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August Luncheon Meeting

Wednesday, August 9th, 12:00 p.m.

Ortiz Convention Center

402 Harbor Drive

Speaker: Debra Bruce, JD, PCC, Debra Bruce Executive Coaching

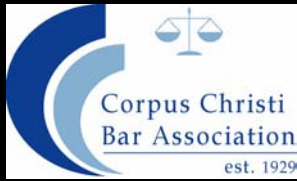
Topic: "Building Your Practice Through Ethical and Professional Communication with Clients"

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Cost: \$16.00 per person for members, \$21.00 per person for non-members if reserved by noon, Tuesday, August 8, 2006. Call the Bar Office at 883-4022 to RSVP or e-mail us at sgonzales@corpusbar.com. All reservations must be paid for. "No Shows" will be billed. The cost at the door will be \$18.00 for members, \$23.00 for non-members.

NOTE

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Newsletter

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Committee Volunteers Sought

President Doug Mann is making appointments to the different CCBA committees. If you would like to serve on a committee, please e-mail us at sgonzales@corpusbar.com, call us at 883-4022, or fax us at 883-0353. The CCBA committees are

- Administration of Justice
- Continuing Legal Education
- Entertainment/Fish Fry
- Law Day
- Lawyer Referral Service
- Membership
- Public Relations
- Survivors Assistance
- CAPT Dan and Barney Flynn Scholarship
- Judge Norman Utter Scholarship
- Mock Trial
- Coat & Warm Clothing
- Adopt a Family

Because membership is limited on some committees, please list your choices in order of interest if you have several choices.

CCYLA Wins Hankinson Award

The Corpus Christi Young Lawyers Association has won the annual Deborah G. Hankinson Access to Justice Award for small city young lawyers associations. The award was created by the Supreme Court of Texas in 2003. It is named for former Supreme Court Justice Deborah Hankinson. Four awards are presented annually. They are given to the large city and small city local bars and Texas Young Lawyers Association affiliates that have the highest number of

donations to the Access to Justice Campaign on the State Bar of Texas via the dues statements payments. CCYLA members contributed to the Access to Justice Campaign at a higher rate than any other small city in Texas. The award was presented at the State Bar of Texas Leaders' Conference Luncheon.



Omar Leal, CCYLA President, accepts trophy signifying CCYLA's receipt of Deborah G. Hankinson Access to Justice Award

CCYLA Holds Annual "Over the Hill Party"



Lisa Y. Godwin, and Jason P. Hoelscher share a joke while Ragan Shadi takes an important call during the "Over the Hill Party"

Each year the Corpus Christi Young Lawyers Association holds an "Over the Hill" party to honor those who have achieved

sufficient "maturity" by June 1st of the year to be graduated from the organization. This year's party was held July 13th at B&J's Pizza. All in attendance enjoyed the comradery, pizza, and liquid refreshment. Discretion being the better part of valor, the names of those graduating are not being published.



Jason M. Jett, Tamara Adami, and Robert Heil at the CCYLA "Over the Hill" party.

Texas Advanced Paralegal Seminar

The Paralegal Division of the State Bar of Texas is sponsoring the 2006 Texas Advanced Paralegal Seminar from September 20th through September 22nd. It will be in Addison (North Dallas) at the Crowne Plaza Hotel. The seminar is a three-day, multi-track continuing education seminar that includes advanced continuing education, networking opportunities, and comradery. Early registration ends September 6th.

Full registration price includes three days of continuing education (the opportunity to earn 14 hours, speakers' materials, complimentary continental breakfast each day, the Friday Luncheon, and the opportunity to attend any continuing education held during the three days of the seminar. You will have the ability to choose the classes you wish to attend.

Single-day registrations are available. The one-day registration price includes one day of continuing education and seminar materials. You will be able to choose the courses you wish to attend

that day.

A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at the Crowne Plaza Hotel at the cost of \$89.00. That rate is good for three days before and three days after the seminar. The deadline for reservation of a hotel room is September 6th.

A discount is available for the cost of the seminar if you register on line, and scholarships are available (See www.txpd.org).

Call or e-mail us for a copy of the seminar's flyer (883-4022 or sgonzales@corpusbar.com).

CCBA Board Actions

The CCBA Board met July 25th and took the following actions:

- Agreed to purchase membership computer software for \$7,000.00 with extended payments if possible
- Referred the issue of whether to form a "Judicial Campaign Conduct Committee" to the Administration of Justice Committee
- Agreed to exclude the CCBA Officers From Workers' Compensation Insurance coverage to reduce premium cost
- Agreed to change signature authority on CCBA bank accounts to reflect the change in leadership
- Set the CCBA Board of Directors Retreat for Saturday, August 19th, in the Tower II Community Room
- Agreed to not hold a luncheon in March and instead to promote the CBWLA's March Fund Raiser Luncheon
- Agreed to hold an additional Docket Call in March with Jerry Dorsey doing the groundwork
- Agreed to review establishment of an Amicus Attorney Program in Domestic Violence Cases
- Agreed to call members who had not yet paid their 2006 — 2007 dues to encourage them to pay their dues as soon as possible

CCBA Dues Were Due July 1st

Have you paid your 2006 — 2007 dues yet? The new year started July 1st. Please check your records. Payment without having to send another reminder will save CCBA's meager resources. If you have any questions whether your dues have been paid, please call Dick King at 883-4022 or e-mail him at dking@corpusbar.com.

Mark Your Calendars

Bold indicates seminar or new entry on the calendar

August

- 8 — Last day for Luncheon reservations
- 9 — Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 19 — Board of Directors Retreat (Tower II)
- 22 — Board of Directors Meeting

September

- 4 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 13 --- Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 14 - 15 — SBOT Board of Directors Meeting at Omni Bayfront
- 26 — Board of Directors Meeting

October

- Annual "Coat, Blanket, and Warm Clothing Drive" begins
- 4 — Red Mass, Judge Carolyn Dineen King, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 11 --- Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 24 — Board of Directors Meeting,
- 27 — **Advanced Personal Injury Seminar**

November

- "Coat, Blanket, and Warm Clothing Drive" ends and donations distributed to homeless shelters; "Adopt a Family" Holiday Project begins
- 8 --- Joint Luncheon with Legal Professionals, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center

- 10 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 18 — **Peoples Law School**
- 23 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 24 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 28 — Board of Directors Meeting

December

- "Adopt a Family" Holiday Project ends and food and other donated items distributed to "adopted" families; Judges' Fish Fry
- 22 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 25 — Holiday, Office Closed

January 2007

- 1 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 10 — Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 15 — Holiday, Office Closed
- 23 — Board of Directors Meeting

February

- Mock Trial
- 14 — Joint Luncheon with CPA's, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 27 — Board of Directors Meeting

March

- Nominating Committee, Docket Call,
- 12 — 16 CCISD Spring Break
- 7 — **Coastal Bend Women Lawyers Association Luncheon**
- 27 — Board of Directors Meeting

April

- Election of New Board, Advanced Civil Trial Law Seminar, 2 — Passover Begins, 6 — Good Friday, 8 — Easter
- 11 — Annual Meeting Luncheon, 12:00 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 24 — Board of Directors Meeting

May 2007

- Criminal Law Seminar
- 3 — Law Day Reception, 5:30 p.m.— 7:30 p.m., Ortiz Center
- 4 — Law Day Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Ortiz Center, Judge Carl E. Stewart, 5th Circuit Court of Appeals
- 22 — Board of Directors Meeting
- 28 — Holiday, Office Closed

June 2007

- Docket Call, Baseball with the Bench, State Bar Annual Meeting

- 26 — Board of Directors Joint Meeting

CCBA New Member

We welcome the following new member:

Ryan Stevens, phone 881-8887

WE STILL NEED YOUR E-MAIL ADDRESS

If you have not already done so, please send your e-mail address to us via e-mail at sgonzales@corpusbar.com or via fax at 883-0353 or via voice at 883-4022. We are stepping into the 21st Century. We have established an e-mail data base and blast e-mail capability. Your e-mail address will not be shared with any other organization. By establishing this service, we can save time in transmitting critical communications to you; and we shall be able to save money. If you have any questions, please call us at 883-4022.

Extra Space You Would Like to Rent to Another Attorney?

Do you have extra space you would like to rent to another attorney? Why don't you advertise it in the newsletter? The cost is cheap, \$20.00 for 1/4 page, \$40.00 for 1/2 page, and \$80.00 for a full page. You don't want to advertise it? We still have a solution for you. We have prepared a list of space available for rent by attorneys. All you have to do is to notify us at 883-4022 or e-mail us at sgonzales@corpusbar.com, and we shall place you on the list. Attorneys/firms advertising space available will automatically be placed on the list. If we receive inquiries as to space available to rent to other attorneys, we shall notify you of the individual seeking space; and you can contact the individual seeking the space or not do anything based upon whether you wish to rent to the attorney seeking space for rent.



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