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Mock trial team wins first place, awards presented

May was another busy month for the BCBA Partners-in-Education Committee with a successful trip to North Carolina for the Hickman High School mock trial team and presentation of the 20th annual BCBA scholarships to three graduating high school seniors.

The Hickman mock trial team, coached by **Brad Lear**, finished in first place at the American Mock Trial Invitational in Charlotte, NC. The BCBA paid the team's travel expenses.

The mock trial competition was open to top state high school teams around the country. A total of 18 teams participated. Hickman team members were Ashok Cutkosky, Lucy Fang, Jessy Hwang, Joe Langworthy, Helen Lin, Jordan Ocena, Katie Van Doren, Adithi Vellore or Hannah Wigger.

Each year in May the BCBA presents three college scholarships to graduating high school seniors, one at Hickman, one at Rock Bridge High School, and one that rotates among other high schools in the county.

The Hickman recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship was Rachel Zemke, who will major in political science at Washington University in the fall.

Arthur Jago was the Rock Bridge recipient of a \$1,000 scholarship. He plans to enroll in a pre-law program at Northwestern University in the fall and later attend law school.

This year the rotating scholarship was increased by Executive Committee action from \$500 to \$1,000. The recipient was Sturgeon High School senior Jacob Lorentzen. He plans to pursue a career in education at Central Methodist University in the fall.

Ethics CLE-credit program at June 11 meeting

A one-hour ethics-credit CLE program will be presented at the next regular BCBA meeting at lunchtime on Wednesday, June 11, to assist members in meeting their triennial ethics CLE requirement.

Meal service will begin at 11:30 a.m. June 11 in the County Room on the lower level of Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St. The lunch price will be \$9, payable to the restaurant. A brief business meeting will precede the program.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Joy Ahern** at 445-8990 or jahern@harrismccausland.com by 5 p.m. Tuesday, June 10.

The program speaker will be Chris Stiegemeyer, risk manager for The Bar Plan Mutual Insurance Company, who makes frequent presentations on ethics and malpractice topics.

Chris will be on his way to the Missouri Bar's annual Solo and Small Firm Conference at the Lake of the

Ozarks and is expected to talk on a topic he will present there, "The Newest, Latest and Greatest Ethical Rules You Should Know About."

All practicing Missouri lawyers are required to have three ethics CLE credit-hours every three years, and June 30 is the end of the current three-year period for this requirement.

For help in completing the annual CLE reports due July 31, a list of BCBA CLE programs this past year will appear in the July Newsletter.

Local lawyers to present at MoBar conference

As in past years, a number of Boone County attorneys will be donating their time this month to make presentations at the Missouri Bar's annual Solo and Small Firm Conference at the Lake of the Ozarks.

Sarah Read is the organizer and will be a speaker for "Starting and Building a Practice Boot Camp." She will also speak on "Dealing with Client-Related Nightmares" and will lead a discussion group on maintaining a healthy work/life balance, in addition to moderat-

ing several programs.

Steve Scott will speak on finances, taxes, office technology and practice entity as part of the "boot camp" program and will moderate several other programs.

Michael McCrary will be one of the speakers at a program on the new bankruptcy law.

Assistant Attorney General **Joe Bindbeutel** will be one of the speakers on "Environmental Issues that Can Sneak Up on You and Your Clients."

Carolyn Mathews will pre-

sent a program titled "Stretch Your Mind and Your Body."

There is still time to register for the conference, which will be held at Tan-Tar-A June 12-14, although late registrants may need to find lodging elsewhere. Information is available at members.mobar.org/sasf2008/index.html.

YLC plans golf event

The BCBA Young Lawyers Committee's second annual golf tournament, "Chipping in for Charity," is being planned for Columbus Day, Monday, October 13, a court holiday.

The tentative location this year is the Columbia Country Club. Players can expect good food, drinks, fun and prizes. The YLC will be seeking sponsorships for the event.

Net proceeds will benefit Mid Missouri Legal Services. More information and entry forms will follow in the near future.

For information, contact **Sander Sowers** at 256-8989 or sander@dansimonlaw.com

Treasurer's Report by Christina McCartney

Account balance as of 5/2/08.....	\$12,371.41
Receipts 5/2/08 - 5/30/08	
Dues.....	+150.00
Interest.....	+1.90
Bar lunch reimbursement.....	+9.00
Disbursements 5/2/08 - 5/30/08	
Accent Press (newsletter).....	-87.92
Midwest Mailing (newsletter).....	-109.19
Naturalization ceremony sponsorship.....	-148.00
Boone Tavern (guest lunch).....	-9.00
Executive Committee meeting.....	-59.47
Scholarships.....	-3,000.00
Account balance as of 5/30/08.....	\$9,118.73

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Around the bar

Stan Clay announced that the firm formerly named Stan Clay, LLC has been renamed Clay, Kline & Faurot, LLC.

Gary Stamper recently was appointed to a one-year term as vice chair of the Missouri Bar Fee Dispute Resolution Committee by MoBar President Charlie J. Davis.

Correction: Last month's notice about **Pam Lambert** closing her Columbia office and practicing solely from her Paris office gave an incorrect fax number. The correct number is 660-327-6778.

BCBA member **Kurt Schaefer**, a partner at Lathrop & Gage in Jefferson City, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for 19th District State Senator. Kurt is a former Assistant Attorney General and former General Counsel and Deputy Director at the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

Recently joining the BCBA was **Michael James Francis Byrne**, an assistant public defender in the local of-

fice at 601 E. Walnut St., Columbia 65201, phone 882-9701 x 225, fax 882-9147. He is a 2002 *cum laude* graduate of Harvard Law School and was in private practice in Washington, D.C. before following his wife, Rigel Oliveri, to Columbia, where she is a professor at the MU Law School.

About 45 BCBA members attended the May 14 regular meeting to hear **Craig Chval**'s presentation, "Electronic and Digital Evidence: What Every Practitioner Needs to Know." The presentation has been posted in PDF format on CLE page of the BCBA's web site.

Eng & Woods has a 1,600-square-foot office available at 10th and Ash streets with parking available. Call 874-4190 for information.

The office space formerly occupied by Rogers, Ehrhardt & Weber at 813 E. Walnut St., Suite B, is available for rent. The 1,800-square-foot space includes reception area, private offices, library/conference room, kitchen and bath. Call 443-2081 for information.