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Mizzou Law School Dean Gary Myers to Speak at February 13 Meeting

Dean **Gary Myers** will join us for lunch and introduce himself at the next regular BCBA meeting lunchtime on Wednesday, February 13, in the lower level of Bleu, 811 E. Walnut. A brief biography for Dean Myers can be found in this *Newsletter* under the “New Members” Section.

There will be no CLE credit available at this meeting, so lunch will start at Noon. A brief business meeting will precede Dean Myers’ remarks. Lunch costs \$10, with checks made out to Bleu.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Casey Berndt** at 449-2740 or casey@markelandingolaw.com by **Noon**, Tuesday, February 12, so Bleu can prepare sufficient food and seating.

Message from Judge Oxenhandler

The following is a message to the BCBA on behalf of Judge Oxenhandler:

Thanks to all of you for the opportunity to serve as the Presiding Judge of the 13th Judicial Circuit. When Marvin and I hung out our shingle almost 40 years ago, lawyering for long enough to share a shingle with my son or to serve as a Circuit Judge or to sit as a PJ of what we all know to be the most respected Circuit in the State, were things of which fairy tales would have been made. As with all of our lives, time passes in a blink and so it has been for my 33 month tenure. I am tempted to talk about all the things that I believe that we, all of us – you, me, the Staff and all of the judges -have accomplished in that time but our contributions pale when we recall that we’ve been meting out justice in Boone and Callaway counties for 190 years. Further, everything that I have accomplished in my life has had less to do with me than with the incredible family, friends and lawyers who have guided me with their love and support and professionalism. I wish that all on each of you. In closing, sincerest congratulations to Judge **Jodie Capshaw Asel** on her election as the Presiding Judge of the 13th. With her great judicial experience and time tested organizational skills, Judge Asel will be an awesome leader. As for me, it will be good to get back to being Division II. See you in Court. judge0.

Time to Pay 2013 Dues

The BCBA is one of the most active and connected local bar associations in Missouri. We provide our members with nearly all the required annual CLE requirements for the price of lunch, reach out to make our community better, and provide opportunities to keep up on our practice areas and local issues, as well as to socialize with each other outside of the courtroom. All of this for the reasonable fee of \$50 per attorney/\$25 for public service attorneys.

If you have not already done so, please send in your annual dues ASAP to replenish the operating budget and keep the BCBA thriving. You can either print out this page and use the dues coupon below, or print it off the website’s dues page, to send in with your payment.

2013 Boone County Bar Association Dues Payment/Waiver Form

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

To: **Michael Foster, Treasurer**
Boone County Bar Association
P.O. Box 10110
Columbia, MO 65205-1010

Enclosed is payment of \$_____ for 2013 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) _____

Judge Asel Elected to be 13th Circuit Presiding Judge

The following Press Release was sent by email on January 16:

The 13th Judicial Circuit Court en Banc met yesterday, January 15, 2013, and elected Judge **Jodie Capshaw Asel**, Circuit Judge, Division IV, to serve as Presiding Judge effective Thursday, January 31, 2013. Judge Asel will succeed Judge **Gary Oxenhandler**, who served as Presiding Judge from March 2010 until present.

Judge Asel, was first appointed to the court in 1991, and has been elected since 1992. She was elected Circuit Judge of Division IV in 2006. Division IV handles general civil and criminal dockets. Judge Asel is a graduate of the University of Missouri - Columbia, School of Law, with an undergraduate degree from the University of Missouri - Columbia.

Prior to appointment to the court, she was an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Boone County; Assistant Public Defender; and in private practice. Judge Asel has served on the Missouri Supreme Court Judicial Education Committee since 1993, and has been Vice Chair since July 2009. She has been a member of the Coordinating Commission for Judicial Education since 2008. Judge Asel was previously a member of the Board of Directors of the Missouri Association of Probate and Associate Circuit Judges for five years, serving as its Vice President and President. She served as President of the Boone County Bar Association from 2004 - 2005. She has served as an officer of the Missouri Circuit Judges' Association for the past three years and is currently serving as President. Judge Asel resides in Columbia with her husband Don Asel. They have three daughters.

6th Annual Chippin' in for Charity Final Numbers

The final numbers are in for the 6th Annual Chippin' in for Charity Golf Tournament held on October 8, 2012 at The Club at Old Hawthorne. \$12,030.35 was the total raised and was donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services, which provides pro bono legal services for low income clients. Mid-Missouri Legal Services intends to use the money to help out with a newly formed project to assist veterans. The Young Lawyers Committee, which organizes the tournament, would again like to thank all of the generous sponsors, participants, and volunteers who helped make this year's tournament such a success and is looking forward to the 2013 tournament, which is scheduled for Monday, October 14, 2013 at The Club at Old Hawthorne.

Mizzou Law School to Present Two Symposiums

The University of Missouri School of Law's Journal of Environmental and Sustainability Law and our Tax Law Society will provide a symposium entitled "Promoting Sustainable Energy Through Tax Policy" on February 22. This event is free and open to the public and includes 4.5 hours (slightly less than the 4.8 reported on the brochure) of CLE credit in Missouri.

The full schedule is also available on our website at <http://law.missouri.edu/faculty/symposium/>. The brochure for this event can be downloaded by clicking [here](#).

Also coming up on March 8 will be the Missouri Law Review Symposium, "Bombshell or Baby Step? The Ramifications of Miller v. Alabama for Sentencing Law and Juvenile Crime Policy," This symposium, held on March 8, will also offer no-cost CLE credit.

Volunteers Still Needed for High School Mock Trial Competition

Special thanks to **Brad Lear**, **Roger Johnson**, **Todd Werts**, Drew Schaffler, Ellen Haynes, Jason Gannon, Stephan Tomlinson, Andy Briscoe, Jase Carter, Kim Burton, **Sander Sowers**, and Michael Campbell for stepping up to volunteer as judges and evaluators for the first round of the regional High School Mock Trial Competition on January 12.

Attorney volunteers are again needed to judge and evaluate the 2nd round of the competition on Saturday, February 23. Please contact **Bill Ellis** at 573-777-3900 or at bill@billellislaw.com.

Changes Made to Boone County Probate Court Fingerprinting Procedure

The following is a message from Sandra Oswald, Probate Supervisor:

Please be advised that fingerprints can be done at the courthouse with the Court Marshal's on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. However, if it is a Tuesday following a Monday holiday, we ask that you not send anyone for fingerprints on those Tuesdays as they are very busy days.

Your clients will need their receipt showing payment has been made for the fingerprints with them when they come in or we can get them a copy in the probate office. No appointment required, they can either stop at the Marshal's station on the 1st floor of the courthouse or they can come to the probate division and we will contact the Marshal's for them.

No fingerprints will be done on Monday's or Friday's as these are usually extremely busy days in the courthouse and there is usually not a Marshal available to process the prints. An exception can be made on Monday's or Friday's if you have an out of state client or a client that has traveled some distance for court and they are only going to be here on that day.

Two Messages from Boone County Courthouse's Technology Services Office

1. Courthouse Wireless Access:

As a courtesy to attorneys, wireless internet access is available in most public areas of both the Boone and Callaway County courthouses. Access requires logon credentials provided by the circuit's Technology Services staff. Credentials may be requested by contacting Technology Services staff by email. Please be sure to identify the desired courthouse(s) where wireless access is desired.

Staff who already have logon credentials and wish to change their password may do so by contacting Technology Services staff by email and requesting the change. The email address for Technology Services staff is bne-technology-services@courts.mo.gov. More information is available at the 13th circuit web site <http://www.courts.mo.gov/hosted/circuit13>. Click on the 'For Attorneys' link, then 'Courthouse Wireless Internet'.

2. Courtroom Assignments and Dockets:

Late each afternoon both the dockets and courtroom assignments for the next business day are posted online. You may find them at the circuit's web site <http://www.courts.mo.gov/hosted/circuit13>, then click on the 'Dockets' link.

13th Circuit Presents Art Gallery in the Courthouse: "A Public Viewing"

The 13th Circuit thanks the Art Committee for their work and congratulates them on their first art gallery. Please take a minute the next time you are in the courthouse look at the selected photos hung in the first, second, and third floor hallways. The theme "A Public Viewing".

'(1885-1950): Images of Boone County from the turn of the century and beyond' features selected photos from Boone County. Special thanks goes to Bleu Restaurant for allowing the Art Committee to make replicas of its photos (formerly owned by Boone Tavern), and for sponsoring the Jan. 18 reception. The art committee is co-chaired by **Josh Oxenhandler** and Kathy Walther; and other members include Judge **Jodie Asel**, Facilities Maintenance Manager Bob Davidson, Assistant to the Court Administrator **Mary Epping**, Prosecutor **Dan Knight**, Attorney **Dave Knight**, Commissioner **Karen Miller**, Judge **Gary Oxenhandler**, and Public Administrator Cathy Richards.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, February 8, 11:45 a.m.: BCBA's Juvenile Law Committee will meet at Bleu. Issues to be addressed will include more effective ways to guarantee payment for court-ordered GAL service, and docket efficiencies in Divisions 8 and 10.

Tuesday, February 26, 11:45 a.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for a lunch gathering at Flat Branch, 115 S. 5th Street. For more information or questions, please contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991, or sowers@learwerts.com.

Thursday, April 11, 11:30 a.m.: In honor of Parental Alienation Awareness month Knight & Salladay Law Offices will be hosting a lunch n' learn at Bleu. The speakers will be **Anna Lingo**, Markel & Lingo Law Offices who is a court appointed Guardian ad Litem and Mediator and **Lynne Harris**, Professional Counselor and also Mediator who will be discussing the ins and outs of Parental Alienation in Family Court. This program is eligible for 1.5 hours of CLE credit. Bring \$13 for lunch and RSVP to Knight & Salladay Law Offices at: secretary@columbiamolawfirm.com, or call 573-256-7205.

TRANSITIONS

Brent Haden announces Haden and Byrne L.L.C. has changed its address to 827 East Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201, and he has a new website: www.showmelaw.com. The firm's other information remains phone 442-3535.

Fred Boeckmann has changed his contact information to 1401 Dunbar, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 573-442-9691, email faboeckmann@gmail.com.

NEW MEMBERS

Kate Busch, Director of Career Development, University of Missouri School of Law, 103 Hulston Hall, Columbia, MO 65211, phone 882-6444, fax 882-9625, email buschk@missouri.edu. Kate received her undergraduate degree in political science from MU in 2003, and is a 2007 graduate of MU Law. Prior to her position as Director of Career Development at MU Law, she was an assistant prosecuting attorney in Warren County. At MU Law, she primarily focuses on broadening the law school's network of small-firm employers and is responsible for the judicial clerkship program. Kate is married to Daniel Busch, (M.S. Animal Science '05), their son Clayton was born in September 2010.

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Rachel Meystedt, Johnston & Smith, LLC, 2800 Forum Blvd., Ste. 3, Columbia, MO 65203, phone 441-0080, fax 449-3004, email, RMeystedt@gmail.com, website www.johnstonandsmith.com. Rachel is from a small town in Southeast Missouri. She graduated with a degree in Strategic Communication from the Mizzou Journalism School in 2009, and from Mizzou Law School in 2012. She was named a member of the Order of the Barristers in law school. During law school, Rachel clerked for the U.S. Attorney's Office, E.D., in Cape Girardeau, and for Van Matre, Harrison, Hollis, Taylor, and Bacon, P.C. in Columbia before joining Johnston and Smith, LLC, in August 2012. Rachel currently focuses her practice on Employment Law and Family Law. Her husband, Jason, is the Sales and Operations Manager at Centurion Stone in Columbia.

Dean **Gary Myers**, University of Missouri School of Law, 230 Hulston Hall, Columbia, MO 65211-4300, Phone 573-882-3246, Fax 573-882-4984, email Myers@missouri.edu. Gary Myers is Dean and Earl F. Nelson Professor of Law at the School of Law. Myers received his juris doctor with honors from Duke University School of Law and graduated summa cum laude with a bachelor's degree in economics from New York University. He also earned an MA in economics from the Duke University Graduate School as part of a joint degree program while at Duke. After graduation, he served as a law clerk for Judge Gerald Tjoflat of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit in Jacksonville, Fla. He then practiced complex commercial litigation with the Atlanta law firm of Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy, which has since merged with the Bryan Cave law firm.

Before being named the sixteenth dean at the School of Law, Myers was a long-time member of the faculty at the University of Mississippi School of Law. At Mississippi, Myers held the Ray & Louise Stewart Lectureship and served as its first associate dean for research. Myers has been a visiting professor of law at the College of William & Mary School of Law and Tulane University School of Law. He also served as a Distinguished Visiting Professor of Law at the Loyola University School of Law in New Orleans.

Robert Ritchie, Faber & Brand, LLC, P.O. Box 10110, Columbia, MO 65205, phone 449-3141, fax 866-501-0788, email rfr@faberandbrand.com. Robert is a native of Warrenton, Missouri where he graduated from high school in 2005. He attended undergrad at Truman State University, and graduated cum laude in 2008 with a B.S. in Political Science and a minor in History. After graduating from Mizzou Law in 2012, Robert began work as an associate attorney with Faber and Brand in September 2012 focusing his practice on collections law. During his free time Robert enjoys reading, traveling, spending time outdoors, and rooting on the St. Louis Cardinals and Missouri Tigers.

OTHER NEWS

The updated Boone County Associate Courts dockets, showing all changes to the regular docket, known as of February 1, have been posted on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>.

The BCBA's 2013 Budget can be found on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/budget.htm>.

About 65 people attended the BCBA program and CLE presented on January 9, by Western District Appellate Judges Mark Pfeiffer and **Gary Witt**, Western District Court Clerk Terry Lord, and Missouri Supreme Court Judge Paul Wilson entitled "*E-filing Updates, Appeal Statistics, Lawyer Kudos, and Q&A With the Western Appellate Court.*"

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