



Legal Association for Women

*Advancing the interests of women in the legal profession and system, promoting equality and justice for all, and improving relations between the public and the legal system.*

## December 2013 Newsletter

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### December Luncheon

**Topic:** Conflicts of Interest When Dealing with Current and Former Clients

**Speaker:** Tim Pierce, Ethics Counsel, State Bar of Wisconsin

**Date:** December 11, 2013

LAW will be applying for one EPR (ethics) credit for this presentation.

#### REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

- **Time:** Registration begins at 11:45 a.m.; lunch begins at 12:00 noon
- **Location:** [Hilton Madison Monona Terrace](#), 14th floor, 9 East Wilson Street, Madison, WI
- **RSVP:** By noon Friday, December 6, 2013 to [Krista Pleviak](#) (please indicate whether you prefer a meat or vegetarian entree - see description below)
- **Price:** \$15 LAW members and \$20 non-members
- **Cancellation Policy:** LAW is charged for every meal ordered. If you must cancel your reservation, please send a check with payment for your meal to the address listed below.

#### THIS MONTH'S MEAL CHOICES:

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*(Both meals include garden salad, rolls,  
cookies, coffee and iced tea)*

*Gluten-free option also available upon request*

- **Meat:** Whitefish with tomato caulis, spinach and rice
- **Vegetarian:** Chef's Choice

## Passing of Judy Schwaemle

LAW is sad to announce that Judy Schwaemle, who received the 2012 Marygold Melli Award, recently passed away from complications from breast cancer. Her obituary can be found [here](#). LAW will be making a donation to Madison Audubon, one of Judy's favorite charities, in her honor.

Judy was deeply committed to social justice and passionate about public service. She was an inspiration to all, and will be missed.

## Donations Wanted for "I Resolve" Event

The Legal Association for Women will host the annual "I Resolve" silent auction event benefiting Dane County Domestic Abuse Intervention Services (DAIS) during the early evening of January 23, 2014. The event will be held at the Boardman & Clark law firm in downtown Madison. Baskets auctioned off at the event will help you achieve your New Year's Resolutions, and funds raised through the event will help provide grants to women receiving benefits through DAIS so they can obtain vital legal services.

We are currently looking for event sponsors and basket contributors!

Please contact [Sarah Wynn](#) for more information about becoming an event sponsor, contributing a basket, or attending the event.

## Upcoming LAW Board Elections

At the December luncheon, we will be holding elections for next year's Legal Association for Women Board.

We are looking for individuals to fill the following positions for 2014: President - Elect, Program Co-Chair, Special Events Marygold Melli Co-Chair, Special Events Meet & Mingle Co-Chairs, Treasurer, and Special Events "I Resolve" Co-Chair. Amy Collins intends to run for Secretary,

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Meghan Roed intends to run for Newsletter Editor, and current board members are running for the remaining positions.

If you are interested in the President - Elect, Program Co-Chair, Special Events Marygold Melli Award Co-Chair, Special Events Meet & Mingle Co-Chairs, Special Events "I Resolve" Co-Chair, Treasurer, or any of the other board positions, we encourage you to contact [Ashley Richter](#), the current LAW President, or the board member who currently holds the position you are interested in, to discuss what the position entails.

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## LAW Bylaws Update

LAW's Bylaws Committee has been hard at work updating LAW's bylaws to make them consistent with the present and future needs of the organization. A copy of the proposed revised bylaws, which will be voted on at the December luncheon, can be found [here](#).

In the meantime, please feel free to contact [Rachel Mielke](#) or [Krista Pleviak](#) if you have any questions or concerns regarding the revised bylaws.

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## CLE Approval

LAW's November luncheon, "What a Relative of Friend Can Expect if Stopped for Driving While Intoxicated" has been approved for one CLE credit.

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## 2014 LAW Membership Dues

All regular, non-student memberships expire at the end of the calendar year.

Please visit LAW's [website](#) to download a membership form, and mail your completed form, along with a \$30 check payable to LAW, to the following address:

LAW  
P.O. Box 2121  
Madison, WI 53701-2121

You may also pay your annual dues at the door when you check in for

the next luncheon.

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*"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."  
~Martin Luther King, Jr.*

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