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Treasurer's Report by Ben Nelson

Account balance as of 12/30/10	\$21,002.21
Receipts 12/30/10 -1/28/11	
Dues	+4,500.00
Golf tournament proceeds.....	+600.00
Holiday Party tickets.....	+2,550.00
Interest	+0.82
Disbursements 12/30/10 - 1/28/11	
Accent Press (Newsletter printing)	-62.27
Midwest Mailing (Newsletter mailing).....	-82.75
Mid-Mo Legal Services (golf contribution).....	-3,822.74
Country Club of Missouri (Holiday Party)	-4,122.84
Misc. Holiday Party expense	-20.78
Account balance as of 1/28/11	\$20,541.65

Frankenstein trial set Feb. 10

The MU Law School's Historical and Theatrical Trial Society (HATTS) will present "Creating Life and Death: The Trial of Dr. Victor Frankenstein," at 7 p.m. Feb. 10, 2011 in Jesse Auditorium on the MU campus. The event is free and open to the public.

HATTS is a group of law students and faculty dedicated to exploring the intersection of law, history and theater through simulated trials.

This year, Dr. Victor Frankenstein will be tried for the wrongful death of his assistant, Igor, who was killed by Frankenstein's monstrous creation. Is Dr. Frankenstein responsible for the actions of his creation, or should this "creature" be considered a human adult that is solely responsible for its own behavior? These questions and more will

be argued and decided by MU Law faculty, staff and students, as well as practicing lawyers and judges.

The trial will not be scripted; instead, attorneys and witnesses will be provided with only enough information to prepare their cases and questions. This will provide an opportunity for students, professionals, and citizens to glimpse the process of a trial while also being entertained.

Before the trial law professionals are invited to join MU faculty and students at a networking reception at 5:30 p.m. in front of Jesse Auditorium. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information on the trial, visit HATTS' Facebook page at facebook.com/MU_LawHatts or contact Neal Griffin at ngpmmc@mail.missouri.edu.

Use of force by law officers is topic for Feb. 9 meeting

The use of force by law enforcement officers will be the subject of a talk by **Donald R. Weaver** at the next regular BCBA meeting at Boone Tavern on Wednesday, Feb. 9.

CLE credit for the program has been requested and is expected to be granted.

As usual when CLE programs are presented, meal service will begin at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 9 in the County Room on the lower level of Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Adam Patchett** at 442-7000 or apatchett.pbp

[@gmail.com](mailto:apatchett.pbp@gmail.com) by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 8. RSVPs are necessary so Boone Tavern can prepare sufficient food and seating.

Donald Weaver is the principal of Weaver & Associates, LLC, 2100 E. Broadway, Suite 203, Columbia 65201. He graduated from the MU Law School in 2006 and has worked as a full-time Columbia police officer since 1999.

He maintains a part-time general practice and provides police legal training and consulting. He will be speaking in his personal capacity and not as a representative of any law enforcement agency.

2 BCBA members on April 5 ballot

Glen Ehrhardt of Rogers, Ehrhardt & Weber, LLC, is running for the 5th Ward City Council seat. He has been in practice here for 25 years. His campaign website is at www.GlenforWard5.com.

Helen Wade, of Harper, Evans, Wade & Netemeyer, is a candidate for one of three open seats on the Columbia Board of Education. Her campaign website is at www.HelenWadeForSchoolBoard.com.

Use coupon below to pay 2011 BCBA dues

2011 dues are now due and may be sent to Treasurer **Ben Nelson** using the coupon below.

Dues are \$50/lawyer, except that "public service" lawyers pay \$25 (see the Dues page on the bar website for the definition of public service).

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

2011 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

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

To: **Ben Nelson, Treasurer**

Boone County Bar Association
29 E. Ash St.
Columbia, MO 65201-4197

___ Enclosed is payment of \$ _____ for 2011 BCBA dues for the following attorneys
(at \$50 per attorney, or \$25 per attorney for "public service" attorneys)
___ Person named below claims first-time dues waiver for: ___ Judge ___ Seniority

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

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Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 10, 11:45 a.m.: *Criminal Law Committee* meeting at Room 38. Adult Court Services Director Pete Bakutes will speak. All BCBA members are welcome. For information contact chair **Jennifer Bukowsky** at 443-2288 or j@lawbuk.com.

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 11:45 a.m.: *Young Lawyers Committee* at Bambino's 929 E. Broadway. Contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com for information.

Friday, Feb. 25: Free all-day *Missouri Law Review Symposium 2011* at the MU Law School focusing on the role of the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit in patent law development. 6.3 CLE credit hours available. Register by Feb. 18. Information at <http://law.missouri.edu/faculty/symposium/2011/index.html>.

Friday, March 11, 12:30 to 4 p.m.: *6th Annual Small Firm and Public Interest Expo at the MU Law School*. The event introduces law students to practice in the judiciary, government service, not-for-profits and small law firms. Refreshments will be served during a networking reception from 12:30 to 2 p.m. A free CLE will follow from 2:10 to 4 p.m. RSVP by Feb. 21 to **Andrea Follett** at folletta@missouri.edu.

ADDRESS CHANGES

Sarah J. Read will move her office to 910 E. Broadway, Suites 207-208, Columbia 65201, effective Feb. 14. Her phone and fax numbers will remain 447-2349 and 447-1789, respectively. She will have a video-conferencing service operated by Kaleidoscope Video-conferencing available on a fee basis in her conference room for depositions and conferences.

Nicole Volkert ended her term as Monroe County Prosecutor in December and is opening Volkert Law Firm at 1001 E. Walnut St., Suite 101, Columbia 65201, effective Feb. 1. Her phone and fax will be 777-4747 and 777-4748, respectively. She will focus on family, juvenile and criminal law. She also was recently appointed as municipal judge for the City of Mexico.

NEW MEMBERS

Michael T. Carney, Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corp., 205 E. Forest Ave., Columbia 65203, phone 442-0116, fax 875-0173. He is

a May 2010 MU Law School Graduate, clerked at MMLS during law school, and joined MMLS as a staff attorney last September. He leads the Housing Project, which assists low-income tenants, and helps train Rule 13 law students.

Jennifer McGarr, MU Law School Office of Career Development, 103 Hulston Hall, Columbia 65211, phone 882-2052.

Susanna Stone, 811 E. Green Meadows Rd. #110, Columbia 65201, phone 823-3494. She graduated from the University of Illinois Law School in 2006 and then worked at the Citizen Advocacy Center in suburban Chicago before spending two years in Barcelona, Spain, where she "practiced life," not law. She is now an adjunct professor at Central Methodist University but is seeking work in the legal arena.

OTHER NEWS

The Bar/Schools and Public Relations Committee is seeking lawyers to serve as judges and evaluators for the second round of the BAMSL mock trial competition on the morning of Saturday, Feb. 26 at the Boone County Courthouse. Volunteers should contact **Nathan Wright** at 445-1234 or nathancwright@me.com.

Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corp. issued a thank-you to the Young Lawyers Committee for its contribution of \$3,822.74 from last Fall's golf tournament. The money will be used by MMLS for pro bono projects. MMLS also thanked the YLC for its continued support of pro bono projects.

Boone County Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore asks that lawyers include a copy of the invoice with their payments for copy/fax bills so payments can be credited properly. One check for multiple attorneys is acceptable so long as copies of all invoices accompany payment.

Matt Darrough has office-sharing space available at 4200 Merchant St., Suite 103, Columbia 65203, in the Cherry Hill development. Contact Matt at 445-1234 or mattdarrough@mac.com for information.

About 60 BCBA members attended the regular meeting on Jan. 12 to hear Circuit Judge Christine Carpenter's presentation on alternative sentencing courts.