

President's Message

From Carrie L. Rednour



Happy New Year! Ringing in a new year is always time to celebrate the blessings in your life, including your women friends and colleagues. Take time to reflect and appreciate the wonderful women in your life.

Welcome to another year of AWLA. The Steering Committee has many great activities planned for this year. We are fortunate to be ushering in AWLA's 30th Anniversary celebration, which will begin with the State Annual Convention in November.

We are planning an exciting social event for early fall, so watch closely for more details!

Our community service committee will be collecting items for various charities throughout the year, so check the weekly emails for information. January and February will be devoted to Casa de los Ninos. You can bring items to the lunches, deliver them to Meghan McNamara Miller or drop them at the PCBA office.

All mothers should plan on joining us for our Mother's Forum events. We welcome any suggestions for activities. Our first event will be on February 11, 2009 at Pump It Up, which is jumping fun for all (even adults)!

If you missed the January lunch, we were treated to a wonderful presentation on job-sharing from Kathleen Quigley and Danelle Liwski. They are truly an inspiration to women. They have been job-sharing for many years, allowing them flexibility in both their personal and professional lives.

Our CLE Committee will be planning many more entertaining and educational lunches, so plan to attend!

Again, I welcome all of you to get involved. We welcome your input. Best wishes for a prosperous, happy and fulfilling 2009!

DON'T FORGET TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2009!

COMMISSIONER KAREN ADAM: 2008 RECIPIENT OF THE ALICE TRUMAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

On December 11, 2008, Commissioner Karen Adam was presented with the Arizona Women Lawyers Association's 2008 Alice Truman Leadership Award. Commissioner Adam received the award and was honored at a luncheon at the Arizona Inn in Tucson. 140 Southern Arizona women lawyers and guests attended the event.

Each year the Alice Truman Leadership Award is given to a member of AWLA's Southern Arizona Chapter who best demonstrates outstanding leadership in her career and community. The recipient shall be a person who has been both a role model for women lawyers and demonstrates support and encouragement for the advancement of women in the legal profession. The award itself is an original mixed media art print by artist Glory Tacheenie-Campoy. Prior recipients of the award include Pima County Superior Court judges Leslie Miller and Sally Simmons and retired judges Alice Truman, Lillian Fisher and Margaret M. Houghton.



Judge Nanette Warner, who nominated Commissioner Adam for the award, introduced Commissioner Adam and spoke warmly about her qualifications for the award, including how she dedicates herself to public service and the improvement of the legal system.



Commissioner Adam graduated from the University of Arizona College of Law in 1976. She began her legal career as a deputy public defender. In 1981, she was appointed as a Tucson City Magistrate where she remained until 1987 when she was appointed as a Superior Court Commissioner and Judge Pro Tempore. She has served on the juvenile, family, probate and criminal benches.

Since 1999, Commissioner Adam has been a mentor to first year women law students at the University of Arizona. She has participated as a judge in the Judicial Internship program since 1987, working with female law students each semester. She chaired the Pima County high school mock trial program from 1982-1986, serves as a Teen Court Judge, and was the Law Day/Teens Speak Out coordinator for the Pima County Superior Court from 2003-2007.

During Commissioner Adam's first assignment to Juvenile Court, she recognized the need for improvement in the system to better serve children and families. She coordinated efforts to start a detention library, helped enhance the collection of restitution, and worked to improve procedures for handling children found not competent to stand trial. In her current assignment at Juvenile Court, she has spearheaded the effort to coordinate cases involving both family law and juvenile court issues. In addition, she presides over the highly acclaimed and successful Family Drug Court for drug-addicted parents who have lost custody of their children.

Commissioner Adam serves on the Board of Trustees of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and co-chairs the Diversity and Training and Education Committees, and is a member of the Juvenile and Family Law Department Advisory Committee. From 2001-2007, she was a member of the Domestic Relations Committee, comprised of Arizona state legislators, judicial officers and family law professionals. The Committee proposes and reviews legislation in family law. She was a member of the Integrated Family Court Workgroup of the Domestic Relations Committee and was involved in the development of the first family law bench-book in 2001 and has been its editor every year since. In addition, Commissioner Adam is a nationally known speaker on the topic of the child's voice in custody and parenting time disputes. She has advocated for the rights of children and has been involved in training lawyers for children.

After Commissioner Adam accepted the award, she spoke to the attendees about her memories of Judge Truman, after whom the award is named, and about her family and fellow women lawyers. Congratulations to Commissioner Adam on being selected the 2008 recipient of the Alice Truman Leadership Award!



MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Each month, the first law student to e-mail Carrie Rednour before the RSVP deadline will receive a free luncheon admission!
crednour@rednourlaw.com

DATE: Monday, March 16, 2009.

TIME: Please arrive by 11:50 a.m. Program will begin at noon.

PLACE: The Manning House, 450 W. Paseo Redondo. A map and directions to the Manning House may be found at <http://www.manninghouse.com/map.htm>. Free parking is available behind the Manning House.

COST: \$15 AWLA Members / \$20 Non-members / \$8 Students.

RSVP: Tuesday, March 10, 2009. Please see the AWLA Southern Arizona Chapter Monthly Luncheon RSVP Policy. Checks prepared in advance are appreciated. Reservations can be made online at www.awla-southernaz.org.

MENU: The Manning House offers a delicious buffet with both standard and vegetarian fare. The menu this month will feature Traditional Caesar Salad, Pan Seared White Fish, Grilled Breast of Chicken with Honey Mustard Glaze, Roasted Potato Quarters, Seasonal Vegetables, Cookies and Brownies.

TOPIC: Have you always dreamed of being your own boss and setting your own hours? Are you thinking of starting your own firm? Come to the AWLA Luncheon at Manning House on March 16, 2009 and meet other folks who went out on their own to practice law! Our presenters will discuss how they got their firms started, some pitfalls of solo practice and some of the best things about going out on your own (besides being your own boss!). Come and enjoy the shared experiences and leave knowing some of the things that anyone wanting to start their practice should know...

MONTHLY LUNCHEON



DATE: Monday, April 20, 2009.

TIME: Please arrive by 11:50 a.m. Program will begin at noon.

PLACE: The Manning House, 450 W. Paseo Redondo. A map and directions to the Manning House may be found at <http://www.manninghouse.com/map.htm>. Free parking is available behind the Manning House.

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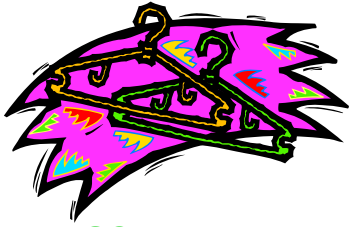
RSVP: Tuesday, April 14, 2009. Please see the AWLA Southern Arizona Chapter Monthly Luncheon RSVP Policy. Checks prepared in advance are appreciated. Reservations can be made online at www.awla-southernaz.org.

MENU: The Manning House offers a delicious buffet with both standard and vegetarian fare. The menu this month will feature Mixed Green Salad, Petite Mesquite Grilled Tri-Tip of Beef, Petite Grilled Salmon, Pecan Rice Pilaf, Seasonal Vegetables, Cookies and Brownies.

TOPIC: Watch your weekly newsletters for more information.

SCENES FROM THE JANUARY LUNCHEON!





**COMMUNITY
EVENT FOR
MARCH & APRIL**

YOUR SISTER'S CLOSET (YSC) helps Tucson women get on their feet with outfits that may bring a new job and new outlook. YSC provides clothing appropriate for job interviews, in an attractive and supportive environment to women who are seeking employment - empowering them to interview with confidence. We will be collecting donations of clean, fashionable women's clothing, accessories and shoes, in good condition, at the March and April luncheons. Clothing must be appropriate for job interviews. Perfumes, toiletries, and personal grooming products such as shampoo, make-up and deodorant will also be accepted.

For more information about Your Sister's Closet, visit these websites:
<http://www.ywcatucson.org/new/ywprograms.htm#Your%20Sister's%20Closet>
<http://www.ywcatucson.org/articles/01705sistera.htm>

For more information, contact Deanna Conn at deanna.conn@quarles.com



MEMBER NEWS!

Congratulations to **Stephanie Meade** on her appointment as the new Chief Public Defender for the City of Tucson

Congratulations to **Jill Casson Owen** on the opening of CASSON OWEN LAW, PLLC in Oro Valley. Contact jill@cassonowenlaw.com or visit the website at www.cassonowenlaw.com.

**SAVE THE DATE!
AWLA WINE & CHEESE IS FRIDAY APRIL 3RD
DETAILS COMING SOON**

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NOTE: Your e-mail address is critical. Luncheon notices and other announcements are sent electronically only. AWLA newsletters are sent electronically also. Check here if you do not have an email address and require a paper copy.

Areas of Practice: (Select up to 5):

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Other State Bar Admissions: _____

Please return this application and a check made payable to AWLA for 2007 dues in the amount of
\$100 (Sustaining Member*) \$75 (Private Attorney earning more than \$50,000/yr)
\$50 (Public Attorney; or Private Attorney earning \$50,000/yr or less) \$10 (Law Student)

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We need your help and involvement on committees. Please check those that interest you.

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