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# YUBA SUTTER BAR ASSOCIATION

## NEWSLETTER

November 2022

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Courtney E. Gengler, President

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**Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at noon.**  
**Carmine's in the Hillcrest Plaza**  
**229 Clark Avenue, Yuba City, CA 95991**

This month's MCLE presentation will be provided by Meredith Evans, LMFT, Chief Behavioral Health Officer for Peach Tree Health. She will be presenting on Competence Issues in the practice of law. This presentation will qualify for **0.5 hours of specialty MCLE, Competence Issues.**

Meredith Evans was born and raised in the Yuba-Sutter area. She began studying psychology at Yuba Community College while still completing her high school diploma. She went on to complete her bachelor's degree in Psychology at CSU, Chico and her master's in Psychology with an emphasis in Marriage Family Therapy, while working full time and attending Chapman University. Meredith has held numerous jobs while obtaining her therapy license: working as a teacher, a family advocate, and a sexual health educator. After becoming a licensed therapist, she focused her efforts on transitional aged youth in the criminal justice system in the greater Sacramento area. Meredith's love for the local community led her to concentrating her job efforts back to the Yuba-Sutter area, and she became a Forensic Mental Health Specialist with Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health. Meredith quickly moved up the ranks to become the department's Program Manager and developed the Forensic Behavioral Health Program. The county structure changed, and Meredith then began overseeing Psychiatric Emergency Services and Forensics for Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health. Meredith shaped the behavioral health crisis program embedded within Adventist Health +Rideout, which led to many state and national awards. As her leadership goals advanced, Meredith was hired as the Behavioral Health Director with Peach Tree Health. Since starting at Peach Tree Health, she has created a robust Behavioral Health Program and has been promoted to Chief Behavioral Health Officer. Meredith's vision is to promote wellbeing through mental health and substance use programs that aide and improve access to underserved populations.

The cost is **\$20.00 for members** who have paid their 2022 dues (see the list on page 2) and **\$25.00 for everyone else**, payable by cash or check to YSBA.

**Please RSVP by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 10, 2022**  
to Secretary Melissa Poulos, [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com), (530) 822-3368

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### 2023 YSBA Board Member Elections

It's almost time to elect board members for 2023. Courtney Gengler, Tamara Squires, and Melissa Poulos are willing to stay on as President, Treasurer, and Secretary, unless someone else wants to run for one of those offices. We are also looking for a Vice President. Email any nominations to [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com) and we'll organize the election for January.

## REMINDER NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We will not have a regular meeting in December. However, we will be having a holiday party. More information coming soon.
  - Our next regular meeting will be on January 17, 2023. Our speaker will be the new Sutter County District Attorney, Jennifer Dupre.
  - We are looking for speakers and education topics. If you have any ideas or contacts, please reach out to Courtney, Tami, or Melissa.
  - If you have any announcements that you would like included in the Newsletter, please send an email to Secretary Melissa Poulos at [mpoulos@suttercourts.com](mailto:mpoulos@suttercourts.com).
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## 2022 YUBA SUTTER BAR ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

Brant Bordsen	Noel Garcia	Tom Hill	Landon Little
Eleanor Bordsen	Tom Geddes	Paulla Hyatt-McIntire	Daniel Martinez
Amy Byrne	Courtney Gengler	Ilene Jacobs	Deborah Micheli
Amy Carlson	Robert Gengler	Fritzgerald Javellana	Amanda Pedrett
Penelope Changaris	Steve Gimblin	Sydney Johnson	Melissa Poulos
David Collins	Jennifer Granger	Taylor Kayatta	Mindi Reid
Maria Davari	John Guth	Steve Lamon	Nicole Rosser
Nicholas Deal	Stephanie Hansel	David Lane	Kelly Smith
Ron Erickson	Jared Hastey	Craig Leri	Tami Squires
Anthony Galyean	Diego Heimlich	Letty Litchfield	Kimberly Steffenson
			Geoffrey Wander

It is not too late to join! Just send in your dues of \$75.00 or bring them with you to the meeting.

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Yuba Sutter Bar Association  
Meeting Minutes  
October 19, 2022  
The Silver Dollar Saloon

This month's meeting was not a regularly scheduled meeting. We took a private tour of the restored second floor of the Silver Dollar Saloon in Marysville. The building was built in the 1850s and has housed numerous businesses with different owners since that time. No MCLE credits were offered for this meeting.

Lunch was served after the tour.

Announcement: Next month's meeting is Competence in the Practice of Law, presented by Meredith Evans, LMFT, Chief Behavioral Health Officer for Peach Tree Health.