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INN The Know

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Programming Begins Tonight!

May the descent begin. This year's program, *Ethically Navigating Professionalism's Inferno: The Seven Deadly Sins and How to Avoid Them in Daily Practice*, starts tonight. Carbolic Smokeball will be educating and entertaining us with an envy-themed presentation. The presentation will consider ethical issues involved in mediation.

The schedule for this year's remaining presentations is:

November	Middle Temple	Gluttony	Criminal Practice/Trial
January	Lincoln Inn	Pride	Attorney/Staff Oversight
February	Magna Carta	Lust	Appellate Practice
March	Inner Temple	Sloth	Civil Practice/Trial
April	Gray's Inn	Wrath	Family Practice/Trial

The bonus sin is greed, which encompasses ethical issues involving attorney office conferences. Be sure to include a question about this sin in your presentation to earn bonus points. Apparently, greed really is good...at least for your chances at the INNY!

Here's to enlightening presentations, active participation, and strong attendance so that everyone can gain both knowledge and credit from this year's CLE programming!

INN The News

Education Chair **Edward A. Shipe** will (again) author three chapters in the next edition of the **Florida Bar's Manual on Florida Guardianship Practice**. The three chapters are: attorney's fees and guardian's fees; restoration to capacity; and conclusion of guardianships. The new edition is expected to be released in early 2014.

The Inn's regular authors were busy writing for the October 2013 *Palm Beach County Bar Association Bulletin*. Lincoln Inn's **Jason Rigoli** wrote "Can a Bankruptcy Court Surcharge Exempt Assets?" Treasurer **Christopher Bruce** of Carbolic Smokeball wrote "Temporary Grandparent & Relative Custody Through a '751 Action.'"

Secretary **Sue-Ellen Kenny** of Middle Temple was recently "arrested" for a good cause! She was in "jail" to raise "bail" for the **MDA**. Several fellow Inn members helped bail her out, including **Jessica and W Mason, Krista Mayfield, and Wendy Zoberman**. Thanks to their generosity, Sue-Ellen was "sprung" and is with us tonight.

Lincoln Inn's **Lou Delgado**, the Secretary of the **Young Lawyers Section of the Palm Beach County Bar Association**, helped shop for healthy snacks for a school.

Jim Green of Lincoln Inn was in the **Palm Beach Rowing Association** eight-man boat that won the U.S. Rowing Masters National Championships in Sarasota in August. He was also in the four-man boat that placed second in the World Masters Championships in Varese, Italy in September.

INN Voir Dire

Thanks for the overwhelming contributions to INN Voir Dire. In honor of **Major League Baseball's Hunt for October**, the newsletter features four Inn members whose favorite sports teams made this year's postseason.

Name	Grace Mackey
Pupillage Group	Magna Carta
Employer	Simon & Sigalos, LLP
Area of Practice	Civil and commercial litigation
Years in Practice	2 (since September 2011)
Years in Inn	Second year
Hometown	Independence (Cleveland), Ohio
College	University of Dayton
Major	English and Education
Law School	Case Western Reserve University
Family	Mom; dad; younger brother, Daniel; engaged to Brian Streicher, an attorney
Hobbies	Recreational softball
Favorite Movie/TV Show	<i>Gone with the Wind</i>
Favorite Sports Team	Cleveland professional sports [<i>Editor's note: Rays beat Indians, hooray!</i>]
Favorite Travel Destination	Myrtle Beach

Name	Kenneth G. Spillias
Pupillage Group	Carbolic Smokeball
Employer	Lewis, Longman & Walker, P.A.
Area of Practice	Appellate; trial; local government
Years in Practice	39
Years in Inn	4
Hometown	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
College	Penn State University
Major	Political Science and History
Law School	University of Pittsburgh
Family	Wife (Monica); Son (Geoff); Daughters (Alicia and Stephanie); Grandson (Michael); Granddaughters (Clementine and Mathilda)
Hobbies	Writing; reading; golf; tennis; travel
Favorite Musician/Group	Four Seasons; Beatles; Moody Blues
Favorite Sports Team	Pittsburgh Pirates; Pittsburgh Steelers
Favorite Travel Destination	Greece

Name	Brian Patrick Sullivan
Pupillage Group	Carbolic Smokeball
Employer	Searcy Denney Scarola Barnhart & Shipley, P.A.
Area of Practice	Personal Injury; Medical Malpractice; Wrongful Death
Years in Practice	5 years in Florida
Years in Inn	First year
Hometown	Lowell, Massachusetts
College	Salem State University in Salem, Massachusetts
Major	English and History
Law School	Nova Southeastern University Shepard Broad Law Center
Hobbies	Running; biking; beach sports; reading
Favorite Movie/TV Show	<i>Masterpiece Mystery!</i>
Favorite Musician/Group	Eagles; Adele
Favorite Sports Team	Patriots and Red Sox [<i>Editor's Note: Rays lose to Red Sox, boohoo!</i>]
Favorite Travel Destination	Islands

Name	The Honorable Jeffrey Dana Gillen
Pupillage Group	Middle Temple
Employer	State of Florida
Area of Practice	Circuit Judge, Civil Division
Years in Practice	30+
Years in Inn	First year as a member; attended nearly all of last year as a guest and active participant in Magna Carta
Hometown	North Palm Beach/Palm Beach Gardens
College	Denison University
Major	History, with minors in Spanish and Political Science
Law School	Syracuse University
Family	Wife, Nancy Lyn Gillen; Daughter, Jessie Helaine Metzger (federally-certified teacher); Son, Michael Albert Gillen (veterinarian); two grandchildren
Hobbies	Almost any outdoor activity, particularly hunting and fishing
Favorite Movie/TV Show	<i>Last of the Mohicans</i> (with Daniel Day-Lewis)
Favorite Musician/Group	Rolling Stones; Beatles; Beach Boys; 1960's Motown
Favorite Sports Team	Detroit Tigers; Miami Dolphins; Miami Heat; Syracuse Orange; Florida Gators; Auburn Tigers
Favorite Travel Destination	My Michigan hunting camp; Sawtooth Mountain Range; Idaho-Montana border

INNterview: Myra Fried

Newsletter Chair **Ettie Feistmann** of Gray's Inn sat down with her fellow group member, **Myra Fried**, for the first in what will hopefully be a year-long series of INNterviews.

Myra was born in Steubenville, Ohio, home of Dean Martin (and known for far sadder things in recent years). She has three sisters. Her father was a radio journalist, and her mother worked as a school clerk. She grew up in Miami and went to Miami Norland Senior High (a sports powerhouse in recent years). Myra attended Miami-Dade Community College for two years, then transferred to Florida State University. Myra co-majored in Business and English, and was also pre-law.

After graduating from FSU, Myra went to work at the **Miami Herald**. She worked first in the morgue (oddly appropriate for the issue in the month of Halloween), and then in Special Publications as an editor. Myra left the newspaper in 1987 to go to law school. She graduated from the University of Miami School of Law in 1990.

In 1991, Myra went to work at the **Attorney General's Office** in Daytona Beach. She handled criminal appeals. While there, she received a pro bono award for her work at the **Legal Aid Office**. In 1993, Myra transferred to the **Attorney General's Office** in West Palm Beach, where she continued to handle criminal appeals. (After all, as a popular coffee mug saying goes, attorneys never lose their appeal.)

In 1999, needing a change of scenery, Myra moved to Colorado. She went to work for **LexisNexis Publishing Company** as a legal editor. While there, Myra fell in love with her soon-to-be husband, **Steve Paris**. Unfortunately, she was unable to handle the thin air of the Rockies, so she moved back to Florida in 2003, with Steve in tow. Myra went back to criminal appeals at the **Attorney General's Office**.

In December 2011, Myra left the **Attorney General's Office**. She started her own law practice, concentrating on civil and criminal appeals, as well as general practice. Myra is also a volunteer Guardian ad Litem, in which capacity she represents the best interests of children.

Myra is a member of the **Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers** and the **Palm Beach County Bar Association** (as well as the Inn, of course).

Myra lives in Wellington where she collects books. Her house is a veritable library (perhaps on par with the **Library of Alexandria?**). Myra also enjoys Broadway musicals (is *Legally Blonde* one of them?).

In September 2013, Myra self-published her first e-book for Kindle readers through **Amazon.com**. *Daddy, You Can't Hurt Me Anymore* is a true story about her three-year recovery dealing and coping with suppressed memories of incest and child abuse, and the resulting depression.

Myra is currently working on a second book, this one fictional. It is about a nice Jewish girl, a journalist from New York City, who moves to a small town in Arkansas. There the young woman must cope with a culture completely different from what she has been used to in New York. May it become a book to be placed on the shelves of Myra's library and turned into her favorite Broadway musical!

INNspiration

"Discourage litigation. Persuade your neighbors to compromise whenever you can. As a peacemaker the lawyer has superior opportunity of being a good man. There will still be business enough." Abraham Lincoln