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In this month's issue of The Guardian, we would like to continue to introduce you to members of our College of Court Reporting family. Below you will find an interview with Lisa Morton, our Director of Financial Aid. On page 5, find an interview with CCR graduate Liz Trella.

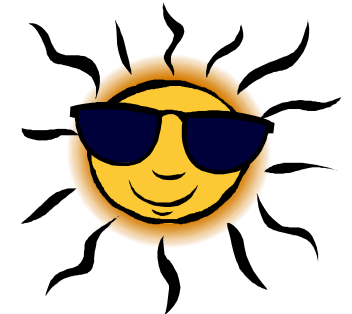
We want to get acquainted with our new students as well. Stay tuned for spotlights on students in the future.

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

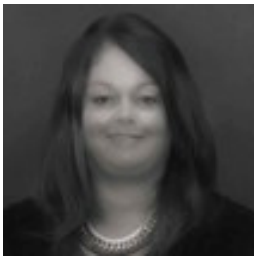
To give anything less than your best is to sacrifice the gift.
-Steve Prefontaine

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INSTRUCTOR SPOTLIGHT: LISA MORTON



1. When did you start working at College of Court Reporting?

I started working at CCR in May of 2000.

2. What's your educational background?

I attended Liberty University where I took education classes, but I graduated from Indiana University Northwest. In addition, I attended CCR as a student in 1998-2000 where I learned the Phoenix Theory and began speedbuilding.

3. Tell us about your family!

I have three wonderful daughters who have all graduated with their undergraduate degrees. My oldest daughter has one more year left to complete her Master's Degree in

Holistic Health Education at JFK University in Pleasant Hill, CA. My middle daughter works for TRX out in San Francisco, CA. My youngest daughter is hoping to start a Master's Degree Program at Indiana University in the Fall. I am very blessed to have three supportive daughters.

4. What do you enjoy most about being a CCR instructor?

Without a doubt, I love helping students learn how to evaluate their writing so that they can effectively improve their writing skills. It brings me so much joy to see a student transform into a working court reporter!

5. What do you like to do in your free time?

In my free time, I enjoy yoga, kickboxing, and long walks on our local bike path. In addition, I am a beach girl. I love to hang out at Lake Michigan or any ocean--if I am near one.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Onsite:

Chiquita Smith

Chiquita enrolled with CCR as an on-site student in the fall of 2011. She has earned multiple honors distinctions and has demonstrated semester after semester that she is motivated and committed to putting her all into each semester here at CCR. Keep up the good work, Chi-

Online:

Olivia Jones-Riddle

Olivia transferred to CCR last semester, and ever since she has been taking her SAPs by storm! In April alone she passed 9 SAP's! With the dedication and self-confidence that Olivia advances with in life, she is bound for a successful career in court reporting! You are an inspiration to all CCR students and staff! Good luck with your semesters to come!



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6. What's your favorite band to see live?

I really enjoy attending local concerts in our area. My favorite local band is The Crawpuppies, and my favorite concert last summer was Foreigner. My all time favorite band is the Eagles!

7. Where is your favorite place to vacation?

I recently took a long road trip from Indiana to California. Lake Tahoe is such a beautiful sight to behold. I love visiting San Francisco with its Redwood trees, the Bay, Golden Gate National Park, and hiking trails. Key West comes in a very close second to California. I have New Zealand on my bucket list. My daughter studied abroad there, and the pictures looked amazing.

CALIFORNIA JUDGES SUPPORT COURT REPORTERS

The *Sacramento (Calif.) Bee* continued to get responses to an article on replacing court reporters with electronic recording from February 14. On March 8, the Hon. Matthew J. Gary, a family law judge for the Sacramento Superior Court, responded that the assertion that electronic recording worked in the past is "historical fiction." Gary wrote, "Court reporting by a certified shorthand reporter is far more advanced and efficient than electronic recording. Reporters produce a more precise, clear, and certain record. That is what an official record should be—precise, clear, and certain."

Another editorial, published March 18, also defended the coice of court reporters over electronic recording devices. The Hon. William Hamlin of Fresno County Superior Court wrote: "[E]lectronic recording cannot replace court reporters altogether. That is not because we've been bullied by the reporters' union, but because due process demands an accurate record. Compare a transcript recreated from a recording to one prepared by a skilled court reporter before you incorrectly label reporters expensive and inefficient.

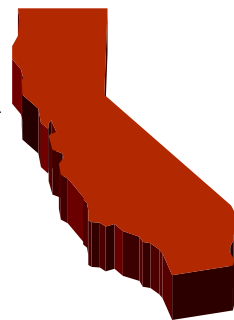
Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2013/03/08/5245530/court-reporters-needed-in-family.html> and <http://www.sacbee.com/2013/03/18/5266694/the-bee-is-dead-wrong-on-the-need.html#storylink=cpy>

HARKIN PROPOSES NEW CAPTIONING LEGISLATION

On March 13, Sen. Tom Harkin of Iowa introduced two new bills related to captioning. The first bill, "Captioning and Image Narration to Enhance Movie Accessibility Act" (or the CINEMA Act), would require every movie theater with two or more screens to provide captioning as well as video description. The second bill would require that airlines providing movies and other entertainment make captions available to customers.

Source: <https://www.help.senate.gov/newsroom/press/release/?id=347af2ed-b204-45a8-b565-0b8a218f5889&groups=Chair>

*Reprinted from the May 2013 JCR



WORDTRIPPERS by Barbara McNichol

Lightening, lightning – As a verb, “lightening” (note the “e”) means to make something lighter, brighter, or clearer; to illuminate. “Lightning,” a noun, refers to the flashing of light produced by a discharge of atmospheric electricity. As an adjective, “lightning” means having, or moving with, the speed of lightning.

“The lightning and wind were calming as dawn approached and the sky began lightening in the east.” – Jonnie Cohen

“The lightning motivated the sailors to speed up their pace, lightening the ship’s load faster.” – Marla Hartson

APRIL EVALUATIONS PASSED

These students have all passed one or more SAP evaluations during the month of April.

Students who have passed an exit speed have been bolded.

18 SAPs

Shannon Finton

13 SAPs

Amy Chavez

10 SAPs

Yolanda Roth

9 SAPs

Bonny Roggenbauer

Elizabeth Patterson

Olivia Jones-Riddle

8 SAPs

Sarah Horn

Tanya Powers

7 SAPs

Joan Yeatts

Kaleigh Boyle

Sharon Dawes

Sherrona Williams

6 SAPs

Elise Townes

Kimberly Prebstle

L. Denise Eure

Leigh Feldman

Melanie Bruno

Toni Coombs

5 SAPs

Deborah Pascal

Icah Petersen

Martinique Warren

Monica Eskenasy

Shannon Eubanks

4 SAPs

Crystal Jackson

Danielle Simpson

Debora Mann

Jennifer King

Judy Urbanick

Mary Orloff

Monica Wilson

Natasha McCall

Nicole Johnson

Rachel Brantley

Ronald Pacana

3 SAPs

Alexandra Wiater

Allison Allen

Angela Shaw

Angie Tarver

Barbaralee Breen

Carolyn Oakley

Chana Zundell

Corree Brooks

Dacaree Jacobsen

Deborah Sekan

Hannah Kwiatkowski

Jennifer Wesner

Jessica Deihl

Juliane Petersen

Kathleen McInroe

Linda Dial

Michael Roberts

Nicole Simchak

Pamela Filewood

Ronald Lynn

Sarah Vogel

Shelley Duhon

Timothea Brewer

2 SAPs

Amelia Kloskowski

Angela Macias

Bob Strohl

Daniella Savidge

Emily Leiker

Erica Murphy

Eryn Flannell

Francesca Buonpastore

Heidi Hammond

Holly Goodwin

Jennifer Millikan

Justine Kiechel

Karen Payne

Kari Rients

Kate Fissel

Kevin Whalen

Kym Kenney

Lynn Bannon

Margaret Abernathy

Meredith Hoffpauir

Mitzi Boardman

Nicole Throne

Patrice Lee

Priscilla Romans Berarducci

Raymie Rogers

Rebecca Schade

Riley Trella

Shannon Barnes

Terry Romero

Thomas Bohrman

Trish McCall

1 SAP

Aleece Depuey

Amy Glowniak

Andrea Dalsing

Barbara Fusco

BreeAnna Hansen

Carrie Harville

Carrie Julian

Charlene Sherman

Cheryl McMullan

Christine Koczur

Dave Persaud

Diane Martin

Emmleigh Reid

Erika Darnold

Gwen O'Connor

Heather Rosenbrook

J. Leslie Del Rossi

Jacqueline Worline

Jamie Bracher

Jennifer Mackay

Jennifer Mason

Jesse Anders

Jonathan Abrams

Julie Jardine

Keely Nelsen

Kim Chambers

Kimberly Taylor

Kimberly Dundas

Kimberly Glassner

Laci Chelette

LaShaunda Fahnbulleh

Laura Post

Lisa Litchfield

Lisa Major

Lorna Halbert

Madison Pacana

Marcia Martin

Marcia McMullen

Marie Tibaldi

Marissa Veith

Melissa Milligan

Metoyer Moses

Mia Mezzetti

Michelle Dziubla

Michelle LeGrand

Nicolle Benjamin

Noraima Galvan

Norma Wehby

Renee Rodriguez

Robin Davis

Samantha Coday

Sandy Phelps

Season Young

Stacy Coonfield

Sue Harrison

Susan Kempf

Tammy Brady

Tammy Garber

Tammy Kerekes

Tya Clemetson

JOB OPENINGS

1. Court Reporter, Kane and Trap Court Reporting, Inc.

If you seek an innovative firm that will provide you with excitement, high income, and pride of association, contact Katy or Kelly. (Temporary certification available.) Will assist in moving expenses for long-term commitment. Email: ser-vices@kaneandtrap.com

2. Court Reporter, 8th Judicial District Court, Great Falls, MT

The position performs highly responsible technical work as the official court reporter for District Court Judge Kenneth Neill. The court reporter attends court, captures a verbatim record of court proceedings using approved equipment and provides transcripts in accordance with rules of court, state statutes, legal guidelines and policies. Successful applicant will start on 9/3/2013. Please forward a state application and a resume to the following address: Montana Supreme Court, Court Administrator's Office HR, P.O. Box 203005, Helena, Montana 59620, or fax to (406) 841-2965, or email to shgrandy@mt.gov. The Judicial Branch is an equal opportunity employer.

3. Court Reporter, 24th Judicial District Court, Gretna, LA

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JUNE GRADUATE SPOTLIGHT: ELIZABETH TRELLA



1. Where do you currently reside?

Tampa, Florida.

2. Why did you decide to come to court reporting school?

I joined court reporting school because court reporters run in the family. It's a prosperous career after completion of school, and I loved the wow-factor of, hey, I'm a court reporter. I did this. That's what I was waiting for during school. It's a very respected career.

3. What did you do before court reporting school?

I worked at a chiropractor's office as a physical therapist assistant, and then I served/bartended my way through school.

4. What date did you start court reporting school?

June of 2009.

5. What made you choose CCR?

A relative attended CCR and had great things to say. I was also immediately on board with the staff when speaking with them during registration.

6. What are your strengths/weaknesses?

Perfectionism, professional appearances, professional personality, quick turn around on transcripts are strengths. Second guessing, thinking too hard, and managing home life and work life in the home are weaknesses. All I constantly work at and continue to improve or better.

7. What was your biggest challenge?

Throughout school time management was my biggest challenge. My work hours, a toddler running around, balancing sleep and practice time were a constant struggle for me. Time management doesn't go away, by the way. It's just as difficult a task as a student as it is as a working reporter. You have to find what works. I've been very fortunate that the agency I work with is very in tune with their reporters and are constantly helping in any way they can to help us get out that product.

8. What motivated you to complete the program?

My now four-year-old son and getting back on my own two feet to support us.

9. What advice would you give to other court reporting students?

Be honest. Instructors and staff are there to help and work with you if there's an issue. Take a break. It's okay to take your hands off of your machine for a day and then come back. Sometimes that break is necessary physically as well as mentally and does more good than harm rather than to constantly hack that speed. It worked for me at least.

10. Do you currently have a job? If yes, what do you do?

I'm a freelance court reporter for an agency Orange Legal.

11. How did you find your current job?

NCRA website.

12. What are your future plans? What certifications do you plan on earning?

I would love to go as far as a realtime certification.

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POLL OF THE MONTH:

Why did you decide to get into court reporting?






- A. I love the English language!
- B. My place is in the court room.
- C. I've always been a fast typist.
- D. The money!

Vote for your choice on the left side of the screen when you log into ev360!

Your results will appear in the next issue along with a new Poll of the Month!

June

Birthdays are in bold print! Happy birthday, CCR students and faculty!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 Angie Tarver
2	3  SUMMER SEMESTER BEGINS!	4 Shivonne LaTortue  Hug your cat day!	5  World Environment Day!	6 Janet Noel 	7 Lisa Lewis	8 Amanda Stanley  Best Friends Day!
9 Sandra Lopez Elizabeth Haarmann-Bailey	10 Toni Coombs Linda Dial	11	12 Barbaralee Breen Timothea Brewer	13  Tony Credit Sue Harrison	14	15
16  International Panic Day!	17 Darci Corbett	18 National Go Fishing Day! 	19 Paul Stevens	20	21	22 Lynn Bannon Kayde Rieken
23	24 Kristy Alderson Taylor Atchison	25 Raymir Rodgers	26	27 Jernice Butts-Duncan	28 Laura Post Madison Pacana	29 Rasheeda Grant Christine Hancock Leigh Feldman
30 Natalie Kijurna Jennifer Wesner	1	2	3	4	5	6