

[2010 Financial Education Forum](#)



Oakland County Commissioner Tim Burns will be hosting a free financial education forum on Saturday, March 13, 2010 at Walsh College’s Troy campus in recognition of National Consumer Protection Week. The 2010 Oakland County Consumer Protection Forum will feature a panel of financial experts who will provide “*Dollars & Sense*” advice on managing money and debt issues and will answer questions from the audience. The event will begin at 10 am in the Barry Center Auditorium. ([CLICK HERE](#) for a map to Walsh College)

Panelists for the Oakland County Consumer Protection Forum include Murray Feldman (News Anchor & Financial Reporter with television station WJBK FOX 2), Jane McNamara (President & CEO of GreenPath Debt Solutions), Brian J. O’Connor (Personal Finance Editor & Columnist for the *Detroit News*), and Brian Roehl (Senior Financial Advisor with LJPR, LLC). County Commissioner Tim Burns will moderate the forum.



Murray Feldman is a recognized figure in Metro Detroit for his reporting of consumer, financial, and business issues on FOX 2 which includes the popular “*Money Minute*” segments on the morning news, “*Murray’s MoneyWorks*” feature at 5:00 p.m., his “*JOB SHOP*” special reports , and co-anchoring the station’s evening news broadcast at 5:30 p.m. with Sherry Margolis. Additionally, “*The Feldman Report*” airs weekday mornings and afternoons on WWJ Newsradio 950.



Jane McNamara is President & CEO of GreenPath Debt Solutions, a nationwide, not-for-profit organization headquartered in Farmington Hills, providing financial literacy through consumer education and counseling in the areas of debt, housing, bankruptcy, and money management. Since 1961, GreenPath has been helping people resolve financial problems through credit and debt counseling, financial education, and debt management services. McNamara earned a bachelor's degree in consumer services and master's in family economics and management, with a specialty in family financial counseling, from Michigan State University. She served as Chief Operating Officer of GreenPath before becoming President & CEO in 1997. Prior to that, McNamara worked as Director of Education as well as being a counselor in branch operations working directly with consumers.



Brian J. O'Connor is the Personal Finance Editor & Columnist for the *Detroit News*. He has twice been awarded a top national award in the category of humor columns published in large newspapers from the National Society of Newspaper Columnists. "O'Connor makes finance fun," noted award judges. "You're smiling and before you know it and a potentially dry subject has become informative and entertaining." Before joining the *Detroit News*, O'Connor was the founding managing editor of Bankrate.com. He holds a bachelor's degree in liberal arts from Sarah Lawrence College and earned a master's in journalism at Columbia University, where he was a 2001 Knight-Bagehot Fellow in Economics and Business.



Brian Roehl is Senior Financial Advisor with LJPR, LLC, a financial advising and consulting firm managing over \$300 million in assets. He is one of the original founders of LJPR, having helped form the company in 1989. Roehl has been in the financial services industry since 1982 when he received his first securities license. He has authored the book, *“Choices...A Guide to Pre-Retirement Planning”* and co-authored several other publications. He is extremely knowledgeable in taxation, investing, and stock options. Roehl received a bachelor’s degree in accounting from Michigan State University.

[National Consumer Protection Week](#) is March 7 – 13. This year’s theme is **“Dollars & Sense”**, highlighting consumer education at every stage in life from grade school to retirement.

For more information regarding the 2010 Oakland County Consumer Protection Forum, please call (248) 858-1092.

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