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From the Chair

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It is hard to believe Spring has already arrived, especially since the weather has not been too Spring-like. I am looking forward to seeing another good turn out at the Summer meeting, which is just around the corner! Ella Parker, Chris Rabideau and Matt Conklin have been working hard planning the meeting and it will no doubt be a success. It would be unbelievable if we had the same attendance at the Summer meeting as we did at the Winter meeting. And, don't forget that the Summer meeting includes food, drinks, and camaraderie with your registration fee!

Keep in mind who your Council is and please feel free to contact any of us with any suggestions, concerns or questions. We are here for the Section as a whole!

—Teresa Martin

A Word from the Editor

By Ella S. Parker

It is with great pleasure that I announce that **Michael J. Flynn** has been selected for induction in the Workers' Compensation Hall of Fame this year. The induction ceremony will take place at the dinner during the Summer Meeting at Boyne Highlands on June 20, 2013.

Mike has been an attorney for over 40 years and has specialized in Workers' Compensation Law for many of those years. He is a past chairperson of the State Bar of Michigan Workers' Compensation Section (2003-2004) and is also a member of the Michigan State Bar Foundation, which extends fellowship to lawyers who demonstrate "outstanding legal ability and devotion to community."

Please join us in celebrating Mike's induction at the dinner on June 20, 2013. For further information, please see the articles concerning the Meeting Registration Form and the Hotel Reservation Form included in this newsletter.

In addition, many of you may not be aware of this but our Act had another amendment in December of last year. On December 28, 2012, the Workers' Compensation Act was amended to clarify what constitutes reasonable medical care and treatment and what does not, to a certain degree. It may be more correct to state the Act was amended to clarify what does not constitute a covered medical benefit: marihuana treatment. Specifically, Senate Bill No. 933 indicates:

"Sec.315a. Notwithstanding the requirements in section 315, an employer is not required to reimburse or cause to be reimbursed charges for medical marihuana treatment.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect."

So, while the residents of Michigan may have voted to legalize marihuana use, employers and insurance companies will not be required to pay for it under the Workers' Compensation Act.

Also, both the plaintiff's bar and the defense bar need to advise their clients that Michigan adopted a rule allowing for the electronic payment of workers' compensation benefits when certain requirements are met. See, http://www.michigan.gov/documents/wcalwca_rule408.48_413293_7.pdf

Finally, I would like to personally urge our members to review Murray's article about Kid's Chance of Michigan and the wonderful opportunities there. ✂

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Board of Magistrates Update

By Magistrate Louis E. Ognisanti

As many of you may have already learned, the Agency is emphasizing the prompt disposition of cases. Please note, the Agency considers a one-year-old case an "aged case."

The Board of Magistrates has considered many options to encourage earlier resolution of cases and how to shorten the period of time between the filing of an application and the conclusion of the case. I am making the following suggestions to practitioners. These suggestions, however, are *not* to be construed as "official" policy of the Board of Magistrates. They may be construed as *my* policy or guidelines.

I expect the "discovery" process to begin as soon as possible following receipt of the pre-trial notice. The parties should subpoena or request medical records and exchange them with opposing counsel within 60-90 days. Likewise, defense counsel should promptly request employment and wage records and schedule independent medical examinations, if necessary.

Within nine months of the pre-trial, I believe it is reasonable to expect that the parties will be in a position to advise the magistrate as to the status of the case. By this time, most of the "discovery" should be completed.

I also believe that it is reasonable to expect that a case can be ready for submission to the magistrate within 18 months after the pre-trial conference. The parties should have secured any medical testimony or *Stokes* examinations and depositions by this time. The parties should also be in a position to facilitate the case, if requested or required by the magistrate. Facilitation is an extremely useful process and is strongly urged by the Board of Magistrates. This should be accomplished well before the trial date and must be considered before proceeding to trial.

Closed period cases, on the other hand, should be disposed of well before 18 months.

Certainly many factors can affect this timeline. Cases involving Medicare Set Aside issues or Conditional Payment issues are ones which typically take longer to resolve. In this situation, I believe the parties should seriously consider bifurcated redemptions where the medical is left open.

Finally, while we all share the desire to dispose of cases in an expeditious manner, we must not lose sight of the ultimate goal: the fair resolution of the rights of all the parties. ✖

Upcoming Events

Date	Event	Contact Person	Contact Information
05/10/13 10:00 am	Council Meeting Hartland	Teresa Martin	tmartin4@travelers.com
05/10/13 12:00 pm	Past Presidents Golf Outing Lake Walden in Hartland, MI	Dennis Flynn	dflynn@kgvlaw.com
05/29-05/31/13	MSIA Conference	Michigan Self Insurers Association	www.michselfinsurers.org
05/30/13	Kid's Chance of Michigan 5k Fun run/walk \$25. Acme, MI @ Grand Traverse Resort	Susan DeLong	http://kidschanceofmi.org/events/
06/20-06/22/13	Spring Section Meeting Boyne Highlands	Ella S. Parker Matt Conklin Chris Rabideau	eparker@conklinbenham.com Matt@conybearelaw.com crabideau@mccroskeylaw.com
06/27/13	RABA Tiger Outing	Chris Morris	CMorris@lennonmiller.com
06/28/13	25th Annual Harold Dean W.C. Golf Open Ypsilanti, MI	Ray Bohnenstiel	Ray Bohnenstiehl @ 248-358-5080

Summer Meeting June 20-22, 2013

Boyne Highlands, Harbor Springs, MI

We are all looking forward to summer and the annual Summer Meeting. The Meeting Committee is excited about Mike Flynn's induction into the Workers' Compensation Hall of Fame during the Thursday night dinner. We are also excited that our keynote speaker on Friday morning will be Diane L. Ebersole, the Practice Management Advisor for the State Bar of Michigan. Diane will be speaking about using the iPad in our practice and a lot of the ways the State can help us in our practices. Many of the things the State provides is free of charge.

Things you need to know. First, there are TWO separate forms you need to fill out if you plan to attend the Summer Meeting at Boyne Highlands: one for the hotel and one for the Section events. This Newsletter has both the Meeting Registration Form and the Hotel Reservation Form included. Please fill out **both** and return the Meeting Registration Form to the State Bar Association and the Hotel Reservation Form to Boyne Highlands.

The first form is the actual **MEETING RESERVATION FORM** for you and your guests. You can also register for the Meeting online through the State Bar of Michigan website. If you fill out the attached form and fax it in, *please include the name of each of your adult guests and or children*. Every attendee will have their own nametag and this is usually where we place the drink tickets and breakfast vouchers. I have contacted the State Bar and asked that they please have a place where you can enter your guest names as well. Last year they did not and we were scrambling for nametags for everyone.

The second form is the **HOTEL RESERVATION Form**. This form is provided by Boyne and you should fill out the form and fax it to Boyne Highlands BEFORE May 20, 2013. Rooms are available on a first come, first serve basis. If all the rooms in the first category fill up, you will be moved up to the next category for reservations purposes. We have blocked a limited number in each category. If we blocked more rooms than are booked, your Section would be responsible for the balance between the actual bookings and the guaranteed amount.

Check in time is 6:00 pm. Our cocktail party has been pushed back to 6:30 pm because of this but please plan accordingly. If your room is available before that time, you will be allowed to check in early. However, Boyne Highlands will not guarantee early check in.

You *may* make a reservation on line (with certain restrictions) by following this link:

<https://www.boyne.com/reservations/Trip-Planner/Set-View/boyne-highlands-resort/?ArrivalDate=06%2F20%2F2013&DepartureDate=06%2F22%2F2013&RateFeature1=IR&GroupCode=1072N0>

Please note this link will only allow you to book days from June 20 to June 23, 2013 (1 to 3 days is allowed). If you wish to book a room for Wednesday, June 19, 2013, you will need to fill out the Reservation Form and fax it to Boyne Highlands. The reduced rate will be honored for the extra days. They just are not able to do so with the on line reservation system they have.

Once you click on the link above (ctrl-click), there are specific instructions to follow outlined below:

First, go to the right hand column on the reservation link. Check to make sure your check in date falls on June 20, 2013. Your check out date can be either June 21, June 22, or June 23, 2013. Next, please verify the number of rooms needed and the number and type of guests. Make sure that the Special Codes are listed. If not, click on the word Special Codes. When the options show up, enter GROUP CODE: 1072N0. Finally, click on **Search availability**.

At this point, the three types of rooms we blocked will show up on the left hand side of the screen. Make your selection and proceed to checkout.

Boyne Highlands has many wonderful activities available for you and your family. There are mountain bike trails and rentals, Segway tours, a Zip line, in-door and out door pools, a Spa, hiking areas and, of course, golf courses. There are also some wonderful shops in downtown Harbor Springs. We hope to see you there. ✨



WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW SECTION

Annual Summer Meeting

June 20-22, 2013

Boyne Highlands • Harbor Springs, Michigan



Agenda

Thursday, June 20

- 6:30 p.m. Cocktail Party
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner and Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

Friday, June 21

- 6:30-10:30 a.m. Breakfast
- 9:00-12:00 p.m. General Business Meeting
- 6:00-8:00 pm Cocktail Party

Optional Scheduled Friday Afternoon Events

Golf: Contact David DeGraw at 616-446-7200 or ddegrow@shrr.com.

Additional activities: Zip line, bike rentals and trails, horseback riding, shopping in downtown Harbor Springs or relax at the Spa.

Register with the form on the next page or at <http://e.michbar.org>



WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW SECTION

Registration

Register online at <http://e.michbar.org>
 Registration deadline June 7, 2013

Annual Summer Meeting • June 20-21, 2013

Boyne Highlands • Habor Springs, Michigan

Agenda

Thursday, June 20

- 6:30 p.m. Cocktail party
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner and Hall of Fame induction ceremony

Friday, June 21

- 6:30-10:30 am. Breakfast in the Main Dining Room
- 9:00 a.m.-Noon General business meeting and keynote speaker
- 12:30-6:00 p.m. Golf Outing, Free time
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Cocktail party
Dinner on your own-no scheduled section dinner.

Optional Scheduled Friday Afternoon Event

Golf (Must contact David DeGraw at (616) 446-7200 or by e-mail at ddegraw@shrr.com to play.)

► **Hotel reservations** can not be made using this form. To reserve your room, you must use the form provided by Boyne Highlands—see next page for reservation information and form.

► **For additional information** about this event, please contact:
 Ella S. Parker at eparker@conklinbenham.com,
 Chris Rabideau at CRabideau@mccroskeylaw.com or
 Matt Conklin at matt@conyebearlaw.com

P #: _____

Name: _____

Adult Guest: _____

Child(ren): _____

Your Firm/Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

Enclosed is check # _____ for \$ _____

Please make check payable to: STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

Please bill my: Visa MasterCard for \$ _____

Debit/Credit Card #: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Please print name as it appears on debit/credit card:

Authorized Signature: _____

Cost:

Section member \$75
 (includes all meetings, events and two drink tickets for each cocktail party)

Guests:

accompanying adult: \$50 x ____ = \$ _____
 (includes dinner and two drink tickets for each cocktail party)

Child: \$15 x ____ = \$ _____
 (same as guest) [Child is defined as **under 16** years of age.]

Total = \$ _____

Mail your check, or debit/credit card information, with the completed registration form to:
 State Bar of Michigan
 Attn: Seminar Registration
 Michael Franck Building
 306 Townsend Street
 Lansing, MI 48933

Fax (ONLY if paying by debit/credit card) the completed form and debit/credit card information to:
 Attn: Seminar Registration at
 (517) 372-5921

Cancellations: All cancellations must be received at least 48 business hours before the start of the event and registration refunds are subject to a \$20 cancellation fee. Cancellations must be received in writing by e-mail (tbellinger@mail.michbar.org), fax (517-372-5921 ATTN: Tina Bellinger), or by U.S. mail (306 Townsend St., Lansing, MI 48933 ATTN: Tina Bellinger.) No refunds will be made for requests received after that time. Refunds will be issued in the same form payment was made. Please allow two weeks for processing. Registrants who cancel will not receive seminar materials.



**BOYNE
HIGHLANDS**

BOYNE HIGHLANDS RESERVATION FORM

Group Name: State Bar of Michigan - Workers' Compensation Section

Dates: June 20-22, 2013

Reservations must be made utilizing this form and be received by **May 20, 2013**. Reservation requests received after this date will be taken on a space available basis at current room rates.

When making travel arrangements, please note the check-in and check-out times are on the second page with the room descriptions.

Accommodations: Please indicate your 1st and 2nd lodging preference below. If room type requested is not available, the next available room type and rate will be confirmed. **We cannot guarantee specific rooms/units.**

To better serve all of our guests, reservations cannot be accepted by phone.

ROOM TYPE	ACCOMMODATIONS	
	SINGLE OR DOUBLE RATES	INDICATE 1 ST & 2 ND CHOICE
Inverness	\$142.00	
Inverness Deluxe	\$158.00	
Pleasantview Suite	\$178.00	

Rates are based on the European Plan which includes lodging only. Rates are per room per night.

Rates and a 7% Resort Services Fee are subject to a 6% Michigan State Sales and Use Tax. Rates are also subject to a 5% Local Lodging Assessment.

Boyne Highlands is a smoke free facility.

PLEASE PRINT

ARRIVAL DAY/DATE: _____

DEPARTURE DAY/DATE: _____

SHARE WITH: _____

NUMBER IN PARTY: _____

NUMBER OF ADULTS IN PARTY: _____

AGES OF CHILDREN 18 & UNDER: _____

NAME: _____

COMPANY: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE / BUSINESS: _____

PHONE / HOME: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

BOYNE REWARDS #: _____

SPECIAL REQUESTS *: _____

**BOYNE does its best to accommodate requests, but cannot guarantee them.*

PAYMENT METHOD

CHECK ENCLOSED \$ _____

American Express Visa MasterCard Diners Club Discover

CREDIT CARD # _____ Expiration Date _____

SIGNATURE: _____ Security Code _____

All reservations must be guaranteed by check or credit card deposit.

Checks/money orders should be equivalent to one nights' stay, payable to Boyne USA Resorts.

Credit card imprint is required at check-in for all guests.

Please provide tax exempt form at check out.

Deposits: A deposit equal to the first night's lodging is required with each reservation. Please make check or money order payable to Boyne USA Resorts or include a credit card number. The card will be charged upon receipt of form. Do not send cash.

Cancellation Policy: Cancellation and changes affecting arrival/ departure dates must be made 7 days prior to arrival date in order to receive refund of deposit, less a \$10.00 administrative fee.

Please mail or fax to:

BOYNE

Central Reservations Department

P.O. Box 19

Boyne Falls, MI 49713

Fax: (231)549-6844

Phone: 1-800-GO-BOYNE

**GROUP RESERVATIONS CANNOT BE
ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE**



BOYNE HIGHLANDS

600 Highlands Drive, Harbor Springs, MI 49740

BOYNE HIGHLANDS ROOM DESCRIPTIONS

Inverness Standard

Two queen beds, wet bar with refrigerator/microwave and one bathroom. The Heather Highlands Inn observes a 6:00pm check-in and 1:00pm check-out.

Inverness Deluxe

Efficiency hotel room with one king murphy bed and one sleeper sofa in living area, gas fireplace, kitchenette and one bathroom. The Heather Highlands Inn observes a 6:00pm check-in and 1:00pm check-out.

Pleasant View Suite

One bedroom condo with one queen bed in the bedroom, one murphy bed and one queen sleeper sofa in the living area, gas fireplace, kitchenette and one bathroom. The Heather Highlands Inn observes a 6:00pm check-in and 1:00pm check-out.

But Did You Know . . .

By Martin L. Critchell

Most lawyers understand that there is no statute in the workers' compensation act concerning meteorology. But did you know that there actually is a statute making weather important?

MCL 418.155(1)(b) defines an agricultural employer as an employer of someone who clears debris left on a farm by a *hurricane*. Section 155(1)(d) states that, "an agricultural employer means one who hires a person performing services for the employer of the owner or tenant or other operator of a farm, in connection with . . . salvaging timber or clearing land of brush and other debris left by a **hurricane** . . ." (emphasis added)

This statute does not require that the hurricane occur in Michigan. Rather, the timber and debris must come from a hurricane.

This statute is not entirely benign because it also deals with how to calculate the average weekly wage of an employee of an agricultural employer. The average weekly wage of an employee of an agricultural employer is calculated quite



differently than any other employee. §115(d) says that, "The average weekly wage for such an employee shall be deemed to be the weeks worked in agricultural employment divided into the total wages which the employee has earned from all agricultural occupations during the 12 calendar months immediately preceding the injury, and no other definition pertaining to average weekly wage shall be applicable." ✕

Caselaw Update

By Martin L. Critchell

Supreme Court

The Supreme Court decided one workers' compensation case since the beginning of the 2012-2013 Term on August 1. The Court ruled that *full compliance* with the rules of the workers' compensation appellate commission about how and when an appellee might cross appeal a magistrate's decision was required. The Supreme Court peremptorily reversed the Michigan Court of Appeals application of *substantial compliance*. *Scharnitzke v Coca Cola Enterprises*^{1 2} ("we reverse that portion of the Court of Appeals judgment reversing the Workers' Compensation Appellate Commission's dismissal of [Christopher Scharnitzke's] cross-appeal as an abuse of discretion. It is undisputed that [Scharnitzke] failed to timely file a cross-appeal on the forms mandated by the [commission.] Under R418.4(3) no delayed cross-appeal is permitted. As a result, it was not an abuse of discretion for the [commission] to strictly enforce its rule.")

Plainly, the commission's claim for review form, WC – 262 must be used and filed within thirty days after an appellee receives the brief of the appellant to cross appeal with no exception or excuse.

Court of Appeals

The Court of Appeals decided no workers' compensation case since the last survey.

Michigan Compensation Appellate Commission

The first decision that the Michigan Compensation Appellate Commission issued in 2013 was *Barclay v Gen Motors Corp.*³ There, the commission announced that a claim to compensation for disability under the first sentence of the former MCL 418.301(4) could not be decided without listing each and every job that was suitable to the employee's qualifications before an injury was sustained at work. Specifically, the commission said that, "The current legal standards already require very specific findings based on the record evidence. The first of these findings defines the universe of jobs suitable to [the employee's] qualifications and training at the time of [the] injury. This finding consists of a list of jobs." *Barclay*.⁴

This list is *the* reference for the claim as the commission said that, "this list will never change, and as such, serves as a foundation for future disagreements about disability and wage loss." *Barclay*.⁵ When an employee cannot do any of

the jobs on the list because of an injury at work, full compensation is available. When an employee can do one or another of the jobs but only at reduced pay, partial compensation is available. *Barclay*.⁶ ("Only when [an injured employee] proves that no suitable, restriction-compliant jobs are available can the magistrate order full benefits. [F]inally, if the only available jobs pay less ... the magistrate must then follow the *Harder* standard and compute a partial rate ...")

The decision is not exceptional. The commission has repeated what was said in the case of *Barclay* in all of the subsequent cases involving disputes about disability. See, *Jones v Chrysler Group, LLC*.⁷

The commission considered a less common problem in deciding the case of *Klatt v Asphalt Seal & Repair, Inc.*^{8 9} The problem in that case was about personal jurisdiction over a non resident defendant sued here for an injury sustained by an employee outside of Michigan.

Two circumstances made this problem unusual, if not unique. First, employees usually sue for compensation in the "home" state of the defendant to avoid the problem of personal jurisdiction and collection. And second, nonresident defendants usually waive any objection by filing a carriers response and not a limited appearance and objection to personal jurisdiction.

The commission did not answer the problem. The commission thought that MCL 418.845¹⁰ applied and returned the case for the workers' compensation board of magistrates to decide if Asphalt Seal was "an employer subject to the act." *Klatt*.¹¹ ("[T]he magistrate found [the first sentence of MCL 418.845] conferred jurisdiction over out-of-state injuries when the employee is a resident of Michigan at the time of [the] injury. In my opinion, the magistrate is partially correct. In addition to showing that an employee was either a resident of this state at the time of [the] injury or the contract for hire was made in this state, the section grants jurisdiction if the employer is subject to the [Michigan workers' compensation act.]") But actually, §845 did not apply. Section 845 concerns subject-matter jurisdiction, not personal jurisdiction. So the problem remains. ✖

Endnotes

- 1 -- Mich -- ; -- NW2d – (2013).
- 2 The author was counsel for Coca-Cola Enterprises.
- 3 2013 Mich ACO 1.
- 4 *Id.* at 5.

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- 5 *Id.*
- 6 *Id.* at 6.
- 7 2013 Mich ACO 32 at 5-6.
- 8 2013 Mich ACO 33.
- 9 The author was counsel of record for Asphalt Seal & Repair and its compensation insurer, Society Insurance.
- 10 “The worker’s compensation agency shall have jurisdiction over all controversies arising out of injuries suffered outside this state if the injured employee is employed by an employer subject to this act and if either the employee is a resident of this state at the time of injury or the contract of hire was made in this state. The employee or his or her dependents shall be entitled to the compensation and other benefits provided by this act.”
- 11 2013 Mich ACO 33 at 2.

Kids' Chance Update

By Murray Feldman

Thanks to your most generous response, I have great news to report. Our Scholarship Committee is ready to accept applications for scholarships from qualifying applicants.

If you have not already done so, *please* check out our website at www.kidschanceofmi.org where you can find details as to who qualifies and the scholarship application itself. We need your help in identifying and encouraging qualified applicants to apply. The cutoff date for the fall application is **May 17, 2013**, so please share this information with your local school districts, churches or synagogues, or any other organization to which you may belong.

We have funds available due to the generous donations of many in our community! Help us help qualifying kids. Please direct any questions or concerns to Rick Warsh, Len Hickey, or myself.

Although we are in the process of qualifying kids for scholarships, we continue to accept and encourage contributions. Donations can now be made by credit card. This is not a one time event. We would like to see our local organization in Michigan continue to grow and we would like to continue to help all the students we can.

I would also like to make you aware of some other upcoming fund raising opportunities for our organization. The Michigan Self Insured Association has agreed to partner with Kid's Chance of Michigan. At their upcoming Spring Conference May 29 to May 31, 2013 in Acme, MI at the Grand Traverse Resorts, we will hold our first, of hopefully many, fun run/walk 5k. Here is an attachment to the link for registration purposes: <http://kidschanceofmi.org/events/>.

You do not have to be a member of the MSIA to participate in the fun run/walk! So, if you are in the area, please



come out and show your support. The proceeds raised will go towards the scholarship money for children of employees who have been killed or suffered a catastrophic injury at work.

There are also opportunities to sponsor the run (<http://www.michselfinsurers.org/2013/conferences/spring/KCOMI%20Fun%20Run.Walk%20Sponsor%20Form.pdf>) or donate items for a Silent Auction at the MSIA Spring Conference (see attached form).

Together we can make a difference in the lives of Michigan kids by providing hope, opportunity, and scholarships. ✨



Kids' Chance of Michigan Fun Walk/Run Registration Form

Please complete one form per person

Location: Grand Traverse Resort - Acme, Michigan
 Date: Thursday, May 30th, 2013
 Time: 1:30 PM
 Registration Fee: \$25 (Tax Deductible)
 Make checks Payable to: Kids' Chance of Michigan, Inc.
 Send completed form and check to: Kid's Chance of Michigan, c/o Susan Delong
 300 E. Long Lake Road, Suite 200
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-2376

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email _____

Tax Deductible Registration: \$25.00 Additional Tax Deductible Donation: _____

T-Shirt* Size (circle one): Small Medium Large X-Large XX-Large

**Only pre-registrations are guaranteed t-shirts.*

Waiver: In consideration of accepting this entry, I, the under-signed, intending to be legally bound hereby, for myself and my heirs, executors, and administrators waive and release any and all rights and claims for damage I may have against the Kids' Chance of Michigan, Grand Traverse Resort, or anyone associated with this event, their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I will additionally permit the free use of my name and pictures in all media.

If walker/runner is under 18 years of age, parent /guardian must sign below.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Silent Auction at MSIA Spring Conference Item Donation Request

What is Kid's Chance of Michigan? *Kids' Chance of Michigan is one of 26 state chapters associated with Kids' Chance of America, a national organization. At Kids' Chance of Michigan we're dedicated to helping Michigan kids who need it most – those who need assistance for college or vocational education because a parent has been killed or catastrophically injured in a work-related accident. Our mission is to raise funds to provide need based scholarships to qualifying kids ages 17-22 to pursue their educational dreams at a college, community college, trade or vocational school in Michigan.*

What kind of silent auction donation items are suggested? *Gift Baskets, Sporting Event Tickets, Use of a Condo/Cottage for a Weekend, Concert Tickets, Spa or Massage, iPad, iPod, GPS, Gift Cards*

Is there a minimum value required per submission? *Items must have an estimated minimum value of \$100*

What are the benefits of submitting a bid item? *Increased traffic to vendor booths and company's name recognition on bidding materials*

Will your donation be tax deductible? *Kids' Chance of Michigan qualifies as a charitable organization under the Internal Revenue Service Code Section 501(c)(3) and therefore, all contributions are tax deductible.*

Can I donate if we don't have a vendor table? *Yes, anyone can donate. Non-vendor donations will be displayed at the Kid's Chance Vendor Table.*

What is the deadline for donation submission: *Submit Completed Form by Friday, May 17th*

Where should Item be delivered? *Grand Traverse Resort - Acme, Michigan*

What is the deadline for item delivery: *Wednesday, May 29th @ 2:00 PM* *If you wish to make a donation but cannot take care of the item's delivery to the Resort, please email <admin@kidschanceofmi.org> to make other arrangements*

When is the silent auction? *May 29-30, 2013*

ITEM DESCRIPTION: _____
DONATED BY: _____
CONTACT PERSON: _____
CONTACT'S EMAIL: _____
CONTACT'S CELL PHONE: _____
ESTIMATED VALUE: _____
CAN YOU GUARANTEE DELIVERY TO THE RESORT BY Wednesday, May 29th @ 2:00 PM: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Email Completed Forms to admin@kidschanceofmi.org
Deadline for submission is Friday, May 17, 2013