



Boone County Bar Association NEWSLETTER

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Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic on September 5

The next scheduled event of the Boone County Bar Association is the annual Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Election of Officers the evening of Friday, September 5, at Twin Lakes Park, 2500 Chapel Hill Road. Bear right after entering the park to go to the shelter area.

A social hour will begin at 5 p.m., followed by dinner at 6 p.m. The usual menu will be served, including smoked rib eye, bratwurst, hot dogs, traditional side dishes, and beverages including beer, wine and soft drinks. The picnic is free of charge, RSVP's are not necessary, and families/significant others are welcome.

Jim Butcher organized our annual picnic for many years before his untimely death in the late 1980s. After his death, the event was renamed the Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic in his honor, and we have invited his widow Joan to attend as our guest every year since. Mrs. Butcher has graciously accepted our invitation to attend again this year.

The Picnic Committee consists of **Mark Langworthy**, Chair, **Stan Clay**, **Christina Devine**, **Jason Simmons**, and **Sander Sowers**.

Jennifer Bukowsky nominated for 2014-15 BCBA President

Current BCBA Vice President **Jennifer Bukowsky** of *The Bukowsky Law Firm* has been selected by the Nominating Committee as the nominee for 2014-15 BCBA President.

Other nominees are **Josh Oxenhandler** of *Holder Susan Slusher Oxenhandler* for Vice President, **Christina McCartney** of *McCartney Law Office, LLC*, for Secretary, **Jason Simmons** of *Cripps & Simmons* for Treasurer, and **Steve Richey**, *Columbia City Prosecutor's Office*, and **Kristen Dickinson** of *Dickenson Law Firm, LLC*, for at-large members of the Executive Committee.

Next year's Executive Committee will consist of the officers, at-large members, immediate past-President **Russ Still**, and Editor/Webmaster **Thad Taylor**.

The election of 2014-15 officers will take place at the Jim Butcher Memorial Picnic and Annual Meeting to be held in September. At the election, nominations also may be made from the floor with the consent of those so nominated.

Many thanks for the hard work of this year's Nominating Committee, which was chaired by **Marvin Tofle**. Other committee members were **Sander Sowers** and **Christina Devine**.

Date for Annual Chippin' in for Charity Golf Tournament Set for October 13

The 8th annual Chipping in for Charity golf tournament is scheduled for Monday, October, 13, 2014 (Columbus Day - a court holiday). This year's tournament will again be held at 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 is a four-person scramble format, open to both lawyers and non-lawyers.

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 29th.

To make the tournament a success and raise as much money as possible, sponsorships and prize donations for the tournament are needed. Please contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com to sign up, donate, participate, and arrange sponsorships. The registration form is available on the website at [link](#) or by [clicking here](#).

Last year's golf tournament raised more than \$11,600 for Mid-Missouri Legal Services Corporation thanks to the many donors, participants, and sponsors.

MMLS Needs Local Attorneys to Assist with Basic Estate Plans

The Mid Missouri Legal Services has funds available to pay private attorneys to prepare Powers of Attorney and Beneficiary Deeds for low-income elderly or disabled people. The clients have almost no assets and rarely have real property, and they are often targeted for financial exploitation by children and caregivers, usually Social Security checks.

These are reduced fee cases whether than pro bono cases. MMLS has appropriated about \$5,000 for 50 cases, or \$100 each. MMLS is able to do this because they are receiving a portion of the Supreme Court fees (\$30) paid by attorneys annually, and they are using the funds to pay private attorneys to handle the cases. There also are funds available to pay private attorneys for family law cases – usually affirmative divorces that do not involve domestic violence.

If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact **Susan Lutton**, Executive Director, at Lutton@mmls.org.

Christy Blakemore Recognized for 25 Years of Service

We would like to recognize and congratulate Christy Blakemore for 25 years of service to the Boone County Circuit Clerk's Office of the 13th Judicial Circuit Court. This marks a significant milestone in her judicial career. In 2007, she was elected Circuit Clerk and when she assumed that role she embraced it with open arms. Christy has been a hands-on and dedicated Circuit Clerk.

Best wishes to Christy on her 25th anniversary with the judiciary and continued success as our Boone County Circuit Clerk.

City Prosecutor's Office is Making Changes

The City Prosecutor's office is transitioning to a new case management software system, JustWare, and with it will implement a different electronic disclosure process than attorneys dealing with the City Prosecutor's office currently use. For a short period of time, cases currently entered into the old system will receive discovery using the old email based system. Please bear with us during this time.

JusticeWeb is a portal through which attorneys can access the discovery related to cases in which they have made entry of appearance. JusticeWeb uses an easily accessible Web interface which is not installed on your computers. The JusticeWeb web site will only allow authenticated users into the system.

JusticeWeb users are required to request an account. The process will be roughly akin to that utilized in the State-level e-filing process in that the individual attorney must request an account/register, and how that account will be delegated within that attorney's office is at their discretion.

To request an account, access the City Prosecutor Portal at, <https://justiceweb.gocolumbiamo.com/CityProsecutorPortal>. You pick your own username and password. You will be notified by email that your request has been accepted. If you haven't received an email verifying acceptance within a couple of days, check your spam/junk folder, and you may need to make that email address an "accepted email address" so future JusticeWeb emails from the City Prosecutors office will go to your inbox. As always, general questions may be directed to the cityprosecutor@gocolumbiamo.com email address for resolution.

Subsequently, upon entry of appearance on a case, your discovery request will be automatically routed to the appropriate Prosecutor for a Recommendation and you will be notified by email that a new discovery packet is available for download and all you have to do is click on the hyperlink to view and download your active discovery packets. Discovery packets will be available for 90 days or until the case closes, whichever is shorter. (Once the Prosecutor's office closes a file, the discovery packet will no longer be available on JusticeWeb)

For those not wishing to participate in electronic discovery, discovery will be available to view at the Prosecutor's Office either immediately before the regularly scheduled attorney disposition dockets on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons, or on Friday afternoons with an appointment.

Around the bar . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, August 26, 5:00 p.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee happy hour with Special Guest **Mike Whitworth**: The Young Lawyers Committee will meet for happy hour at Bleu Restaurant & Wine Bar, 811 E. Walnut. **Mike Whitworth** will be in attendance to visit with the YLC and to discuss his candidacy for the Division 5 Associate Circuit Judge position. Please contact **Sander Sowers** at 875-1991 or sowers@learwerts.com for more information. The committee will also continue planning for the annual Chipping in for Charity golf tournament fundraiser benefitting Mid-Missouri Legal Services.

UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

Thursday, September 18, 5:30 p.m.: The Young Lawyers Committee joint happy hour with the Mid-Mo Young Lawyers Association at The Roof (located above atop The Broadway Hotel), 1111 E. Broadway. The Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section Council has generously offered to sponsor this event, so food and drink is paid for while funds last.

Thursday, September 18, 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.: You are invited to attend a Happy Hour and program on Ava's Grace Scholarship Foundation at Shiloh, 402 East Broadway. Ava's Grace is a scholarship foundation that aims to break the cycle of incarceration by giving the gift of higher education to children of the incarcerated in the State of Missouri. For more information, the website is www.avasgrace.org.

TRANSITIONS

William Brandecker has updated his contact information to 1721 Woodrail Ave., Columbia, MO 65203, phone 443-8106.

NEW MEMBERS

Jennifer M. Riedy, Director of Public Interest Programs, University of Missouri School of Law, 103 Hulston Hall, Columbia, MO 65211-4300, phone 882-0940, fax 882-9265, email RiedyJ@missouri.edu. Jennifer attended law school at UMKC and graduated in 2009. After law school, she clerked for the Honorable Sherrill L. Rosen, Division 42, 16th Circuit Court, in Kansas City, Missouri. After that, Jennifer practiced for a little over 3 years exclusively in the area of family law as an associate attorney with the Law Office of Lorri L. Wilbee-Kobe, LLC., a small firm in Grain Valley, Missouri (suburb of KC). Jennifer is currently employed as the Director of Public Interest Programs at the University of Missouri School of Law in the Career Development Office advising students and promoting public interest and public service legal careers and programs.

Janet Thompson, Boone County Commissioner, 8300 N. Wagon Trail Road, Columbia, MO 65202, phone 886-4305, Cell 864-5197, Fax 886-4311, email janianfarm@aol.com.

OTHER NEWS

This past month, the new Mid-Missouri Chapter of the Honorable Order of the Blue Goose received its formal Charter from the international governing board. The Blue Goose is an international insurance fraternal organization open to anyone affiliated with the insurance industry from adjusters to in-house counsel and insurance defense lawyers. In its first year of existence here in Boone County, the Blue Goose of Mid-Missouri (www.bluegoosemidmo.com) has initiated over 50 new "ganders." For more information, please contact **Jim Howard**, jhoward@rewhlaw.net.

M.A.R.C.H. Mediation offers free mediation to never-married or divorced parents who are receiving any state aid (TANF, Medicaid, etc.) or for whom child support payments are going through Child Support Enforcement. Call 800-595-9750 to clarify eligibility.

The Boone County Probate Division has provided a List of Items Needed by the Court for Decedent's Estates. The list can be found on the BCBA website at <http://bocomobar.org/forms.htm>.

The Boone County Associate Court's current list of conflicts to the regular docket schedule has been updated effective August 15, 2014. The updated list can be found on the website at <http://www.bocomobar.org/docket.htm>.

About 50 BCBA members and guests attended the regular monthly meeting in August, presented by **Nicole Volkert** entitled "*The Fourth Amendment in a Changing World*". 1.2 hours of CLE credits were awarded for attendance at the August meeting.

AUGUST 2014 TREASURER'S REPORT BY CLARK JONES

Account balance of as July 31, 2014	\$8,163.30
Receipts 7/31/14 to 8/22/14	
None	\$0.00
Total Receipts	\$0.00
Expenses 7/31/14 to 8/22/14	
8/22 Check #1552 – MO Western State University – Sturgeon Scholarship	(\$500.00)
Total Expenses	-\$500.00
Account Balance as of August 22, 2014	\$7,663.30

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