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President's Message

Dear Members:

It is with great excitement that I have the opportunity to share with fellow women lawyers of Franklin County as President of WLFC. This year has become one we shall always remember as the people of the United States of America elected its first African-American president, Barack Obama.

One of my goals as President is to ensure that WLFC continues to be a relevant organization in the community. A committee led by Lark Mallory is researching what changes should be made in our mission, purpose, and/or benefits in an effort to increase and maintain our membership.

Our scholarship fund is now affiliated with the Columbus Bar Foundation. This affiliation will allow those who donate to claim that donation as a tax deduction. We hope to continue to provide two scholarships that we present at the annual luncheon to an Ohio State and Capital female law student.

It has been a pleasure seeing many of you at the luncheon series organized by this year's President Elect Sandra McIntosh. I have no doubt that more excellent speakers await us at the luncheons planned for 2009. We collaborated with the Consortium of Good Government and the League of Women Voters for our Candidate's Night. I would like to thank Laurel Beatty for re-establishing our relationship with this group.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Holiday Party on December 11, 2008 at the Columbus Bar Association. We will collect donations for the Children's Hunger Alliance (more information to follow). In addition, you will also have the opportunity to donate to the scholarship fund.

As we head into the holiday season, remember to think about others, help and support one another as "We Are Our Own Best Resource."

Very truly yours,
Janica Pierce Tucker



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New Chair Added

We would like to welcome Regina Richards to the board of trustees of WLFC as publicity chair. Regina is in private practice as a solo practitioner, and she practices in the area of criminal defense and juvenile delinquency.

WLFC Calendar

Monthly Luncheons @12 noon CBA Committee Room

January 7, 2009
February 4, 2009
March 4, 2009
April 1, 2009

Board Meetings

CBA Committee Room

December 11, 2008 5-6pm
February 12, 2009 12noon
April 9, 2009 12noon

HOLIDAY PARTY

**DECEMBER 11, 2008
FROM 6-8PM @CBA!!**

CARING MATTERS

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS

October was National Breast Cancer Awareness Month! We all know someone who has been affected by breast cancer. The highest risk factors are: being female, over sixty, having a past breast disease or a mother or sister who has had breast cancer, and heredity of the breast cancer gene. Estrogen related risk factors are: early menstruation (before age 12), first pregnancy after age 25 or no pregnancy at all, and the use of Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT). Mammography is the best screening for breast cancer.

For information about getting screened visit the American Cancer Society's website at www.cancer.org.

To find out about a low cost or free mammogram contact the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at 1.888.842.6355 or go to www.CDC.gov.

*Show you care by sharing this information
with others!*



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Ohio Center for Law Related Education

The Ohio Center for Law Related Education (OCLRE) provides law and citizenship education to more than 243 school districts in Ohio. WLFC Volunteers can give OCLRE student-participants authentic assessments as well as opportunities for positive interaction with members of the legal community. Show you care by registering to volunteer as a Judge or Evaluator in one of the following 2009 programs:

We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution State Competition

January 23 (*full day*) or
May 13 or 22 (*half day*)

Project Citizen State Showcase

May 15, 2009 (*half day*)

Youth for Justice State Summit

May 19, 2009 (*half day*)

Ohio Mock Trial Competition

January 30, or February 20, March 5 or 6
(*half or full day*)

Middle School Ohio Mock Trial Competition

April 2 or 3 (*half or full day*)

*To register as a volunteer contact: Kate Strickland, Director of Resources
kstrickland@ocltre.org

HOLIDAY HELP WITH SUNNY 95

WLFC recently offered to team up with Sunny 95 for Holiday Help in 2008 and to hopefully establish an ongoing relationship for community service projects. More information is coming so make sure that you don't miss a WLFC meeting!

OBAMA'S HISTORICAL VICTORY

Democrat Barack Obama defeated Republican John McCain in the 2008 presidential election and became our country's first African-American president (elect). You can watch his celebration speech and more at www.10tv.com. You can also order post election newspapers and posters online at www.dispatch.com.



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WOMEN JUSTICE KEEPERS

Stratton, O'Connor, and Sadler will continue to carry on justice at the Ohio Supreme court and 10th district Court of Appeals, respectively. All three women judges won the election against democratic opponents and keep their seats on the bench for another term.

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affidavit make me look fat?”**

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