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Save The Date

## Benefits Fair

December 10, 2015

11:30 AM—1:30 PM

Rochester

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Wellness Event**

**November 19, 2015**

**Cookie Recipe**

**Exchange**

**Details to follow**



## 7th Judicial District Fall Festival 2015

The 7th JD Fall Festival was held on October 1st at the lovely Inn on the Lake in Canandaigua, New York. Once again, we were fortunate to have a beautiful day for those in attendance. Judges, Support Magistrates, Court Attorney Referees, Law Clerks, Court leaders and mentees participated in an afternoon full of CLE or management training programs. Later that evening, seminar attendees and members of our 7th JD family attended the evening dinner with keynote speaker Gap Mangione presenting both an education program and one filled with music.



Hon. Richard Dollinger



Gap Mangione was the guest speaker for the night.



Administrative Judge Hon. Craig J. Doran, Hon. Eugene Piggott and Hon. Gerald J. Whalen, Appellate Div, Fourth Dept.



Mary Aufleger, Senior Management Analyst from the District Office and Hon. Marianne Furfure.



The 3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SCOOP DAY event was celebrated in Livingston County on September 16 as staff gathered to enjoy ice cream and all of the “trimmings.” Christie Jopson (Livingston Family Court) coordinated a most successful event.



(L) Christie Jopson and Kristine Tenalio



## Livingston County News

The Livingston County Courthouse held its signature event - The Tomato Party - on September 24. The gathering originally centered on a competition to determine who grew the best tomatoes in his/her garden but the event has developed into a luncheon feast. Linda DiStefano (Livingston Family Court) coordinated the event which drew rave reviews from those in attendance.



(L to R) Brittany Jopson (former intern and daughter of Christie Jopson, Linda DiStefano, Emily Gorney, intern, and Christie Jopson



### A Note from Human Resources:

The 7th JD Human Resources Unit is pleased to announce a Financial Planning “Lunch & Learn” Seminar has been scheduled for Wednesday, November 4, 2015 for Monroe County. The seminar will be held in Room 165 on the Mezzanine at the Hall of Justice. We will have 2 identical

sessions. The first session will be from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and then again from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Lunch will be included. This seminar will be conducted by a licensed financial services professional, Gary Schwartz with Madison Planning Group, Inc., and is designed to assist you in making important financial decisions long before, prior to, and during your retirement. Topics to be covered include Judicial Benefits, Pension, Deferred Compensation and Financial Planning. A spouse/partner or other family member may also attend the seminar. Those attending the program have the option of receiving a private individual financial planning consultation at a later date at no cost to the individual. To register for this seminar, please contact Julie Abato at Madison Planning Group, Inc. via email at [jabato@madisonplanning.com](mailto:jabato@madisonplanning.com) or by phone at 800-222-2091 by **(3 Days prior to event)**. Please indicate whether a spouse, partner, or family member will also attend. Should you have any questions, please contact Melissa Pendleton, 7<sup>th</sup> JD Human Resources at 585-371-3253.

The Flu Shot Clinics held in Monroe County were a huge success! The clinic in September administered 54 vaccinations and the October clinic administered 89, for a grand total of 143 vaccinations for 2015. If you are in Monroe County, plan to get your Flu Shot here at work in the Fall of 2016. Stay healthy this winter!

Employees are reminded that the UCS intranet website lists all current job postings and exam announcements. You are encouraged to check the Intranet on a regular basis. The following link will bring you to the jobs listings: <http://www.nycourts.gov/careers/statewide/index.shtml>.

**REMINDER: 2016 Flex Spending Account Program - Open enrollment begins on Monday 10/5 and ends on November 9. There are no paper forms or applications to complete. To enroll, call customer service at 1-800-358-7202 or visit FlexSpending Account website at [www.flexspend.ny.gov](http://www.flexspend.ny.gov). The enrollment period and end date is strictly observed.**



## Obituary

Brian J. Baron, **younger son of Gail Matyi, Monroe County Surrogate's Court**, passed away suddenly on October 22, 2015. Brian is survived by his father, Darryl A. Baron (Sandi Hillebrant); mother, Gail E. Matyi; grandparents, Ernest and Eleanor Matyi; brothers, Christopher (Lauren) Baron and Michael Baron; sister, Erika Baron (Tyson McDowell); and beloved dogs, Boomer and Jack; aunt; uncle, Brian was an Army National Guard combat medic. He just received his NYS EMT certification and was applying to West Point. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to: Seneca Park Zoo 2222 St. Paul Street Rochester, New York 14621 or Wounded Warrior Project P.O. Box 758517 Topeka, Kansas 66675. Cards of condolence may be sent to Gail and her family c/o Monroe Surrogate's Court, 541 Hall of Justice, 99 Exchange Blvd., Rochester, NY 14614.

*Thank you to all*

*On behalf of myself and my family, I would like to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during the recent passing of my mother-in-law. Each card and thoughtful word were deeply appreciated.*

*Sincerely, Brenda Breese & Family*



The CSEA Employee Benefit Fund is enhancing members' CSEA dental benefit. Beginning January 1, 2016, EBF will provide an allowance toward implants for your dental plan at NO additional cost to you. Further, the new benefit will not be deducted from your plan's annual maximum and is outside of that limitation. More detailed information can be found at: [www.cseabf.com](http://www.cseabf.com). Also approved was a new \$100 annual benefit for a dental consultation. This new benefit also goes into effect on January 1, 2016 but will apply against the member's annual maximum.

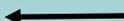


**Kathleen Fagan, Court Reporter** has been assigned from Wayne County to Cayuga County, starting September 26, 2015.

**Pam Gardner** retired after 25 years of service with the Unified Court System. The Steuben Family Court Staff held a luncheon in her honor on September 29th. The picture on the right shows standing Support Magistrate David Crosby, Jenn Brownell, Elvira Karns, Kelly Monteleone, Angie Whitfield, Kim Potter, and Laurie Partridge. Seated is Susan Cruzado (left) and Pam on the right.



Left picture is Betty Gerych, Chief Clerk Steuben S & C, Pam and Bob Lewis, Chief Clerk of Livingston Family Court



## Congratulations to Silvia Kockler on her retirement

After 22 years of service to the NYS Unified Court System, Silvia, a Senior Court Analyst in the 7th Judicial District Office, said goodbye to all of her friends and co-workers in the 7th Judicial District.



The 7th District Office held a breakfast for Silvia's last day. She will be missed!



Silvia cuts the cake.



Carrie Cress and Scott Kockler from Monroe Family Court with Silvia.



Monroe County Family Court employees, Joyce Lasch, Bernie Smith and Patti McMullen came to say goodbye to Sylvia.

## Yates County Service Pin Ceremony was held on October 15, 2015

(L to R): Meg DiMartino, Charlene DeMarco, Liz Lombardo, **Vanessa Smith, Chief Clerk Yates Surrogate Court, 15 years;** Hon. Craig J. Doran, Hon. W. Patrick Falvey, **Alice Shoemaker, Principal Court Attorney, 30 years;** Marian Strickland, Carol Winslow and Katie Smith.



## Wayne County Service Pin Ceremony was held on October 22, 2015

Pictured left to right: Tina Hermann, Lorraine Fodera, Hon. Daniel Barrett, Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge, **Patricia Harris, Senior Court Office Assistant Keyboarding, 15 years;** **Corinne Sergeant, Court Assistant, 20 years;** Hon. Dennis Kehoe; Hon. John Nesbitt and Julie Brooks.



### OCTOBER WELLNESS EVENT



Tasia McCullough, a facilitator from Corporate Counselling, came to the Monroe County Hall of Justice during the week of October 5—9th for Wellness Week. Topics covered were Breast Cancer Awareness, Diabetes, Workday Workouts, Depression and Power of Positive Thinking. We also skyped the seminars to outlying counties. If you would like more information on these topics and many more, the Work/Life Assistance Program is open 24/7. **It is confidential, no cost, includes employees and family members. Call 800-833-8707 or go online at [www.myccalone.com](http://www.myccalone.com) Company Code: UCS.** Thanks to the Wellness Committee and The 7th JD Human Resources Unit for sponsoring this event.

### LIVINGSTON COUNTY SERVICE PIN CEREMONY

On October 15, 2015 a service pin ceremony was held in Livingston County. Pictured left to right are Hon. Craig J. Doran, Hon. Dennis S. Cohen, **Julie Andrews, Court Assistant, 15 years; Karen Provo, Senior Court Office Assistant, 15 years; Laura Welch, Court Reporter, 25 years** and Hon. Robert B. Wiggins.



### Administrative Judge Hon. Craig J. Doran tours 7th Judicial District Senior Centers



Webster Senior Center



Hilton Senior Center

Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge has been conducting tours of the Senior Centers around Monroe County. He has been giving out information on the 7th JD and specifically Court Help Center. The seniors have been great and have asked him a lot of pertinent questions.



Baden Street Settlement

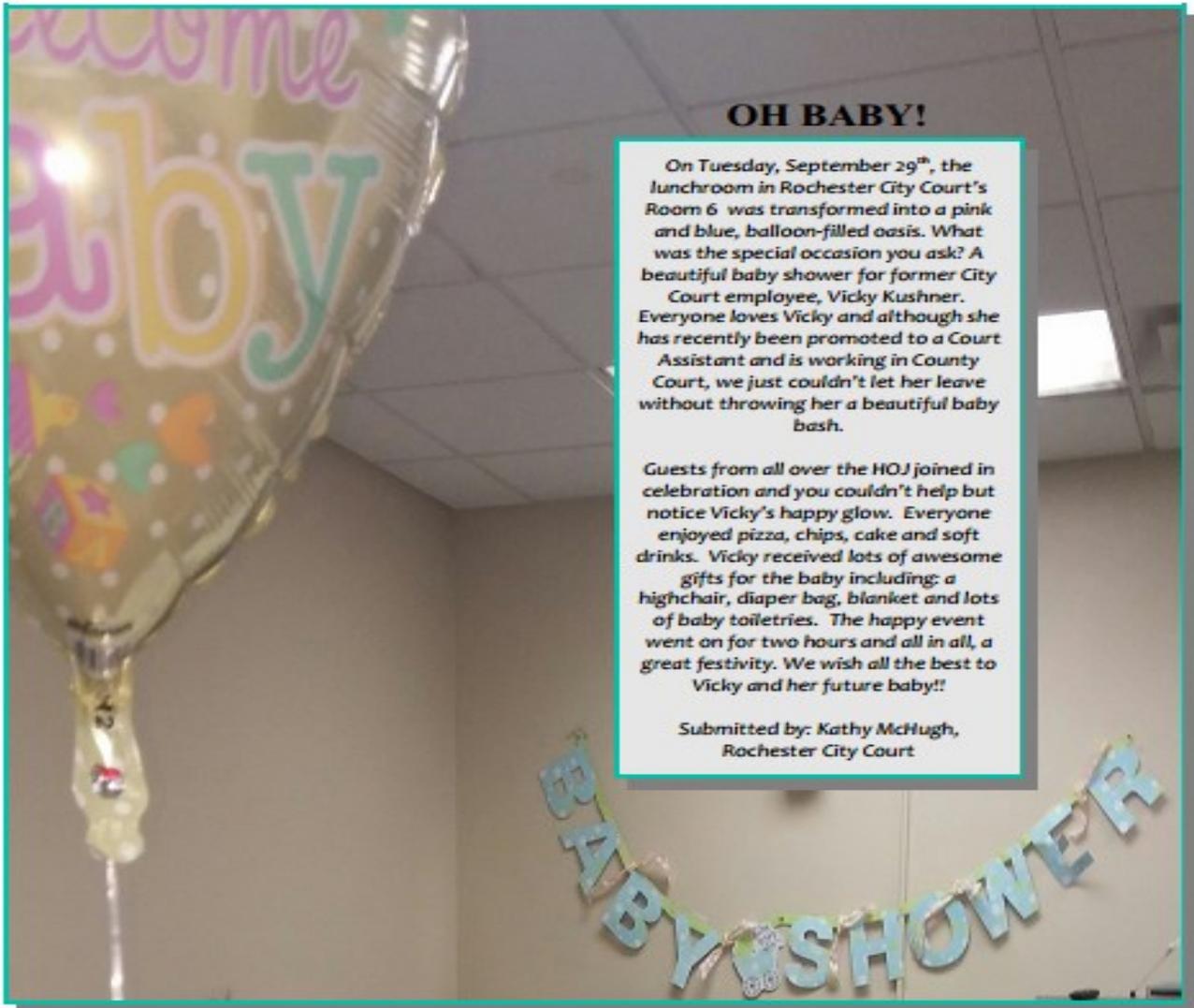


## Geneva City Court Service Pin Ceremony October 2015

Pictured Left to right: Hon. Elisabeth Toole, Hon. Timothy Buckley, **Barb Kindel, Senior Court Office Assistant Keyboarding, 15 years**; Josie Guard, Chief Clerk, **Lisa Collette, Senior Court Office Assistant Keyboarding, 25 years**; Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge and Court Officer Jeff Potter.



## Rochester City Court hosts Baby Shower—submitted by Kathy McHugh



## Ontario County Court Service Pin Ceremony October 2015

Pictured Left to right: Hon. Frederick G. Reed, Hon. William Kocher, Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge, Jeff Dapolito, Court Assistant S & C, 30 years; Jacqueline Sisson, Principal Law Clerk, 20 years; Nicole Botti, Law Clerk to Judge Kocher, 20 years; Margaret Berberich, Senior Court Office Assistant, 35 years; Lesley Taylor, Court Assistant Family Court, 15 years; and Dennis O'Connell, Senior Court Office Assistant, 15 years.



## Steuben County Court Service Pin Ceremony October 2015

Pictured left to right: Linette Miller, Secretary to Judge Latham, 15 years; Elvira Karns, Senior Court Office Assistant Family Court, 15 years; Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge; Craig Snyder, Principal Court Attorney, 15 years; Betty Gerych, Chief Clerk Supreme & County Courts, 25 years; Jamie Hawley, Court Reporter, 15 years; and Kelly Vanskiver, Court Assistant S & C, 25 years.  
Unavailable: Jennifer Brownell, Supervising Court Office Assistant Family Court, 15 years.





## Corning City Court Service Pin Ceremony October 2015



Colleen Flanagan, Chief Clerk of Corning City Court, pictured here with Hon. Craig J. Doran, Administrative Judge, received her service pin for **15 years of service**. Congratulations!

## Webinars Available

Did you know that the Unified Court System’s WorkLife Assistance Program offers Webinars on a variety of topics? The two types of categories for the Webinars are “Upcoming” for which you would need to register through the Corporate Counseling Website, or “OnDemand” which means the original Webinar has already taken place and you can watch it when time permits. For the most up-to-date list, please go to the intranet and in the browser, type in *login.corporatecounseling.com*. For the Company Code type in UCS and click SUBMIT. **A good webinar coming up is on December 15th - Creating a Personal Development Plan.**

The screenshot shows the CCA website interface. At the top right, there are language options (US-English, E.E.U.U.-Español) and a 24-hour helpline number (800-833-8707). The main content area includes a featured article about brain health, a news section for October, and an online seminars section. A red arrow points to the 'View All' link for upcoming webinars.

To access the On Demand Webinars, scroll down to the bottom of the CCA page and click on “View All” to see all the topics. Choose your topic. If you want to view the slides and hear the speaker, put on your earphones and click on the Windows Media icon. Click “Play.” If you would prefer to read or print the webinar, click on the appropriate PDF icon.

If you have any questions or problems accessing the webinars, you can contact the Human Resources Unit at (585) 371-3266.

The Wellness Committee donated items for a "Wellness Basket", *Gail Matyi* donated a gift certificate for Origami Owl jewelry and a rose bouquet, *Charlene DeMarco* donated a gift certificate to Seneca Shore Winery, *Meredith Bonn* donated a makeup bag full of MaryKay make up and a bottle of men's cologne and *Maria Prewasnicak* donated a tray of cookie's from Maria's Cookies. Thanks to all who donated!! Below are more pictures of the festivities. Gap Mangione gave a lively jazz session mixed in with commentary on his recording career. He also gave away a CD of his latest music.



Left Picture: April Termine (L), Rochester City Court and Sally Frey, Monroe S & C



Right Picture: Bill Deninger, Monroe S & C and Loreen Nash Monroe Family Court



Above picture: Jose and Susan Cruzado, Livingston S & C and Steuben Family Court, respectively.

Right picture: Bob Lewis, Livingston Family Court, Patti Whitcroft, Monroe S & C, Dina Provo and Kelly Manteleone, both from Livingston S & C



Seated: Sue Maleski, Steve Diduro, Penny Spinner and Sue Leisenring. Standing: Lisa Hinkley, Jane Lawson, JoAnne Ryrko, all from Seneca County.



### What to consider before your teen gets an after-school job:

When school is in session, New York State law allows minors ages 14 and 15 to work up to eight hours per day on weekends (between 7 AM and 7 PM.) Employees ages 16 and 17 are permitted to work four-hour shifts on most weekdays and up to eight hours per day, Friday through Sunday (between 6 AM and 10 PM.) Legally, adolescents can work a maximum of 28 hours per week during the school year. But can your teen realistically handle this? According to a Univ. of Michigan study teens should limit their weekly part-time job schedule to 15 hours or less. Their GPA declines after 15 hours a week of work.

Some questions to answer before your son or daughter accepts a job include:

- How late is the establishment open?
- Will your teenager be alone at any point?
- Is an adult staff member always available?
- Does your teen have a reliable way to get to work and home?
- Consider safety: will there be duties performed or equipment used that might be unsafe?

