

Bait and switch still alive and well.

Marilyn needed to make repairs to her home she'd inherited from her parents and lived in for 30+ years. Her credit score, however, prevented her from getting a loan. She was working for a real estate company and her boss offered to find someone to "invest" in the property so that Marilyn could get her loan. Of course, unbeknownst to Marilyn, the "investment" was actually a sale and she suddenly found herself being evicted from her own home. **Gilbert Liss** stepped in to handle the case. He defended the eviction, filed a quiet title action and got the home back in Marilyn's name.

New addition:

Please join us in congratulating CVLS volunteer Jessica Blaemire and her husband Peter Thaxter on their new baby girl Brynna Campbell Thaxterr. Brynna was born on August 26th weighing 7 lbs 13 ozs. She is doing great and we wish their family well.

Welcome to the family

It seems like every month we have one or two announcements about volunteers and friends of CVLS having babies but it is not very often that we have the opportunity to announce one of our own. On September 10, Alecia Wartowski, Director of CVLS' GAL for Minors program, and her husband David gave birth to a beautiful 8lbs 9oz baby girl named Clara. Everyone is doing just fine and Annika is just thrilled to have a new baby sister.



Alecia and David Wartowski with Annika (left) and Clara (right)



Natalie Wartowski (far left), Benji Philips (mid-left), Phil Mohr and Rebekah Rashidfarokhi (right) accept IABA's award on behalf of CVLS

CVLS honored with leadership award

The Indian American Bar Association, which co-sponsors CVLS' Cyriac D. Kappil Legal Clinic, honored us with its Distinguished Leadership Award at its annual dinner on September 18. The well-attended event, which featured delicious Indian food and a lot of beautiful saris, was wonderful. Thank you very much to the Indian American Bar Association for the honor.



You are cordially invited to attend

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2009 Annual Award Ceremony

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Court of Honor Award
to**

The Honorable Maureen E. Connors
Circuit Court Judge of Cook County
Probate Division

**and the
Law Firm Award
to**

Sidley Austin LLP

and many more distinguished CVLS volunteers.

Thursday, November 12th, 2009
5:30 to 7:15 pm

**hosted by
Sidley Austin LLP
One South Dearborn**

New Schiff Hardin Clinic Location

It's been a great run but after many years the CVLS Schiff Hardin clinic has moved from its old home at the Howard Area Community Center to its new home at How, Inc. which is located right down the block at 1607 West Howard Street. The first clinic night for How, Inc. took place on September 15 and it was a roaring success. We are very thankful to How, Inc. for agreeing to host the clinic and we hope that our two organizations will continue to be partners for many many years.

CVLS Seminar Registration

Fall 2009

October 14 "Simple Estate Planning and Wills " **by Mary-Ann Wilson of Harrison & Held LLP**

Join us as the ever-popular topic of estate planning and will drafting is demystified and boiled down to basics for CVLS volunteers. Ms. Wilson is a frequent speaker on estate planning and administration. She is a partner at Harrison & Held LLP and concentrates her practice in estate planning, business succession planning and estate and trust administration. There's limited space so reserve your seat early.

November 17 "Representing Landlords in Eviction Cases " by Wayne Shapiro

Attorney Wayne Shapiro will be focusing on what you need to know to evict a tenant. Mr. Shapiro will discuss the law and procedures for handling a forcible entry and detainer case, including practice tips to help make the process flow smoothly. By the end of the seminar you will be given everything you need to know to help a residential landlord oust a bad tenant.

All seminars are held from 12:15 to 1:15 p.m. at 100 North LaSalle, Suite 900.

Archived seminars can be found at www.illinoisprobono.org.

Return to: Seminar Registration, Chicago Volunteer Legal Services
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Thankful Canadians

October is usually thought of as the time for costumes, candy and parties, but our well behaved neighbors to the north have a different approach to the month. This October 12 Canadian boys, girls, moms and dads will sit around the dinner table and give thanks for what the land of the beaver has given them.

Unlike the USA, Canadian Thanksgiving isn't about a group of pilgrims in funny hats and uncomfortable shoes but instead comes from three main traditions.

The first tradition stems from European farmers who held celebrations during harvest to give thanks for their good fortune and bountiful harvests. The farmers would fill a curved goat's horn with fruits and grains. This horn became known as a cornucopia or the horn of plenty. When European farmers came to Canada they brought their tradition of Thanksgiving with them.

The second tradition is the big story you hear in Canada which involves an English navigator by the name of Martin Frobisher. His goal was to find a northern passage to the Orient. He ultimately failed to reach his goal but did succeed in establishing a settlement in North America. In 1578 he held a celebration in what is now known as Newfoundland, to give thanks for surviving his journey. This is widely considered the first Canadian Thanksgiving.

The third tradition comes from the states' own version of Thanksgiving. Not surprisingly, as immigrants from the two countries crossed the border they brought their own traditions with them. Over time, the dates have changed but the meaning has remained.

On January 31st, 1957, the Parliament issued a proclamation to fix permanently the 2nd Monday in October as the official day of Thanksgiving.

Random Fun Facts

- The five-day work week was officially sanctioned by the American Federation of Labor, October 2, 1933
- Thurgood Marshall was sworn in as an Associate Justice of U.S. Supreme Court, the first african american to this position, October 2, 1967
- A bill creating the Department of Education was signed by President James Carter, October 17, 1978

Sudoku!

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CVLS Time: 13 Minutes Difficulty: Medium

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