



NEWSLETTER

FOOTHILLS BAR ASSOCIATION'S 2015 ANNUAL DINNER CELEBRATION

By Cheryl L. Stengel, Esq.

On January 29, 2015, the Foothills Bar Association held its annual dinner celebration, along with the installation of the officers and board of directors for 2015. This year, we enjoyed a unique experience at the Visitors' Center at Mission Trails Regional Park. Members raved about the venue, so those who didn't attend, you missed out!

Guests were greeted by Native American flute players. The French Gourmet served an excellent first-class meal accompanied by beer and wine, while a trio of jazz musicians from San Diego State University provided musical entertainment. Over 65 judges, members and guests attended.

This year, Hon. Christine Goldsmith received the Foothills Bar Award. Judge Goldsmith recently retired after 27 years of service on the bench, and has supported our organization and the East County legal community for nearly three decades. We truly appreciate her service and dedication. The George A. Alspaugh Award, recognizing civility in the practice of law, was presented posthumously to Superior Court Special Master Robert F. Wesley, whose wife, Bobbi, and daughter, Robin, proudly accepted on his behalf.

Long time Association members, Wells Lyman and Garrison "Bud" Klueck, presented the Foothills Bar and Alspaugh awards, with Marc Kaplan providing interesting insight about Mr. Wesley's contributions to the East County legal community. Wells and Bud provided poignant commentary, along with warm and humorous recollections of East County law practice in the "old days". San Diego City Attorney Jan Goldsmith discussed the impact of Proposition 47. The evening concluded with Judge Maureen Hallahan, who presented a court update, swearing in the 2015 officers and directors. Thank you to all who attended. We hope to have even more in attendance next January.

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Upcoming Events Calendar

February 12 – Lincoln's Birthday
State Courts Closed

February 12
Estate Planning and Probate Section
12:15 - 1:15 p.m.

Law Offices of Nancy Kaupp Ewin, Esq.
8166 La Mesa Blvd., La Mesa
Topic: TBD
Speaker: TBD

February 16 – President's Day
State and Federal Courts Closed

February 17
Family Law Section
12:00 - 1:15 p.m.

East County Court, Dept. 7
250 E. Main Street, El Cajon
Topic: Updates, Do's and Don'ts from the Bench
Speaker: Commissioner Darlene A. White,
Honorable Robert Amador and Honorable
Selena Dong Epley



Garrison “Bud” Klueck presents the Foothills Bar Award to the Hon. Christine Goldsmith



Hon. Maureen Hallahan swears in the 2015 officers and board of directors



Hon. Maureen Hallahan presents the Pro Tem Awards



Bobbi Wesley and Robin Wesley accept the George A. Alsbaugh Award on behalf of Superior Court Special Master Robert Wesley

ADD ME TO THE LIST

By Keith A. Jones, Esq.

I am extremely fortunate and honored to be added to the list of more than fifty distinguished attorneys who have served as the President of the Foothills Bar Association. Several past presidents became judges. Immediate Past President Bradley Schuber, Esq., handed me the reins last January and lifted his pants cuffs to display his big shoes to fill. And big shoes indeed!

The officers and board of directors endeavor to make giant strides to improve our organization, but many times our efforts feel like baby steps compared to our goals. We are pleased to see our current members attending the FBA events, including the membership mixer in the summer and the toy drive in December, both at Hooleys' Pub in Grossmont Center. We've welcomed new faces into our organization. I look forward to socializing with more members at these mixers in 2015.

Many members attended the FBA's Annual MCLE Hard-To-Get Seminar on January 14, 2015. The speakers generously volunteered their time to present their respective topics. We look forward to an even better MCLE presentation the next time around.

We received requests from our members to circulate a printed membership directory after a few years of absence. Attendees at the FBA's Annual Dinner on January 29, 2015 have already received them. The directories will be available to members at our events. Speaking of the Annual Dinner, the Mission Trails Regional Park Visitor Center proved to be an excellent location.

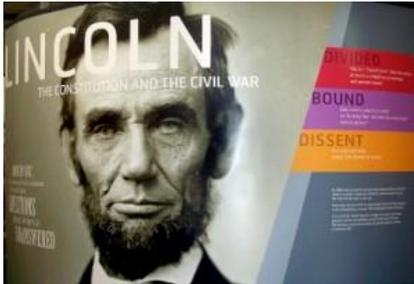
Our newsletter is distributed by e-mail, and we will send you a hard copy if you prefer. Just let us know your preference. We encourage you to advise us what the FBA can do to improve since we are your organization. We further encourage participation by all members, whether attending events, submitting articles for the newsletter, or joining one of the committees. Please send us your thoughts and suggestions. I'm proud to be added to the list of Past FBA Presidents. We are looking forward to 2015 under the leadership of our new president, Cheryl L. Stengel, Esq. She has been involved with the Foothills Bar Association as a board member and officer for many years, and also deserves to be added to the list.

NEW BILINGUAL LAW BOOK AT THE LAW LIBRARY

All four locations of the San Diego Law Library just received a copy of an important new title "Guia Bilingue Legal Para Todos: Bilingual Legal Guide for All." This new title is written in both English and Spanish. Author Yolanda J. Izurieta, M. Ed., is a former Los Angeles County Superior Court employee in Norwalk, California. The book covers nine areas of law: alternative dispute resolution, bankruptcy, business, criminal, family, juvenile, probate, real estate (including landlord/tenant), and wills and trusts. Bilingual legal materials are difficult to find and purchase. We are pleased to offer this title to the public in an effort to help all have knowledge and access to the justice system.

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SAN DIEGO LAW LIBRARY WELCOMES TRAVELING EXHIBITION THAT TELLS THE STORY OF LINCOLN'S STRUGGLE TO MEET THE CONSTITUTIONAL CHALLENGES OF THE CIVIL WAR



Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War,” a traveling exhibition, is now open at the San Diego Law Library. The exhibition examines how President Lincoln used the Constitution to confront three intertwined crises of the Civil War—the secession of Southern states, slavery and wartime civil liberties.

Lincoln is widely acknowledged as one of America’s greatest presidents, but his historical reputation is contested. Was he a calculating politician willing to accommodate slavery, or a principled leader justly celebrated as the Great Emancipator? This exhibition provides no easy answers. Rather, it encourages visitors to form a nuanced view of Lincoln by engaging them with Lincoln’s struggle to reconcile his policy preferences with basic American ideals of liberty and equality. This exhibition develops a more complete understanding of Abraham Lincoln as president and the Civil War as the nation’s gravest constitutional crisis.

Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States in 1860, at a time when the nation was on the brink of war. Lincoln struggled to resolve the basic questions that divided Americans at the most perilous moment in the nation’s history: Was the United States truly one nation, or was it a confederacy of sovereign and separate states? How could a country founded on the belief that “all men are created equal” tolerate slavery? In a national crisis, would civil liberties be secure? President Lincoln used the Constitution to confront these three crises of war, ultimately reinventing the Constitution and the promise of American life.

“We are delighted to have been selected as a site for this exhibition,” said John Adkins, Director of Law Libraries. “As a new president, Abraham Lincoln was faced with enormous challenges. This exhibition shows how Lincoln struggled with issues of secession, slavery and civil liberties—all questions our country’s founding charter left unanswered. Each section of the exhibit features information about a different aspect of Lincoln’s presidency. For example, the section about slavery examines the various policy options Lincoln once embraced and how his thoughts about slavery evolved over time. Most importantly, the exhibit helps visitors understand why Lincoln’s struggle with the Constitution still matters today.”

The National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office organized the traveling exhibition, which was made possible by a major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH): great ideas brought to life. The traveling exhibition is based on an exhibition of the same name developed by the National Constitution Center.

The traveling exhibition is composed of informative panels featuring photographic reproductions of original documents, including a draft of Lincoln’s first inaugural speech, the Emancipation Proclamation and the Thirteenth Amendment.

The library is also sponsoring other free events for the public in connection with the exhibition:

- February 5, 2-4 p.m.: [Opening Reception](#) and showing of *Lincoln: His Life & Legacy*;
- February 11, 12-1 p.m.: [Lincoln in Crisis](#), a lecture by Professors Mike Rappaport & Maimon Schwarzschild, University of San Diego School of Law; and
- February 19, 12-1 p.m.: [Abraham Lincoln and the Constitution](#), a lecture by Professor Bryan H. Wildenthal, Thomas Jefferson School of Law.

“Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War” will be on display at the library until Thursday, March 5. For more information visit: <http://sandiegolawlibrary.org/join-us/lincoln-exhibit-2015>.

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The Foothills Bar Association seeks a chairperson for the criminal law section. Responsibilities will involve scheduling speakers for lunch time MCLE programs on topics of interest and providing Section meeting status reports to the Foothills Board of Directors. Interested attorneys should contact Cheryl Stengel at clstengel@outlook.com.

Foothills Bar Association Notice of Board Meeting:

The Foothills Bar Association Board of Directors meets on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be on February 17, 2015 at the Brigantine in La Mesa, CA. The meeting will begin at 4:45 p.m. 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.

The Family Court needs settlement conference judges. Please volunteer and share your expertise.

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