



# Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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## 'State of Court' Address Planned for September 12 Meeting

C13th Circuit Presiding Judge **Gary Oxenhandler** will deliver his 'State of the Court' address at the next regular BCBA meeting at lunchtime on Wednesday, September 12. Judge Oxenhandler will speak about current and anticipated court programs, the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit budget, civil and criminal caseloads, public defender's caseload, courthouse technology, and improvements to the courthouse grounds. The program has been approved for 1.2 hours CLE credit.

Lunch will begin at 11:30 a.m. in the County Room at Bleu, 811 E. Walnut. The presentation will begin about noon. A brief business meeting will precede the program. Lunch will be \$10, with checks made out to Bleu.

**RSVP:** To reserve your spot for this meeting, contact BCBA Secretary **Gretchen Yancey** at 514-4061 or [Gretchen@TheYanceyLawFirm.com](mailto:Gretchen@TheYanceyLawFirm.com) by **5:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 11**. RSVP's are especially important for this meeting because members of the Callaway County Bar is specifically invited to join BCBA to hear Judge Oxenhandler's address, and management at Bleu want to prepare sufficient food and seating.

## Steve Scott Nominated as 2012-13 BCBA President

Current BCBA Vice President **Steve Scott** has been selected by the BCBA Nominating Committee as 2012-13 President. Other nominees for 2012-13 are **Russ Still** of Harlan, Harlan & Still, for Vice President, **Casey Berndt** of Markel & Lingo, for Secretary, and **Michael Foster** of Faber & Brand, for Treasurer. Nominees to serve as at-large members are **Amy Salladay** of Knight & Salladay, and **Erika Fadel**, with the University of Missouri Law School.

The 2012-13 officers plus current President **Marvin Tofle** and *Newsletter* Editor/Webmaster **Thad Taylor** will constitute the Executive Committee. Nominating committee members were **Amy Markel**, Chair, Dean **Larry Dessem**, and **Karen Hajicek**.

The 2012-13 officers will be elected at the annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Election of Officers at Park on the evening of Friday, October 5. The picnic will substitute for the regular meeting in October. The Picnic Committee consists of **Mark Langworthy**, Chair, **Lori Green**, **Christina Devine**, and **Sander Sowers**.

A social hour will begin about 5 p.m., followed by dinner at about 6 p.m. The usual menu is roasted beef ribeye, brats, hot dogs, side dishes, and beverages including beer, wine and soft drinks.

## Debate on the Missouri Court Plan to be held October 4

The Federalist Society is hosting a debate on the November ballot measure to reform the Missouri Court Plan at Hulston Hall, Thursday, October 4, between 5:30-6:30 p.m. **Skip Walther** will debate Carrie Severino, Chief Counsel for the Judicial Crisis Network, on the matter. The final twenty (20) minutes will be reserved for audience Q&A.

Attendance is free and RSVP's are not required. CLE Credit will be available, and light appetizers will be provided. Click here on the online version of this *Newsletter* to review the flyer for the program. For more information, call Daniel Hartman at 310-5194.

## Training Sessions Planned for Boone County Attorneys to Prepare for E-Filing

In preparation for the 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit's transition to eFiling, the following opportunities are provided by the Office of the State Court Administrator (OSCA) to prepare for eFiling:

A video for attorneys on how to use and register for eFiling: <http://www.courts.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=55642>.

Written Instructions for Attorneys (for our purposes the Circuit Court level):

<http://www.courts.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=48973>.

Additional training will be provided for attorneys and staff at the Boone County Courthouse on October 1 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Jury Assembly Room.

## **YLC sets 'Chippin in for Charity' Golf Event for Monday, October 8**

The Young Lawyers Committee has scheduled its sixth annual '*Chipping in for Charity*' golf tournament on Monday, October, 8, 2012 (Columbus Day - a court holiday). This year's tournament will be held at a new venue, The Club at Old Hawthorne, 6221 E. Hwy. WW. Net proceeds from the tournament will be donated to Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corporation.

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 \$125/person and \$500/team, which includes green fees, range privileges, cart, lunch, beverages (beer, soda, water), etc. 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 24. The registration form is available through the website version of this *Newsletter* by clicking here. Checks should be made payable to the "Boone County Bar Association" and mailed with the entry form to **Sander Sowers**, Lear Werts LLP, 2003 W. Broadway, Ste. 107 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 contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or [sowers@learwerts.com](mailto:sowers@learwerts.com) to donate and arrange sponsorships. Last year's golf tournament raised more than \$11,000 for charity.

## **Renovations Being Made to Courthouse Plaza**

The Boone County Governments courtyard is under construction, which has caused some restrictions to access to the Courthouse and the removal of the big tree next to it. The following is a message from Kathy Lloyd, Boone County Court Administrator:

I'm sure many of you felt the sadness I felt this morning as you came in to see the tree being removed from the courthouse square. It had been my understanding that this tree was going to remain as a featured aspect of the courthouse plaza renovation. However, as preparations were underway the County had an Arborist come and evaluate the tree. For the past couple of years the tree had been treated in an effort to sustain it, but the treatments were apparently not taking and it was determined that the tree needed to be removed. I wanted to share this information with you, as I am sure this was a shock and I thought it would be important for you to know that the tree wasn't removed to make way for the plaza, but because it had apparently reached the end of its life cycle.

## **NALS to Host Seminar for Legal Support Professionals September 21-22**

NALS of Missouri is a chartered association of NALS, which is the national educational organization for legal support professional. NALS of Missouri offers legal education to legal support staff.

NALS of Missouri invites legal staff to attend the 2012 Fall Continuing legal Education Seminars & Membership Meeting, at Quality Inn, 1612 N. Providence, Columbia. A welcome reception will be held Friday at 6 p.m., with the Seminar taking place from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Gary Stamper** of Walther, Anthel & Stamper, P.C., will be among the speakers, presenting the topic 'Dispute Resolution for Attorneys'. Also among the speakers will be Becky Russell from the Office of State Court Administrator, who will speak about 'Electronic Filing in State Court'.

More information can be obtained online at <http://nalsofmissouri.org>, and by clicking on the attached link for the Program [on the website version of this *Newsletter*]. Or you can call Membership director Cheryl Neeley at 1-816-474-6550.

## **Omnibus Judicial Bill Takes Effect August 28**

All the legislation passed by the General Assembly this Spring went into effect on August 28, including the bill unofficially referred to as the Omnibus Judicial Bill (not to be confused with the Court Plan bill). This was a very large judiciary bill that affected many things attorneys should be aware of. A full copy of the bill can be found at this link <http://www.senate.mo.gov/12info/pdf-bill/tat/SB628.pdf>. on the website version of this *Newsletter*.

## Around the bar . . .

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Thursday, September 6, at 11:45 a.m.:** The Criminal Law Committee will meet at Room 38. The speaker will be MU Law School's new Constitutional Law Professor Joshua Hawley, who will discuss what criminal law attorneys should know about developments in Constitutional law. Professor Hawley is a former SCOTUS clerk for Chief Justice Roberts. The program qualifies for 1.2 hours CLE credit. For more information, contact chair, **Jennifer Bukowsky** at [j@lawbuk.com](mailto:jb@lawbuk.com), or 443-2288.

**Thursday, September 13, 5:00-7:00 p.m.:** The Women Lawyer's Association of Mid-Missouri will hold its annual fall event at Bleu. Annual dues of \$25 will be collected for the 2012-13 membership year, and anyone is welcome to join. For additional information or questions, contact WLAMM Board Member **Gretchen Yancey** at [Gretchen@GretchenYancey.com](mailto:Gretchen@GretchenYancey.com) or 573-514-4061.

**Tuesday, September 18, at 5:00 p.m.:** The Young Lawyers Committee meeting at Shiloh Bar & Grill, 402 E. Broadway. The upcoming charity golf tournament will be among topics discussed. For more information contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or [sowers@learwerts.com](mailto:sowers@learwerts.com).

**Tuesday, October 16, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.:** **SAVE THE DATE-** Free lunch-and-learn presented by **Rachael F. Kennedy** and Merilee Crockett: *Don't sneak around in 'my space': How accessing another's electronic account could land your client in jail.* The program will take place at the Boone County Courthouse jury assembly room, and is of particular applicability to family law and criminal law attorneys. Ethics CLE credit pending.

### TRANSITIONS

Effective August 1, **Mark Langworthy** has been named Senior Director of Development for the University of Missouri Law School. The law school has begun a search for another development professional to fill Mark's previous position. Mark graduated from MU's College of Agricultural, Food and Natural Resources in 1984, and is a 1990 graduate from the law school. Mark also volunteers much time and expertise to BCBA as Chair of the Picnic Committee.

**Rodney Massman** has left Parmele Law Firm to become legal Counsel to the State Board of Nursing with the Division of Professional Registration in Jefferson City. Rodney's new contact information is 3605 Missouri Blvd., Jefferson City 65101, phone 573-751-0681, email [Rodney.Massman@pr.mo.gov](mailto:Rodney.Massman@pr.mo.gov).

The Law Firm of Harper, Evans, Wade and Netemeyer announces that, effective October 1, **Melissa Faurot** will join the firm, in domestic practice. Melissa's new contact information will be 401 Locust St., Ste. 401, Columbia, phone 442-1660, fax 874-8961, e-mail [mfaurot@lawmissouri.com](mailto:mfaurot@lawmissouri.com).

### OTHER NEWS

Susan Ford Robertson was recently appointed by Kansas City Mayor Sly James to the Board of Directors of the newly created Streetcar Authority, which will oversee the \$100 million project that will bring streetcars to downtown Kansas City.

The 13<sup>th</sup> Circuit's updated dockets effective August 6 have been posted on the BCBA website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>. The dockets that have been modified are Boone County Divisions VIII and XI, and Callaway County Divisions VII and VIII.

The Court's en banc minutes for April, May, and June and July 2012, have been posted on the website at [http://www.bocomobar.org/ceb\\_minutes.htm](http://www.bocomobar.org/ceb_minutes.htm).

About 59 members and guests attended the regular BCBA meeting on August 8 to hear Columbia Police Chief Ken Burton present "What Attorneys Should Know About the Columbia Police Department."

## Treasurer's Report by Julia Grus

Account balance as of 7/20/12	\$7,058.43
<b>Receipts 7/20/12 to 8/30/12</b>	
Interest	0.08
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$0.08</b>
<b>Expenses 7/20/12 to 8/30/12</b>	
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>Account Balance as of 8/30/12</b>	<b>\$7,058.51</b>

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