As the year comes to a close, although it may sound cliché, I think it is important to reflect on the year behind and to begin looking forward to 2013 ahead.

It feels like only yesterday (or 335 days ago – but who’s counting) that 2012 began and now here we are just about ready to close out the year.

This has been another year of hard work on behalf of the Foothills Bar Association Board, much of which may go unnoticed by the readers of this newsletter. As president, I would like to share a bit, so that if you feel so inclined you might thank one or two of these hard working board members. I certainly give my heartfelt thanks to every member of the board and would like to take the opportunity to acknowledge a few.

This is a working board, not a resume builder, and our board members work very conscientiously to carry out the duties necessary to keep this association running that does not have any paid staff – only attorney volunteers.

This newsletter goes out every month. It has been our goal to get this out as close to the first of the month as possible, and this year we have come close to that goal. Cheryl Stengel, is the Secretary, but she also coordinates with the individual who generates the newsletter to make sure that it is completed and then sends it out electronically to the membership. Cheryl, a busy Bankruptcy attorney, volunteers her time to remind us all to submit information and articles and to coordinate the completion of the project.

Bradley Schuber, our newest member of the board, is the Treasurer. Brad as a volunteer, checks the post office box, deposits checks at the bank, pays the bills, reconciles the bank statements and creates a report for the board.

We have various committees, such as the “Hard to Get Seminar”, currently chaired by Keith A. Jones, previously by Jennifer Hughes. Kim Marie Staron is our website committee chair and she diligently works her magic to make sure events appear on the website.

Heather Milligan, a family law attorney and new mom, is on the annual dinner committee along with Mandie Bullock (also a new mom). Heather agreed to take on the tough job with me of...
sampling food to select a caterer – a tough job but someone has to do it.

Charles Schmidt, along with committee member Catherine Tancredi have been hard at work with me on compiling photographs and information for a photograph book of our 50 years which will hopefully be ready for distribution at the annual dinner.

William Hannosh, our newest member of the board has been very busy his first year in the family law section and coordinated a joint event with the Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

Stanley Bacinett, our immediate past president continues to work in the community service area in coordinating what has become our annual holiday mixer and toy drive providing unwrapped toys to needy children through the Salvation Army.

Every month our various sections led by Cheryl Stengel and Mark Raftery for the Civil Litigation Section, William Hannosh and Charles Schmidt for the Family Law Section and Nancy Kaupp Ewin for the Estate Planning and Probate Section, put on first rate MCLE presentations and meetings almost monthly which provide an hour of MCLE credit and a meeting place for section members to gather and get to know one another. This requires coordinating speakers and working to keep these meetings fresh and relevant for the membership. If you have never attended a section meeting, I urge you to do so.

I would like to say a genuine thank you to all of the board members for another year of service to this organization. It has been a great year and I am grateful to the board for making this organization run successfully.

On December 6, 2012, the Foothills Bar Association will hold its general meeting at 4:50 p.m. at Hooley’s Irish Pub, prior to the Holiday Mixer. At that meeting you will have an opportunity to vote to elect the board of directors for the upcoming 2013 calendar year. If you have any interest in serving on the board or would like to nominate someone to serve, please send any nominations (self or others) immediately to Carolyn@crbrocklaw.com. We will send out the slate of nominated directors and current directors for your consideration prior to the meeting.

The Family Court needs settlement conference judges. Please volunteer and share your expertise. Contact Kelly Fabros at 619-456-4065 or Kelly.Fabros@SDCourt.CA.Gov.

The San Diego Law Library, East County Branch, frequently sponsors MCLE lunch time programs. Upcoming program topics are: “Winning Plaintiff’s Medical Malpractice Cases” on December 4 and “Tips for Selecting a Fiduciary” on December 14. See attached program flyers for details.
MAKING “HARD-TO-GET” EASY TO GET

By Keith A. Jones, Esq.

It’s that time again, particularly for attorneys whose last name falls into the California State Bar’s A – G MCLE compliance group. For nearly a decade, your Foothills Bar Association has provided its members with an easy and economical alternative to satisfy those ‘hard-to-get’ requirements with an annual live seminar to provide one hour of credit for each of the legal ethics, elimination of bias in the legal profession, and substance abuse prevention categories.

Mark your calendar for January 15, 2013 to join us at the La Mesa Community Center located at 4975 Memorial Drive in La Mesa. The FBA is excited to announce the following speakers:

5:00 – 5:30 p.m.: Registration & Dinner (food available during event)
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.: David Cameron Carr, Esq. Legal Ethics
6:30 – 6:40 p.m.: Break
6:40 – 7:40 p.m.: Spencer C. Skeen, Esq. Elimination of Bias

As always, dinner is included with your pre-registration fee of $65.00 for FBA members and $80.00 for non-members which can be processed at the FBA’s website, www.foothillsbar.org, or by mailing payment to the FBA (See attached Registration Form). Back by popular demand is the Mediterranean feast with grilled chicken, rice, salad, pita bread, hummus, and beverages. Registration fees increase to $75.00 for FBA members and $90.00 for non-members on the day of the event which can be paid by check or cash only at registration.

We encourage early registration so that we can have sufficient food and beverages available for all attendees. Please call Keith A. Jones, Esq., at (619)462-6220 if you have any questions. The FBA looks forward to providing this benefit to its members.

You still may not have enough MCLE hours? Don’t forget that the FBA has a DVD video library of past FBA-sponsored MCLE seminars accessible to FBA members for self-study credit in several general areas of the law. Contact the receptionist at the office of past FBA President, Nancy Kaupp Ewin, Esq., at (619)698-1788 for the DVD lending details.

Also, the FBA has partnered with Attorney Credits which offers MCLE credits on a wide range of legal topics, including the ‘hard-to-get’ subjects, via on-line streaming video and audio, downloads, and DVDs. FBA members receive a 20% discount – simply set up a secure account and use your bar number to automatically receive your discount at checkout. Regardless of where you are, you can go to the Attorney Credits website at www.attorneycredits.com and select your courses to view or listen wherever you are. Once completed, Attorney Credits issues a Certificate of Completion for printing and saving with your MCLE compliance log.
LAST OPPORTUNITY!

By Carolyn R. Brock Esq.

We are putting together a memory book as part of the Foothills Bar Association 50th Anniversary Celebration. So far, there has NOT been an overwhelming response to requests for pictures, etc.

As a result, I have more recent memories and photographs than older events and photographs. Further, we are creating a year book section of sorts for all past presidents and award recipients. If you do not provide us with a photograph we will be inserting whatever photographs we can find of you OR we will put in a filler photograph:

Right now I am contemplating one of the following photo choices for the filler photographs:

So, if you are a past president, Foothills Bar Award or George A. Alspaugh Award recipient – please send in your photograph or you may find a talking reindeer or rude panda in place of your face in the Foothills Bar Association 50th Anniversary Memory Book.

Please send photos to Carolyn@crbrocklaw.com ASAP as we must go to print!

Family Law Settlement Panel

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Foothills Bar Association seeks a chairperson for the Criminal Law Section. Responsibilities will involve locating and coordinating speakers for lunch time MCLE lecture programs on topics of interest and providing Section status reports to the Foothills Bar Association Board. Interested attorneys should contact Carolyn Brock at carolyn@crbrocklaw.com, 619-741-0233.

Foothills Bar Association Notice of Board Meeting:

The Foothills Bar Association Board of Directors meets on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meetings will be December 18, 2012 and January 15, 2013, in the 2nd floor conference room at 7777 Alvarado Road, La Mesa (Allied Plaza Building). Meetings begin at 4:45 p.m. and continue until business is completed. If you want your voice to be heard in policy discussion and upcoming events planning or would simply like to learn more about the organization, your attendance is welcome.
ATTORNEYS, LAW OFFICE STAFF, COURT EMPLOYEES
PLEASE JOIN THE FOOTHILLS BAR ASSOCIATION
FOR OUR HOLIDAY TOY DRIVE AND ATTORNEY MIXER

HOOLEYS IRISH PUB & GRILL
AT GROSSMONT CENTER
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2012 FROM 5 PM TO 7 PM

PLEASE BRING A NEW UNWRAPPED TOY TO
HOOLEYS TO BENEFIT EAST COUNTY CHILDREN
TO BE DISTRIBUTED BY THE SALVATION ARMY KROC CENTER
ENJOY THE HOSTED APPETIZERS AND HOSTED BAR
WITH YOUR NEW UNWRAPPED TOY DONATION(S)

GET IN THE HOLIDAY SPIRIT OF GIVING AND
SHARE GOOD TIDINGS WITH FELLOW MEMBERS

Foothills Bar Association Annual General Meeting
at 4:50 p.m. at Hooleys – Guinness Room
THE FAMILY LAW SECTION OF THE FOOTHILLS BAR ASSOCIATION
presents its annual

Holiday Dessert and Cookie Mixer

WHEN:
Tuesday, December 18, 2012
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm

WHERE:
East County Division – Department 6
250 East Main Street, El Cajon, CA 92020

WHY:
So that members of the bar, bench and support staff can take quality time to socialize or hob nob, while enjoying the holiday spirit in an atmosphere of good will.

For questions, to RSVP, or to volunteer to bring a dessert/treat and RSVP, please contact Will Hannosh at (619) 244-9835 or Williamthelitigator@gmail.com. Thank you.

** Sugar-free items will also be available. This is a free event. **
THE FOOTHILLS BAR ASSOCIATION PRESENTS ITS ANNUAL:

“HARD TO GET” MCLE PROGRAM

Speakers:

David Cameron Carr, Esq. – Legal Ethics
Spencer C. Skeen, Esq. - Elimination of Bias
M. David Meagher, Esq. – Substance Abuse Prevention

Tuesday, January 15, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

La Mesa Community Center, 4975 Memorial Drive, La Mesa

This activity has been approved for a total of 3.0 hours of MCLE credit by the State Bar of California (1 hour legal ethics, 1 hour elimination of bias and 1 hour substance abuse prevention). The FBA certifies this activity conforms to the standards for approved education activities prescribed by the rules and regulations of the State Bar of California governing mandatory minimum continuing legal education.

Registration fee will include dinner. PLEASE RSVP. We encourage early registration so that we can have sufficient food and beverages available for all attendees.

Please call Keith A. Jones, Esq., at (619) 462-6220 if you have any questions.

REGISTRATION FOR “HARD TO GET” MCLE ON JANUARY 15, 2013, 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Complete this form and mail with your check to: Foothills Bar Association
PO Box 1077
El Cajon CA 92020

RSVP and pay through the FBA website at www.foothillsbar.org.
Name: ____________________________________________
Bar No. ____________________________
Telephone: ____________________________
Pre-event registration: FBA Members $65.00; Non-members $80.00
Day of Event (by cash or check only): FBA Members $75.00; Non-members $90.00
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Tips for Selecting a Fiduciary

Fri, Dec. 14th 2012
12 – 1 p.m.
East County Branch
250 E. Main Street, 1st Fl.,
El Cajon, CA 92020

Ms. Stein presents a review of primary duties and responsibilities of fiduciaries in the estate planning context including standards for investments and management of assets and factors to consider when selecting and naming a fiduciary.

1 hour MCLE credit, General Participatory

Cost: $10 or purchase MCLE Crunch Card to attend all classes in December and January – ask staff for more details

Sign up online at: http://fiduciary2012dec14.eventbrite.com/
The San Diego Law Library presents

Winning Plaintiffs’ Medical Malpractice Cases

Tues, Dec. 4th 2012
12 – 1 p.m.
East County Branch
250 E. Main Street, 1st Fl.,
El Cajon, CA 92020

This MCLE presentation will cover the basics of litigating as well as how to litigate medical malpractice cases from the initial proceedings up to the verdict of the case. Topics presented include: California’s severe statutory and insurance roadblocks for medical malpractice cases; “popping,” the MICRA damages cap; expert selection and depositions; and the impact of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare).

1 hour MCLE credit, General Participatory

Sign up online at: http://medicalmalpractice2012dec4.eventbrite.com

Cost: $10 or purchase MCLE Crunch Card to attend all classes in December and January – ask staff for more details
SUBMISSIONS
Your submissions are welcome! Send articles, letters, flyers, and other non-advertising submissions to Cheryl Stengel at cs@debtisd.com.

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