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MICHIGAN SUPREME COURT LEARNING CENTER LAW DAY OBSERVANCE MAY 3; LAW IN THE 21ST CENTURY: ENDURING TRADITIONS, EMERGING CHALLENGES FOCUS OF 2010 CELEBRATION

Lansing, MI, April 30, 2010 – Law Day 2010 will be celebrated with activities and tours sponsored by the Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center.

This year's theme, "Law in the 21st Century: Enduring Traditions, Emerging Challenges" will be explored by guest speakers and students as they study the Learning Center exhibits. Members of the judiciary will discuss how courts apply core democratic values of justice, equality, and diversity to ensure a fair and accessible legal system.

Speakers include Judge Douglas B. Shapiro, who will speak to Kinawa Middle School students at 10:40 a.m. Michigan Supreme Court Justice Michael F. Cavanagh will address Wexford Montessori students when they visit the Supreme Court courtroom at 1 and 2 p.m.

In addition, winners of a statewide essay contest sponsored by the Michigan Lawyers Auxiliary will be honored at a noon luncheon, featuring Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Marilyn Kelly as the keynote speaker. The middle school essay contest-winners, along with their families and teachers, will also tour the Learning Center at 11 am.

The Michigan Hall of Justice is located at 925 West Ottawa Street, Lansing. Contact Rachael Drenovsky at drenovskyr@courts.mi.gov or (517) 373-5027. Additional Learning Center information is available at <http://www.courts.mi.gov/plc/>.

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