



Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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Law School accepting applications for LL.M. in dispute resolution

The MU Law School, which provides national leadership in integrating dispute resolution theory and practice throughout its curriculum, is now accepting applications for its LL.M. Pro-

gram in Dispute Resolution.

Nine full-time faculty members, including nationally known experts on mediation and arbitration, focus significantly on dispute resolution – probably more faculty than at any other law school.

The Law School offers an LL.M. Degree in Dispute Resolution for students who have completed the first degree in law. Students may enroll full-time or part-time. Full-time students can complete the program in one academic year. Applicants submitting complete files by March 1 will receive notification in April. For more information, contact program director John Lande at 573-882-3914 or landej@missouri.edu.

The Law School also has developed a collaboration with the MU School of Journalism, which is an international leader in its field. The two schools offer four dual degree programs: J.D.-M.A., J.D.-Ph.D., LL.M.-M.A., and LL.M.-Ph.D. The collaboration is led by Law School Prof. Richard C. Reuben and Journalism School Prof. Michael J. Grinfeld, both of whom have law degrees and extensive journalism experience.

Parties successful

The BCBA holiday parties were a success, with about 100 bar members and guests attending the Dec. 12 event at Missouri Manor hosted by **Ron Bartlett** and his wife Lyria. Attendees were treated to music by Tom Andes, lots of good food catered by Jack's Gourmet Restaurant, and ample libations.

About 50 bar members attended the women's holiday party on Dec. 5 at **Mary Carnahan's** home, co-hosted by **Betty Wilson**. Attendees donated gifts and money for distribution through the Voluntary Action Center and the Drug Court.

Course fee hiked

Effective Jan. 1 the fee for the *Focus on Kids* class will increase by \$5 to \$40 per participant. There will be a corresponding increase in the filing fee for family law cases involving minor children.

Ethics CLE credit for Jan. 9 program

One hour of ethics CLE credit will be given for the BCBA program on Wednesday, Jan. 9.

Lunch will be served at the Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St., beginning at 11:30 a.m., and the program will begin at noon.

RSVP: To reserve your spot, contact BCBA Secretary **Phebe LaMar** at 443-3141 or lamar@smithlewis.com by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 8.

Jeff Parshall and **Wally Bley** will discuss ex parte contacts with past and present employees of corporate lawsuit parties. Time permitting, ex parte contacts with the court also will be discussed.

Note: The meal price is now \$8. Checks should be made payable to "Boone Tavern."

Deadline for composite extended

The deadline for having photographs taken for the new bar composite is being extended through January because many bar members have not yet scheduled sittings.

Call Roger Berg's Creative Photo at 875-1841 to schedule a sitting. Walk-ins also will be accepted, but it is best to call.

The new Creative Photo studio is located at 2201 Old 63 S., about one-half mile south of Stadium Blvd., on the west side of the road. Sittings take only about five minutes.

So far about 70 BCBA members have had sittings, as compared with 190 photos on the last composite done in 1995.

2002 BCBA dues are payable now

2002 dues of \$25 per lawyer are now payable. Members whose dues have not been paid by April 30 will be stricken from the membership rolls.

Dues are waived for sitting and retired judges of Boone and Callaway counties and for members who have been licensed in Missouri for at least

50 years or who have reached the age of 75.

Please use the form below to claim a first-time waiver or send your dues payments to Treasurer **Ed Orr**. It is requested that firms of two or more lawyers use a single form for all lawyers in the firm whose dues are being paid.

2002 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

(Make checks payable to "Boone County Bar Association, Inc.")

To: **Ed Orr, Treasurer**

Boone County Bar Association
P.O. Box 7186
Columbia, MO 65205-7186

Person named below claims dues waiver for: Judge Seniority

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Around the bar . . .

A round of law office musical chairs has commenced and will continue for the next month or two. **Atkinson & Atkinson** has already moved to Suite 410 in the Guitar Bldg. at 28 N 8th St. Their phone remains 449-2411 and their fax is still 442-9804.

Still awaiting a move from the space formerly shared with the Atkinsons at 16 N. 8th St. is the firm of **Rotts & Gibbs**, which expects to move in February or March to the Tenth & Walnut Bldg. recently purchased and being remodeled by **Bill Rotts**.

Atwill & Montgomery will then move into 16 N. 8th St from their present location at 609 E. Broadway. **Dan Atwill** says space will be available for sublease at 609 E. Broadway after his firm moves.

John Patton, now at 16 N. 8th St., will return to full-time employment by Boone County.

Meanwhile, **Smith Lewis LLP** hopes that its move to the former Strollway Centre will take place at the end of January, says **Bruce Beckett**. Starting Feb. 1 the firm's address will be Smith Lewis LLP, City Centre Building, 111 S. 9th St., P.O. Box 918, Columbia. The phone

and fax numbers will remain the same, 443-3141 and 442-6686, respectively.

Dave Knight and **Racheal Kennedy** have formed the firm of **Knight & Kennedy** at 1203 W. Broadway, Columbia 65203, phone 256-7205, fax 875-5873.

Scott Wilson, a former associate of **The Hines Law Firm, LLC**, has become a member of the firm at 901 E. Ash St., Columbia, phone 443-4500, fax 874-1662. He continues to concentrate in the areas of workers' compensation and personal injury litigation.

Effective Jan. 1 **Daniel S. Simon**, a former associate, becomes a principal of the re-named firm of **Tofle, Oxenhandler, Hajicek & Simon, Attorneys, P.C.** at 220 N. 8th St., P. O. Box 1404, Columbia, phone 449-2929, fax 875-0757.

Brian D. Sleeth, a former associate at the **Copeland Law Firm**, is now an associate at **Shurtleff, Froeschner, Bunn & Hoffman, LLC**, 35 N. 9th St., Columbia, phone 449-3874, fax 875-5055. Another new associate of the firm is **Linda G. Harris**.

Negar Rezvani Jackson is a new BCBA member. A May 2001 graduate of the MU Law School, she works for MU as a compliance specialist at the Institutional Review Board, phone 884-9372.

Chris Kespohl recently became an associate at **Ford, Parrshall & Baker, LLC**, 609 E. Walnut St., P.O. Box 1097, Columbia, phone 449-2613, fax 875-8154.

In early December MU Law Prof. **Michelle Cecil** received the Governor's Award for Excellence in teaching. A previous

recipient of a Kemper Fellowship and a Faculty-Alumni Award, she teaches tax law.

MARCH (Mediation Achieving Results for CHildren) is a non-profit organization providing free mediations for divorcing, divorced or never-married parents. Local mediators provide the services. People in Boone, Callaway and Cole counties qualify for the free services for court cases or voluntary mediations. Contact the Circuit Clerk at 886-4000 or **Rachael Kennedy** at 256-7205 for more information.

Treasurer's Report by Ed Orr

Account balance as of 11/6/01	\$4,348.03
Receipts 11/7/01 - 12/21/01	
Dues	+1,825.00
Interest.....	+ 0.82
Disbursements 11/7/01 - 12/21/01	
Walther, Antel - newsletter	-187.12
SS Web Services - web site hosting	-420.00
Dan Atwill - Executive Committee meetings.....	-210.18
Nowell's - picnic	-226.18
Boone Tavern - judges' lunches.....	-63.00
Midwest Mailing Service - newsletter mailing	-64.29
Tom Andes - Holiday Party music	-250.00
Steve Scott - web site domain name renewal	-44.00
Account balance as of 12/21/0	\$4,709.08