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JANUARY 2008

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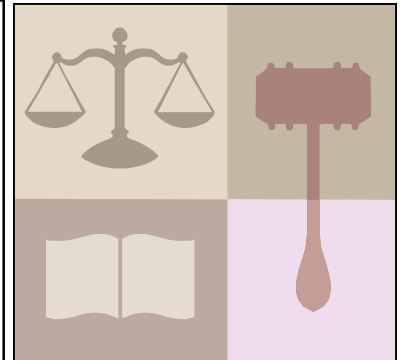
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DATE: JANUARY 23, 2008

TIME: 5:30 P.M.

PLACE: Oakmont Country Club

3100 Country Club Dr.

COST: \$45 W/RSVP

\$55 W/O RSVP

MENU: CHICKEN/FISH/VEG

RSVP: Faye Golden, GBA/LRS

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DINNER MEETING SPEAKER: GLENDALE MAYOR ARA NAJARIAN

Representing Clients before the City Council and Related State of the City Matters

Mayor Ara Najarian graduated from Occidental College with a degree in economics. He received his law degree from the University of Southern California in 1985. He became and remains a practicing lawyer in Glendale. He was elected to the Glendale City Council in 2005 and became Mayor in 2006. He was elected to the Glendale Community College Board of Trustees in 2003 and has served as Vice Chair of the Glendale Redevelopment Agency and Chairman of the Housing Authority and the Glendale Transportation and Parking Commission. Currently he is a member of the Metropolitan Transit Authority Board of Directors and the Southern California Regional Rail Authority Board of Directors. He is a member to the State of California, Los Angeles County and Glendale Bar Associations. He is also a member of the Board of Regents of the Holy Family High School. He resides in Glendale with his wife Darlene and his two children. As a lawyer, he has developed keen insights into the workings of municipal governments that are useful not only to attorneys who deal with City of Glendale matters, but also to those attorneys who deal with small-to-medium-size municipal governments generally. For those who do not practice municipal law, the Mayor's talk will provide an interesting window into the workings of your city that would be of interest to any citizen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

JANUARY

9th GBA Board Mtg

16th LRS Board Mtg

23rd GBA Dinner/Seminar

Installation of Officers

FEBRUARY

6th GBA Board Mtg

13th LRS Board Mtg

28th GBA Dinner/Seminar

Court Appreciation Night

MARCH

5th GBA Board Mtg

19th LRS Board Mtg

26th GBA Dinner/Seminar

Past Presidents' Night

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

This time last year, as newly installed GBA president, I was daunted by the task of orchestrating an entire year of bar events. It turns out that the concerns I had about successfully accomplishing all of that were well founded. It would have been impossible to do without the hardwork of our dedicated board of directors.

I want to thank my officers: Vice President Robert Sainburg, Treasurer, Vikram Brar and Secretary, David Dijulio for their valuable service. I also want to thank my hard- working trustees: Robert Brennan, George Schulman, Lucy Varpetian, Armen Baghdasarian and Noelle Halaby.

Special thanks should also go to our first-year GBA/LRS Administrator, Faye Golden, who has worked so hard while learning the job on the fly. Those of us who know of the enormous number of things our Administrator has to perform, can appreciate the service Faye has provided. Thanks should also go to our intern from the Glendale University College of Law, John Wilson, who has put together all of our newsletters, helped train Faye, filled in for the Administrator in her absence and has mastered most aspects of the daily work from screening referral calls to setting up dinner/seminars. I have never had to rely on the contribution of so many people before and they all came through. We had a great seminar series.

The Spring Seminar at Pechanga Resort was not only held at one of the best venues I have been to but the speakers were first rate. Law Day was seamless and continued to be the highlight of the year for the attorney participants. I was filled with pride for my profession as I stood in the Glendale High parking lot at 7:30 that Friday morning and watched Pat Liddell and Marvin Mayer walking my way with smiles on their faces. The Summer Barbeque was a smashing success. The La Canada Country Club was a spectacular venue, both literally and figuratively, the turnout was good and the food was terrific. Notte Luna has been the location of choice for the Christmas Party and this year was no different. The service and food are always first class. Again, we had a very good turnout and it was a public relations success.

The Lawyer Referral Committee, chaired by Sheldon Eskin, performed superbly. There were quite a number of new committee members and the LRS has a broad range of responsibilities. Fortunately, Linda Barney volunteered her services to the Committee and with her vast historical knowledge of the GBA and LRS activities from her prior positions as Chair of the LRS and President of the GBA, she was able to assist the LRS in coming up to speed and ultimately having a very successful year.

We had to succeed without the usual services of our immediate past president. Paul Kistler has moved his practice to Lancaster and was unable to fill the usual position as an active voting member of the Board of Directors. He was available by telephone and provided valuable information from time to time. Paul put in many years of hard work for the GBA. One monument to his contribution is our GBA Website which is attractive, informative and free. This year, as immediate past president, I intend to work closely with our new President, Vikram Brar. My goal for the GBA is to build on a successful year.

Finally, I would ask you all to remember that this is your bar association. When all is said and done, the bar officers and staff are doing all their work for you. Please return the favor. Schedule on your calendars the fourth Wednesday of the month to attend the dinner/seminars. Plan to come to the Spring Seminar and Christmas Party. Participate in Law Day, Cruise Night, the Glendale Police Foundation Luncheon and joint bar meeting.

Peter Wright
GBA President

INTERESTED IN GBA MEMBERSHIP?

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Name: _____

Firm: _____

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Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Bar# _____ College: _____ Law School: _____

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Bar Activities:

____ Lawyer Referral Panel

____ Fee Arbitration Panel

____ Law Day at local high schools

Annual Dues: \$150 General Membership; \$35 Students.

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I hereby authorize the Glendale Bar Association/Lawyer Referral Service to contact me by the following methods:

Company Name: _____

Signature: _____

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If you have questions about this authorization or you would like to add additional contacts, please call our office at (818) 956-1633

The Glendale Bar Association

MONTHLY DINNER MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2008

Featured speaker:

MAYOR ARA NAJARIAN

Representing Clients before the City Council and Related State of the City Matters

Time: Cocktails 5:30pm

Location: Oakmont Country Club
3100 Country Club Dr. Glendale, CA

Cost: \$45.00 per person (member) MCLE: 1 HOUR
\$55.00 NON/MEMBER
\$55.00 AT THE DOOR w/out reservation

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