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The Federal Bar Association News

San Antonio Chapter

Future Chapter Luncheons

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8TH, 2009

The Honorable Johnny Sutton, United States Attorney, Western District of Texas, will be our speaker. Mr. Sutton's topic will be "Observations of the U.S. Attorney on Current Legal Issues in the Western District of Texas."

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH, 2009

In honor of Armed Forces Month, please join us for a presentation by LTC Gary P. Corn, Staff Judge Advocate (Head Attorney), United States Army South, which is responsible for US Army military activities throughout the Southern Hemisphere. He will introduce us to a multi-faceted legal practice that bridges a wide spectrum of many functional areas such as aid to foreign nation civil authorities, disaster relief, humanitarian assistance, legal status of deployed personnel in other nations, rules of engagement, and applicability of host nation law.

Make your reservations on the chapter website at www.fedbarsatx.org. For each meeting the chapter will apply for 0.75 hours of SBOT MCLE credit (unless otherwise indicated).

Fox Tech Community Outreach Event

CALLING ALL WOMEN ATTORNEYS, PARA-PROFESSIONALS, AND WOMEN IN LAW RELATED FIELDS: VOLUNTEER FOR PIZZA LUNCHEON LAW DAY PROGRAM

The San Antonio Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, the Bexar County Women's Bar Association, and the Paralegal Division of the State Bar of Texas, District 5, are jointly sponsoring a law day program to encourage young aspiring women to consider a career in the legal field. The three organizations will sponsor a casual pizza lunch for young women attending the Fox Tech Law and Research Magnet Program. The young women are seated at tables with women who are in legal related professions to give the young women an opportunity to discuss legal career options. The luncheon will commence with three inspiring speakers from different legal career fields who will address the whole group, telling their "career story." We ask that all women attorneys, para-professionals, and women in law related

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Fox Tech Community Outreach Event, continued:

fields consider attending this great mentoring event and help recruit other attendees. Lunch will be provided by the FBA. The luncheon will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Friday March 27 at the Adrian Spears Judicial Training Center, Training Room A, located at 655 E. Durango Blvd., just across the patio of the John H. Wood, Jr. U.S. Courthouse Building (free parking in the lots across Durango Blvd.). Please RSVP to Dawn Knepper at dawn.knepper@ogletreedeakins.com or at (210) 277-3611 by **Monday, March 23, 2009** if you plan to attend and serve as a mentor.

Government Contracting Committee Meetings

The FBA Government Contracting Committee will continue its series of lively discussions on current Government contracting issues. This committee brings together practitioners from both the Government and private practice in a non-adversarial setting to enhance knowledge and collegiality, and is very informative even for those who do not practice in this field. This Brown Bag Luncheon is open to all interested attorneys. Bring your lunch or order in advance from Chair Joan K.F. Gluys. The committee meets in the 2nd Floor Conference Room of the 110 Broadway Building from 11:45 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Chair Joan Kelley Fowler Gluys at jgluys@dulske-gluys.com or 210-524-3821 for further information. For each meeting the chapter will apply for **one hour of SBOT MCLE credit**.

March 24: “*The Federal Circuit Decision in Rothe: What Does it All Mean?*” with speaker David Barton, Esp.

April 28: “*FAR Subpart 3.10 Amendments*” with speaker Dan Hargrove, Esq.

Other Upcoming Activities

**FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2009
OPEN DOORS TO THE FEDERAL COURTHOUSE
BROWN BAG LUNCHEON**

Judge Xavier Rodriguez will give a presentation on the new Federal Rule of Evidence 502 (Attorney-Client Privilege and Work-Product Doctrine) at noon in the courtroom of Judge Rodriguez at the John H. Wood, Jr. US Courthouse Building, 655 E. Durango Blvd. The chapter will apply for **one hour of SBOT MCLE credit**.

**FRIDAY, MAY 8, 2009
FEDERAL COURT PRACTICE SEMINAR**

The Federal Court Practice Seminar is a prerequisite for admission to practice in the Western District of Texas. Registration forms and fee information are posted on our website at www.fedbarsatx.org. It will be held at the Adrian A. Spears Judicial Training Center from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. **Five hours of SBOT MCLE credit**, including **1 hour of ethics credit**, will be awarded.

Chapter Leadership Openings

We will have an opening for the position of Secretary next year (starting August 2009) and may also have openings on the Board of Directors. If you are interested in either, please contact Chapter President Bill Kirk at 210-764-0969 or Nomination & Elections Chair John Paniszczyn at 210-384-7325.

Community Outreach Programs

We are planning two community outreach projects, a casual lunch with the female students at Fox Tech High School (details are on pages 1 and 2 of this newsletter), and our annual Law Day Poster Contest for the students at the Fort Sam Houston Elementary School. If you are interested in helping, please contact Dawn Knepper at 210-277-3611.

Membership Report

The San Antonio Chapter of the FBA is pleased to report that our chapter membership holds steady with 443 members, making us one of the larger chapters in the FBA. In January and February of 2009, we welcomed the following new members:

Chessa Adkins	Erin Higginbotham	Jonathan Richardson
Mark Anthony Aume	Lionel Richardson	Andrea Rodriguez
Adam Block	Kevin ("Kap") Kapitain	James A. Rodriguez
Michael Box	Kristin Limehouse	Steven Rouse
Ivan Calderon	Michael Mayer	Aaron Saxon
Matthew Cole	Maj Eric Merriam	Preyal Shan
Matthew Compton	Jonathan Porier	Beverly Smith
Justin Cook	Michael Ramos	Roger Vargas
Raul Carlo Garcia	Ryan Reed	Sona ("Toti") Walia-Aubery
Ed Goldner		

Please say hello and welcome our new members when you see them at our programs! If you care to join the membership committee, please email Susan Kilgore at susan@skilgore.com.

Get Involved!

The Chapter supports its on-going projects through the committees and sections, led by the chairs listed below. We welcome your participation! Get to know the great members of our Chapter and work on worthwhile programs that help your colleagues and the community.

CLE Coordinator:	Susan Biggs	384-7255
Community Outreach Committee:	Dawn Knepper	277-3611
County Dispute Resolution Center Advisory Board:	John Franco	277-3600
Federal Court Practice Seminar Committee:	Jane Thomson	967-7050
Government Contracting Committee:	Joan K.F. Gluys	524-3821
Judicial Relations Committee:	John Paniszczyn	384-7325

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