VIEJO POST OFFICE LOBBY – MCCORMICK BARSTOW, LLP
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Across the street from Stanislaus County Superior Court

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"Magna Carta: Symbol of Freedom Under Law"

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* DRINKS AND SNACKS WILL BE SERVED *

Please RSVP by Monday, April 27, 2015, to Deana Skelton at: deana@stanbar.org

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL SCBA AT (209) 571-5729 OR SALLY CHENAULT AT: SALLY@CHEANULTLAW.COM



JOB OPENINGS

Temporary **Paralegal/Legal Secretary** Needed: For more info, contact Anthony Drew Rowe & Ben Rowe:

adrowelaw@gmail.com and benroweattorney@gmail.com.

Triebsch & Frampton (Turlock) seeks Legal Secretary - litigation, transaction, and business formation experience. Ideal candidate proficient in calculating/calendaring civil lit. deadlines, transcribing dictation, & prep pleadings/ motions/discovery in civ lit; Knows Abacus & MS Office. Send cover letter & resume to: Triebsch& Frampton, Attn: Hiring Partner, 300 N Palm St, Turlock CA 95380.

If you have a position you would like to fill – this is a FREE Ad section. Contact Deana at deana@stanbar.org or (209) 571-5729 with job details for our next quarterly Non Seq issue.

We are sad to announce the passing of Ava Marogi.

Ava was a paralegal at the Law Office of Michael C. Normoyle

Ava left as suddenly on January 13th, much too soon.

She is survived by her husband, Roney, and two daughters, Olivia and Sophia.

CONGRATS

To Stanislaus County's newest Judges!

Honorable Alan K. Cassidy

and

Honorable
Rubén A. Villalobos

STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION...

Deeply appreciates your generous donations toward our annual Scholarships that will presented at the Law Day Luncheon on Friday, May 8, 2015.

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Thank You!

SCBA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The SCBA office continues to accept contributions for the 2015 Scholarship Fund. Our goal for 2015 is to provide two \$1,000 Scholarship Awards to Stanislaus County High School seniors at the Law Day Lunch in May 2015.

Please send contributions to:

SCBA, 804 14th St, Modesto, CA 95354

Thank you!

STANISLAUS COUNTY LEGAL PROFESSIONALS ASSOCIATION...

meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6pm. Meetings are open to anyone and our goal is to provide continuing education for those in the legal field as well as scholarship opportunities for those studying to become support staff in the legal field. You can find more information on our website at www.sclpa.org or you can contact the Membership Chair, Janice Williams, CCLS at stanislauscountylpa@qmail.com.

NEW AND REVISED PROBATE FORMS FOR 2015

Probate Practitioners: The following are new/revised Probate Judicial Council Forms for 2015:

DE-142/DE-111(A-3d) Waiver of Bond by Heir or Beneficiary (This is a new mandatory form)

DE-226 Spousal or Domestic Partner Property Order (revised for 2015)

DE-265/GC-065 Order Confirming Sale of Real Property (revised for 2015)

DE-305 Affidavit re Real Property of Small Value (revised for 2015)

DE-315 Order Determining Succession to Real Property (revised for 2015)

GC- 150 Letters of Temporary Guardianship/Conservatorship (revised for 2015)

GC-350 Letters of Conservatorship (revised for 2015)

GC-400(B)/GC-405(B) Schedule B, Gains on Sales – Standard and Simplified Accounts (2015 revision)

GC-400(D)/GC-405(D) Schedule D, Losses on Sales – Standard and Simplified Accounts (2015 revision)

POS-050/EFS-050 Proof of Electronic Service (new optional form)

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Stacy P. Speiller, Esq.

of Cash-Dudley, Speiller & Torres for being selected as the Stanislaus County

"WOMAN OF THE YEAR!"

COUNTY LAW LIBRARIES SEEKING LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Last week Law Librarians from around the State met with Legislators in Sacramento to discuss the dramatic impact that filing fee decline and fee waivers have had on our ability to provide services and access to local practitioners and the public.

Statewide, civil filing fee revenue to County Law Libraries has declined more than 30% since 2009 and in Stanislaus County that decline has been more than 40%. There are several County Law Libraries who will close their doors this year if the funding situation is not addressed.

In the coming weeks and months we will be asking for support for our Legislative efforts which currently fall into three basic categories: 1) SB711, a bill to update the language of the authorizing statute for County Law Libraries to reflect the full range of services we provide and eliminate undue restrictions on ability to generate revenue; 2) efforts to obtain recognition that County Law Libraries are open to the public and should be included on the state list of public libraries; and 3) a request for one- time supplemental funding to prevent the further decline of the state's public law libraries.

Please take the time to review the materials when they come and consider a letter of support to the State Legislature.

In the meantime, your local Law Library is continuing to find innovative ways to expand our service to local practitioners and the public. In that vein we have partnered with the Los Angeles County Law Library to bring you access to otherwise unavailable tools and titles. Now available online:

- <u>Smart Rules</u> Compiles applicable state, federal and local rules into a step-by-step procedural guide for drafting and filing civil litigation documents in any court in the United States, with links to the rule or statute that governs.
- <u>Wolters Kluwer Law and Business</u> A collection of corporate and business law resources including full text treatises and practice guides such as Marsh's California Corporation Law and Bromberg and Ribsen on Partnership.
- <u>Infotrack</u> –A searchable database of more than 1,500 law reviews, legal newspapers, bar association Journals and international law journals. Also included is access to all Supreme Court Records and Briefs from 1832 to 1978 (a period of time not searchable elsewhere).
- Hein Online -A full-text searchable PDF database of law journals, federal primary materials, treaties and legal classics. Documents are
 available for download and printing.
- <u>LLMC Digital</u> —A full-text searchable database of primary and secondary materials, with a strong collection of historical materials. This also includes access to California Supreme and Appellate Court briefs and motions.

Stop by and try the new online collection today!



It's time for the Annual SCBA Golf Tournament

By Michael R. Dennis

This is our biggest fund raiser of the year and the money raised enables the SCBA to grant larger college scholarships, provide more MCLE programs, and increase the profile of Law Day programs and the Bench-Bar Dinner. With better programs, the SCBA, in turn, earns more money. As a non-profit, that money must be spent, and it's spent on putting on even better programs. Even better programs... you get the point.

This year, Keric Cushing has handed off the reigns of the tournament to George Rodarakis. This means, A.) You can stop screening Keric's calls, and B.) Start expecting calls from George and Deana regarding sponsorships.

I know some of you don't play because the tournament is on a Saturday and at Dryden, preventing you from taking a day off to play golf at a country club, "so the children can go to college." There is a reason, however, that we do this: The judges refuse to make their courtrooms dark so they can play golf. Thus, the tournament must be played on a weekend. Country clubs, however, refuse to let people like me sully their grounds on the weekends when members might see us. This means that we have to play on the weekend, which means we play at a public course.

So what are the benefits of playing, besides making the SCBA so powerful we can march on the surrounding counties until our legions swell to the point we take over Stockton's Bar Association? First, the founder of the golf tournament, Judge Johnson, has retired from the bench so we no longer have to let him win. Second, you can have a day like I had when I played in my first tournament back in 2005: (Names have been changed to make them more legally.)

- 7:30: I receive a telephone from Blackacre: "Hi Mike, its Blackacre." "S'up, B-Dawg?" "The mimosas are ready for tailgating at Dryden. We just need some solo cups."
- 8:00: I and golfing partner, Doe 1, descend on CVS for the cups and some suntan lotion. (If you're tan, you aren't billing enough.)
- 8:03: The first movie quote is used, "It puts the lotion on its skin, it does what it's told, or it gets the hose again."
- 8:10: I check-in with Roberta. I'm asked, "Is your name Michael Dennis or Dennis Michael?" Hilarity ensues. Dennis goes in search of mimosas.
- 8:12: Tailgating commences. I try to remember, from my college days, how to hide my open container, because several judges stroll by.
- 8:36: The first Caddy Shack quote is used when I ask if it's time to find our carts. Greenacre responds, "I don't think the hard stuffs coming down for quite a while. I'd keep playing." I counter with, "Never tell a Navy man he's had too much to drink," to which Greenacre rejoined, "You're not a man, you're a Bishop."
- 9:00: Our foursome reports to our carts. Blackacre and Greenacre are in one; I and Doe 1 are in the other. Blackacre assumes the ten and two position on the steering wheel and eases out onto the course. Doe 1, however, sees two pedals in the cart and decides that only one will be necessary for today's adventure. I was not given a vote on the subject. Doe 1 floors it, yet we don't move. Foolishly, I turn the knob to the "on" position". My screams are masked by Doe 1's maniacal laughter as we plunge into golfing history.
- 9:12: Lost. As it's a shotgun start, we're supposed to start on the 9th hole, wherever that is. Directions are for losers. We declare that we are merely taking a shortcut.
- 9:13: Doe 1 has held firm to his plan to never use the brake. I, meanwhile, am holding firm to the anything I can grab on to.
- 9:15: Target is locked on what Doe 1 declares "a sweet jump".
- 9:16: We pull a U-turn to retrieve my golf bag which was jettisoned due to the sweetness of said jump.
- 9:20: The 9^{th} hole is located and we tee off. It what becomes a recurring theme, Blackacre hits the ball straight and true... and about 20 feet. Greenacre hits the ball much further, but well into the rough. I, having unsheathed my pythons, launch my ball well down the fairway... the fairway just happens to be for a different hole. Doe 1 is left handed, so he decides his ball should land in the rough on the other side of the course.
- 9:21: Because it's a hot day, our technique of playing in the shade is lauded.
- 9:33: The drink cart comes alongside us, is boarded, and relieved of its cargo. Argh!
- 9:35: Our carts fully supplied, the singing of the shanties begins. Morale is at an all-time high.

- 10:03: We finally reach the green. A path of destruction is left in our wake and the fairway is strewn with divots and doughnuts. It's hoped this slows the other teams down as quite a few have already "played through" us.
- 10:12: We putt, we score, and a 6 is entered on the score card. Dancing ensues. (Picture Molly Ringwald's dancing in the Breakfast Club if you need a visual.)
- 10:17: One would think mud bogging is not a part of the game of golf. One would be wrong.
- 10:39: I sink a 20 foot putt. Our foursome goes wild as we finally made par. But, we decide that since "par" means "average", and we are above average attorneys, our scores likewise should be above average. This explains the rash of 6's that spreads across our scorecard from that point forward.
- 11:14: Faced with clear and convincing evidence that I can't hit a wood, I decide to speed the rate of play by vowing only to use my 3 iron and a putter. Greenacre shows me up by unhooding a leviathan of a driver called "Big Bertha." I think he's still in the middle of his back swing.
- 11:15: The drink cart is looted again. Double argh!
- 11:42: We stumble upon the longest drive competition. The contest is boycotted because the results are based on yards and we have gone metric. Blackacre refuses to live in the dark ages.
- 11:46: Doe 1, lefty, and I, righty, never hit the ball even remotely close to each other, so one ball always has to be picked up. We decide to pretend we are smugglers and are making high speed water pickups. This appeals to Doe 1's need for speed and my steadily growing libido. (The drink cart had been raided a third time. Triple argh!) Doe 1 speeds along while I grab the interior roll cage and lean out the side, dragging my hand along the ground until I sweep up the ball.
- 11:48: I up the adventure level by hitting my next ball into the woods so a tree element is installed.
- 11:57: In spite of my suntan lotion, I have burned the back of my knees and a "v" shape on my chest from my open collar shirt. It's like I'm wearing a super hero costume I can never take off. ("Who was the masked man who served us with all this discovery?" "It was I, the Propounder!")
- 12:18: Our group encounters a nice steep downhill section. Naturally, we all put our hands in the air and scream as we careen downward. Real golfers slowly shake their heads at us.
- 12:27: The NASCAR phase of our day commences and we begin racing from hole to hole. Blackacre declares that "rubbin' is racin'" as we jockey for position. Doe 1 quickly cuts him off. "I'm not saying I wouldn't sign a stipulation to a continuance with the man, but if he comes at me I'm putting him in the wall."
- 12:53: We reach the far end of the course. By now, it has been a good hour since we've seen any other golfers. We suspect that the course officials have changed the signs to lead us off onto the nearby 9-hole course to relieve the backlog of golfers behind us. We'd have no problems with this, except the drink cart appears to be a part of the conspiracy. I suspect the back 9 doesn't exist and we are on a snipe hunt.
- 1:14: Dehydrated. The drink cart approaches. We holler, "Repel all borders" and speed away. Foul temptresses!
- 1:16: As in the children's song of yore, my ball hits the electron, on the atom, on the molecule, on the flea, on the hair, on the wart, on the frog, on the bump, on the log, in the hole, on the bottom of the sea. Although impressive, this is not the hole that qualifies one to win the "closest to the hole" competition. Cue pouting.
- 1:20: Greenacre uses his first mulligan. I choose to use my shoe-wedge.
- 1:33: We finally find our rhythm and the holes begin to fly by. Doe 1 drives the ball, I bring us close to the green, Greenacre chips, and Blackacre putts. Rinse and repeat.
- 2:02: We come upon a foursome of ladies. They ask us to watch their form and inquire if they are sinking their butts enough. The smell of entrapment permeates the air.
- 3:00: Our team finally completes all 18 holes. Of course, since we started on the 9th hole, we have no idea where we are. Undaunted, we begin our Homeric journey home, just with less cyclops and more dodging of golf balls.
- 3:12: After 6 hours of golf, we hand off our scorecard. Not only did we finish last in time, we were also last in score. No other team came within one hour nor 12 strokes of us. High fives all around.

As in the courtroom, so it is on the golf course. It's all about primacy and regency. Here, ten years later, all that people remember is who came in first, and who came in last. I will be remembered.... which is why I have not yet been invited back!

SCBA

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Dear Stanislaus County High School Counselor(s):

RE: 2015 STANISLAUS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS (two)
AND MODESTO 500 LIONS CLUB 'JOHN GRISEZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP' (one)

The Stanislaus County Bar Association (SCBA) is pleased to announce that it will be awarding three (3) scholarships to three (3) graduating Stanislaus County high school students.

Strong preference will be given to the applicant who plans a career in law, i.e., attorney, law enforcement, administration of justice, or paralegal to name a few.

The recipient will be expected to attend a two to four year college or university. The criteria for qualification include a minimum 3.0 grade point average during high school to date. They must demonstrate leadership, participate in school activities, and graduate from high school in 2015.

CRITERIA AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- 1. The SCBA will award three (3) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000.00 each.
- The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior enrolled in a Stanislaus County High School.
- Application Deadline will be April 17, 2015 and recipients will be determined by April 24, 2015.
- 4. The recipients will be awarded their scholarship at the SCBA Annual Law Day Luncheon, Friday, May 8, 2015. They will be our honored guests at the luncheon and will dine with us, at our expense (scholarship recipient and 1 (one) parent or guardian).

Sincerely,

Andrew Mendlin Scholarship Chairman

Jeff Bean, Keric Cushing, Sonya Bouma, Michael Dennis, Jeff Mangar and Robert Farrace 2015 SCBA Scholarship Committee Members

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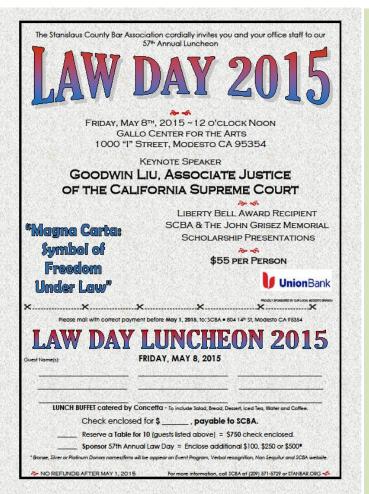
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Please print clearly in pen or type:

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