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Topic at August 10 BCBA meeting: Time management

BCBA member **Sarah Read** will present "Time Management - Time Flies When You Are Having Fun But It's No Fun When the Time Has Flown" at the next regular BCBA meeting at lunchtime on Wednesday, August 10, 2011.

We are applying for 1.2 hours of CLE credit for this program, including ethics credit. Confirmation of CLE credit will be emailed to BCBA members later.

The meeting will be held at lunchtime on Wednesday, August 10, at Boone Tavern, 811 E. Walnut St. Lunch service will begin at 11:30 a.m., followed by a brief business meeting and the program. The lunch price will be \$9, payable to the restaurant.

RSVP: To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Adam Patchett** telephone 442-7005, fax 442-7009 or email adam@businesslawcolumbia.com by **5 p.m. Tuesday, August 9**. RSVPs are necessary so Boone Tavern can prepare sufficient food and seating.

Marvin Tofle nominated as 2011-12 BCBA President

Current BCBA Vice President **Marvin Tofle** has been selected by the BCBA Nominating Committee as the nominee for 2011-12 President. Current BCBA *Newsletter* Editor/Webmaster **Steve Scott**, who is retiring from the post soon, was nominated as 2011-12 Vice President.

Other nominees for 2011-12 are **Gretchen Yancey** for Secretary, **Julia Grus** for Treasurer, and **Glen Ehrhardt** and **Scott Wilson** for at-large Executive Committee members. The 2011-12 officers plus current President **Tom Schneider** and the new Editor/Webmaster will constitute the Executive Committee.

The Editor/Webmaster is an appointive position under BCBA bylaws. Marvin has selected **Thad Taylor** to be the new Editor/Webmaster. Thad will publish his first issue of the *Newsletter* in late August.

Nominating committee members were **Jennifer Bukowsky**, Chair, and **Bob Buckley** and **Dan Dunham**.

The 2011-12 officers will be elected at the annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Election of Officers at Twin Lakes Park on the evening of Friday, September 2, 2011. The Picnic Committee chair is **Mark Langworthy**. A social hour will begin about 5 p.m., followed by dinner at about 6 p.m. The usual menu will be served, including pit-roasted beef ribeye, brats, hot dogs, side dishes, and beverages including beer, wine and soft drinks.

Circuit Clerk seeks support for clerks' conference here in September

From Boone County Circuit Clerk Christy Blakemore: "I am the president of the Missouri Circuit Clerk's Association this year. One of the privileges of that position is to choose the location for our annual conference. I wanted to keep it close to home and also wanted to share our wonderful hometown with the other circuit clerks from around the state. It will be held at the Columbia Stoney Creek Inn on September 20-23, 2011.

"I am very excited about the conference. The circuit clerks look forward to this every year; this is our time to chat and see how other courts are handling different situations. I always leave the conference learning so much. During the day we hold our business meeting, listen to speakers, participate in training sessions and network with other clerks. We also have two fun-filled evenings planned.

"I am looking for individuals and/or firms to help sponsor a breakfast, lunch, dinner, or hospitality room, or one of our evening events. Your support will help make this the best conference ever. I will make sure you or your firm is recognized throughout the conference.

"If you would like to help out please let me know. Thank you so much for your support."

MMLS seeks BCBA members' comments on 'Private Attorney Involvement Plan'

Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corp. has published its annual "Private Attorney Involvement Plan" and seeks comments on the plan from BCBA members.

A link to the plan appears with the online version of this item at <http://www.bocomobar.org/newsletter.htm>.

Reminder: Online conflict-reporting system debuts September 1

As noted in the last issue, effective September 1 Boone County will be accepting attorney conflict dates for trial-setting purposes exclusively through a new online Attorney Conflict Calendar. In other words, after September 1, only conflicts submitted electronically through this program will be accepted. The conflict calendar web address is <http://207.119.89.253/>.

The court has now issued a set of instructions for using the online system. A new page has been created on the BCBA website titled "Online Conflict Reporting," which is under the "Court Info" top menu heading. The web address for the new page is <http://www.bocomobar.org/conflicts.htm>. The instructions are included on the page as a linked PDF file. The direct link to the instructions is http://www.bocomobar.org/PDF/conflict_reporting_instructions.pdf.

A username and password is required to access the online Attorney Conflict Calendar. Instructions for obtaining these appear on the Online Conflict Reporting page.

There are still three orientation sessions scheduled for attorneys and/or their staff members to learn how to use the program. All sessions will be held in the 4th Floor Training Room of the Boone County Courthouse. The sessions are free and pre-registration is not necessary. The dates and times of the remaining orientation sessions are:

August 3, 2011 - Wednesday - 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

August 5, 2011 - Friday - 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.

August 8, 2011 - Monday - 12 noon to 1 p.m.

For more information, please contact 13th Circuit Technology Services Supervisor Steve Smith at 886-4086 or steve.smith@courts.mo.gov.

YLC sets 'Chipping in for Charity' golf event on October 10

The Young Lawyers Committee has scheduled its fifth annual "Chipping in for Charity" golf tournament on Monday, October, 10, 2011 (Columbus Day - a court holiday) at Columbia Country Club, 2210 Country Club Drive. Except for \$1,000, net proceeds from this year's tournament will be donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corporation.

As a new feature this year, in addition to other prizes, the winning team of the tournament may designate a local charity of its choosing (subject to approval of the Young Lawyers Committee) to receive a donation of \$1,000 from the net proceeds of this year's tournament, with the remainder of the net proceeds being donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services.

The tournament will be a four-person scramble format, open to both lawyers and non-lawyers. There will be a shotgun start at noon, with lunch and check-in beginning at 10:45 a.m. The entry fee is \$100/person and \$400/team, which includes green fees, range privileges, cart, lunch, beverages (beer, soda, water), and a post-tournament reception at Truman's Bar and Grill. Prizes will be awarded to winning teams and for various on-course games and contests. There will also be hole-in-one prizes.

The registration deadline for the tournament is Monday, September 19. The registration form is linked to the version of this article on the BCBA web site. Checks should be made payable to the "Boone County Bar Association" and mailed with the entry form to Chris Schappe, Abbott, Schappe & Francis, LLC, 19 East Walnut St., Columbia, MO 65203.

To make the tournament a success and raise as much money as possible, the YLC is seeking various sponsorships and prize donations for the tournament. Please see the registration form for more information on the tournament and sponsorship opportunities, or contact Gretchen Yancey at the Yancey Law Firm at 514-4061 or gretchen@theyanceylawfirm.com, or Sander Sowers at Lear Werts at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com.

Last year's golf tournament raised more than \$7,500 for Mid-Missouri Legal Services and the Boone County Bar Association Scholarship Fund.

Reminder: Composite on display at courthouse

As reported last month, the new BCBA composite photo is now on display in the Counsel Chambers on the second floor of the Boone County Courthouse. Stop by and take a look at it.

The composite is available for purchase, as are individual photos of the included lawyers. To view and purchase the composite and photos, go to www.photogliff.com and search for "Boone County Bar." Then enter your name to see your photograph and the composite and place orders. Photogliff is located at 212 E. Green Meadows Rd., Suite 6, Columbia, MO 65203. For more information, call the studio at 881-0862.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, August 4, at 11:45 a.m.: BCBA Criminal Law Committee meeting at Room 38. The guest speaker will be Chief Warren Brewer of the Boone County Jail. Attendance will earn 1.0 CLE credit hours. For more information contact committee chair **Jennifer Bukowsky** at j@lawbuk.com.

Tuesday, August 16, at 11:45 a.m.: Young Lawyers Committee meeting at Red and Moe Pizzeria, 21 N. Ninth St. The upcoming charity golf tournament will be among topics discussed. For more information contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com.

TRANSITIONS

On July 29 the office of County Counsel **C.J. Dykhouse** was relocated to Suite 211 in the County Government Center at 801 E. Walnut St., Columbia, MO 65201-4890. His phone (573-886-4414) and fax (573-886-4413) numbers are unchanged, as is his email address (cdykhouse@boonecountymo.org). C.J.'s office was formerly located in the county's Johnson Building.

Joy Ahern and **Andrew Bach** recently moved their firm, Ahern & Bach, LLC, to 305 E. Broadway, Suite A, Ashland, MO 65010-9306, phone 573-657-0449, fax 573-657-1067. Their email addresses are unchanged (jahern@ahernandbach.com and abach@ahernandbach.com).

Kate Daly Pitzer left Van Matre, Harrison, Hollis and Taylor, P.C. in May to become staff attorney at Boone Hospital Center, 1600 E. Broadway, Columbia, MO 65201-5844, phone 573-815-3671, fax 815-2638, email kdp4580@bjc.org.

Adam J. Kliethermes, formerly an associate at Cripps & Simmons, LLC, recently left the firm and is now a solo practitioner at 712 Shelburne Ct., Columbia, MO 65202, phone 816-392-0881, email akliethermes@gmail.com.

NEW MEMBER

Dan O'Hearn, of Dan O'Hearn, LLC, P.O. Box 7107, Columbia, MO 65205-7107, phone 573-462-6307, fax 573-228-9441, email danohearnllc@gmail.com. He was previously a staff member at the Missouri Supreme Court.

OTHER NEWS

At its July 12 meeting, the 13th Circuit Court En Banc adopted a revision, effective immediately, of Local Rule 7.2, which deals with charges for copies of documents in court files. The revision deleted from the rule the former provision that there would be no charge to parties for copies of a judgment in their case. See the revised rule at <http://www.bocomobar.org/z007-2.htm>.

BCBA members **Jennifer Bukowsky** and **Gretchen Yancey** are among five candidates for district-wide "diversity" seats on the Missouri Bar Board of Governors from the Western District. Bar members are scheduled to receive email ballots for the election on August 1.

BCBA President **Tom Schneider** reminds bar members that *Missouri Lawyers Weekly* publishes verdicts and settlements in each edition and has a database which any subscriber can access by categories such as county and type of case. "As its database grows, it will become an evermore valuable resource for settlement negotiations with opposing counsel or adjusters. Check it out at <http://verdicts.molawyersmedia.com>. To serve that purpose, it is important that verdicts and settlements be reported. You are urged to take advantage of that resource and to provide the necessary data concerning verdicts and settlements to allow its database to ever expand and thus become even more valuable. Anyone interested in more information may contact Kelly Wiese of Missouri Lawyers Weekly. Her number is 314-558-3230 and her e-mail is kelly.wiese@molawyersmedia.com."

The courthouse phone number list at <http://www.bocomobar.org/phone.htm> was recently updated.

About 83 members attended the regular BCBA meeting on July 13, 2011 for a CLE-credit program by 13th Circuit Presiding Judge Gary Oxenhandler titled "Why Voir Dire Is So Tough."

Treasurer's Report by Ben Nelson

Account balance as of 06/29/11.....	\$10,234.80
Receipts 06/29/11 to 07/29/11	
Dues.	+50.00
Interest.	+0.81
Expenses 06/29/11 to 07/29/15	
Secretary of State (corporate registration for BCBA).	(20.00)
Account balance as of 07/29/11.....	\$10,265.61

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