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What is the ICBF?

The Ingham County Bar Foundation was established as a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable corporation in 2002 and is dedicated to supporting charitable organizations and events in honor of the legal profession.

While lawyers have long recognized their individual obligation to community commitment, the Foundation has provided an entity for lawyers to collectively assemble charitable contributions to support the Foundation's mission statement:

To promote access to justice, expand the availability of legal services, support charitable organizations, promote legal education and foster the honor and integrity of the legal profession.

Since its founding, the Foundation has returned tens of thousands of dollars in grants to community organizations and events to continue its mission. Recipients of grant funds have included the Veterans Court Foundation, Peer Mediation Programs and Ingham County Access to Justice Center.

The Ingham County Bar Foundation is a membership corporation whose members select the Board of Directors. There are 12 members of the Board of Directors, including four officers.

The Foundation has 57 fellows who have pledged to contribute at least \$1,000 and it has approximately 125 annual members who pay annual dues of \$25. The Foundation's charter established an inclusive culture with membership open to anyone and is not restricted to members of the legal profession.

While the Foundation is growing in its impact on tri-county community organizations, its goal is to establish an endowment fund. The Foundation recognizes that raising funds depends upon communicating its mission to the lawyers and the citizens of the tri-county area.

Some Board members, in addition to contributing their time and pledges, have given funds to establish memorials in honor of a friend, loved one or colleague.

To fulfill its mission, the Foundation has established fundraising events. Its marquee event is the Ingham County Bar Foundation Memorial Golf Classic held each year. Periodically, the Foundation hosts retirement dinners for judges.

Involvement with the Ingham County Bar Foundation signifies one's deep-seated commitment to the community and pride in honoring the legal profession. To grant recipients and others, the Ingham County Bar Foundation is the benevolent face of the legal profession.

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ICBF 11th Annual Memorial Golf Classic

When: Thursday, June 25

Where: Hawk Hollow, 15101 Chandler Road, Bath Township

Click for more details and to download registration form.

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