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Ethics CLE Credit Available for BCBA Meeting June 12

Sara Rittman, former Legal Ethics Counsel for the Advisory Committee of the Missouri Supreme Court, will present a CLE on Succession Planning at the next regular meeting, lunchtime at Bleu, on Wednesday, June 12. This program will qualify attendees for 1.2 hours of Ethics CLE credit. Approval of the credit is pending at the time of publication, but the program has been approved for 1.2 hours of Ethics CLE credit in other venues, so there is a high degree of certainty that it will be so approved again once the paperwork is processed.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the lower level at Bleu, 811 E. Walnut. The presentation will begin about noon. A brief business meeting will precede the program. 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, June 11, so Bleu can prepare sufficient food and seating.

Nominating Committee appointed; apply for positions

by **Steve Scott**, 2012-13 President

Susan Lutton will chair this year's Nominating Committee. Other members are **Glen Ehrhardt**, **Lori Hickerson**, **Jean Goldstein** and **Clark Jones**.

BCBA members interested in being an officer or Executive Committee member for 2013-14 should contact any one of the Nominating Committee members. Their email addresses are:

Susan Lutton – Lutton@mmls.org

Glen Ehrhardt – Gehhardt@rewhlaw.net

Lori Hickerson – lori@bezlerandgreenlaw.com

Jean Goldstein – jeangold@socket.net

Clark Jones – clj@11-7law.com

The former system of selecting the next Vice President on a seniority basis no longer applies. Normally the Vice President is nominated to be the following year's President. Other positions available are Secretary, Treasurer and two at-large members of the Executive Committee. The election will be held at the annual meeting/picnic in September.

In other news:

- Our bar sponsored a reception for newly naturalized U.S. citizens at the Bond U.S. District Courthouse in Jefferson City on May 30. Thanks to Executive Committee member **Erika Fadel** for representing us in welcoming the new citizens.
- The BCBA was recognized as a 25-year participant in the Columbia Public Schools Partners in Education (PIE) Program at the annual breakfast on May 9. I accepted the award on the bar's behalf. Also attending was longtime former PIE Chair **Liz Magee**. Thanks to 1986-87 President **Dave Knight** for taking the lead in getting us involved in the PIE program. Thanks also to the many bar members who have helped out over the years.



The 25-year Partners-in-Education Award received by the BCBA on May 9. It reads: "In Recognition and Appreciate Of 25 Years Of Service To The Partners In Education Program In Columbia Public Schools. 2013." The award will be hung in the Counsel Chambers at the Boone County Courthouse."

Judge Aulger Elected President of MMACJA

The Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association (MMACJA) is pleased to announce that Judge **Robert D. Aulger** of Columbia, Missouri was elected President of the Association at the recently concluded 2013 Annual Courts Conference. The Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Judges Association membership consists of 301 judges who preside in municipal and associate circuit courts throughout Missouri. The purpose of the Association is to provide judicial education courses, to maintain the highest possible judicial standards in our courts, and to work with the Judicial, Legislative, and Executive branches of state government to provide our citizens with uniform laws, practices and procedures to ensure a fair hearing of their disputes in our courts.

In Remembrance of Larry M. Woods

Former BCBA President **Larry M. Woods** passed away on February 26, 2013. After serving in the Air Force as a judge advocate general, Larry served as Boone County Prosecuting Attorney beginning in 1958 and as a State Legislator. Larry practiced law continuously for almost 50 years, ending his career "Of Counsel" with his son **Matt Woods** and **Pat Eng** of Eng and Woods. Larry is remembered as a talented and ethical lawyer, an honest and loyal friend, and an outstanding civic servant.

Lana Brooks Recognized for 20 Years of Service with the Judiciary

A big congratulations and thank you to Lana Brooks for her 20 years of service with the judiciary. She started working in the 13th Circuit in the Probate Division under Judge Roper in 1993. She worked there for two years and then transferred to a different office within the judiciary, Office of State Courts Administrator. We were very fortunate to persuade her to come back to Boone County in 2007 where she has held the position Unit Manager of the Circuit Clerk's office. Thank you Lana for your dedication and years of service.

13th Circuit Awarding GAL Contract

The 13th Judicial Circuit is renewing its juvenile case Guardian Ad Litem and Parent Attorney contracts for the 2013-2014 contract year. The circuit is considering changing the types of contracts awarded. A pre-award conference will be held Wednesday, June 5 at noon in the 3rd Floor Jury Assembly Room of the Boone County Courthouse. Please feel free to bring your own lunch. All contract attorneys must meet the qualifications of the Court, the Missouri Supreme Court and state statute for serving as a Guardian Ad Litem. Attorneys interested in a GAL or Parent Attorney contract in Boone County and/or Callaway County must turn in an interest form to the Court Administrator's Office no later than 5:00 pm Friday, June 7. If you have questions or would like an interest form, please call or e-mail Assistant to the Court Administrator Mary Epping at 573-886-4059, or Mary.Epping@courts.mo.gov.

YLC Thanks BCBA Attorneys for Their Support of Big Brothers/Big Sisters

YLC Thanks BCBA Attorneys/Firms for Their Support of Big Brothers/Big Sisters. The Young Lawyers Committee participated in the annual 'Big Brothers Big Sisters Bowl for Kids Sake' fundraiser on Saturday, May 4th. The team was comprised of **Ben Nelson, Mark Gingrich, Christina Devine, Josh Moore, and Sander Sowers**. The Young Lawyers Committee team raised \$2,945.00 for Big Brothers Big Sisters, which was the most money raised by any team that participated in the event. The Young Lawyers Committee would like to thank the many BCBA members and firms who generously donated to and supported this fundraising effort. Special thanks are also in order for BCBA member **Bob Buckley**, who serves on the Big Brothers Big Sister Board of Directors, for his assistance with the Young Lawyers Committee's fundraising efforts.

2012-13 BCBA CLE Programs Listed

For the convenience of BCBA members completing their CLE reports due July 31 for the year ending June 30, all the CLE credit programs presented by the BCBA from July 2012 through June 2013 are listed on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/cle.htm>. The listing may make the *Newsletter* itself next month.

BCBA Scholarships Presented at Seven Area High Schools

Every year the Boone County Bar Association presents scholarships to students at the Boone County public high schools who have demonstrated interest in governmental, political, or civil affairs. The scholarships at each of the Columbia schools are for \$1,000, and at the outlying county schools are for \$500. The scholarships are administered by our Partners in Education Committee, chaired by **Sarah Read**. This year the scholarships were awarded to the following students.

Douglass: Tiauna Hickem. Tiauna participated in high school debate and was a member of a 9th grade Project Citizen team that won superior marks at the state level for their texting while driving public awareness campaign. She will be attending Lincoln University in the fall as a Nursing major. She cited her civic studies as some of the most important education she has received in high school, saying that “We the people need to be strong and wise and aware of what is going on around us, to keep us safe from others as well as ourselves.” **Karen Hajicek** presented the scholarship at the Douglass graduation.

Hickman: Hosanna Burr. Hosanna was the captain of Hickman’s district-winning Varsity Mock Trial team the past two years and a state-qualifying debater in public forum and policy debate. Additionally, she served as an appellate judge at Missouri Girls State in 2012. Hosanna will be attending Huntington University (Indiana) in the fall as a Pre-Law, Mathematics Education major. She plans to teach high school math for several years in order to earn money to pay her way through law school, where she hopes to specialize in family law. **Bill Ellis** presented the scholarship at the Hickman awards ceremony.

Rock Bridge: Andrew Hutchinson. Andrew was the captain of the Rock Bridge Debate team, a member of the Global Issues Club, and the president and founding member of the Young Moderates Club. Additionally, he served as a senator at Missouri Boys State (and was an alternate for Boys Nation) and is a former recipient of the Thomas Jefferson Award for Excellence in Government. Andrew will be attending the University of Missouri – Columbia in the fall as an English and Social Studies Education major. He plans to become a high school teacher in order to spread the joy of reading, writing, and history to future generations. **Chris Slusher** presented the scholarship at the Rock Bridge awards ceremony.

Ashland (Southern Boone): Adrian Wheeler. Adrian was not only an excellent student, he held many leadership roles, including president of the senior class. He worked with the Boone County Sheriff’s Department on alcohol compliance checks, interned on a state senator’s election campaign, and attended Boys State where he was elected state representative. He hopes in the future to both own a small business and run for office. Adrian plans to study Business Administration and Political Science at Truman State. **Mick Wilson** appeared at the school’s awards ceremony to present this scholarship.

Centralia: Maddison Whitaker. Maddison also was an excellent student, and she held many leadership roles including Centralia FFA Parliamentarian and Relay for Life Team Captain. In addition to her leadership roles, Maddison participated in FFA, Student Council, National Honor Society, 4-H, and Missouri Girls State. Maddison also worked at both the Centralia Country Club and Kinkhead Pharmacy. Maddison will study Agriculture Business and Political Science at the University of Central Missouri-Warrensburg. **Jason Shackelford** presented this award at the school’s awards ceremony.

Hallsville: Zachary Bequette demonstrated a strong interest in government throughout his high school career, attending such programs as Boys State, the United States Senate Youth Program, and Notre Dame’s summer institute. In addition Zach took on leadership positions in Student Council, FBLA, NHS, and many other programs. Zach is also an Eagle Scout. In his application Zach observed, “To be a good citizen one must be informed, involved, and care about their government. Zach will continue his studies at Notre Dame. Judge **Michael Bradley** travelled to Hallsville to present this scholarship at the school’s awards ceremony.

Harrisburg: Harrisburg did not nominate a student this year, although it was eligible to do so.

Sturgeon: Ashley Biswell. Ashley performed well academically while also participating in a variety of clubs and organizations including Student Council, National Honor Society, Future Business Leaders of America, National Art Honor Society, and 4-H. She held leadership positions in several of these organizations; taking on extra responsibilities as needed. Ashley attended Sturgeon High School part-time this year so she could attend Moberly Area Community College to get a jump start on her college education. Ashley also worked in the law department at Orsheln Management Company to gain experience in her selected career path. She will be attending Hannibal LaGrange University this fall where she plans to major in Business with a minor in Law. She is interested in becoming a paralegal and considering attending law school. **Elton Fay** travelled to Sturgeon to present this award at their graduation ceremonies.

This was a great group of scholarship recipients this year and we wish them all well in their future careers! We also want to thank all of the presenters who took the time to represent the BCBA at the ceremonies and graduations. These events provide an important connection with the community and appearing is an excellent service to the bar. Thank you to all.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, June 18, 11:45 a.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for lunch at Broadway Brewery, 816 E. Broadway. The committee will begin planning for the annual Chipping in for Charity golf tournament fundraiser. For more information contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com.

Thursday, June 20, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.: Please join us for Parental Alienation Part 2: Case Analysis and a View from the Bench. This CLE will be held at Bleu Restaurant, 811 East Walnut. Lunch buffet opens at 11am with presentation to begin promptly from 11:30-1pm. The speakers will include **Anna Lingo** who will provide information regarding the most recent case law involving this topic and a roundtable discussion with Judge **Leslie Schneider**, Commissioner **Sara Miller**, and Judge **Robert Sterner**. Lynne Harris, LPC and mediator will be present to add comment from Part 1 of this program. The cost is \$15 payable at the door and this program is eligible for 1.5 hours of CLE credit. This program is sponsored by Knight & Salladay Law Offices. Please call 573-256-7205 or email legalassistant@columbiamolawfirm.com to RSVP.

Friday, June 28, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.: The BCBA's Probate Committee is sponsoring a CLE presented by **Jason Simmons** of Cripps and Simmons entitled "So You Think You Want to Serve as a GAL? What You Might Need to Know to Serve as Court Appointed Counsel in Guardianship and Conservatorship Proceedings Under Chapter 475." The program has been approved for 1.2 hours of CLE credit, and will be held in the Jury Assembly Room on the 3rd floor of the Courthouse. Bring your own lunch, as lunch is not provided. The announcement for the program can be found here.

TRANSITIONS

Susan Lutton announces that Mid-Missouri Legal Services is moving to 1201 West Broadway, Columbia, 65203, on June 26, 2013. The Columbia office telephone numbers will remain 442-0116 and 1-800-568-4931. The fax number will remain 573-875-0173, and the email addresses will remain the same.

Erica Hudson announces she is closing her law office. Erica joined Arch Enterprises in January as in-house counsel. Her new contact information is P.O. Box 1017, 2501 Lakeview Road, Mexico, MO 65265, phone: 573-581-3110, fax: 573-581-3117, email: erica.hudson@archenterprises.com.

Veronica Manahan has relocated her office to 3610 Buttonwood Dr., Ste.200, Columbia, 65201. Her other contact information is as follows: Phone 886-8953, Fax 886-8901, email veronicamanahan@gmail.com.

Rachel Meystedt has left Johnson and Smith, LLC, and is now working as Legal Counsel for the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services. Her new contact information is Department of Health and Senior Services, 912 Wildwood Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65102, phone 573-526-0720, fax 573-751-0247, email Rachel.Meystedt@health.mo.gov.

The BCBA Member Directory has been updated to reflect new email addresses for **Glen Ehrhardt**, gehrhardt@rewhlaw.net, and **Elizabeth Weber** lweber@rewhlaw.net. Also, the website for Rogers, Ehrhardt, Weber & Howard, www.rewhlaw.net, was added to their listings.

NEW MEMBERS

Karma Q, Johnson, University of Missouri, 1 Hospital Drive, 190 Galena, Mail Code N521, Columbia, 65212, phone 314-472-5155, email karma@karmaqjohnson.com. Karma graduated from Mizzou Law School in July 2012. Karma currently works for the University of Missouri Health Sciences Institutional Review Board, concentrating in Human Subjects Protections and Compliance.

OTHER NEWS

Greta Bassett-Seymour is subleasing office space at 1900 N. Providence Rd., Ste. 300, Columbia (The Kelly Plaza). Please call Greta at 999-4123 for details.

Melissa Faurot has office space available for lease in the Guitar Building, right across from the courthouse. This is not an office share arrangement, but an individual office for an attorney. For more information, contact Melissa at 449-4473

The Boone County Associate Court's current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule has been updated effective June 1, and can be found on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>.

About 73 BCBA members attended the regular monthly meeting and Ethics CLE program on May 1, entitled "Why Pro Bono- More Than Giving Back, presented by Missouri Bar President Pat Starke, Judge **Leslie Schneider**, MMLS Director **Susan Lutton**, and **Michael Matthews**, MMLS VLP Coordinator.

TREASURER'S REPORT BY MICHAEL FOSTER

Account balance as of 9/30/12	\$7,755.39
Receipts 10/01/12 to 02/28/13	
10/3/12 Bar Dues	\$125.00
10/31/12 Interest	0.05
11/15/12 Proceeds from 2012 Charity Golf Tournament	\$16,070.00
11/30/12 Interest	\$0.11
12/31/12 Interest	\$0.11
1/7/13 Deposit (2013 Bar Dues and Christmas Party Proceeds)	\$10,840.75
1/31/13 Interest	\$0.14
2/28/13 Interest	\$.03
Total Receipts	\$27,036.19
Expenses 10/01/12 to 02/28/13	
10/3/12 Thad Taylor (Webmaster/ Newsletter Editor stipend- 3 rd quarter)	\$750.00
10/11/12 University of Missouri (Mark Won)	\$1,000.00
10/30/12 Old Hawthorne (Golf Tournament Deposit)	\$500.00
11/15/12 Bleu Restaurant- (Executive Committee Meeting)	\$84.88
11/16/12 Bingham's- 2012 Picnic	\$180.00
11/19/12 Bleu Restaurant (November BCBA Meeting)	\$40.00
11/20/12 Hy Vee (2012 Picnic)	\$836.78
11/26/12 Columbia Utilities	\$100.00
11/29/12 Club at Old Hawthorne (2012 Golf Tournament)	\$6,977.90
11/14/12 University of Missouri (2012 Picnic)	\$650.53
1/10/13 Bleu Restaurant (January Executive Committee Meeting)	\$100.00
1/22/13 Thad Taylor (Webmaster/Newsletter Editor stipend – 4 th quarter)	\$750.00
1/23/13 Columbia Country Club (2012 Christmas Party)	\$6,310.48
1/24/13 Mid-Missouri Legal Services (Charity Golf Donation)	\$12,030.35
Total Expense	\$30,310.92
Account Balance as of 10/30/12	\$4,480.63

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