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Summer brings events for our members

NIGHT AT THE RACES (LOS ALAMITOS) AND A BARBEQUE WITH AN AXE-THROWING CONTEST

Where has the sun gone? As I write this article, I don't think Southern California has seen much sun in over a month. June Gloom was preceded by May Gray. I was born and raised in Orange County, and I can't remember a time we had so much rain during the fall and winter, only to be followed by rain in the spring. No complaints here, though. I love all the green hills and lush flowers the rain has brought to us. If the weather reports are accurate and El Niño is here, then we'd better get ready for even more rain coming at the end of the year.

That being said, the weather hasn't slowed down the Orange County Trial Lawyers Association. OCTLA did its best to ring in the summer with the newly minted OCTLA Summer Classic Golf Tournament at Oak Creek Golf Club. It was a sold out tournament, great day, and despite the cloudy weather, good times were had by all. Be on the lookout for information about next year's tournament soon. The Golf Committee is

already hard at work planning the 2024 tournament.

Not to be outdone, the OCTLA Public Relations Committee has been working hard planning fun social events for this summer. First off is the Night at the Races at Los Alamitos Race Course on July 22, 2023. It has been many years since OCTLA held an event at the races, and we are very excited to bring it back. Get your tickets right away on the OCTLA website. This event is sure to sell out.

Next up is axe-throwing on August 3, 2023. This first-of-its-kind event will be held at Sauced in the City of Orange. Come on out and enjoy BBQ food, drinks, and frivolity as we throw axes at different targets and see who can throw it closest to the bullseye. Not to worry, axes are provided.

Education seminars

Education seminars are also on the horizon. On July 27, 2023 OCTLA will be offering a Zoom seminar on jury voir

dire featuring Judge Michael Strickroth providing an in-depth analysis on for-cause challenges. The hard-working Education Committee has the month of August off, but returns in September for an in-person education seminar at Tustin Ranch Golf Course discussing everything trial lawyers need to know about protecting the record for purpose of an appeal.

I hope you all enjoy your summer and find some time to relax, enjoy time away from the office and with your families. It's easy to get caught up in the daily grind. Before you know it, it will be October with Halloween and then the hustle and bustle of the holiday season will be upon us. So, come on out to Los Alamitos Race Course to bet on a few winning horses or come throw an ax and take your frustrations with opposing counsel out on an innocent target. I guarantee you don't want to miss out on the fun!

