

Happy Mother's Day!

The Law Office of Brigid A. Duffield, P.C., recognizes that ideally, children will have several adult role models in their lives, no matter how their families are constructed. Mothers, fathers, grandparents, and partners are the primary role models and are indispensable in the lives of children.

On Mother's Day, we honor all those women who teach the next generation to be responsible and respectful problem solvers and act as champions of successful conflict resolution.

***You Know You're a Mother - A True Conflict Resolver -
When...***

- 1. You consider finger paints to be a controlled substance and allow only the non-toxic kind in your home.*
- 2. You have a conversation with the Mom of the kid who broke your child's favorite toy, instead of taking a contract out or getting litigious.*
- 3. You count the sprinkles on each kid's cupcake to make sure they're equal--or at least equitable.*
- 4. You've mastered both the art of placing large quantities of pancakes and eggs on a plate without anything touching and making pancake sandwiches.*
- 5. You secretly marvel that your kids are always the cutest, the best-dressed, and the most polite while you are making a genuinely generous comment to the another Mom about her kids.*
- 6. You read that the average 5-year-old asks 437 questions a day and feel proud that your kid is "above average." Then you encourage them to ask more.*

Upcoming Events

*DuPage County Justinian
Society of Lawyers
Annual Installation Dinner
May 17, 2018*

*5:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Arrowhead Golf Club
Wheaton*

*Questions? Contact:
630-279-6800*

*Abraham Lincoln CLE
Lecture & Portrait
Dedication*

May 24, 2018

*11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Attorney Resource Center
3rd Floor
505 N. County Farm Rd.
Wheaton*

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630-653-7779
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*Taste of Wheaton &
Cosley Zoo
Run for the Animals*

7. *You hear your mother's voice* coming out of your mouth when you say "Not in your good clothes!" and you don't wince!

8. *You stop criticizing the way* your mother raised you, and you call her to thank her for doing the best she could with what she had.

9. *You donate time and money* to a specific charity in hope and with gratitude that your child doesn't have that disease.

10. *You say at least once a day* "I'm not cut out for this job," knowing all the while you wouldn't trade it for anything.



"When God Created Mothers"

by Erma Bombeck

When the Good Lord was creating Mothers, He was into His sixth day of "overtime" when the angel appeared and said, "You're doing a lot of fiddling around on this one."

And God said, "Have you read the specs on this order? She has to be completely washable, but not plastic. Have 180 movable parts...all replaceable. Run on black coffee and leftovers. Have a lap that disappears when she stands up. A kiss that can cure anything from a broken leg to a disappointed love affair. And six pairs of hands."

The angel shook her head slowly and said. "Six pairs of hands.... no way."

It's not the hands that are causing me problems," God remarked, "it's the three pairs of eyes that Mothers have to have."

"That's on the standard model?" asked the angel. God nodded. "One pair that sees through closed doors when she asks, 'What are you kids doing in there?' when she already knows. Another here in the back of her head that sees what she shouldn't but what she has to know, and of course the ones in front that can look at a child when he goofs up and say, 'I understand and I love you' without so much as uttering a word."

"God," said the angel touching his sleeve gently, "Get some rest"

"I can't," said God, "I'm so close to creating something so close to myself. Already I have one who heals herself when she is sick...can feed a family of six on one pound of hamburger...and can get a nine-year old to stand under a shower."

The angel circled the model of a Mother very slowly. "It's too soft," she sighed.

"But tough!" said God excitedly. "You can imagine what this Mother can do or

May 31-June 3, 2018

Run: June 2 @ 7:30 am

Memorial Park

Wheaton

For more information, visit:

Taste of Wheaton 2018

DuPage Association of Women Lawyers Installation

Abbington Banquets

RSVP to Jennifer S. Nolen at

815-600-8950

DuPage County Bar Association Installation of President & Board of Directors Event June 7, 2018

5:30 pm start

Top Golf Naperville

3211 Odyssey Court

Naperville

For details, visit

DCBA @ Top Golf

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American Bar Association 44th National Conference on Professional Responsibility Louisville, KY

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ABA Events

endure."

"Can it think?"

"Not only can it think, but it can reason and compromise," said the Creator.

Finally, the angel bent over and ran her finger across the cheek.

"There's a leak," she pronounced. "I told You that You were trying to put too much into this model."

"It's not a leak," said the Lord, "It's a tear."

"What's it for?"

"It's for joy, sadness, disappointment, pain, loneliness, and pride."

"You are a genius, " said the angel.

Somberly, God said, "I didn't put it there."



***Sending our best wishes to all for a
Happy Mother's Day!***

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P.S. Look for our Father's Day email in June!

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