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From the President

By Christine Reinhard

1 in 3. This was a startling statistic I heard just the other day. In fact, I heard this statistic on the day women in U.S. celebrated the 90th anniversary of their right to vote. For many of us, it is hard to imagine not possessing the right to vote, let alone not being able to practice law. However, in the big scheme of things, it was not so long ago such was the case. Women, particularly in the U.S., have come a long way. But we have much more to go and in more ways than one. The 1-in-3 statistic I quoted above is the number of women throughout the world who have experienced some form of sexual assault or rape. Although we have all heard innumerable and unfathomable statistics before, this one caught my attention.

In this down economy, when stress and pressure is likely on the rise, we women need to come together to do what we can to erase this statistic. Our BCWB organization

has a long history of helping women who have encountered and suffered some form of violence. This year, one of our own members (and Luncheon Chair), Monica Lerma, is serving as Chair-Elect of the Rape Crisis Center here in San Antonio. The Rape Crisis Center is hosting its annual Partners for Change event this coming September 9, 2010, wherein it strives to raise much needed money to support its efforts to change the statistic above, at least locally. I encourage all who can attend to do so. If you need more information about this event or this very worthwhile organization, feel free to contact Monica or visit <http://rapecrisis.com/#>.



One reported way to help women escape violence is to empower them. Our Autumn Affair beneficiary this year, Dress for Success, seeks to do just that. (con'd on p. 3)

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Autumn Affair 2010 is Almost Here!

By Tiffanie Clausewitz and Laura Mason

Autumn Affair is next month! Our signature fundraising event will take place on October 14, 2010 on the beautiful grounds of the Witte Museum and will benefit Dress for Success San Antonio. Please sponsor or purchase a ticket to make sure you don't miss this exciting event! Below are some important announcements for this last month of planning. Don't forget to check your mailbox for the Autumn Affair invitations that will be going out soon!

August Autumn Affair Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 9, 2010, Noon to 1:00 p.m.

Lower Level Conference Room,

Oppenheimer, Blend, Harrison & Tate (Travis Park Plaza Building)

Lunch Served

RSVP to Laura Mason at lmason@obht.com

Sponsorships

Please sponsor Autumn Affair and attend our fabulous event!

Contact Emma Cano at emma.cano@haynesboone.com or

Hella Scheuerman at hschc@allstate.com for more information.

Sponsorships are available for \$2,000 or \$1,200.

We'd like to thank the following who have already generously agreed to sponsor Autumn Affair:

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Tiffanie Clausewitz
Autumn Affair 2010
Co-Chair



Laura Mason
Autumn Affair 2010
Co-Chair

Autumn Affair (con'd)

Auction/Raffle

Please donate an auction or raffle item to help us raise money for Dress for Success! Contact Jamie Rose at Jamie.Rose@usaa.com, Kim Tindall at ktindall@ktanda.com, or Katherine Patton at kpatton@coxsmith.com for more information. Then plan to attend Autumn Affair to try and win one of these great prizes!

Thank you to our auction and raffle sponsors for their support and donations:

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Photos from the August Luncheon



Carol Bertsch, Jill Tolbert, Monica Bonilla & daughter Marisa Bonilla



Julie Cuplin, Christine Reinhard, Tiffanie Clausewitz & Laura Mason



Luncheon speaker Dan Hargrove



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PRESENTS

An Autumn Affair

benefiting Dress for Success

OCTOBER 14, 2010, 6 P.M.
THE WITTE MUSEUM
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS



From the President (con'd)

Many think Dress for Success simply provides clothing to women in need for job interviews. Its services, however, are so much more. We hope over the couple of months, through this newsletter, our upcoming September luncheon, and at the Autumn Affair event itself, you will learn exactly how Dress for Success is striving to help women in need in San Antonio.

In order for our organization to help Dress for Success reach its goals, we need your assistance with Autumn Affair scheduled for October 14, 2010. If you can serve as a sponsor, donate an auction item, purchase a raffle ticket, or simply encourage someone else to attend the event, it will go a long way towards making this year's Autumn Affair an event to remember. If you need more information, please contact either of our Co-Chairs, Laura Mason (lmason@obht.com) or Tiffanie Clausewitz (tclausewitz@rmgllp.com).

I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank all the Past Presidents and former Bench Brunch/Autumn Affair Chairs who have answered this year's President's Challenge. All of you inspire me through your enthusiastic and continued support of this organization and its desire to help and celebrate women. I also want to thank our members who attended the Autumn Affair Kick-Off Party on August

31. I can tell you first hand you are not going to want to miss the auction items donated thus far. Lastly, I would be remiss if I did not thank in advance the terrific women who are working very hard to make this year's Autumn Affair a sensation. I truly believe through all of our hard work we will help women in San Antonio overcome the difficult challenges they face, and by doing so, we may someday never hear the 1-in-3 statistic again.

In closing, I hope everyone does not "labor" too hard on the 6th, takes some time to remember the tragic events of 9 years ago on the 11th, and can help celebrate our freedoms on Constitution Day, the 17th. I also encourage everyone to squeeze in a bit of fun and ethics on the 29th or 30th at this year's *Remote Control*. I hear it will be nothing but fantastic. Harkening back to my 80s days, have a "totally awesome" September!

This Year's Belva Lockwood Outstanding Lawyer



Elizabeth A. Copeland, this year's Belva Lockwood Outstanding Lawyer, is a shareholder with Oppenheimer, Blend, Harrison and Tate, Inc., in the Tax Section of the firm. She has been recognized by *Woodward/White* as one of the "Best Lawyers in America," by *Texas Monthly Magazine* and *Law & Politics Magazine* as a "Texas Super Lawyer" in the area of Tax Law, and by *Scene in San Antonio Magazine* as one of San Antonio's Best Tax Attorneys. Elizabeth was Recipient of the Belva Lockwood Outstanding Young Lawyer Award in 1998.

For the Bexar County Women's Bar Association (BCWBA), Elizabeth has served as Vice-President, Treasurer and Director. She directly impacted the mission of the BCWBA by developing a four hour continuing legal education program called "Help! Tax Issues in Divorce" presented by us for our members. Elizabeth has donated her time to educate us on tax issues at our monthly luncheons. More importantly, Elizabeth chaired the Bench Brunch (now Autumn Affair) fundraiser for the Bexar County Women's Bar Foundation in 1999, instituting the "gift gathering party" and other innovative ways to increase revenue for charitable giving. Elizabeth has consistently assisted with this fundraiser, serving as Wee-Brunch Chair, Decorations Chair, Cashier and Honoree Chair.

Elizabeth's most significant contribution to the community was starting The Tax Court Pro Bono Program that provides free legal assistance to low income taxpayers that are facing trial in the United States Tax Court. The program was the first of its kind in the Nation. It is now used as a model for other state bars to provide similar assistance. New York City was the most recent bar to follow the model that Elizabeth created for this purpose (Elizabeth helped Texas beat NYC, Yeah!). Elizabeth received the Janet Spragens Pro Bono Award from the American Bar Association for her work on the Tax Court program.

Elizabeth is a long running Girl Scout leader, encouraging self confidence and self worth in her girls. She also helped institute a Peer Mediation Program for girls at Providence High School. The program called "Providence Peacemakers" allows the girls to peacefully settle disputes outside the classroom. Elizabeth has also served on the planning committee for "Beyond the Glass Ceiling" Women's History Month Celebration event.

Elizabeth is heavily involved with the American Society of Women Accountants as frequent lecturer for them on a variety of tax topics and was recently awarded the "Balance Award" by that organization for her ability to balance work, home and community service. She is Chair the American Bar Association Section of Taxation Appointments to the Tax Court Committee, Vice Chair of the Pro Bono Committee, and Member of the Nominating Committee. For the State Bar of Texas Section of Taxation, Elizabeth serves as Treasurer, immediate Past Chair of the Pro Bono Committee, and is a former Director. For the San Antonio Bar Association, Elizabeth volunteer's on the continuing education committee.

Elizabeth has served as Scholarship Chair and on the Foundation of her church, even volunteering time with the homeless program. Elizabeth is a frequent volunteer for the IRS' program VITA, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance, she has been Room Mother for both her children's classrooms and helps with the PTA fundraisers.

This Year's Belva Lockwood Young Outstanding Lawyer



This year's Belva Lockwood Outstanding Young Lawyer award recipient is Marissa Helm, an associate with Cox Smith Matthews Incorporated. Marissa is a member of the firm's intellectual property practice group, focusing primarily on litigation, and she is a registered patent attorney with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Marissa graduated from the University of Texas School of Law with honors in 2004, where she was editor-in-chief of *The Review of Litigation*, and she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Biochemistry in 2001 from the University of Texas.

Marissa has held various positions with the Bexar County Women's Bar, co-chairing Autumn Affair last year and currently serving as Secretary. She has been a member of the Board of Directors since 2009, previous chair of the luncheon committee, and a member of various committees for Bench Brunch and Autumn Affair. She is also a regular contributor to the *Equal Times* with her food column, "A Girl's Gotta Eat."

Marissa is also involved with other community and legal organizations, appearing as a cast member in last year's Ethics Follies, serving on the SABA Peacemaker's Awards Gala raffle and auction committee, and regularly supporting local charities including United Way, Komen for the Cure, Walk MS, and the Ronald McDonald House. She also mentors a St. Mary's Law School student through the BCWBA mentor/mentee program.

In addition to her substantive legal practice, Marissa takes an active interest in recruiting, training, and retaining young associates. She makes it a point to reach out to the newest members of our profession to ensure that their first few months and years, although stressful, are also a positive experience. Her colleagues recognize her positive attitude, commenting that her presence is a "breath of fresh air" and that she never seems to have a bad day.

Marissa's bright disposition, commitment to the legal profession, and service to the Bexar County Women's Bar are all attributes deserving of the Belva Lockwood Outstanding Young Lawyer honor.

HELP LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS CELEBRATE CONSTITUTION DAY

The San Antonio Bar Association and San Antonio Chapter of the Federal Bar Association are offering an exciting volunteer opportunity to lawyers seeking to participate in the Friday, September 17, 2010 Constitution Day celebration. High schools throughout San Antonio need volunteer lawyers to present programs on the United States Constitution. For those desiring to participate, easy-to-follow materials will be provided. Also, the co-sponsoring Bar Associations will place you with a volunteer team of 3 to 4 members and coordinate your participation with a local high school. Classroom or assembly presentation times are flexible and will range from 45 minutes to an hour and a half.

This is a great opportunity to network with participating lawyers and judges while promoting the legal profession and educating a new generation on the Constitution. If you would like to volunteer or seek additional information regarding the volunteer opportunity, please contact Stephen Dennis, Strasburger & Price, LLP, by telephoning 250-6000, or emailing stephen.dennis@strasburger.com and provide your name and contact information (office name and address, telephone number, and, if possible, email address).

A Girl's Gotta Eat . . . Cake?

By Marissa Helm

Sorry for the long hiatus. In addition to being über-busy at work, I am also pregnant! Luckily, that opens a whole new realm of food topics to write about!

When I first learned I was pregnant, I was worried about morning sickness and all the other trials and tribulations of early pregnancy. But I was lucky; I felt just fine and have continued to feel great so far (knock on wood). After a few months, I was convinced that all those ladies with food aversions and cravings were just making it up. Well, in the last month or so, I've either developed a true craving for cake, or I've at least come up with a good excuse to eat all the sweets I usually avoid!

Either way, cake has become my new obsession. After nearly every meal, I'm looking for a piece of cake—the flavor doesn't really matter, as long as it's cake. Maybe it's the texture, maybe it's the sugar, but it has to be cake. Because of this new desire for cake, I have had the opportunity to check out some of the better cake options around the city. The nearest cake purveyor can never be too close! Here's a rundown of some of my favorites:

Saweet Cupcakes has perfected the combination of rich, dense cake and a generous mound of frosting on top. In fact, you may find that you need to flatten the frosting on top just to get the cupcake in your mouth without getting frosting up your nose! Saweet Cupcakes has a pink cupcake-mobile that travels the city Thursday through Sunday, offering confections in flavors as varied as chocolate salted caramel (delicious!), strawberry, chocolate² (chocolate cake with chocolate frosting), vanilla² (you get the idea), chocolate vanilla, vanilla chocolate, dark red velvet, carrot cake, and coconut (with unexpected cream cheese frosting). With so many flavors to choose from, even a cake addict doesn't get bored! You can check out their website (www.saweetcupcakes.com) or their Twitter feed to find out where they'll be and when. They tend to post their weekly schedule on Wednesday or Thursday. And if you're not in to the idea of hunting down the cupcake-mobile, you can also pick up the tasty treats at Sogo on the corner of Stone Oak and Hardy Oak (the owner of Sogo is husband and brother, respectively, to the two women behind Saweet Cupcakes).

Another sure thing is the strawberry chocolate cupcakes from **Kari's Konfections** (kariskonfections@yahoo.com). Kari makes a super moist, tender chocolate cake and adds strawberry preserves and pieces of fresh strawberries to the batter before baking. The result is an insanely light and moist cake, which she tops with just the right amount of sugary white frosting. While Kari's operation is not full time, she does take special orders for cupcakes, as well as expertly crafted and decorated full-size cakes and other tasty treats like two chocolate chip cookies sandwiching a layer of sweet frosting—yum! (I have an inside connection since she works with my husband at her “day job.”) (con'd on next page)



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A Girl's Gotta Eat . . . Cake? (con'd)

If you're looking for something a bit less sweet but still sufficiently cake-like to satisfy a craving, I recommend the chocolate cream cheese "muffins" at **Sip** (<http://sip.bigz-burgerjoint.com>) on the corner of St. Mary's and Houston Street downtown. While Sip peddles these giant baked goods as muffins, they are really a rich chocolate cake baked with a chunk of cream cheese on top. During baking, the cream cheese becomes somewhat cake-like and turns golden brown on top. The combination is outstanding (and not too sweet, since there's no frosting). But beware—they are addictive and massive. It may be worthwhile to bring someone along to share, to avoid at least half the guilt!

I also want to mention the perfectly stellar chocolate lava cake at **Frederick's Bistro** (which, by the way, followed an equally lovely dinner with great service). Frederick's Bistro (www.fredericksbistro.com) is tucked away at the corner of Huebner and NW Military and offers Frederick's French-inspired food in a more casual setting than the original Frederick's in Alamo Heights. The chocolate lava cake was perfectly prepared—the cake on the outside was fully baked without being tough or dry, and the inside was hot, creamy chocolate. The cake was accompanied by crème anglaise, raspberry puree, and a fantastic house-made mint gelato, which lightened up an otherwise decadent dessert. It was definitely worth saving room for!

Community Service Corner

By Michelle Weekley



Ah! The kids are back in school and all the extracurricular activities that go with them. Many parents are fully involved with their kids and their activities, and may find it hard to help out in their communities. Here are a Few things you can do, even as a family, or an organization that benefits others as well as your family.

1. First learn how volunteering can help you! When you serve your community you enrich your own lives, and through volunteering you can become healthier - mind, body and soul!. Families become closer by working together as a community, and when you lift the spirits of others, you will feel better about yourself too! How can you participate? Go to www.DoGoodLiveWell.org and see how volunteering can make a difference in your life as well as in the lives of others!

2. Support our troops with coupons! Sometimes when we go to the store and start to pull out our coupons to get a little money off our purchases, we find out that some of our coupons have expired - but WAIT! Don't throw them away! Families who are overseas on military bases normally only get the military paper and very few coupons, if any, but they can use your coupons - even your expired ones. Commissaries will accept coupons up to six months after they expire, so send them yours! The more desirable coupons are those for household items such as diapers, toiletries, and laundry soap. All it will cost you is for the postage! You can go to couponmom.com/military to get the addresses where you can send them. But please don't send coupons that have expired PAST the six month limit. Please send those that are only expired by a month or two, and please sort them into categories. Your children can help do the sorting, and feel good about helping military families!

3. Can you imagine a world where millions of children roam the streets, scavenging for food and shelter? Can you imagine what life must be like for children who face life in the streets alone, unprotected and unloved? Well a group called "Mothers Without Borders" is committed to supporting programs that offer sustainable, long term solutions to help those children who are orphaned as a result of disease, poverty, violence or natural disaster. You can help, simply by organizing a neighborhood yard sale and sending the proceeds to Mothers Without Borders. Or you could ask other families and kids to collect their spare change from friends, neighbors, classmates and coworkers for a month and donate the spare change - after you have a coin-counting party (good math game for kids). You can learn more at motherswithoutborders.org.

See how simple it is to help others, and set a good example for your kids and communities. Maybe try one new thing this month, then another next month. You have an opportunity to make a difference in this world, it's up to you!

Dress for Success San Antonio: This Year's Autumn Affair Proceeds Recipient

By Laura Mason

Dress for Success San Antonio is a local 501(c)3 agency, affiliated with the worldwide Dress for Success organization. The scope of services has expanded dramatically beyond providing professional attire. Dress for Success San Antonio helps clients attain and retain employment, acquire job related skills, adapt to the working world and independently provide for themselves and their families. More than sixty percent of clients are definably homeless, living in residential centers, shelters or transiently with family or friends. Clients are primarily the adult women, but the organization aids children as well. All clients are zero to low income, on or eligible for public assistance. Seventy-six percent are underrepresented minorities, age 19 years to over 60; seventy-six percent are mothers, most are single mothers. Few are educated beyond high school or technical school; many have not acquired diplomas or a GED. There are victims of domestic violence, veterans, ex-offenders and those in recovery. Dress for Success San Antonio's economic impact to the City of San Antonio in the last 3 years is \$13.6M.

September 9: Public Hearing on Rule Changes

The State Bar of Texas is hosting a series of public hearings on the proposed amendments to the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Conduct. The public hearing in San Antonio is scheduled for September 9, 2010 from 12:00 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the Bexar County Courthouse. Please see the enclosed flyer for additional information on where you can access and gain more information about the proposed amendments.

Communications Committee Update: On-line payments are now available!

On-line payment capability is now available via the BCWBA/BCWBF website located at BexarCountyWomensBar.org. Convenient on-line credit card payments will be accepted for lunch registration, Autumn Affair sponsorship, Autumn Affair tickets, membership applications, and renewals through the applicable forms. Because credit card companies charge BCWBA/BCWBF a slight fee per credit card transaction, the fee has been incorporated into the payment feature.

Fall Mentee/Mentor Mixer

Please join us at Cabo Tropical Grille for this Fall's Mentee/Mentor event, on September 23, 2010, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Each attendee will receive two drink coupons. Happy Hour drink prices will apply to this event. Appetizers will be served. Cabo Tropical Grille is located at 7711 Guilbeau Road.

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Ethics Follies is “the seriously fun ethics conference,” unique to San Antonio and held each year at The Charline McCombs Theatre. All South/Central Texas businesses and firms are invited to sponsor the conference and attend the catered networking opportunity. The local ACC chapter has produced the ethics conference for thirteen years, with increasing participation each year. The mission is to keep San Antonio an ethical and productive place to live and work. The vision is to one day have every responsible organization in San Antonio meet for a few hours each year to commit to ethical business and legal practices and celebrate another year of good ethics and community responsibility. Please join this effort today by selecting one of the following levels of participation:

Community Leader Sponsor (\$10,000)

- *Most prominent logo placement* and largest logo size in event advertising in the Texas Lawyer®, The Subpoena, Facebook®, and The San Antonio Lawyer (as available)
- Logo placement on the front of the Playbill (program) incorporated into the show’s cover art, web page listing with a link to the organization’s web page, and recognition on the show’s DVD case and credits, shown for CLE every month in the Bexar County Courthouse
- Two premium tables or theatre boxes next to the stage for 16 attendees
On the date(s) of your choice, with 16 tickets to the Networking Reception (9/30)
- Opportunity to provide a firm/company banner (up to 3’x6’) for display in theatre
- Recognition of the Community Leaders on stage in both performances
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- Guaranteed premium table near the stage for 8 attendees, 8 tickets to 9/30 reception
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- Logo incorporated into Playbill (program) cover art
- Opportunity to provide a firm/company banner (up to 3’x6’) for display in theatre
- All the benefits of purchasing a Table Sponsorship

Producer Sponsor (\$5,000)

- Guaranteed premium table for 8 attendees on either date, 8 tickets to 9/30 reception
- Prominent logo placement in all advertising, web postings, Playbill (program), publications, on the show’s DVD case and in DVD opening production credits shown monthly at the Bexar County Courthouse
- Highly visible poster and table signage for both days of the event
- All the benefits of purchasing a Table Sponsorship



Playbill Sponsor (\$3,500)

- Guaranteed table for 8 attendees on either date, with 8 tickets to reception (9/30)
- Special half-page recognition in Playbill (program) for program and CLE materials
- All the benefits of a Table Sponsorship

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- Guaranteed table for 8 attendees on either show date
- Special quarter page Playbill (program) recognition for sponsoring the costuming and Broadway style backdrop rentals for the performance and set pieces
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- Orchestra level table for 8 or Mezzanine seating for 8 for either 9/29 or 9/30
- 8 invitations to the catered Networking Reception
- Playbill (program) recognition
- Poster recognition for both performances for your organization
- 2 hours CLE/CPE for all 8 attendees
- Table signage recognition on the date you select to attend
- Website recognition with a link to your organization
- Unique opportunity to invite favorite clients to attend an entertaining ethics conference
- Satisfaction for helping to fund The Community Justice Program

Individual CLE Registration on Sept. 30, 2010 at 7 p.m. (\$80.00):

- 2 hours of topical, entertaining and timely CLE/CPE
- Refreshments during intermission
- 1 Invitation to the catered Networking Reception/Party after the Follies
- Satisfaction of contributing to The Community Justice Program and ACC while receiving fun ethics CLE!

Individual CLE Registration on Sept. 29, 2010 at 2 p.m. (\$60.00):

- 2 hours of entertaining and timely ethics CLE
- Mezzanine seating
- Refreshments during intermission
- Satisfaction of contributing to The Community Justice Program and ACC

Upper Balcony Tickets (No CLE) for Sept. 29, 2010 at 2 p.m. (\$20.00):

Upper balcony seating will be available for a donation of \$20. Does not provide CLE registration, materials, articles or credit towards license requirements for CLE or CPE (covers intermission food and beverage costs).

Thank you for your support of this unique and nationally-recognized format to teach ethics and raise political, judicial, business, and legal ethics in a memorable way. This year's production has been requested for an additional performance at the Gonzalez Convention Center as the featured entertainment for The Association of Corporate Counsel's 2010 National Conference. Ethics Follies will be seen by approximately 3000 attendees from corporations and law firms from all over the world. Visit www.ethicsfollies.com for videos, cast photos, and this year's conference sponsors.

Mark Howard, USAA
2010 Ethics Follies Sponsorship Chair



Ethics Follies 2010
Attendees' Table Registration
(Please Print or Type)

Please select one date for your organization to attend:

_____ We will attend on **Wednesday, Sept. 29 at 2 p.m.** Please see our attendees' names below. *Or...*

_____ We will attend on **Thursday, Sept. 30 at 7 p.m.** Please see our attendees' names below (NOTE: the catered Networking Reception will only be held the evening of Sept. 30 following the performance)

_____ We will not use all 8 seats. Please fill our remaining seats with special guests/judges.

_____ We would like to support this event, but cannot attend. Please accept our sponsorship as a donation and list us as a contributor in the materials and on the sponsorship poster displayed at the event.

Your organization's name for Table Placard (will appear exactly as you print or type below):

If you are filling your table in full or in part, please print or type the names of the guests at your table, and write "none" for open seats which will be filled in with special guests/judges:

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Guests will be asked for an organization name at registration desk

Please return your response by mail/email to:

Ms. Amber Clark, Executive Director
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Questions? Please call Amber at (830) 336-2049 or accsouthcentral@yahoo.com

Visit www.ethicsfollies.com to keep up to date on the new show!



Prizes

All participants receive a Fire Truck Pull t-shirt (Sizes guaranteed only when registered by September 29).

- First, second and third place awards will be given for teams with the fastest team pulls. In addition to medals, the team with the fastest pull earns the coveted traveling trophy.
- The top fundraising team, over the \$600 registration fee, will win a catered lunch with local Special Olympics Texas athletes.
- Build your own fundraising page to send to family and friends. Go to www.firstgiving.com/sotx to get started or contact Dawn Barrett at dbarrett@sotx.org for assistance.



Special Olympics Texas is a non-profit organization that provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for 36,311 children and adults with intellectual disabilities.

Fire Truck Pull is a Law Enforcement Torch Run Event. The Law Enforcement Torch Run is Special Olympics' largest grassroots fund raiser and public awareness vehicle. Special Olympics athletes and Law Enforcement Torch Run officers carry the "Flame of Hope" at the Opening Ceremonies for Special Olympics competitions around the world.



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Fire Truck Pull Overview

It's the ultimate tug of war challenge... and a GREAT team-building event! Gather a team of 12 and join in the Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull Challenge. Your team will play "tug of war" with a 66,000 lbs. fire truck a distance of 50 feet. The teams with the Fastest Team Pull and Most Money Raised will be named the 2010 Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull Challenge Champions!

2010 Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull Challenge

Saturday, October 9, 2010

San Antonio Fire Training Academy

300 S. Callaghan Road

San Antonio, TX 78228

* Parking is available on site.

Register Your Team Today!

The registration fee is \$600 per team or \$50 per person. On-site registration fee is \$720 per team or \$60 per person (T-shirts are not guaranteed).
Team Registration:

- 1) Teams **MUST** consist of exactly 12 people; teams will not be allowed to pull with fewer than 12. If you have fewer than 12 on your team, please let us know prior to your pull time and "fill-ins" can be found.
- 2) If your team has ANY time or scheduling restrictions – you **MUST** let the Special Olympics Texas office know prior to October 1, 2010. Scheduling requests will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Payment is required to reserve a specific time.
- 3) Each team captain will receive a packet with their team's on-site registration time, parking information, required waiver forms, and other important information. Please choose a team captain who can deliver this information to the entire team.



Fun for Friends & Family

Bring all of your biggest fans to cheer you on during your pull! There will be fun activities and excitement for all ages! Lunch provided courtesy of Kiolbassa Provision Company (Real Meat, Real Smoke, Real Sausage!) and ice cream provided courtesy of Blue Bell Creameries, LLP.

Schedule of Events

8:30 a.m. - Team Check-In Begins

9:00 a.m. - Opening Ceremony

9:15 a.m. - First Pull

The 2010 Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull Challenge champions will be named and awards presented after the last pull of the day.



Team Registration 2010 Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull

Yes! Special Olympics Texas - San Antonio Area can count on us to participate in the 2010 Educare and Arbor Fire Truck Pull Challenge.

Team Name: _____

Team Captain: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

Email: _____

Please indicate t-shirt sizes:

_____ S _____ M _____ L _____ XL
_____ 2X _____ 3X _____ 4X

Please Check One:

We've enclosed our payment in the amount of:

\$ _____

Please bill my credit card. (VISA, MC, AMEX, Discover)

Name on card: _____

Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Signature: _____

Questions? Contact the Special Olympics Texas - San Antonio Area office at 210.530.9898.

Build your own fundraising page to send to family and friends. Go to www.firstgiving.com/sotx to get started or contact Dawn Barrett at dbarrett@sotx.org.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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Special Olympics
Texas

San Antonio - Area 20

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The Fire Truck Pull involves teams of 12 co-workers, friends and family members from corporations and organizations in a unique and unforgettable experience of pulling a fire truck that weighs over 66,000 pounds a distance of 75 feet!

The Fire Truck Pull, a Law Enforcement Torch Run event, raises funds and awareness to support programs for more than 36,000 Special Olympics Texas athletes, including the more than 6,443 athletes in the San Antonio area. The Law Enforcement Torch Run is Special Olympics' largest grassroots fund raiser and public awareness vehicle. Special Olympics athletes and Law Enforcement Torch Run officers carry the "Flame of Hope" at the Opening Ceremonies for Special Olympics competitions around the world.

Get your team together to test your skills against San Antonio area's finest law enforcement officers and fire fighters! Don't miss this great team-building event! Each team member will receive a t-shirt and awards will be presented for the Fastest Team Pull and the Top Fundraising Team.

Sponsorship Opportunities:

Presenting Sponsorship	\$10,000
Gold Sponsorship	\$ 5,000
Silver Sponsorship	\$ 2,500
Bronze Sponsorship	\$ 1,000
Fire Truck Pull Team	\$ 600

For additional information, contact:

M'Rhea Graham at 210.530.9898 or mgraham@sotx.org.

Co-Sponsors:



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Presenting Sponsor \$10,000

- Designation as the Presenting Sponsor for the 2010 Fire Truck Pull in press releases and print materials.
- Special Olympics Texas Global Messenger athlete available to speak at corporate or organizational function.
- Area website recognition for two months surrounding the event.
- Recognition in area eNewsletter (distributed to 1,475 subscribers).
- Recognition on Fire Truck Pull team shirts.
- Four teams of 12 each in the Fire Truck Pull.
- Spokesperson involved in Opening Ceremony and awards presentation.
- Volunteer opportunities at the event.
- Company banner displayed at the event - four (provided by company).
- Opportunity to provide promotional items at event registration.
- Presenting Sponsor Award presented at Opening Ceremonies.
- 2010 Special Olympics Texas Annual Report recognition.

Gold Sponsor \$5,000

- Three teams of 12 each in the 2010 Fire Truck Pull.
- Special Olympics Texas Global Messenger athlete available to speak at corporate or organizational function.
- Area website recognition for two months surrounding the event.
- Recognition in area eNewsletter (distributed to 1,475 subscribers).
- Inclusion in area press releases as a Gold Sponsor.
- Recognition on Fire Truck Pull team shirts.
- Company banner displayed at the event - three (provided by company).
- Opportunity to provide promotional items at event registration.
- Gold Sponsor Award presented at Opening Ceremonies.
- 2010 Special Olympics Texas Annual Report recognition.

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Silver Sponsor \$2,500

- Two teams of 12 each in the 2010 Fire Truck Pull.
- Special Olympics Texas Global Messenger athlete available to speak at corporate or organizational function.
- Area website recognition for two months surrounding the event.
- Recognition in area eNewsletter (distributed to 1,475 subscribers).
- Company banner displayed at the event - two (provided by company).
- Opportunity to provide promotional items at event registration.
- Silver Sponsor Award presented at Opening Ceremonies.

Bronze Sponsor \$1,000

- One team of 12 each in the 2010 Fire Truck Pull.
- Company banner displayed at the event - one (provided by company).
- Opportunity to provide promotional items at event registration.
- Bronze Sponsor Award presented at Opening Ceremonies.

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We are pleased to support Special Olympics Texas at the following level:

- \$10,000 Presenting Sponsorship
- \$5,000 Gold Sponsorship
- \$2,500 Silver Sponsorship
- \$1,000 Bronze Sponsorship
- \$600 Fire Truck Pull Team

Name: _____

Company Name (as you would like it listed for your sponsorship benefits):

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

Enclosed is a check made payable to Special Olympics Texas.

Please invoice me at the address above.

Please charge \$_____ to the following Credit Card:

Name on Card: _____

Type of Card (circle one): VISA MASTERCARD AMEX Exp. Date: _____

Card Number: _____

Cardholder Signature: _____

Please return this form with payment to:

Special Olympics Texas - San Antonio • Attn: M'Rhea Graham
10223 McAllister Freeway, Suite 100 • San Antonio, TX 778216
210.530.9898 (fax)

For additional information, contact:

M'Rhea Graham at 210.530.9898 or mgraham@sotx.org.

STATE BAR OF TEXAS



August 23, 2010

Fellow Texas Minority Lawyer,

As your four appointed Minority Directors on the State Bar of Texas Board of Directors, we want to make sure you are aware of changes that are being considered to the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct (TDRPC). The Board is committed to educating members and the public about the proposed amendments and how they may affect lawyers and the clients we serve. The Board has scheduled a series of public education hearings across the state. State Bar members who attend the hearings can earn 30 minutes of MCLE ethics credit.

You may receive similar correspondence from the directors serving within your District. Because our service as Minority Directors carries an additional focus on the issues and concerns of minority lawyers, this is an occasion where our duties overlap. All of us want to see to it that you are aware of the proposed amendments under consideration.

BACKGROUND

In October 2009, the Supreme Court of Texas issued an order proposing amendments to the TDRPC. The amendments were the result of years of debate and consideration by a Court-appointed task force, the State Bar's standing committee on the disciplinary rules, and, ultimately, the Supreme Court. The proposed amendments were published for comment in the November 2009 issue of the *Texas Bar Journal*.

In April 2010, in response to the comments and feedback it received, the Court revised the proposed amendments. Additionally, the Court asked the State Bar Board of Directors to provide it with any recommendations or comments regarding the rules by October 6, 2010. The State Bar will report back to the Court, which will likely order a referendum of all Texas lawyers.

ONLINE RESOURCES

As a service to members and the public, the State Bar has created an online clearinghouse of information regarding the proposed amendments, including: 1) the revised proposed amendments to the TDRPC; 2) a redlined version of the proposed changes; 3) interpretive comments to the proposed amendments; and 4) the schedule of public education hearings. The site will be updated with audio recordings of the public education hearings and other relevant information. Visitors to the site will also find a link to post written comments via the Texas Bar Blog.

For more information about ethics resources and the proposed amendments to the disciplinary rules, visit www.texasbar.com/ethics.

PUBLIC EDUCATION HEARINGS

Lawyers and members of the public will have opportunities in Lubbock, El Paso, Houston, Tyler, Dallas, Corpus Christi, McAllen, San Antonio, and Austin to learn more about the proposed amendments and to provide comments on the disciplinary rules. Lawyers can earn 30 minutes of MCLE ethics credit for attending the hearings. A schedule of the public education hearings can be found at www.texasbar.com/ethics.

We will make every effort to have at least one of us present at every public hearing on the TDRPC, and we hope to see many of you there. As Board representatives, we believe it is important that each of you is aware of these proposed amendments and have the opportunity to provide your input. Please feel free to contact us with any comments, questions, or concerns.

The State Bar Board of Directors will discuss the proposed amendments and any recommendations or comments it will make to the Supreme Court during the Board's quarterly meeting in Clear Lake on October 1. If you have questions about the proposed amendments or the State Bar's public-education process, you can also contact Ray Cantu at rcantu@texasbar.com.

Sincerely,

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