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1998 - 1999 R.A.M. BOARD MEETINGS

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*** INVITATION ***

THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND ITS MEMBERS INVITE ALL R.A.M. MEMBERS TO ATTEND A HOLIDAY GATHERING ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 4, 1998 at 12:00 NOON, GRATZI RESTAURANT IN ANN ARBOR. SEIZE THE MOMENT! END THE WORK WEEK ONE DAY EARLY AND JOIN YOUR PROFESSIONAL COLLEAGUES IN CELEBRATION (i.e. LIBATIONS, EDIBLES, AND CHATTER).

PLEASE R.S.V.P. BY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH, NOON, TO JUDAH GARBER (734) 996-3073. HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

WELCOME!

Marie Kessler joined the Referee staff at Kent County Friend of the Court.
Wayne County Friend of the Court has added five new Referees to the staff:

Lyn Sippola  
Rosanne Hostnik  
Allen (Jerry) Pease  
Lynn Ruhlman  
David Calandro

Congratulations and best wishes from R.A.M.!

R.A.M. WATCH

Deborah McNabb, Chairperson of the Wage, Benefits, Standards and Goals Committee, is compiling a statewide Referee salary information booklet for R.A.M. members. This booklet will be available to R.A.M. members upon request after January 1999. Watch for more information in the upcoming Ramblin' On.

DID YOU KNOW?

LOCAL:

October 1998: Wayne County Sheriff Deputies are affixing neon pink and blue boots on car wheels to stop delinquent parents in their tracks. The Wayne County program, the first of its kind in Michigan, is modeled after a pilot program in Fairfax County, Virginia. During its first year of operation in Virginia, the boot program recovered approximately $78,000.00 in delinquent child support payments.

October 1998: The National Congress for Fathers and Children, an advocacy and support group for father's rights, held its convention at the Westin Hotel in Detroit. Oakland County Circuit Chief Judge Edward Sosnick addressed the convention and discussed his court's efforts to boost relations between children and their fathers in cases where the unwed mother is seeking to establish paternity and support for her child. According to the Census Bureau, there are nearly 10 million American families led by single mothers. Single fathers with custody of their children numbered approximately 1.9 million in 1996.

October 1998: In a novel approach to prevent his ex-wife from obtaining personal protection orders against him, an ex-husband asked Wayne County Circuit Judge Richard Halloran to issue personal protection orders against Circuit Court Judges Helen Brown, Susan Nielsen, and Mary Waterstone to force them to stop giving the orders to his ex-wife. Judge Halloran, who was recently assigned to handle most of the requests for personal protection orders in Wayne County, has set separate court hearings for each of the Judges.

ATTENTION R.A.M. MEMBERS: Please submit articles, comments, announcements, etc. to Zaira M. Maio, Referee, c/o Macomb County Friend of the Court, 40 N. Main Street, Mt. Clemens, MI 48043, Fax: (810) 466-8701.

PARTING THOUGHT

"Whether you believe you can or you believe you can't, you are right." - Henry Ford

Warmest Regards,

Zaira M. Maio, President