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A warm welcome to friends new and old

By R. Douglas Friend

To Our Wonderful Angels and Donors,

This is an exciting *Angels Quarterly!* We have just come off an incredibly successful Conference & Expo in Houston. There were so many of you who saw the value in contributing to NCRF! We had a record number of new Angels who committed to uplifting our stenographic colleagues, as well as an amazing number of raffle tickets sold for our fundraisers.

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NCRF Conference & Expo

NCRF announces new Board of Trustee members



NCRF announces that R. Douglas Friend, FAPR, RDR, CRR, a retired court reporter from Vancouver, Wash., has been named Chair of its Board of Trustees. Friend and the Board of Trustees were introduced at a special awards luncheon held at the 2023 NCRF Conference & Expo. Friend replaces Marjorie Peters, FAPR, RMR, CRR, of Alexandria, Va., who completed this past year as NCRF Chair.

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Veterans share war stories, insight at event hosted by NCRF in Houston

Capturing and transcribing stories from veterans not only helps to preserve their memory, but also serves to shed light on the key role these heroes played to ensure our nation's freedom. Valuing such experiences, the National Court Reporters Foundation hosted a Library of Congress Veterans History Project oral history day during the NCRA Conference & Expo in Houston last month.

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Inside the Veterans History Project event at the NCRA Conference

Nonagenarian Jose C. Rodriguez of Houston, Texas, is a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 8790 and a World War II veteran who shared his experiences as a Private in the U.S. Army at the VHP event held last month during the NCRA Conference & Expo. Rodriguez shared how he left Texas for the first time as an 18-year-old draftee.

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Nancy Hopp receives the 2023 Jim Bouley Family Lifetime Award for Altruism

Nancy J. Hopp, FAPR, RDR, CRR, CMRS, a retired court reporter from St. Louis, Mo., was presented with the 2023 Jim Bouley Family Lifetime Award for Altruism by the National Court Reporters Foundation. The award is given to a court reporter or captioner with more than 25 years of experience who has given back to the profession and the community with no expectation of reward.

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Delivering court reporter TLC: Second time around nets three NCRF Carl Saucedo grant awardees



NCRF presented the Carl Saucedo Grant at the NCRA Conference & Expo in Houston, Texas, last month. The first-place \$1,000 award went to Kimberly Xavier, RDR, CRR, CRC, CMRS, CRI, an official court reporter from Arlington, Texas. Second-place winners for a \$500 grant each went to Stacy L. Drohosky, RMR, CRR, CRI, an official federal court reporter from Hammond, Ind., and Erminia Uviedo, RDR, CRR, CRC, a court reporter and captioner from San Antonio, Texas.

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Scholarships & Grants

First-ever NCRF Gina Battaglia Memorial Student Intern Scholarship winner named

NCRF announces its first Gina Battaglia Memorial Student Intern Scholarship winner, Sophia Morris of Austin, Texas, who follows in her mother's professional footsteps. Now both share new bonds in their joint beloved careers. NCRF Trustee Rich Germosen, FAPR, RDR, CRR, announced the winner in a special video.

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NCRF Court to CART Grant is awarded to Amy Doman

Impressed by the captioneer of keynote address speaker Jim Davidson at the NCRA Conference & Expo in Orlando last year, Amy Doman, RMR, CRR, of Carmel, Ind., was inspired to take her career in a new direction. "I am determined to be an excellent CART provider in the next five years," she said. "This grant will help me access the tools and education to shorten that timeline tremendously."

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NCRF awards two new professional grants

The recipients of two \$1,000 grants offered through the National Court Reporters Foundation have been announced. Bethan Williams, RSR, of Vancouver, Wash., has been awarded the Michelle Grimes Memorial Grant, and Erin Blair, RPR, of Windsor Heights, Iowa, has been awarded the Monyeen Black Memorial Grant.

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Apply now for NCRF A to Z Scholarships

Sending this reminder to students and teachers: The deadline to apply for one of 15 NCRF A to Z[®] scholarships is Sept. 1. The National Court Reporters Foundation hosts an annual fundraiser to provide the scholarships. Donations are accepted online and at the annual NCRA Conference & Expo Members Recognition Gala. Each donation is a tax write-off.

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June Career Launcher Student Grant recipients announced

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The logo for the NCRF Career Launcher program features a stylized blue and white graphic of a building or structure to the left of the letters 'NCRF' in a bold, sans-serif font. Below 'NCRF' are the words 'CAREER LAUNCHER' in a smaller, all-caps font. To the right of the text is a graphic of a rocket ship. Below the main text is the text 'Corinne Clark Professionalism Institute Education Program' in a smaller font.

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Giving back

Message from NCRA President Kristin M. Anderson



Our hearts go out to the individuals, businesses, and communities that have been affected by the recent devastating fires on the Hawaiian Island of Maui. We care deeply for our colleagues and want you to know that the NCRA Board of Directors, membership, and staff have you foremost in our thoughts. Help is available through the NCRF Natural Disaster Relief Fund.

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Become an Angel today

It only takes an \$83 monthly donation to become an Angel. The Angels program is a major source of support for the National Court Reporters Foundation. Angels display their commitment to the future of the profession by donating a minimum of \$1,000 to NCRF within a year. Your monthly, quarterly, or annual donation will be a 2023 tax write-off. Your NCRF support in any amount to any fundraiser is always appreciated.



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