



Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

www.bocomobar.org

April 2014 – Published March 31, 2014

Volume 29, Number 4

RSVP by April 2 for April 9 Bench-Bar Social at Reynolds Hall

Make your reservations now for the annual Thirteenth Circuit Bench-Bar Mixer to be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, April 9, at the University Club, Reynolds Alumni Center, Ballroom C.

Reservations are due no later than 5 p.m. on Wednesday, April 2 so we can give an accurate count to the University club by noon that day. RSVP to BCBA Secretary **Marjorie Lewis** at 442-3181 or mlewis@bwsplaw.com.

The BCBA is subsidizing a portion of the cost of the mixer, but those attending will need to pay \$25 per person. Payment may be made at the door, and checks should be payable to the BCBA. If you RSVP but do not attend, you will be expected to pay \$25 anyway because we will be charged based on the number of reservations.

The event is open to members of the Boone County Bar Association, the Callaway County Bar Association, and all Thirteenth Circuit judges and courthouse staff members. Unlike the annual picnic and Holiday Party, spouses and dates are not invited. The mixer is designed to allow lawyers, judges and courthouse personnel to mingle and talk in an informal, relaxed atmosphere and get better acquainted.

As was the case last year, the event will be a mixer-style affair instead of a formal dinner. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. This annual bench-bar gathering is co-sponsored by the Boone and Callaway Bars. It alternates two years in Boone County and one year in Callaway. It will be held in Boone County again next year.

Final BCBA Dues Deadline is April 5

The final deadline for paying 2014 BCBA dues is April 5. Those who have not paid by that date will be removed from the membership rolls and email list. Dues are \$50/lawyer, except that “public service” lawyers pay \$25 (see the Dues page on the BCBA website for the definition of public service). Dues are waived for sitting and retired judges and for members who have been licensed for 50 years or more or who are at least 75 years old. Dues payments should be sent to BCBA Treasurer **Clark Jones**, 11 N. 7th Street, Columbia, MO 65201-4423. See the website for a payment coupon: <http://bocomobar.org/dues.htm>.

University of Missouri Law School's Law Day to be held April 25-26

Law Day returns to the spring this year on April 25-26. The Law School has planned a number of activities to help alumni reconnect with old friends and make some new ones.

Before the festivities begin, a free CLE is offered in Hulston Hall, Room 4. On April 25, from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m., the program “Missouri eFiling System” will be presented by Cathy Zacharias from the State Courts Administrator's office. There is no fee for the event and it has been approved for 1.2 hours of CLE credit.

The festivities will kick off with the Law Day Awards Ceremony & Dinner on Friday night, April 25, beginning at 5 p.m. Among the 2014 awardees is Judge **Jodie Capshaw Asel**, receiving the Order of Barristers award. Also being honored is **Dan Dunham's** daughter, Kirsten Dunham, a 2L, who is receiving the Judge L.F. Cottey Advocacy Award.

On Saturday, April 26, at 9 a.m., the 10th Annual Tim Heinsz 5K & 10K Run/Walk and Jim Devine Dog Walk will begin outside the West Entrance of Hulston Hall. All proceeds from the event will go to the Timothy J. Heinsz Scholarship Fund. The school's oldest alumni tradition, the Law Day Picnic, will begin on the Carnahan Quadrangle right outside of Hulston Hall, at 11:30 a.m.

On Saturday evening, from 4-6 p.m., the Law School will host its inaugural Law School Alumni Happy Hour at Quinton's, 124 S. 9th Street, in downtown Columbia. Half of the proceeds from this event will benefit the law school's general scholarship fund.

For more information, go to <http://www.law.missouri.edu/alumni/lawday.html>. Several of the events require RSVP's on or before April 17, so act now if you are interested.

Reminders for Service Through the Boone County Sheriff's Department By Christy Blakemore, Circuit Clerk

The Clerk's Office is still collecting the fee for service for the Sheriff. You need to send service fees electronically with the request for service to the clerk. This is the same for garnishments. We have received several garnishments with no fees that we have had to return to the filer.

If you are requesting service by the Sheriff, we will fill in at the bottom of the document showing amount paid and clerk initials, (something along those lines) before we send the document back to you. This is the indicator to the Sheriff's Dept. the fee has been paid to us. The Sheriff's Department has requested you include a cover letter when you send the documents to them for service. It just needs to be the standard information like "summons attached to be served at, fee has been paid to clerk, etc." Any information that you have that would be helpful to them for service. You also have to include the original and 2 copies of the summons.

When we return the garnishment back to you for service you will also receive a sheet that will have some instructions on it, and on there will be the indicator to the Sheriff the fee was paid to us. So you want to be sure that sheet goes to the Sheriff as well so they are aware the service fee was paid.

As of right now there are two options to get paperwork out to the Sheriff, mail or drop off at their facility. They will accept filings from 8:30-4:30 Monday through Friday. There were discussions about having a drop box here at the courthouse so that attorneys could drop their pleadings for service and they would go to the Sheriff via the county interoffice mail service. At this time the Sheriff is concerned about that process. This may be considered at a later date.

Please make sure that you have ALL the correct paperwork (right amount of copies, cover letter, showing fee was paid to clerk). If the Sheriff's Department does not the correct information they will return everything to you.

MO-AFCC & MARCH Mediation Annual Spring Conference April 3-4

'Understanding Parenting in the Context of Coercive Control', by Kristine Lizdas, JD, will be held at the Sheraton St. Louis City Center, 400 S. 14th St., St. Louis, 63103, on Thursday, April 3, and Friday, April 4.

Coercive controlling violence, a predominant issue for many families seeking child custody resolutions, and eludes identification and understanding by family court practitioners for many reasons. Through large group presentations and small group discussions, participants will better understand how coercive control impacts families, and learn how, in ways that account for coercive control, to manage dispute resolution processes for parents and children, and find ways to make recommendations, structure parenting time arrangements, and advocate for parents and children.

Email **Rachael F. Kennedy** (President of MO-AFCC and Treasurer of MARCH), rkennedy@rkennedylaw.net for more details or a flyer.

BCBA Upcoming CLE Programs Announced

Mark Your Calendars! BCBA Vice President **Jennifer Bukowsky** has lined up the following programs so far for the upcoming fiscal year: April 9, 2014- Bench Bar Dinner, May 14, 2014- Secretary of State Jason Kander, June 11, 2014- Missouri Supreme Court Chief Justice Mary Russell, September 2014 Bar Picnic. Additional programs will be announced as they are lined up.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, April 15, 11:45 a.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for lunch at Billiards on Broadway, 514 E. Broadway. For more information contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com.

Wednesday, April 16, 6-8 p.m.: The Women's Law Association of Mid-Missouri will be holding its annual membership event at Cork Wine Bar, 124 East High Street, Jefferson City. The event is open to all women lawyers and law students and will feature complimentary wine and appetizers. For more information, contact Whitney Payne at 314-607-9167 or whitney.payne@courts.mo.gov. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new ones!

UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

Friday, May 2, 12 – 1:30 p.m.: SAVE THE DATE: The Missouri Organization of Defense Lawyers (MODL) cordially invite you to attend a Luncheon with other area MODL members to hear “Views From the Bench”, presented by The Honorable **Paul C. Wilson**, The Honorable **Karen King Mitchell**, and the Honorable **Mark D. Pfeiffer**. The event has been approved for 1 hour of CLE credit, and will be held at Bleu Restaurant, 811 E. Walnut St., and cost \$45 per person. RSVP’s are requested by April 28. A link to the Flyer for the event can be found in the ‘Other News’ page of the BCBA website.

NEW MEMBERS

No new members enrolled this month.

TRANSITIONS

No transitions reported this month.

OTHER NEWS

Dan Dunham was elected on March 19th to serve as President for Services for Independent Living.

Miha Britt has formed a part-time solo practice, and is looking to share/rent a conference room or office space. Miha is looking for a space to meet with clients, especially during evenings and weekends. If you have space available, please contact Miha at 573-289-1692, or email miha@brittimmigrationlaw.com.

Helen Wade is running for re-election to the Columbia Public Schools Board of Education, on April 8.

The former law office of **Dale Reesman** (deceased) is available for sale or lease. **Larry Tate**, Dale’s former partner in Williams, Reesman and Tate, retired January 1, 2014. The building is on the National Historic Register and is located in High Street’s Historic District, in Boonville. It is a one-story, 1430 square feet structure on a 45 X 147 ½ foot lot. There is plenty of off-street parking and it is within walking distance of the Cooper County Courthouse. Anyone interested should contact Phyllis Reesman at pdrees@sbcglobal.net for further information.

Pat Eng has 900 feet of storefront office space downtown with parking available. Contact Pat at 874-4190 or peng@engandwoods.com for more information.

The Boone County Associate Court’s current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule has been updated effective March 31. The Boone County Circuit Court’s current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule has been updated effective March 10. Both updates can be found on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>.

The Court’s Phone Directory has been updated effective January 8, 2014.

About 40 members and guests attended the March 12 BCBA meeting and CLE Program "Explanation of the State Auditor’s Office" - presented by Missouri State Auditor Tom Schweich.

TREASURER’S REPORT BY CLARK JONES

Account balance of as February 28, 2014	\$10,261.51
Receipts 2/28/14 to 3/31/14	
2/28 Interest Payment	\$0.06
3/31 Bar Dues - 2014	\$1,275.00
Total Receipts	\$1,275.06
Expenses 2/28/14 to 3/31/14	
NONE	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$0.00
Account Balance as of March, 2014	\$11,536.57

The Boone County Bar Association Newsletter is published monthly by the Boone County Bar Association, Inc. Beginning August 1, 2011, send items for publication to the Editor/Webmaster, **Thad Taylor**, 1121 Bus. 70 E, Ste. 2B, Columbia, MO 65201, phone 445-4755, fax 445-4756, email thad@midwestelderlaw.com. Annual dues are \$50 and may be sent to the Treasurer, **Clark Jones**, 11 N. Seventh St., Columbia, MO 65201-4423, phone 449-2451. 2012-13 BCBA officers are: President, **Russ Still**, 515 Cherry St., Ste. 300, P.O. Box 933, Columbia, MO 65205-0933, phone 874-2402; Vice President, **Jennifer Bukowsky**, 810 E. Walnut, Columbia, MO 65201-4863; Secretary, **Marjorie Lewis**, 601 E. Broadway, Ste. 203, P.O. Box 1304, Columbia, MO 65205-1304, phone 442-3181; and Treasurer, **Clark Jones**, address above. Executive Committee members are the officers and **Steve Scott**, **Josh Oxenhandler** and **Wally Bley**. The BCBA web site is at www.bocomobar.org.