

# Kane judges present 'You be the Judge'

*Aurora-area residents got a taste of a judge's job*

Elizabeth Flood and Robert Villa, 16th Judicial Circuit Court associate judges, teamed up to lead a "You be the Judge" exercise at the West Aurora Concerned Citizens bimonthly meeting at the Aurora Fifth Ward office.

The jurists co-presented 10 "rank the crime" scenarios, challenging audience members to choose from six felony rankings and 10 misdemeanor rankings to classify sample offenses. They were a bar fight, theft of beer from a garage refrigerator, dad injures son in argument, drunk driver kills motorist, student sells heroin at school, driver shoots/kills motorist in road-rage incident, defendant possesses controlled substance without prescription, defendant caught with marijuana and defendant and friends open fire hydrant.



Additionally, the judges detailed bail-bond procedures and answered questions to close the session.

**PHOTO (top right):** Elizabeth Flood, left and Robert Villa, 16th Judicial Circuit Court associate judges, lead a "You be the Judge" exercise Wednesday (Sept. 18). The judges keynoted the West Aurora Concerned Citizens bimonthly meeting at the Aurora Fifth Ward office. The jurists teamed up to present 10 scenarios that challenged audience members to "rank the crime" and ponder bail-bond issues. (AI Benson photo)

**Center (left):** Elizabeth Flood, left, 16th Judicial Circuit Court associate judge, distributes "rank the crime" scenarios Wednesday at the West Aurora Concerned Citizens bimonthly meeting at the Aurora Fifth Ward office. Background is co-presenter Robert Villa, 16th Judicial Circuit Court associate judge; and Carl Franco, Fifth Ward Aurora alderman. The jurists co-presented a "You be the Judge" exercise that included 10 scenarios that challenged audience members to "rank the crime" and ponder bail-bond issues. (AI Benson photo)



**Bottom (right):** Angela Thomas, Kane County board member from Aurora, announces openings for census takers Wednesday at the West Aurora Concerned Citizens bimonthly meeting at the Aurora Fifth Ward office. (AI Benson photo)