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September 10, 2011

Welcome to All Officers, Directors, and Members
of the Federal Bar Association Across the United States,

As Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, and honorary chair of the 2011 Federal Bar Association National Convention, it is a privilege and pleasure to welcome you to Chicago. Our city's legal community is honored that you have chosen to be with us for this exciting event.

On behalf of all the judges on my court and the federal practitioners who appear before us, I congratulate my good friend Fern Bomchill as she assumes her role as the National FBA President. I know that under Fern's leadership, the FBA will continue to promote high standards of competence, diligence, and ethical conduct among all federal lawyers and judges across the country.

The members of the FBA, federal practitioners and judiciary alike, benefit greatly from the FBA's commitment to enhancing the administration of justice. In this tradition of excellence, I am honored to celebrate with you the past and future achievements of the FBA.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James F. Holderman". The signature is fluid and cursive.

James F. Holderman
Chief Judge

2011 FBA ANNUAL MEETING & CONVENTION ONSITE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Sept. 7

2:00–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open Sheraton Chicago Promenade
5:00–7:00 p.m.	Energy, Environment, and Natural Resources Section Reception..... Mayer Brown LLP 71 S. Wacker Dr., 33rd Floor

Thursday, Sept. 8

7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open Sheraton Chicago Promenade
8:45–9:00 a.m.	Welcome and Remarks by Chief Judge James F. Holderman, U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Illinois; Remarks by Ashley Belleau, FBA president Sheraton Ballroom II
9:00–10:00 a.m.	<i>Session 1: The U.S. Reaction Since 9/11 Sheraton Ballroom II</i>
10:00–10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15–11:45 a.m.	<i>Session 2A: Hot Topics in Renewable Energy Law..... Sheraton Ballroom II</i>
	<i>Session 2B: Gideon v. Wainwright—A Multimedia Presentation: Looking Backward, Going Forward..... Sheraton Ballroom III</i>
10:45–11:45 a.m.	<i>Session 3B: How Social Networking Impacts Lawyers..... Sheraton Ballroom I</i>
11:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m.	Break
12:00–1:30 p.m.	Foundation of the FBA Fellows Luncheon..... Sheraton Ballroom V
1:30–1:40 p.m.	Break
1:40–2:55 p.m.	<i>Session 3A: The Challenge of Immigration Court Reform Sheraton Ballroom II</i>
	<i>Session 4A: Revolution or Reaffirmation—The Supreme Court’s New Class Action Decisions..... Sheraton Ballroom III</i>



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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PAT QUINN
GOVERNOR

September 10, 2011

Federal Bar Association
Chicago Chapter
Post Office Box 1200
Chicago Loop Station
Chicago, Illinois 60609

Greetings!

As Governor of the State of Illinois, I am pleased to welcome everyone gathered for the Federal Bar Association's National Convention hosted by the Chicago Chapter.

Since its establishment in 1920, the Federal Bar Association (FBA) has remained dedicated to the advancement of the science of jurisprudence and to promoting the welfare, interests, education, and professional development of all attorneys involved in federal law. I commend the FBA, and its members, for your continued commitment to the improvement of the legal system here in the United States. I am certain that the variety of educational tools and resources, along with various seminars and networking opportunities made possible by this event will greatly benefit all attendees.

Each person gathered for this meeting is to be commended for your dedication to advancing the Federal Bar Association's efforts. I would particularly like to recognize outgoing National FBA President Ashley Belleau on her accomplishments over the previous year and to congratulate Fern Bomchill on her installation as the Association's new President. I am certain that under her leadership the FA will continue its great work into the coming year and beyond.

On behalf of the people of Illinois, I offer my best wishes for an enjoyable and memorable event.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Pat Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pat Quinn
Governor

ONSITE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

Thursday, Sept. 8

2:55–3:00 p.m.	Break
3:00–3:30 p.m.	The Judicial Vacancy Crisis..... Sheraton Ballroom II
3:30–3:45 p.m.	Break
3:45–5:00 p.m.	<i>Session 4B: Supreme Court Review of the 2010–2011 Term and Preview of the Upcoming Term</i> Sheraton Ballroom II
5:00–6:00 p.m.	Federal Litigation Section Happy Hour Columbus Room
6:00–9:00 p.m.	Reception at John G. Shedd Aquarium Bus Pickup at 5:30, 5:45, and 6:00 p.m. at hotel convention entrance

Friday, Sept. 9

7:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open Sheraton Chicago Promenade
8:00–8:45 a.m.	Seventh Circuit Swearing In Ceremony and Remarks by Chief Judge Frank H. Easterbrook, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit Sheraton Ballroom I
8:50–9:50 a.m.	<i>Session 5A: Diversity in Legal Education and the Legal Profession: Diversity Models That Work</i> Sheraton Ballroom II
	<i>Session 5B: The Law in Repressive or Non-Democratic Regimes</i> Sheraton Ballroom III
9:50–10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00–11:00 a.m.	<i>Session 6A: The Top Three Issues for Representing Health Care Providers</i> Sheraton Ballroom II
	<i>Session 6B: Labor and Employment Law Flash Forward</i> Sheraton Ballroom III
11:00–11:15 a.m.	Break
11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	<i>Session 7A: Ponzi and Revenge</i> Sheraton Ballroom II



**Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.**

Danny K. Davis
7th District - Illinois

July 22, 2011

Attendees at the 2011 National Convention
Federal Bar Association
c/o Maria Z. Vathis
President, Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association
Boundas, Skarzynski, Walsh & Black
200 East Randolph Street – Suite 7200
Chicago, Illinois 60601

Dear Friends:

Welcome to Chicago and the 7th Congressional District! I understand that it has been 50 years since Chicago has had the opportunity to host the FBA. Congratulations to all the members and guests present at this most august occasion. I join you in thanking outgoing President Ashley Belleau for outstanding service rendered and welcoming incoming President Fern Bomchill.

I understand that this year's event includes some extraordinary programs including a debate between Judge Richard Posner and Professor Geoffrey Stone on the United State's Reaction Since September 11th, a program on Recent U.S. Supreme Court Decisions Impacting Class Actions with Chief Judge James Holderman, Chief Judge Gerald E. Rosen and Judge Layn R. Phillips, and a program on Diversity with Judge Ann Williams.

I invite every attendee to find the time to sample Chicago rich cultural and gustatory offerings and trust that all those in attendance will be uplifted by the spirit of the Convention and moved to soberly and creatively ponder the historic challenges we confront as a nation at this moment in history.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Danny K. Davis".

Danny K. Davis
Member of Congress

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ONSITE SCHEDULE (CONTINUED)

Friday, Sept. 9

11:15 a.m.–12:30 p.m.	<i>Session 7B: Human Trafficking</i> Sheraton Ballroom III
12:45–2:00 p.m.	Younger Federal Lawyer Awards Luncheon Sheraton Ballroom V
2:00–4:00 p.m.	Federal Bar Building Corporation Board Meeting..... Lincoln Boardroom
2:00–4:00 p.m.	Vice Presidents for the Circuits Training Sheraton Ballroom II
3:00–4:30 p.m.	Architectural Boat Tour sponsored by Stout Risius Ross Inc. Board the boat at 112 East Wacker Drive, look for the blue awning
6:00–9:00 p.m.	Reception at the Art Institute of Chicago..... Bus Pickup at 5:30, 5:45, and 6:00 p.m. at hotel convention entrance

Saturday, Sept. 10

7:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m.	Registration Desk Open Sheraton Chicago Promenade
8:30–9:45 a.m.	Vice Presidents for the Circuits Meeting Sheraton Ballroom II
8:30–11:00 a.m.	Section and Division Chairs Meeting Sheraton Ballroom I
9:30–11:30 a.m.	Foundation of the FBA Board Meeting..... Lincoln Boardroom
10:00–11:30 a.m.	Chapter Education Program Presented by the Vice Presidents of the Circuits Sheraton Ballroom III
11:30–11:45 a.m.	Break
11:45 a.m.–1:45 p.m.	FBA Awards Luncheon..... Sheraton Ballroom V
1:45–2:00 p.m.	Break
2:00–5:00 p.m.	National Council Meeting Sheraton Ballroom II
6:30 p.m.	Reception Sheraton Chicago Promenade Presidential Installation Banquet..... Sheraton Ballroom V

BOBBY L. RUSH

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STEERING AND POLICY COMMITTEE

September 8, 2011

Federal Bar Association
Chicago Chapter
P.O Box 1200 Chicago loop Station
Chicago, Illinois 60609

Greetings and Welcome:

I am honored and pleased to send personal greetings and congratulations to the Chicago Chapter of the Federal Bar Association as you host your National Convention in our fair city. Special congratulations to Chief Judge James Holderman, Honorary chair of the convention, and to Mayer Brown Chicago partner, Fern Bomchill on being installed as the National Federal Bar Association President at this convention. We also welcome the lawyers and federal judges from across the nation that will attend.

As the world becomes increasingly interconnected, it is crucial that America shows its best face to the world. I can think of no better place to show that face than the City of Chicago. Your convention is a great opportunity to feature, not only extraordinary continuing legal education and diversity programs, but fabulous social events which include the Art Institute and Shedd Aquarium.

On behalf of the people of the 1st Congressional District of Illinois, Congratulations, wishing you much good fortune and continued success in the years to come.

Sincerely,

Bobby L. Rush
Member of Congress



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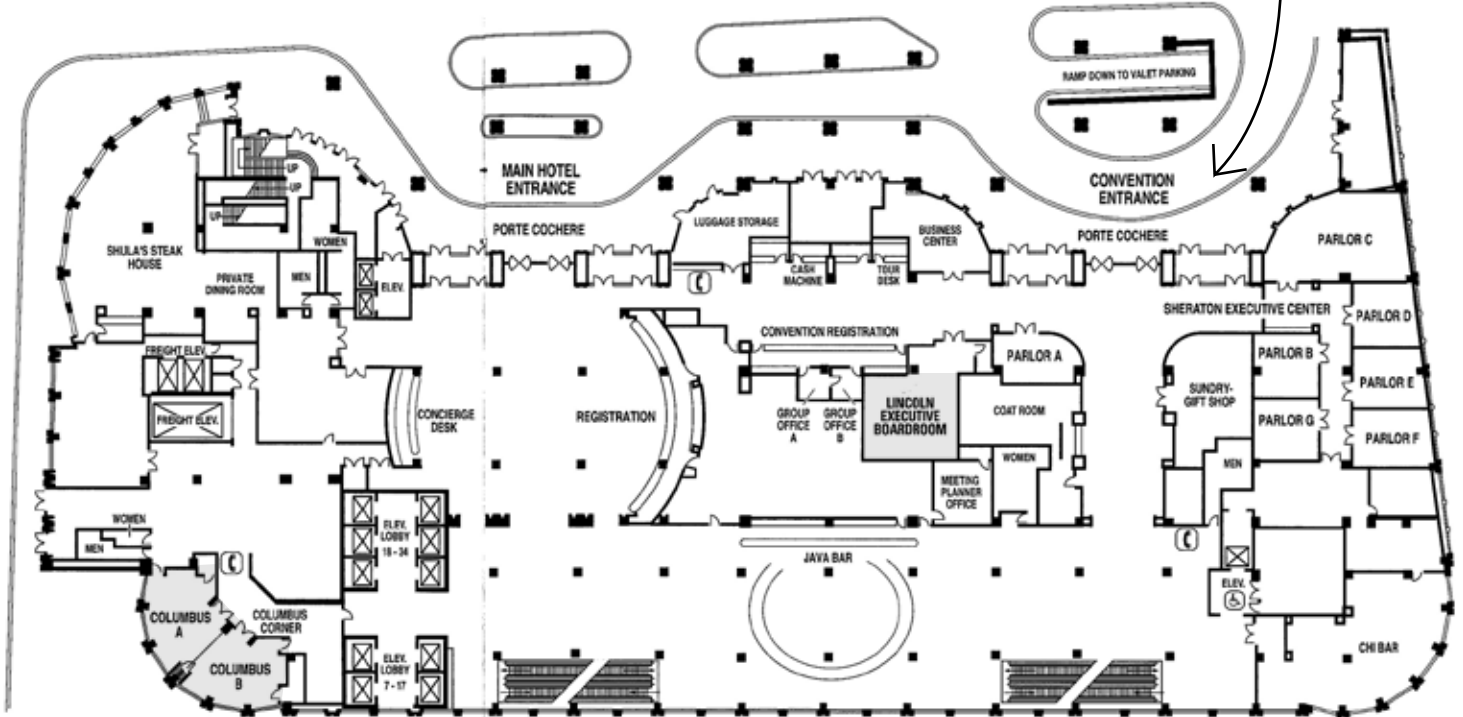
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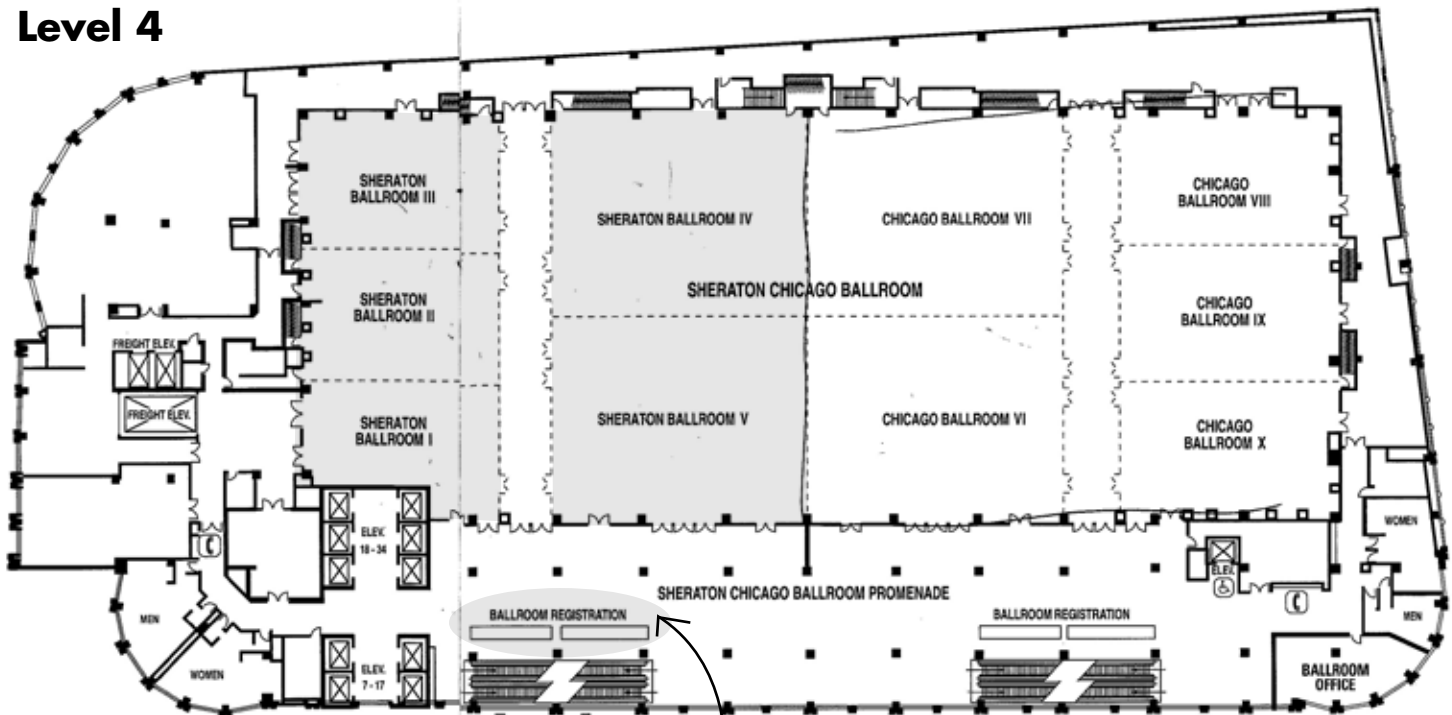
HOTEL MEETING AREA MAP

Level 3

*Bus pickup/dropoff for events will be at this entrance



Level 4



*Registration



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STATE OF ILLINOIS

JOHN J. CULLERTON
SENATE PRESIDENT

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FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION LETTER

Friends,

It is an honor to help welcome you to the 2011 Federal Bar Association's installation dinner. I wish to thank the Bar for including me on this wonderful occasion.

Since it's founding in 1920, the FBA has served legal professionals working within the federal legal system by offering support, promoting the profession and working to continue the legal education for its members and the community of legal professionals. It is thanks to these efforts, and many more, that the FBA has become the premier legal organization for federal legal professionals around the nation.

I am pleased with the FBA's decision to hold their national conference in Chicago, a city with a great history of promoting and supporting a strong legal profession and the administration of justice.

It is also a pleasure to know that Fern Bomchill begins service as the next President of your distinguished organization. Under her leadership, I am confident that the FBA will be able to continue their mission of strengthening the federal legal system.

I wish the very best for continued success and progress for the FBA and very much hope you enjoy the 2011 national convention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John J. Cullerton".

John J. Cullerton
Senate President



Federal Bar Association
Continuing Legal Education
Program Instructions
For CLE Attendance

General Rules of CLE attendance

For ALL STATES - attendees must complete the CLE Course Attendance Report before they leave the conference.

When you arrive at the conference and pick up your registration, the CLE Course Attendance Report will be in the same area. Please complete all information on the report, including time of arrival/departure, credits earned, printed name and signature, state, and bar number or state ID.

Before you leave the conference, remember to return to the registration table. Here you will need to submit your Attendance Report and follow the instructions for your state. A staff person from the Federal Bar Association will be at the table and will be happy to assist you.

When you submit your CLE Course Attendance Report, you will receive a Certificate of Attendance. The Certificate of Attendance is for your records and does not need to be returned to the Federal Bar Association. The CLE Course Attendance Report is for the FBA's record of attendance, so please be sure to submit it with your state and bar number before leaving the conference.

Return your completed evaluation form to the CLE table or mail it back to the FBA after the conference.

CLE by State

Each state has its own rules for submitting CLE attendance. Some states require the Federal Bar Association to submit attendance on your behalf, while other states prefer the attendees to submit on their own. **All states require that you submit an attendance record.**

The following states require that submit attendance and take a certificate. The FBA will send in your attendance within 30 days of the conference using your state bar number or state ID number, so please make sure you provide that on both sheets and print your name clearly.

The FBA is responsible for submitting attendance credit for the following states:

Alabama
Arkansas
Delaware
Georgia
Illinois
Indiana
Louisiana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Mexico

North Carolina
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Puerto Rico **Please complete and return PR
evaluation*
Texas
Utah



SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

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August 5, 2011

Ms. Ashley L. Belleau, President
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Ms. Fern C. Bomchill, President-Elect
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Dear Ashley and Fern:

I congratulate the Federal Bar Association's Chicago chapter for hosting the Federal Bar Association's national convention in Chicago, Illinois. I applaud you, Ashley, for your fine work throughout your tenure. I also congratulate you, Fern, on your upcoming installation as the new Federal Bar Association president. On behalf of the Illinois Supreme Court, I welcome the Federal Bar Association to "our Illinois jurisdiction" and we trust that you will enjoy a successful convention.

Best wishes!

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Thomas L. Kilbride".

Thomas L. Kilbride

TLK:ll
pc: Maria Z. Vathis



Federal Bar Association
Continuing Legal Education
Program Instructions
For CLE Attendance

The following states require that you submit attendance records and take a certificate. The FBA keeps these attendance records for three years in order to verify your attendance for a certain conference if contacted by the state bar. To verify your attendance, the FBA must have your state bar number or state ID number, so please make sure you provide this number on the CLE Course Attendance Report and print your name clearly. **You are responsible for submitting your own credits in the following states:**

Alaska	Maine	South Carolina
Arizona	Minnesota	Vermont
California	Mississippi	Virginia <i>*fill out state and sponsor attendance form</i>
Colorado	Missouri	Washington
Florida	Montana	West Virginia
Idaho	New Jersey	Wisconsin
Iowa	New York	Wyoming
Kansas	North Dakota	
Kentucky	Rhode Island	

States that do not currently require MCLE reports include:

Connecticut
Hawaii
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
South Dakota
Washington, D.C.

If you have any CLE questions after the conference, please do not hesitate to contact Ashley Kitchen at the Federal Bar Association at akitchen@fedbar.org or by phone at 571-481-9118.

*Federal Bar Association
Attn: CLE Attendance
1220 N Fillmore Street, Suite 444
Arlington, VA 22201*



OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF ILLINOIS

Lisa Madigan
ATTORNEY GENERAL

September 10, 2011

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Dear Friends,

As Attorney General of the State of Illinois, I want to welcome the Federal Bar Association's National Convention to our world-class city of Chicago. It is an honor for us to host lawyers and federal judges from across our nation.

Congratulations to Fern Bomchill on her installation as the National FBA President. Fern's extensive background in governance at the Chapter and National levels will serve the FBA well. Also, allow me to thank and offer much appreciation to Ashley Belleau for her service as she concludes her term as National President.

I am confident all in attendance will find the 2011 National Convention to be productive, informative and memorable. While your agenda is packed with important educational programs, I know you will also have time to take in some of the wonders of our city. I hope you leave loving Chicago as much as I do.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Lisa Madigan". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Lisa Madigan
ATTORNEY GENERAL

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Benefiting the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association?

Visit the Silent Auction to bid on items such as:

- **Autographed copy of the book Testifying Before Congress by William N. LaForge**
- **Autographed Photo of NBA-champion JJ Barrea**
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- **1 Copy of the 2011 Copyright Litigation Handbook**
- **1 Copy of The Gettysburg Gospel**
- **1 week stay at Lucknow Villa, Silver Sands, Jamaica**
- **2 Abstract Relief Paintings**
- **2 Mexican Art Prints**
- **3.0 L (Double Magnum) 2002 Barossa Shiraz**
- **2 New Orleans Saints v. Chicago Bears NFL Tickets**
- **Cape Ann Gloucester Map**
- **Holy Land Stones**
- **2 Orchestra Seat Tickets to Broadway's "The Book of Mormon"**
- **Manchester Grand Hyatt San Diego Gift Basket**
- **One-Year Subscription to Natural Medicine Law Newsletter**
- **Painting of a Crane with Chinese Script**
- **Autographed Publicity Photo of Eminem and copy of "Recovery"**
- **San Diego Padres' Closer, Heath Bell, Autographed Ball**
- **San Diego Hornblower Cruise**
- **UC San Diego Extension Course**

Auction closes promptly after the National Council meeting and winners will be announced. Bid Away and Good Luck!

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