College of Court Reporting The Guardian **Issue 4** APRIL 2014 QUOTE OF THE COLLEGE OF COURT REPORTING RECEIVES SPECIAL Month RECOGNITION "Things work out On March 13th the Hobart Comtive in local foundations, charities, best for those who and organizations. Nicky, Director munity Center filled up quickly make the best of with over 100 guests in attendance, of Admissions at CCR, is part of how things work and it was time to celebrate a very the local 2014 Hobart Chamber of out." successful year! The College of Commerce Board of Directors. At -John Wooden Court Reporting celebrates 30 the awards ceremony, CCR honorayears of educating students to fulfill bly received the Longevity Award! their dreams of becoming court INSIDE THIS ISSUE: reporters! Our college is very ac-HOW COURT REPORT-2 ING FOUND ME 2 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH 3 WORD TRIPPERS FEBRUARY EVALUA-3 Lisa Morton (Director of tions Passed Financial Aid and SH Instructor), Nicky Rodriquez **JOB OPENINGS** 4 (Director of Admissions), Jeff

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Students of the Month

Abigail Lancaster

Abigail has been a student with us since Fall 2013. She produces some of the highest quality transcripts! Keep up the great work, Abigail!

Danielle Griffin Cadena

Danielle transferred into CCR this winter and is transitioning exceptionally well! She is a very gifted student and is moving through her speeds! Congratulations on a job well done!

<u>Alisa Church</u>

Alisa's instructors would like to congratulate her on how amazing her focus and dedication is towards her court reporting education!

You're doing a great job, Alisa!



How Court Reporting Found Me

By Maellen E. Pittman-Fernandez

By the time I started court reporting school, at 18, I had tried several occupations and avocations. I had worked in a software company, been a commercial beekeeper with my own apiary, traveled extensively in Europe and behind the Iron Curtain, and developed a love for hiking and camping as my chief recreation.

Growing up in the Phoenix area, hiking and camping were a major pastime. The beekeeping evolved through my boyfriend's family, who were commercial beekeepers. And I had always worked at some job, from babysitting triplets and selling door-to-door greeting cards to cook ing fast food at Der Wienerschnitzel and Jack in the Box. Even working in the school district administration office for the district psychologist, typing his Ph.D. thesis on "Drugs of the Era," didn't interest me. I worked in the high school auto shop, where the ratio of males to females made for a very nice experience. But nothing clocked.

Luckily, during my final year of high school, I had a wonderful office education teacher, Mrs. Poe, who assigned each of us a research project. Pick a career you think might interest you and research the details. So, with the stars and fate watching over me, I chose to write about court reporting.

As I was writing up this paper, the community college system in Phoenix announced that there was going to be a new program added to their curriculum: computer-aided transcription court reporting.

I applied, was accepted, and graduated. I could write there, their, and

they're differently. I could read back with long vowels. My numbering system was rudimentary, but got the job done. I was ready to fly.

My goal was top work in Chicago, so I went to the library, found the Chicago yellow pages (I think I tore the page out— sorry!) and composed a cover letter to transmit my resume. After several responses, one gentleman called one day when I was out and spoke to my mother. With that conversation, I started across country with a U-Haul behind my Datsun, drove 2,000 miles to Chicago, and started working in federal bankruptcy court in downtown Chicago in December 1979.

After a couple of years reporting grand jury proceedings and depositions, as well as substituting in U.S. District Court, I was very fortunate to be chosen and hired by the Hon. Susan Getzendanner, the first female federal judge in Chicago. I worked for her until her resignation. I since have been assigned to two U.S. district judges. I have been reporting for my present judge every day for the last 21 years.



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Word Trippers By: Barbara McNichol

Word Tripper for March 20, 2014

Full, fulsome – "Full," an adjective, means containing as much or as many as possible; not lacking in any essential. "Fulsome," also an adjective, can mean offensive or insincere; overdone or gross; excessively or insincerely lavish. It can also mean generous in amount, extent or spirit; abundant or copious. Plus it can refer to being well developed physically. The meaning of "fulsome" is ambiguous, so look to the context to determine its proper use.

"He couldn't listen to another moment of fulsome lies and nauseous flattery so he left the room."

"She came home from the hospital and was welcomed with fulsome greetings from loved ones who wished her good health in making a full recovery."



FEBRUARY EVALUATIONS PASSED

These students have all passed one or more SAP evaluations during the month of February. Students who have passed an exit speed have been bolded.

8 SAPs Kristin Westmoreland 7 SAPs Danielle Griffin Cadena Jenny Scharich 6 SAPs Amy Krueger Debrina Jones 5 SAPs Daniel Nied- erkruger Julie Christopher Lorna Halbert Maria Ciccarelli Nicole Johnson Riley Trella 4 SAPs Abby Crouse Alisa Church Dee Triche Megan Reeves Melodie Lewis Rob Leifer Shivone Latortue	Taylor Atchison <u>3 SAPs</u> Ashley Kramer Brett Schatzle Kayde Rieken Kristin Gertz Lucetta Robertson Sandra Lopez <u>2 SAPs</u> Allison Allen Amanda Olivares Amelia Patzelt Angela Shaw Caitlin King Claudia Meyers Debra Hjelm Gayle Kees Holly McKay Jessica Rykhus Jonathan Abrams Josey Loney Kelsey Michael Kristy Albertson Lisa Ettema Luisa Franco Megan Newsom	Melanie Bruno Melanie Segalla Michelle Kowalsky Nicole Simchak Rebecca Wrasser Shari Conrad Timothea Brewer <u>1 SAP</u> Abigail Lancaster Amber Kingsmill Andrea Beilke Andrea Morgan Angel McCullough Angela Macias Becky Colwell Bonny Rog- genbauer Cindy Forrister Daniella Savidge Danielle Simpson Deborah Langlo Debra Phillips Emmileigh Reid	Jacqueline Hamilton Jamie Benak Jennifer Wesner Joan Yeatts Kate Glass Kelly Custard Kimberly Dundas Kristen Stegeman LeeSa Lyons Linda Dial Margaret Abernathy Meredith Hoffpauir Michele LeGrand Mitzi Boardman Nadine Golden Paul Stevens Priscilla Berarducci Ronald Pacana Sarah Fitzgibbon Sharon Dawes Terry Romero	Gaylynn Smith Sherrona Williams Stacy Coonfield Suleika Olivo Toni Coombs Trish McCall Veronica Stewart Yasmeen Robles Yvonne Wilson
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A Reporter Outlines and Briefs Search Just for Fun

For reporters everywhere who love words and word searches, this outlines and briefs search was made just for you. The strokes may be found in every direction, so keep your eyes open and have fun.

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