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CLE ethics credit granted for July 10 CDC program

One hour of CLE credit, including one hour of ethics credit, will be granted for the program at the next regular BCBA meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 10, at Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St.

The speakers will be Missouri Chief Disciplinary Counsel Maridee Edwards and Mark Flanegin, a staff

counsel in the CDC Office.

As usual when CLE-credit programs are presented, lunch will be served beginning at 11:30 a.m., and the program will begin at noon. Checks for the \$9 lunch price should be made payable to Boone Tavern.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this program, contact BCBA Secretary **Phebe**

La Mar at 443-3141 or lamar@smithlewis.com by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9.

The speakers plan to speak on the topic, "Fee Agreements: Suggestions to Avoid Disagreements."

They will discuss three sample fee agreement forms jointly prepared by the CDC, the Missouri Bar Dispute Resolution Committee, and The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance Co. The forms are available on the Missouri Bar web site at www.mobar.net/law/fdrsamples.pdf.

Edwards was appointed Chief Disciplinary Counsel by the Missouri Supreme Court effective July 1, 2001.

As CDC, she oversees the investigation and prosecution of all complaints against lawyers in the state. Before coming to Missouri, she worked as disciplinary counsel in the Office of Chief Trial Counsel for the State Bar of California for 10 years.

Flanegin has been a CDC staff counsel since April. He previously worked as a Platte County assistant prosecutor from 1979 to 1985, as an Assistant Attorney General in the Consumer Protection Division from 1985 to 1993, and as a Boone County assistant prosecutor from 1993 to 2002.

Treasurer's Report by Ed Orr

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| Account balance as of 5/30/02..... | \$5,253.07 |
| Receipts 5/30/02 - 6/26/02 | |
| Dues..... | +150.00 |
| Unused mock trial program funds | +256.65 |
| Interest..... | +1.31 |
| Disbursements 5/30/02 - 6/26/02 | |
| Accent Press (<i>Newsletter</i> printing) | -57.56 |
| Midwest Mailing (<i>Newsletter</i> mailing)..... | -65.09 |
| High school scholarships..... | -1,000.00 |
| City of Columbia (picnic shelter reservation) | -25.00 |
| Boone Tavern (guest lunches) | -36.00 |
| Account balance as of 6/26/02..... | \$4,477.38 |

Nominating Committee appointed

Bill Rotts, chair, and **Jeff Blaylock** and **Phebe La Mar** have been appointed as members of the 2002 Nominating Committee by BCBA President **Dan Atwill**.

The committee will nominate officers for 2002-2003, including president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, and two at-large members of the Executive Committee.

The immediate past president also serves on the Executive Committee along with the officers.

New officers will be

elected at the annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic in August and take office September 1.

Bar members may make suggestions for officer candidates to the Nominating Committee members. Under BCBA bylaws, nominations also may be made from the floor at the picnic with the consent of the nominees.

Mark your calendar: The picnic has been scheduled for the evening of Friday, August 23. Details will be published in the next *Newsletter*.

Orders for new BCBA composite being taken

Orders are now being accepted for the 2002 Boone County Bar Association photo composite.

Composites will be available in three sizes, 12"x18", 16"x24" and 20"x30". The names will be very small on the 12"x18" size.

For unmounted copies, the price will be \$30 for 12"x18", \$50 for 16"x24" and \$75 for 20"x30".

Ready-to-frame prints mounted on foam board will cost \$40 for 12"x18", \$66 for 16"x24" and \$100 for 20"x30".

Framed and mounted prints in a choice of several frame styles and colors will be

available at \$72 for 12"x18", \$105 for 16"x24", and \$149 for 20"x30".

For non-glare glass on framed copies, add \$14 for 12"x18", \$19 for 16"x24" and \$26 for 20"x30".

The quoted prices do not include sales tax, which will be added.

To place orders, contact Roger Berg's Creative Photo, 2201 S. Old 63, Columbia, MO 65201, phone 875-1841. Composites and individual portraits will be available indefinitely.

A large copy of the new composite will be hung in the Counsel Chambers at the Boone County Courthouse.

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Around the bar . . .

Another member of the **Eng & Woods** firm, **Dave Eblen**, has been elected to a leadership position in the Missouri Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. Dave was elected as a member of the group's Board of Directors at its recent meeting. As reported last month, **Pat Eng** is the new president of the organization.

Chris Faiella, whose office is in Moberly but who practices regularly in Boone County, is a new BCBA member. He is a partner in Tatlow, Gump & Faiella, LLC, 110 N. 5th St., Moberly, MO 65270, phone 660-263-3100, fax 660-263-0660. A 1995 graduate of the MU Law School, Chris' practice is limited to personal injury and products liability.

Another new BCBA member is **Amy Light Mills**, who is project director of MU's Missouri Agricultural Product Utilization and Incubation Center.

Wally Bley has pointed out that no fewer than eight Boone County lawyers were program presenters last November at a two-day Missouri Bar CLE program, "The Essentials of Missouri Practice." Wally said, "I for one am very proud of our local bar association for the willingness of its members to donate their time and efforts to bar functions, CLEs and the general betterment of our profession." With Wally's prompting, the *Newsletter* gives this belated recognition to the following local lawyers who presented at the program: **Lynne Hooper**, "How to Draft Effective Pleadings in a Civil Case"; **Skip Walther**, "How to Handle a Residential Real Estate Closing"; **Susan Ford Robertson**, "Keys to Effective Motions Practice in a Civil Case"; **Ken Wright**, "Interviewing & Counseling Your Estate Planning Client"; **Gary Stamper**, "Basics of Dissolution of Marriage"; **Bob Murray**, "How to

Handle Traffic Cases"; **Dan Pingelton**, "How to Handle an Order of Protection"; and **Steve Scott**, "How to Develop & Manage Your Own Law Firm."

While we're at it, we should also recognize the following Columbia lawyers who presented programs at the Missouri Bar's annual Solo and Small Firm Conference June 13-15 at Lake Ozark: **Bob Bailey**, "ADR Hot Topics including the Revised Uniform Arbitration Act"; **Bill Henning**, "A Plain English Overview of the New Article 9, Uniform Commercial Code"; **Sara Read**, "Parents at Law: How to Make the Dual Role Doable"; and **Ed Berg** and **Steve Scott**, "Landlord Tenant Issues from Both Perspectives."

In the last *Newsletter* it was reported that **Stephen Wyse** was appointed to chair a Missouri Bar Subcommittee on Criminal Justice Reform to review DNA exonerations and the recommendations contained in SB 1252. Stephen now reports that the public hearings planned by his subcommittee were canceled because the Criminal Law Committee wanted a quicker report, so the subcommittee has already prepared and submitted its report. A copy of the report has been posted on the BCBA web site "News" page in PDF format.

About 35 members attended the June 12 BCBA meeting to hear an update on Missouri court automation. Court Administrator Bob Perry moderated the program, which was presented by Circuit Clerk Cheryl Whitmarsh, Assistant Court Administrator Kathy Lloyd, and Technology Services Supervisor Melody Garnett. Kathy pointed out that BCBA members can use the court's "Missouri Gold" Westlaw subscription, which includes *Am.Jur.* and *A.L.R.*, on the computer in the Counsel Chambers at the Courthouse.