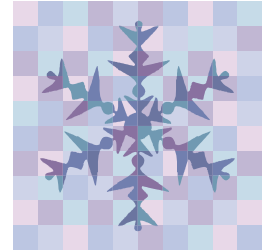


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Behind the Bench

CAMCA Annual Meeting December 3, 2010

Do Yourself Justice! Creating Core Confidence by motivational comedian Karyn Ruth White

The CAMCA annual meeting was hosted by the City of Denver in the beautiful new Lindsey-Flanigan Courthouse. After a panel discussion on technology in the justice system and online payments, the



new Board members were sworn in. Sandra Trujillo, from Golden Municipal

Court, was named Outstanding CAMCA member.

Karyn Ruth White was the afternoon's motivational speaker. She is the co-author of *Your Seventh Sense, How to Think Like a Comedian*. She also provides government and corporate motivational seminars titled *Laughing in the Face of Stress*, *The 6 Secrets to Staying Miserable* and *Laughing in the Face of Change*.

Karyn Ruth provided the group with her tips on living and laughing with less stress.

Her first tip is to **Cherish Your Sense of Humor**. She says that your natural sense of humor is a wonderful gift and an important tool that should be cultivated and nurtured, not suppressed. Being a serious professional does not mean that you can't have a sense of humor.

Stop Your Mental Flogging by listening to your inner voice. Would you talk to a friend the way that you talk to yourself? The next time you make a mistake, as your self three questions: "What can I learn from this, what do I want to create from this moment forward and can I find anything funny about this?"

Acknowledge and Reward Your Personal Victories when things go right or when you accomplish one of your goals. Cultivate the *Art of Comic Complaining* by using humor to get what you want. The next time you feel like giving someone a piece of your mind ask yourself if humor could serve your purpose at that time.

Look for "Humortunities" by focusing only on humorous or interesting things around you instead of always looking at the negative side. Elevators, revolving doors and everyday interactions are opportunities to share a laugh or a smile.

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CAMCA Annual Meeting (cont.)

As the class came to a close, she ended with a poem that she wrote titled "Notice":

"Notice"

Notice the space
Not the clutter

Notice the quiet
Not the noise

Notice the kindness
Not the slight

Notice the effort
Not if it's right

Notice the opportunity
Not the disappointment

Notice the healing
Not the fly in the ointment

Notice the good
More times than the bad

And your life will have peace
And your heart will be glad

By
Karyn Ruth White



A message from CAMCA President, Sue Ratcliff



Hello CAMCA members! My name is Sue Ratcliff and I am your new president for 2011. I am the Court Administrator for the Town of Parker Municipal Court. I have been with the court for 12 ½ years. My background includes 11 years with the

Sheridan Police Department as both a dispatcher and police officer. As you can see, public service is my life! I have been married to a police officer for 21 years, and have 2 wonderful daughters.

As we enter in to 2011, I would like to see CAMCA take a more active role engaging the membership. CAMCA provides outstanding training for all members. The organization is here to support the members and provide you with what you need to successfully operate your court. Are you looking for training in a specific area? Do you need an audit of your court to assist you with operations? Are you struggling with budget and priorities? CAMCA will be sending out a survey on the listserv soon to get feedback from you on how we can assist you in your court. If you would like to reach me directly please call me at 303.805.3101 or email me at SRatcliff@parkeronline.org.

Your feedback is important to CAMCA!

Newsletter Trivia

What is Karyn Ruth White's first tip for living with stress? The first person to answer the question correctly will win a \$25 gift card. Please e-mail your guesses to: jsager@cherryhillsvillage.com

Good Luck!!

2011 CAMCA Board Members



CAMCA President, Sue Ratcliff



**CAMCA Vice-President,
Philippa Stephens**



CAMCA Secretary, John Bowen



CAMCA Treasurer, Sandra Trujillo

CAMCA Board of Directors



Christina Tadolini Term: 2010-11



Debra Caldwell Term: 2010-11



Jessica Sager Term: 2011-12

I just want to say to all CAMCA members that I attended and completed my first CAMCA training October 22nd to 26th 1990 (lasted a full 5 days in Trinidad) Clara Walker was the President and it was great to be with all the other clerks from across the state. Since then I have called upon CAMCA members when I have had issues and problems that I could not solve. I was a one person Court Clerk until about 4 years ago. When we went to computers, Clara was there to help me with my first small court program that she had written on floppies; we then purchased a court program from Castle Rock for \$500.00 and used that program until 2007. We visited Parker and purchased their program (for \$5,000.00) and had the program customized for Fountain. We love it. I have had CAMCA members that I have never met, but when there has been a problem they have been there at the click of a "send" with an answer. My last day as a Court Administrator will be May 19, 2011 after 35 plus years and also my Birthday (70). Unlike Dee at DMV it is time to leave the court to a younger more energetic Court Clerk. Both Clerks will have this training behind them and also access to all the knowledge that is out there with CAMCA members. Thank you one and all for all your help and support. I will miss you all. Now I will dry my eyes and get back to work. Thanks again.

Doris Fulkerson



News from around Colorado



Brush Municipal Court welcomes their new court clerk, Kendra Murray. Vivian Llewellyn, the former court clerk of 24 1/2 years, will still be responsible for Police Records and CCIC/NCIC coordination until she retires (in 5 or 6 years). Brush Municipal Court has made a lot of court changes over the last year and Kendra has tackled the new system with enthusiasm. She has a Criminal Justice Degree from Colorado State University so she can see the entire picture. Kendra is looking forward to being part of CAMCA and participating in the scheduled training classes.



**2011
CAMCA
Trainings**



<p>CAMCA—Court Basics I Hosted by Parker Municipal Court</p> <p>February 25, 2011</p>	<p>CAMCA—Court Basics III Hosted by Greenwood Village Municipal Court</p> <p>August 19, 2011</p>
<p>CMJA / CAMCA / MSU* Location: Vail</p> <p>April 2011</p>	<p>CAMCA—Tri-Annual/MSU* Judicial Administration Certification Course Location: To Be Determined</p> <p>September 16, 2011</p>
<p>CAMCA— Court Basics II Hosted by Colorado Springs Municipal Court</p> <p>May 6, 2011</p>	<p>CAMCA—Court Basics I Hosted by Lakewood Municipal Court</p> <p>October 7, 2011</p>
<p>CAMCA—Court Basics/Nuts + Bolts Hosted by Montrose Municipal Court</p> <p>June 10, 2011</p>	<p>CAMCA— Management Tools Hosted by Wheatridge Municipal Court</p> <p>November 4, 2011</p>
<p>NACM Annual Conference Las Vegas, Nevada</p> <p>July 10 –14, 2011 (Sun—Thurs)</p>	<p>CAMCA— Annual Meeting Hosted by Castle Rock at the Douglas County Events Center</p> <p>December 3, 2011</p>

*Class participants do not need to be enrolled in the Michigan State University Certificate Program to attend these courses. Those who are enrolled in the MSU program are eligible to receive credit for the contact hours for each course attended.

Visit the CAMCA web-site @ CAMCACOLO.COM for additional information.

2011 CAMCA TRAINING REGISTRATION

Please complete one registration form for your Court when possible.

Registration deadline is 14 days prior to the class.

Light snacks will be provided by host Court. Lunch is on your own.

Name (s): _____ Municipality: _____

_____ Address: _____

_____ City, State, Zip: _____

_____ Phone: _____

_____ Fax #: _____

Email (Required for class confirmation): _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CAMCA

FAX REGISTRATION TO SANDY TRUJILLO @ 303-384-8055

(Faxing allows for the quickest method of registration while checks are being requested/processed)

MAIL CHECKS AND REGISTRATION FORM TO:

GOLDEN MUNICIPAL COURT Attn: SANDY TRUJILLO

911 10TH STREET GOLDEN, COLORADO 80401

COURT BASICS I: *Where do I fit in? DMV, Records Act, Customer Service, Court Lingo*

_____ **Feb 25, 2011** Hosted by Parker \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-member*

_____ **Oct 7, 2011** Hosted by Lakewood \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-member*

COURT BASICS II: *Bonds, Court Appointed Counsel, Interpreters, Collections, Rules*

_____ **May 6, 2011** Hosted by Colorado Springs \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-member*

COURT BASICS/NUTS & BOLTS: *Covers a variety of Court Basics materials and Court-related issues as determined by instructors and class participants.*

_____ **June 10, 2011** Hosted by Montrose \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-Member*

COURT BASICS III: *Appeals, Case-flow, Jury and Records Management*

_____ **Aug 19, 2011** Hosted by Greenwood Village \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-Member*

COURT BASICS/ MANAGEMENT TOOLS: *Conflict Management, Security, Ethics, Hiring, Problem Analysis*

_____ **Nov 4, 2011** Hosted by Wheatridge \$40/CAMCA Member; \$60 Non-Member*

***If you are not already a CAMCA member, \$40 will be applied to the cost of the class and \$20 will pay your CAMCA membership fee for one year.**

CAMCA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please fill out one application per applicant

To promote professional development within the membership, CAMCA has established an overall scholarship fund. Active members needing assistance may apply for registration or tuition assistance throughout the year on an as-needed basis. All requests will be reviewed and an amount of award will be determined by the Education Committee. CAMCA may set conditions on the award for the benefit of the membership. Complete the following information and forward to: CAMCA Education Committee, c/o Philippa Stephens, City of Greenwood Village 6060 South Quebec Street, Greenwood Village, CO 80111 or via fax: 303-804-4108. All applications must be submitted to the Education Committee for review 30 days prior to training. Those applicants who are awarded the scholarship will be notified.

Name _____

Name and Address of Court _____

Course Title or Training Agency: (Please attach a copy of course information for non-CAMCA sponsored courses)

Date of Class _____ *Please submit registration form with this application*

How much can your court contribute towards this training? _____

Total cost of training \$ _____ Total amount you are requesting \$ _____

Describe the benefit to you and your court to be gained by attending this training:

Signature _____ Date _____

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Awarded/Denied by CAMCA Education Committee on _____, 20 _____

Total amount awarded \$ _____