

## Free Estate Planning Seminars Offered!

If you don't have an Estate Plan or your current plan is out of date, you and your family could be in danger! When it comes to preserving your wealth and legacy, you probably don't want to leave it up to the volatile economy and market forces. Attend a FREE seminar presented by the Nawrocki Center for Elder and Family Law. Estate Planning attorney and expert, Nancy Nawrocki, will explain why estate planning is a crucial protection for you and your loved ones.

***Don't miss this free seminar. Two days only!***

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Saint Joseph Mercy Livingston Hospital

620 Byron Rd.

Howell, Michigan

Thursday, May 21, 2009

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Summerville at Brighton

833 E. Grand River

Brighton, Michigan

Refreshments served.

***Seating is limited! Reserve your space today! Call (866) 737-5007***

## This Month's Articles:

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## Be Aware of the Dangers of Joint Accounts

Many people believe that joint accounts are a good way to avoid probate and transfer money to loved ones, and such accounts are sometimes referred to as "the common person's estate plan." But while joint accounts can be useful in certain circumstances, they can have dire consequences if not used properly.

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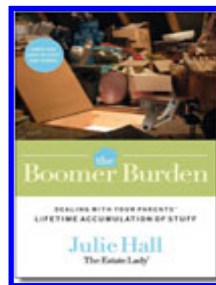
## Nursing Home Residents May Keep \$250 Stimulus Payment

The \$250 stimulus payment for Social Security beneficiaries, which is scheduled to arrive by the end of May, will not be considered income to nursing home residents on Medicaid.

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## Book Review: ***The Boomer Burden: Dealing with Your Parents' Lifetime Accumulation of Stuff***

When someone dies, they leave behind memories of them, but lots of other things as well. This book addresses those other things -- how to clear out an estate and avoid family squabbles over heirlooms.



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## Nearly Two-Thirds Face Risky Retirement Due to Long-Term Care Costs

A new report by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College finds that nearly two-thirds of U.S. households are at risk of being unable to maintain their standard of living in retirement when possible long-term care costs are taken into consideration.

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## Tips for Preventing, Detecting, and Reporting Financial Abuse of the Elderly

As the economy worsens, incidences of elder financial abuse are reportedly on the rise. The elderly are particularly vulnerable to scams or to financial abuse by family members in need of money.

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