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Committees are announced

President **Jodie Asel** has announced the following BCBA Committee appointments for 2004-05:

Civil Practice/Procedure: **Milt Harper**, chair, and **Steve Scott** and **Ron Sweet**.

Family Law: **Doug Pugh**, chair, and **Mary Carnahan**, **Charles Dykhouse**, **Elton Fay**, **Jean Goldstein**, **Steve Scott** and **Leslie Schneider**.

Criminal Law: **Nicole Volkert**, chair, and **Dave Evans** and **Josh Oxenhandler**.

Mediation: **Marilyn Gaeth**, chair, and **Sarah Read**.

Juvenile Law: **Anna Lingo**, chair, and **Linda Harris**.

Bar/Schools Partnership: **Brian Sleeth**, chair, and **Dan Dunham**, **Brad Lear**, **Elizabeth Parrigin** and **Todd Werts**.

Public Relations: **Joy Rushing**, chair.

Legal Aid: **Gwen Froeschner Hart**, chair, and **Joy Rushing**.

Young Lawyers: **Gretchen Rogers**, chair, and **Linda Harris**, **Brad Lear**, **Josh Oxenhandler**, **Ron Sweet** and **Todd Werts**.

Picnic: **Mark Langworthy**, chair, and **Elton Fay** and **Ron Sweet**.

Programs/Entertainment: **Pat Eng**, chair, and **Brad Lear**.

CLE credit for appellate program Nov. 17

One hour of CLE credit will be granted for a program on "Current Appellate Practices and Procedures" to be presented by three judges of the Western District Missouri Court of Appeals at the regular BCBA meeting on Wednesday, Nov. 17.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Linda Harris** at 449-3874 or lindah@tranquility.net by 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16.

As usual when CLE programs are presented, meal service will begin at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 17 at

Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St. The lunch price will be \$9, payable to Boone Tavern. The program will start by 12:10 p.m. after a brief business meeting.

The judges, **Lisa White Hardwick**, **Robert Ulrich** and **Thomas Newton**, will be in town to hear oral arguments in four cases at the Boone County Courthouse starting at 9 a.m.

After discussing current appellate practice and procedure, the judges will welcome questions from bar members.

100 attend Oct. 13 meeting to hear Judge Hamilton

About 100 BCBA members turned out for the Oct. 13 meeting to hear 13th Circuit Presiding Judge **Gene Hamilton's** annual State of the Court address.

Judge Hamilton's topics in-

cluded a new case-numbering system to take effect Jan. 1, 2005, plans for an addition to the Boone County Courthouse, and an overview of newly effective legislation affecting the legal system.

New case numbers starting Jan. 1 will begin with "05BA," with "BA" being the county code for Boone County. This will allow each county to begin numbering cases each year with 00001.

Sanders' Watergate papers going to MU's Ellis Library

The Watergate investigation documents of the late **Don Sanders** are being donated to Special Collections at MU's Ellis Library by his widow, **Delores Sanders Mead**.

Bar members and the public are invited to the formal gift announcement at 11 a.m. Nov. 19 in Room 201, Ellis Library. A

reception will follow.

As a staff counsel to the Senate Watergate Committee, Sanders asked the questions that revealed President Nixon's White House tape-recording system.

Sanders, who died in September 1999, had a long public service career. After graduating from MU Law School, he

served in the Marine Corps and FBI and as counsel to Congressional committees and the Defense Department. After returning to Boone County, he opened a law practice, was active in the BCBA, served 1989-1990 as a County Commissioner, and was President of the Boone County Historical Society.

From the 2004-2005 Boone County Bar Association President

As we plan activities for next year, a special thanks and acknowledgment is extended to **Steve Scott** for his enormous contributions to the Boone County Bar. In addition to producing this *Newsletter*, he also monitors the various meetings, projects, and deadlines. And if you haven't visited the bar web-site at www.bocomobar.org, please do so. There is a wealth of information and many links to a number of pertinent sites. This bar web site was created entirely by Steve and is maintained by him as well. Thank you, Steve.

The program at our meeting on Nov. 17 will be moderated by **Susan Ford Robertson**. Susan is currently the President of both MODL and the Missouri Board of Law Examiners and recently made an outstanding presentation in a class entitled "No Frye, No Daubert, Read Chapter 490.065" at the Trial Judges Colleges with Supreme Court Justice Michael Wolff, Judge Larry Harmon and attorney Paul Kavanaugh. Our CLE program next week will provide an excellent opportunity to visit with three Western District

appellate judges and get first-hand information on "Current Practices and Procedures."

Please mark your calendars and plan on attending the Holiday Party on Thursday evening, December 9 when **Ron Bartlett** and his wife **Lyria** will welcome members of the bar and their guests to the Missouri Manor, which will be festively decorated for the holiday season. Ron's country ham is reason enough to be there, but you won't want to miss out on this great way to kick off the holiday season and socialize with fellow attorneys.

Thanks to all of you who signed up at the last meeting to serve on the various bar committees. Some of the committees could use more members. Please let me know if you are willing to participate.

I appreciate the honor of serving as President of the Boone County Bar. The entire Executive Committee looks forward to working with you to ensure that Boone County remains the best place in the State of Missouri in which to practice law.

— Jodie Capshaw Asel

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Around the bar . . .

Immediate Past President **Elton Fay**'s service was recognized at the Oct. 13 meeting with the presentation of a plaque reading, "In sincere appreciation to Elton Fay for outstanding leadership of the Boone County Bar Association as 2003-2004 President."

Boone County lawyers recognized as "Senior Counselors" at the recent Missouri Bar Annual Meeting were Winston Buford, Ron Bunn, Gus Lehr, Betty Littleton, and **Art Oliver**. They marked either their 75th birthday this year or their 50th year as a bar member.

Several local lawyers will present programs at the "Essentials of Missouri Practice" CLE program Nov. 12-13 at the Ramada Inn. They are: **Bob Murray**, **Susan Ford Robertson**, **Steve Scott**, **LeAnne Wiseman** and **Ken Wright**.

West Junior High School needs a lawyer coach for this year's Mock Trial program. Anyone willing to volunteer should contact **Liz Magee** at 256-2600 or emageelaw@aol.com.

The BCBA Young Lawyers group will hold its next meeting, a happy hour gathering, at Boone Tavern at 5 p.m. Tuesday Nov. 16. Fifteen attended the last meeting on Oct. 19. For information, contact **Gretchen Rogers** at 443-3134 or grogers@owwlaw.com, or **Brad Lear** at 875-1991 or lear@learandwerts.com.

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

Nathan Dulle, an associate at Lawrence W. Ferguson & Associates, 800 N. Providence, Suite 103, Columbia 65203, phone 817-2053, fax 874-5640. He is a May 2004 graduate of the MU Law School.

Michael L. Foster, an associate at Faber & Brand LLC, 3901 S. Providence, Suite D, Columbia 65203, phone 449-3141, fax 442-7072. He is a May 2003 graduate of the MU Law School.

Alex George, 8939 W. Terrapin Hills Rd., Columbia 65203, phone and fax 447-3570. He graduated from law studies at Oxford University, England, in 1991, and practiced commercial law in London for eight years. He has also published three novels, with a fourth coming out next year. His wife is a Missouri native, and they moved to Columbia with their 3-year-old son in July 2003 to be

close to her family and raise their son in a smaller city environment. Alex passed the Missouri bar exam in July 2004.

Robert N. Hollis, an associate at Van Matre & Harrison PC, 1103 E. Broadway, Suite 101, P.O. Box 1017, Columbia 65205. He is a May 2004 graduate of the MU Law School.

Anthony Phillips, an associate at Wyse Law Firm PC, 609 E. Broadway, Columbia 65201, phone 449-7755, fax 442-8669.

Rotts & Gibbs LLC, 1001 E. Walnut, Suite 301, P.O. Box 7385, Columbia 65205, phone 443-3463, fax 443-7099, has announced the hiring of a new associate, Tim Gerding, who recently graduated from the MU Law School.

Bill Rotts also announced that he has a 500-square-foot office space available on the terrace level of the Tenth & Walnut Building, including two offices, a reception area and a file storage room. Utilities and Westlaw will be included in the rent. The office will be newly painted and carpeted. Call Bill at 443-3463.

Dave Evans still has furnished or unfurnished office space available at 717 Cherry St., Columbia for a single attorney to share a secretary. Included are supplies, postage, fax, copier, and Internet connection. Call Dave at 449-8430.

Treasurer's Report by Amy Markel

Account balance as of 9/30/04.....	\$5,020.95
Receipts 9/30/04 - 11/4/04	
Dues.....	+40.00
Interest.....	+0.86
Disbursements 9/30/04 - 11/4/04	
Accent Press (<i>Newsletter</i> printing).....	-69.67
Midwest Mailing Service (<i>Newsletter</i> mailing).....	-89.37
Dues overpayment refund.....	-20.00
Boone Tavern (Executive Committee).....	-80.85
Campus Jewelers (plaque).....	-72.20
Picnic expenses.....	<u>-1,676.41</u>
Account balance as of 11/4/04.....	\$3,053.31