

# Greene County Estate Planning Council

March 2019

## 2018-2019 Membership Information

It's time to renew your membership for the 2018-2019 year! Please get your renewals in as soon as possible. Dues were due by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**5:30 PM Gathering (First Call)**

**6:00 PM Dinner**

**6:30 PM Program**

**7:15ish Business**

## March 20, 2019

Speakers: Martha C. Brown & Courtney L. Fletcher

Presentation: Special Needs Trusts vs. ABLE Accounts

### Martha C. Brown

Martha Brown has been practicing in the field of Elder Law and Special Needs for over 30 years and is a Certified Elder Law Attorney\* as certified by the National Elder Law Foundation. Her firm, Martha C. Brown & Associates, LLC concentrates on the unique legal needs of the elderly, people with disabilities and the families who care for them. Ms. Brown is active in various committees and associations. Ms. Brown served for eight years on the St. Louis County Disciplinary Committee for the Missouri Supreme Court, which is a committee that handles disciplinary matters involving attorneys. Ms. Brown is a past board member of the Special Needs Alliance, a national, by invitation only, alliance of disability lawyers. She is a Fellow of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and of the American College of Trusts and Estate Counsel. Ms. Brown is a board member of the National Alliance on Mental Illness, St. Louis Chapter, the College of Education and Allied Health Professions Board at Fontbonne, the Housing Options Provided for the Elderly and is presently Board President of the Association of Aging with Developmental Disabilities.

### Courtney L. Fletcher

Courtney L. Fletcher is an attorney in the Estate Planning Practice Group of Carnahan, Evans, Cantwell & Brown, P.C. She concentrates her practice in the areas of estate planning and administration, probate, trusts and elder law, including Medicaid Planning, Special Needs Trusts, Digital Asset Planning and Veterans Benefits. Ms. Fletcher has experience in the preparation of Trust Agreements, Wills, Powers of Attorney and Health Care Directives. Additionally, she handles probate estates, including guardianships and conservatorships. Ms. Fletcher received her undergraduate degree from William Jewell College where she graduated with honors. Ms. Fletcher received her law degree from University of Missouri at Kansas City, Missouri. Ms. Fletcher is a member of The Missouri Bar, current President of the Greene County Estate Planning Council, a member of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys, a member of the Special Needs Alliance and a V.A. accredited attorney. She is a past director of the Missouri Chapter of the National Academy of Elder Law Attorneys and a past chairman of the Springfield Metropolitan Bar Association Probate and Trust Committee. Ms. Fletcher is a former member of the Junior League of Springfield, serving in various capacities including Chair of Teen Court. She is a volunteer at Greenwood Laboratory School and is currently the chair of Greenwood Music Boosters Organization.

## MARCH MENU OPTIONS

- 1** Beef Tuscan with cremini mushrooms and roasted garlic mashed potato
- 2** Chicken Oscar served with lemon chive risotto
- 3** Fish – Grilled market fish with lemon chive risotto and grilled asparagus

Dessert – New York Cheesecake

**PLEASE WEAR A NAMETAG AT THE MEETING**

## RESERVATIONS & CANCELLATIONS

### RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED

**Please RSVP**  
**no later than**  
**5:00 PM**  
**March 15, 2019**

## 2018-2019 MEETING DATES

ALL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT TWIN OAKS COUNTRY CLUB

~~SEPTEMBER 19, 2018~~

~~OCTOBER 17, 2018~~

~~NOVEMBER 28, 2018~~

~~DECEMBER 19, 2018 (Guest Night)~~

~~JANUARY 16, 2019~~

~~FEBRUARY 20, 2019~~

MARCH 20, 2019

APRIL 24, 2019 (Guest Night)

You are welcome, and encouraged, to bring guests to any meeting. With the exception of guest night, you will be billed for your guest's meal. When you invite a guest, encourage them to go to our website and fill out an application form for membership in the council. If the guest is accepted into membership, the cost of the guest meal will be waived.

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