



Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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Around the bar . . .

One of the newest members of the BCBA is **Megan Phillips**, the Philip Morris Clinical Teaching Fellow in the Family Violence Clinic at the MU Law School, 104 Hulston Hall, phone 884-9150, fax 884-4368. She acts as supervising attorney for Rule 13 certified law students representing women and children seeking orders of protection in several mid-Missouri counties. She also teaches the Family Violence Seminar and client interviewing and counseling classes. A 1996 MU Law School graduate, she previously worked in the Paris office of the New York firm Coudert Brothers and at Bryan Cave in St. Louis, specializing in transac-

tions and commercial contracts. She served on the executive board of the Women Lawyers' Association of Greater St. Louis and invites BCBA members to join the WLA to benefit from its network and resources.

Another new member of the BCBA is **John Dowe Miller**, an associate with Stewart & Keevil, 1001 Cherry St., Suite 302, phone 499-0635, fax 499-0638.

Dave Evans still has a 1,120-square-foot office suite available for rent at 717 Cherry St. Call Dave at 449-8430 for information. Dave says, "Will someone please send me a tenant so I can stop cluttering up the *Newsletter*?"

If you see an asterisk, you owe dues

Check your mailing label on this issue of the *Newsletter* – if there is an asterisk behind your name, you are one of the 41 BCBA members who have not yet paid 2002 dues.

If you find an asterisk behind your name, be sure to send in your dues by April 30. After that date, those who have not paid will be stricken from the membership rolls and will no longer receive the *Newsletter* or

email notices.

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.

Dues payments of \$25 per lawyer and waiver requests should be sent to BCBA Treasurer **Ed Orr** using the coupon below.

Bankruptcy is May 8 topic

One hour of CLE credit will be given for the "Bankruptcy Practice" program at the May 8, 2002 BCBA meeting.

The speaker will be John Reed, a bankruptcy practitioner and Chapter 7 Trustee in Jefferson City with the firm of Pletz & Reed. A 1980 graduate of the MU Law School, John is a former partner of Bankruptcy Judge Jerry Venters.

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. The lunch price is \$9. Checks should be made out to the restaurant.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this program, contact BCBA Secretary Phebe La Mar at 443-3141 or lamar@smithlewis.com by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7.

Law Day program volunteers needed

As part of the national Law Day observance on May 1, BCBA members are being asked to make presentations in Columbia schools based on the American Bar Association's "Dialogue on Freedom" program.

The class presentations can be

scheduled on days after May 1. Information about the ABA program can be found on the Internet at <http://www.abanet.org/dialogue/>.

BCBA members willing to help should contact Marsha Fischer at 442-2454 or mfischer@wasattys.com.

OCDC launches informational web site

The Office of the Chief Disciplinary Counsel has launched a web site, which may be found at www.mochiefcounsel.org.

A link to the OCDC web site has been placed on the "Links" page of the BCBA web site at

www.bocomobar.org/links.htm. The OCDC web site provides information on the lawyer disciplinary process, the types of issues addressed by the office, and the forms of discipline that may be imposed.

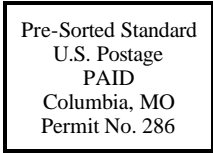
2002 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

(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
___ Enclosed is payment of \$ _____ @ \$25 per attorney for 2002 BCBA dues for
the following attorneys:

Name(s) and address (note address change, if any) _____



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Pugh's 'The Uncontested Dissolution' a hit at Bench-Bar Dinner

The 70 lawyers and judges who attended the Bench-Bar Dinner on April 10 at the MU Alumni Center were treated to a great meal and stand-up comedy routines by **Joe Moseley**, **Gary Oxenhandler** and **Doug Pugh**.

Besides the usual fine opportunity for judges and lawyers to mingle in a social setting, the consensus seemed to be that the "hit" of the evening was **Doug Pugh's** poem, "The Uncontested Divorce," which Doug has kindly allowed us to reprint:

Husband: The wife has asked me to move out. My patience has been tested.

There's not too much to fight about. It should be uncontested.

Wife: I think this case is crystal clear. I'll keep the double-wide, and all the dogs and fishing gear, we'll equally divide.

H: Now I can pay the filing fee, plus twenty dollars more. I'll give the woman custody, and walk right out the door.

W: I hope you'll take a payment plan, since everything's agreed. I'll send you money when I can, as soon as I've been freed.

H: I need to get my welding tray, and all my shoes and socks. When I went by there

yesterday, the b*tch had changed the locks.

W: I think I need an ex parte. He broke in Tuesday night. He took the dogs and welding tray. I tell you, that ain't right.

H: She forged my name on Mastercard. She buys things just for thrills. She's got me working long and hard, to pay off all her bills.

W: I think we really need to speak. He's really gone too far. He spends at least three nights a week, down at that Shiloh bar.

H: The kids are filthy as can be. She leaves the house a mess. The children want to live with me. I'm calling DFS.

W: The kids are scared to death at nights. He leaves them unattended. He shouldn't have parental rights - I want his visits ended.

H: I think it's gonna be a fight. The woman makes me sick. She hired some guy named David Knight. I hear the guy's a pr*ck.

W: This offer that came in the mail, must be some sort of joke. That b*st*rd should be thrown in jail. I want to go for broke.

H: This document is not okay. I want the double-wide. No deal! No chance! No how! No way! Let's let the judge decide.

W: You haven't done a thing for me. I want this set for trial. Unless I have a guarantee, I'm picking up my file.

H: This thing is going to the wire. You won't return my calls. I think that I will have to hire a lawyer with some b*lls.

One week later....

H: I just called to let you know, that things are looking better. She's dropping the assault, and so, we might get back together.

W: We had a long talk Saturday, and you can close my file. He called his lawyer yesterday. We're gonna reconcile.

Treasurer's Report by Ed Orr

Account balance as of 3/29/02.....	\$5,623.56
Receipts 3/29/02 - 4/25/02	
Dues	+350.00
Bench-Bar Dinner receipts.....	1,990.00
Interest.....	+1.08
Disbursements 3/29/02 - 4/25/02	
Sir Speedy (Newsletter printing).....	-57.07
Midwest Mailing (Newsletter mailing).....	-66.47
Reception for appellate judges	-505.73
Receptionist for Bench-Bar dinner.....	-25.00
Account balance as of 4/25/02.....	\$7,310.37