



**Michigan Association of Professional Court Reporters**

P.O. Box 366  
Pinckney, MI 48169

**2009 Fall  
Convention  
Registration  
Information**

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*2009 MAPCR Fall Convention  
Radisson Plaza Hotel & Suites  
Kalamazoo, Michigan  
October 9-11, 2009*

**Prepare for Anything**



# Convention Agenda

## Friday, October 9, 2009

9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### **Board Meeting**

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### **Strategic Planning**

4:00 p.m.

### **Third Annual MAPCR Realtime Contest**

Detailed information will be provided to contestants one week prior to the contest. (.4 CEUs possible)

7:00 p.m. to End of Tournament

### **Euchre Tournament (Fund-raiser)**

Remember to check the box on your registration form if you want to be included.

## Saturday, October 10, 2009

8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

### **Registration**

8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

### **An Ounce of Prevention...Tips on Emergency Preparedness**

#### **Connie Maxim, EMT-P**

Emergency preparedness is a personal, professional, and public concern for everyone. Understanding emergency preparedness as it relates to your personal responsibilities as well as your organization is essential. Connie Maxim, Education & Project Coordinator with the Bio-defense Network Coalition, will discuss what emergency preparedness is, how you can be better prepared for any type of emergency, and how to create backup plans for your family and your organization. (.15 CEUs)

10:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

### **Break with Vendors**

10:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

### **Online Predators and Computer Crimes** **Detective Jeff Christensen**

If a predator were stalking your child on the streets, you would certainly intervene. How do you know a predator isn't stalking your child online right now? Detective Jeff Christensen from the State Police Computer Crimes Unit and West Michigan Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force will discuss what we MUST know to keep our children safe. (.15 CEUs)

11:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

### **Lunch**

Realtime Contest awards and trophy

1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

### **Business Meeting and Awards**

Annual business meeting, Gold Notes awards, plus the Realtime Contest awards.

2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

### **Break with Vendors**

2:45 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

### **Judge Talbot and the Board of Review** **Panel Discussion**

#### **Judge Michael J. Talbot**

#### **Rebecca Russo, CSR, RMR, CRR**

#### **Susan Heierman, CSR, RMR, CRR**

As the chief judge on the Board of Review, Judge Talbot will address the membership regarding what the Board of Review has accomplished in the last year and what the Board of Review has suggested as we move forward. This is a must-see for all reporters. There will be a follow-up panel discussion with members of the Board of Review fielding questions from the audience. (.15 CEUs)

4:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **Break with Vendors**

4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

### **Self-Defense You Can Use** **Deputy Jeff LaBrie**

Deputy LaBrie with the Allegan County Sheriff's Department is a training officer for defensive tactics and a Ground Avoidance Ground Escape (GAGE) Instructor. He will share with us some basic tactics for our self-defense. Come ready to stand up and try out some moves. (.15 CEUs)

7:00 p.m. to Midnight

### **MAPCR Annual Banquet followed by the** **Kalamazoo Pub Crawl**

Come enjoy a casual dinner with friends and colleagues followed by a message by incoming President Val Rissi, the presentation of the 2009 awards, and the installation of the new Board of Directors. Afterward, get ready to let your hair down at some Kalamazoo hot spots, including Monaco Bay for lively and entertaining dueling pianos and the Wild Bull Saloon for line dancing and a spin on the mechanical bull!



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## Sunday, October 11, 2009

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

### **Captioning Breakout**

*Sue Perrish, CSR, RMR, CRR, CBC*

### **Freelance Breakout**

*Susan Heierman, CSR, RMR, CRR, and  
Lori Baldwin, CSR, RPR, CRR*

### **Official Breakout**

*Paul Brandell, CSR, RPR*

Get together with other professionals in your specific branch of court reporting. Bring your questions and problems as these lively sessions will be interactive with lots of time for open discussion. (.2 CEUs)

11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

### **Break with Vendors**

11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

### **How to Make Yourself Irreplaceable**

*Anissa Nierenberger, CSR, RPR, CRR  
(captioner)*

*Dawn Houghton, CSR, RPR (firm owner)*

*Ann Leeck, CSR (CART/freelance)*

Prepare yourself for job security. What better way to ensure your job and income are safe than by making sure you do the very best job you can do every day? Join three seasoned professionals from different areas of court reporting as they share their experiences and knowledge.

(.1 CEUs)

## Hotel Information

### **Radisson Plaza Hotel & Suites**

**100 West Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, MI 49007**

**Ph: 269.343.3333 • Reservations: 800.395.7046**

When making your reservation, mention your MAPCR affiliation in order to receive the convention room rate of \$130 per night for single or double occupancy. The above rate does not include the state sales tax (6%) or lodging tax (11%). The cutoff date for room reservations is **September 17, 2009**. Call today to make your reservation.

## Other Information

### **Third Annual MAPCR Realtime Contest**

The test will be five minutes of literary material dictated at varying speeds from 180 to 200 words per minute. Any writer of shorthand who is a member of MAPCR in good standing for the preceding two years is eligible to compete. Please register on the convention registration form. Per NCRA, qualifiers are eligible to receive .4 CEUs. An individual may only receive a maximum of .5 CEUs per three-year NCRA cycle for any contests. Other contest rules and regulations will be provided at the convention. If you would like to see the complete list of contest rules, please contact the MAPCR office at 734.498.2627 or go to our website at [www.mapcr.org](http://www.mapcr.org). **The fee is \$25 and must be paid by the registration deadline. There will be no onsite registration.**

### **Euchre Tournament**

To register for the Euchre Tournament, please indicate on the registration form that you wish to compete. The registration fee will be \$20 per person. Your entrance fee will be divided 50/50, with 50% awarded to the top scorer and 50% being used for MAPCR's scholarship fund.

### **Conference Attire**

Casual wear is appropriate throughout the convention with the exception of the Saturday evening banquet. Dress attire for the banquet is snappy casual. (No jeans)

### **Parking**

Mon - Fri - \$5/day per vehicle (hotel guests) and \$1/hour max \$8/day (non-hotel guests)

Sat - \$2/day per vehicle (hotel guests and non-hotel guests) and Sun - no charge

# Registration Form

Please fill out the information requested below and return to the MAPCR office,  
P.O. Box 366, Pinckney, MI 48169 • Phone: 734.498.2627, Fax: 734.498.8415

## REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ First-Time Attendee? Yes No

Certifications (CSR, RPR, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Company/School/Court \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions \_\_\_\_\_

## REGISTRATION FEES

Registration fees include sessions, refreshment breaks, and Saturday awards dinner. Early registration rates apply to all registrations received by the office no later than September 25, 2009. All registrations received after **September 25, 2009**, will be charged a **\$25 late registration fee**.

### FULL CONFERENCE: .9 CEUs

	Member	Nonmember
Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> \$255	<input type="checkbox"/> \$380
Student Rate	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100

(Students: If four or more register together, the fee will be reduced to \$75/person. Student rate does not include Saturday dinner.)

### SATURDAY ONLY: .6 CEUs

	Member	Nonmember
Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> \$200	<input type="checkbox"/> \$325
Student Rate	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80

(Student rate does not include Saturday dinner.)

### SUNDAY ONLY: .3 CEUs

	Member	Nonmember
Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> \$130	<input type="checkbox"/> \$255
Student Rate	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65

## FULL CONFERENCE + JOIN

	Become a Member
Professional	<input type="checkbox"/> \$355
Student Rate	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100

(Includes one-year membership, registration, all materials, and refreshment breaks and meals for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. First-time members only; no renewals.)

## SOCIAL ONLY

Saturday Lunch - \$35

Yes, I would like an additional lunch ticket for a guest.  
# of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$35 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Saturday Dinner - \$50

Yes, I would like an additional dinner ticket for a guest.  
# of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Friday Euchre Tournament - \$20

Yes, I would like to sign up for the Euchre Tournament.  
# of tickets \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$20 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(Professional registrations include the Saturday lunch, and Saturday dinner. Student registrations include the Saturday lunch.)

## REALTIME CONTEST: .4 CEUs for qualifiers

Yes, I would like to compete in the Realtime Contest.  
1 @ \$25 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## SPONSOR A STUDENT

\$80       \$130       \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## PAYMENT INFORMATION

TOTAL: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (add \$25 if after September 25th)  
Please add the section totals and place sum in space provided above.

Money Order    Check    Visa    MasterCard:

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to MAPCR. **EARLY REGISTRATION DEADLINE is September 25, 2009. All registrations received after September 25, 2009, will be charged a \$25 late registration fee.** Please note: No refunds after October 2, 2009. Questions? Call the MAPCR office at 734.498.2627. Return registration form and payment to: MAPCR, P.O. Box 366, Pinckney, MI 48169 Fax: 734.498.8415. You can also register online at [www.mapcr.org](http://www.mapcr.org).