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## New prosecutor caseloads listed

With the departure of Debbie Daniels and the addition of two new assistant prosecutors, Nicole Gorovsky and Stephen Berry, Boone County Prosecutor Kevin Crane has announced the following new caseload assignments:

Bail: Felony drug offenses; vehicular assault; forfeiture actions; Drug Court.

Berry: Felony stealing; weapons; receiving stolen property; fraudulent use of credit device; forgery; bad checks.

Crane: Homicide.

Crockett: Offenses against females (A-L); misdemeanor assault; harassment; violation of order of protection; stalking; property damage; tampering; assigned felonies.

Dillon-Amelung: DWI; DoR license actions; DUS/DUR; traffic; delinquent taxes.

Gorovsky: PCR; misdemeanor stealing; leaving the scene; unassigned misdemeanors and felonies; conservation violations; unconditional release.

Gunn: Misdemeanor drug offenses; tampering; property damage; liquor violations; failure to return leased property; Mental Health Court; fugitives; peace disturbance.

Hicks: Offenses against children; interference with custody; kidnapping/ felonious restraint; sexual offenses against adults.

Knight: Felony assault; robbery; resisting arrest.

Moore: Child support enforcement. Sullivan: Burglary; misdemeanor assault (male victims); trespass; arson;

animal neglect. Volkert: Offenses against females (M-Z); misdemeanor assault; harassment; violation of order of protection; stalking; property damage; tampering;

assigned felonies.

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Reservations are due by noon on Wednesday, March 3, for the annual Bench-Bar Dinner to be held on Monday, March 8 at the Fulton Country Club, 701 E.  $10^{\text{th}}$  St.

Advance payment of the \$20 per person charge is required with reservations. Use the coupon below to send your reservations to BCBA Treasurer Rachael Kennedy. Make checks payable to "Boone County Bar Association, Inc."

The Bench-Bar Dinner, cosponsored by the Boone and Callaway County Bar Associations, is an opportunity for bar members from the two counties to mingle and exchange viewpoints with 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit judges.

The March 8 event will begin with a question-and-answer session at 6 p.m. and continue with a cash bar at 6:30 and dinner at 7:15.

#### BCBA dues are due

BCBA dues for 2004 were payable starting Jan. 1 and should be sent to Treasurer Rachael Kennedy at 1203 W. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65203. Make \$40 checks payable to "Boone County Bar Association, Inc."

Members who have not paid by April 30 are subject to being stricken from the rolls.

#### Fulton Country Club, 701 E. 10th St., Fulton

Interstate 70: Take I-70 east to exit 148 at Kingdom City. Go south on U.S. 54 toward Fulton. Take the first Fulton exit (Business 54). At the fourth stoplight (Business 54 and 10<sup>th</sup>), turn left on 10th Street. Follow 10th Street to the Country Club on the left across from Veteran's Park.

Route WW: Take Route WW and Route F east to Fulton. After crossing U.S. 54 take Brown Street and W. 4th St. into the downtown area. Go north to 10<sup>th</sup> Street, then east on 10<sup>th</sup> Street to the Country Club. A map is posted on the News Page of the BCBA web site.

The dinner menu will be spring salad, petite filet and champagne chicken, wild rice, steamed fresh vegetables, and chocolate shell with cream and fresh berries.

**Bench-Bar Dinner reservations due March 3** 

On Feb. 27 the BCBA Executive Committee will review questions to be submitted to the judges. Members wishing to pose questions should send them to President Elton Fay by Feb. 26.

The Bench-Bar Dinner alternates between Boone and Callaway counties, with Boone hosting two years and Callaway, the third year.

## **President's Notes**

As Missouri Bar President Bill Corrigan challenged us, I am also challenging each member of the Boone County Bar to personally contact legislators to express support for adequate funding of the judiciary.

As you know, the administration of justice in Boone County and surrounding areas is closely tied to the efficiency of the Circuit Clerk's and judges' staff members. We have quality personnel in our 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit.

The kind of proposed judicial system budget cuts discussed by Bill Corrigan would eliminate about one of every four support staff members from the clerk's and judges' offices.

It is imperative that we encourage our legislators to act responsibly to ensure that all citizens, from the poorest to the richest, receive equal and timely justice.

Please sign up for the Bench-Bar Dinner on March 8, and be sure to get there by 6 p.m. to participate in the question-andanswer dialog with the judges. We will all enjoy the hospitality of the "Kingdom of Callaway." I look forward to seeing you there.

-Elton Fav

### 2004 Bench-Bar Dinner Reservation/Payment Form

To: Rachael Kennedy, Treasurer **Boone County Bar Association** 1203 West Broadway Columbia, MO 65203-2125

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

Enclosed is payment of \$\_ for the Bench-Bar Dinner for the person(s) listed below (at \$20 per person) (Reservations are due by noon Wednesday, March 3, 2004)

Name(s) of persons attending Bench-Bar Dinner

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## Around the Bar . . .

About 50 BCBA members attended the regular meeting on Feb. 11 to hear Missouri Bar President William Corrigan Jr. discuss the state court funding crisis and the shortage of lawyers in the Missouri General Assembly, as well as other Missouri Bar initiatives.

John Rogers, a former BCBA member and son of David Rogers, recently became a partner in Bryan Cave LLP in St. Louis.

Effective Feb. 2 former Boone County Asst. Prosecutor **Debbie Daniels** started work in the Criminal Division at the Missouri Attorney General's office, P.O. Box 899, Jefferson City 65102, phone 573-751-4129, fax 573-751-5391.

**Janet Bezler** has relocated her office to 2700 Forum Blvd., Suite B, Columbia 65203, phone 443-5481, fax 443-8741.

Le Anne Wiseman has relocated her office to 3610 Buttonwood Dr., Suite 200, P.O. Box 7010, Columbia 65205, phone 442-1950, fax 442-3760.

**Dave Evans** will have a turn-key office space available at 717 Cherry St., Columbia, on March 1. Included are secretarial/receptionist services, supplies, postage, copier and fax. Call Dave at 449-8430 for information.

**Stan Clay** and **Gregg Hyder** have office-sharing space available at Suite 300 in the Guitar Building, including secretarial service, supplies, equipment, and Westlaw access. Call Stan at 442-1646 or Gregg at 449-6900 for information.

**Dewey Crepeau** has office space available for sublease at 2501 W. Ash St., Columbia. Some equipment and secretarial assistance may be available. Call Dewey at 445-9435 for information.

Several new members have joined the BCBA recently. In alphabetical order, they are:

**Eric Blume**, underwriting counsel at Guaranty Land Title Insurance, Inc., 607 E. Ash St., Columbia 65201, phone 449-5263, fax 449-3311. After graduating from the MU Law School in 2000, Eric practiced real estate law at the Lake of the Ozarks before taking his present job in September 2002.

Nicole Gorovsky, a new Asst. Boone County Prosecutor. She graduated from Washington University Law School in 2001 and

previously worked in the Criminal Division of the Missouri Attorney General's office.

**Geoffrey Preckshot**, a former assistant prosecutor in Callaway County, who has entered private practice and is sharing office space with **Charlotte Atkinson** at Suite 410, Guitar Building, 28 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Columbia 65201, phone 449-2411, fax 442-9804.

**George S. Smith**, 717 Cherry St., Suite A, Columbia 65201, phone 499-1616, fax 447-1288. He previously was on the faculty of the MU College of Food, Agriculture and Natural Resources for 12 years. His areas of concentration are family law, estate and retirement planning, agricultural law, and civil litigation.

**Jared Vessell**, an associate at **Atwill & Montgomery**, 16 N. 8<sup>th</sup> St., Columbia 65201, phone 442-3000, fax 449-1094. He graduated in May 2003 from the MU Law School.

Note about email addresses: In response to some recent inquiries, it is no longer possible to publish BCBA members' email addresses in the *Newsletter* because of the number of addresses on file. However, all email addresses on file are available on the Members Page of the BCBA web site. As a special note, **Oliver Walker Wilson, LLP** just installed a new computer network, as a result of which all lawyers in that firm have new email addresses that are posted on the bar web site.

## Treasurer's Report by Rachael Kennedy