

## **Contra Costa Legal Community Rallies To Raise Funds For The Food Bank**

The goal of the 20th Annual Food from the Bar Drive, benefiting the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano, is to raise \$100,000 and 10,000 pounds of food. The two-week drive will be launched with a Comedy Night kickoff event.

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PRLog (Press Release) – Apr 20, 2011 – MARTINEZ, CALIFORNIA, April 20, 2011 — For two weeks, the Contra Costa County Bar Association (CCCBA) and its member law firms will participate in a competitive food and money drive to benefit the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano. This marks the 20th annual Food from the Bar drive. Since its inception, the drive has collected \$835,000 and 54 tons of food for hungry Contra Costa County residents. This year, the legal community hopes to raise over \$100,000 and 10,000 pounds of food.

Kickoff Event Information:

What: Comedy Night - “Res Ipsa Jokuitor” (the joke speaks for itself)

featuring Rocky LaPorte and Andrew Norelli

When: Thursday, April 28, 2011; Doors 6pm, Show 8pm

Where: Back Forty BBQ, 100 Coggins Drive, Pleasant Hill, CA

More Info: Tickets are \$60. For more info, call Lisa Reep at (925) 288-2555

Food Drive Information:

What: 20th Annual Food from the Bar

When: May 2, 2011 – May 13, 2011

Where: participating CCCBA member law firms

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Food from the Bar is a competitive drive that leads to many creative fundraising efforts on the part of participating law firms. In the past, attorneys have auctioned or raffled goods and services, participated in walk-a-thons and some have even held head-shaving and cream-puff eating contests. To foster competition among participating law firms, the CCCBA declares winners in five categories based on the highest per capita contribution. 2010 winners included Archer Norris; Morgan Miller Blair; Bramson, Plutznik, Mahler & Birkhauser; the Law Offices of Suzanne Boucher and Lyon & Quintero.

The Contra Costa County Bar Association is a nonprofit organization dedicated to offering support in matters of the law, the legal community and the judicial system.