

Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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Women plan holiday party

The Women's Lawyers Association of Mid-Missouri will hold its first annual holiday party from 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 15.

To RSVP and get directions to the event, contact **Phebe LaMar** at 443-3141 or plamar@smithlewis.com by Dec. 10.

Tickets cost \$16 and include donations to the Voluntary Action Center in Columbia and the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center in Jefferson City.

In addition, those attending are encouraged to bring items for teenage girls, which will be donated to the Drug Court.

Start paying dues

Individual lawyers and firms desiring to shift a 2005 expense into 2004 may begin sending \$40 annual dues payments to BCBA Treasurer **Amy Markel**.

Amy's address is 503 E. Nifong Blvd., PMB 279, Columbia, MO 65201. Checks should be made payable to "Boone County Bar Association, Inc."

Those who have not paid dues by April 30, 2005 will be stricken from the rolls.

Dues are waived for sitting and retired judges and for members who have been licensed at least 50 years or who are 75 years old or older.

Holiday Party on Dec. 9, RSVPs due noon Dec. 7

All BCBA members and their spouses or dates are invited to the annual Holiday Party from 6 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 9 at the Missouri Manor, 1121 Ashland Rd., Columbia (see map).

Reservations must be made by noon on Tuesday, Dec. 7 by contacting BCBA Secretary **Linda Harris** by phone at 449-3874 or email at lindah@tranquility.net.

There will be a \$25 charge for each person attending, **payable at the door**. Checks should be payable to "Boone County Bar Association, Inc."

As has been the case for previous gatherings at Missouri Manor, the event will be a mixer-type affair with plenty of food and a host bar. Catering will be by Jack's Gourmet Restaurant.

2000-01 BCBA President **Ron Bartlett** and his wife Lyria are donating the use of the Missouri Manor, and Ron is contributing his own home-cured country hams for the event.

The Bartletts renovated Missouri Manor in 1999 as a reception-party venue and previously hosted the Holiday Party in 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2003.



Upcoming events

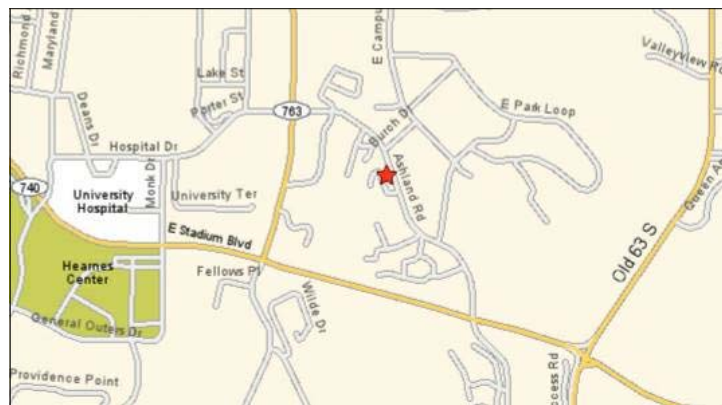
Mark your calendar now for these future events:

Jan. 12, 2005: CLE-credit lunchtime program on the new Missouri file-retention rule, to be presented by BCBA member **Sarah Read** and Missouri Ethics Counsel **Sara Rittman**.

Feb. 9, 2005: Regular lunchtime meeting (program to be announced).

March 9, 2005: Missouri Bar President Joe Whisler will be the speaker at a regular lunchtime meeting.

April 2005: Bench-Bar Dinner in Boone County (date, time, place and program to be announced). **Gretchen Rogers** will chair the program committee for this event.



2005 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

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

To: **Amy Markel, Treasurer**
Boone County Bar Association
503 E. Nifong Blvd., PMB 279
Columbia, MO 65201

___ Enclosed is payment of \$ _____ for 2005 BCBA dues for the following attorneys

(at \$40 per attorney)

___ Person named below claims dues waiver for: ___ Judge ___ Seniority

Name(s) and address (note contact information changes, if any) _____

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Around the bar . . .

Effective Jan. 1, **Harvey Hoffman** is leaving **Shurtleff, Froeschner, Bunn & Hoffman, LLC**. His new mailing address will be 28 N. 8th St., Suite 300, Columbia 65201. His new phone and other new contact information will be announced when available; until Jan. 1, he can be contacted at 449-3874.

Matthew B. Uhrig, formerly an associate at Amstrong Teasdale LLP in Jefferson City, has opened a solo practice at 901B Richardson Dr., Ashland 65010, phone 657-0115, fax 657-0400.

A recent new BCBA member is **Greta M. Bassett**, Bassett, Nelson & Associates LLP, P.O. Box 1226, Columbia 65205, phone 696-1127, fax 696-1137. Greta is a 2001 MU Law School graduate and practiced social security disability law with a Jefferson City firm before recently opening a firm here with partner John Nelson. She is a member of the National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives.

Also recently joining the BCBA was **Christopher Schappe**, 3610 Buttonwood Dr., Suite 200 Columbia 65201, phone 886-8964, fax 886-8901.

About 12 members of the BCBA Young Lawyers Committee attended the most recent meeting at Boone Tavern on Nov. 15.

They discussed an upcoming philanthropic event and a proposal to create a directory of local young lawyers. Regular meetings are the third Tuesday each month. At the next meeting at noon Dec. 21 at Otto's Corner, those attending are invited to participate in a White Elephant gift exchange. Please RSVP to **Brad Lear** at 875-1991 or lear@learandwerts.com.

Bill Rotts still has a 500-square-foot office space available on the terrace level of the Tenth & Walnut Bldg, including two offices, reception area and file storage room. Utilities and Westlaw will be included in the rent. The office will be newly painted and carpeted. Call Bill at 443-3463 for more information.

About 60 BCBA members attended the Nov. 17 meeting to hear a CLE-credit roundtable discussion on current appellate procedures with three judges of the Missouri Western District Court of Appeals, Lisa White Hardwick, Robert Ulrich and Thomas Newton.

LL.M. program seeks applicants

The MU Law School is seeking applicants for its six-year-old dispute resolution LL.M. program.

The program features small classes, generally limited to students with law degrees and legal experience. LL.M. graduates work across the U.S. and abroad in a variety of positions. Many are in practice as advocates and/or neutrals.

Students may enroll full-time or part-time. Full-time students can complete the program in

one academic year. Part-time students typically complete the program in two years.

Applicants submitting complete files by Jan. 1 receive decisions in February. Applicants submitting complete files by March 1 receive decisions in April. Financial aid is available.

LL.M. students also can obtain dual degrees (M.A. and Ph.D.) from the Journalism School.

For information contact **John Lande** at 882-3914 or landej@missouri.edu.

Treasurer's Report by Amy Markel	
Corrected account balance as of 11/4/04.....	\$3,548.93
Receipts 11/4/04 - 11/24/04	
Dues.....	+10.00
Disbursements 11/4/04 - 11/24/04	
Accent Press (Newsletter printing)	-69.67
Midwest Mailing Service (Newsletter mailing).....	-90.19
Markel Law Offices (Boone Tavern-guest lunches).....	-45.00
Boone Tavern (Executive Committee)	-90.54
Balance correction	<u>-226.55</u>
Account balance as of 11/24/04.....	\$3,036.98