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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

October 13, 2006
11:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Luncheon at Ophelia's with Eastern Jackson
County Judges

President's Message



Welcome to a new year for our Association. It is my privilege to serve as President of this fine organization. Reflecting over the past 23 years that I have been a member, I recognize and appreciate the many great people and fine lawyers who have also served in this capacity. It is a humbling realization and I hope I am up to the task. I invite each of you to contact me if you have any suggestions or recommendations to help this organization better serve the lawyers, judges and citizens of Eastern Jackson County. Your involvement, support and ideas are welcome and appreciated. My personal goal is not only to maintain what we have accomplished, but also to continue growing this outstanding organization.

It's renewal time and, if you have not yet done so, please take a few moments to fill out the renewal form that is attached to the Beagle. Please return the form with your dues check so that we may maintain accurate and updated information on our members. We are conducting a membership drive to expand our membership base by inviting all lawyers who live or practice in Eastern Jackson County to join our organization. Please send a copy of the Beagle with this application to your friends and colleagues and encourage them to join. Annual dues are \$75.00 with the exception that members who are government employees pay only \$37.50 annually. The dues help support all of the Association's activities including the annual steak fry, social mixers, monthly lunch meetings, the spring CLE program, the Christmas party, the annual golf tournament and the Tom Locke Scholarship Fund. The networking and social benefits of being a member are simply un-

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Condolences

As most of you know, on August 7, 2006, Diane Scoville, the wife of Judge Vernon Scoville, was tragically killed in a car accident. Our thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to Judge Scoville and his family. The family appreciates contributions to support scholarships and grants to the students and teachers of the Hickman Mills School District. Donations can be made in memory of Diane to Hickman Mills Educational Foundation; 9000 Old Santa Fe Road; Kansas City, Missouri 64138.

As a reminder, please check to see if you have sent in your annual renewal dues to the Association. Please do so because this is our way of tracking our membership. Dues are \$75.00 per year per member with the exception that any government employee's annual dues are \$37.50 per year. The annual dues and membership renewal form is attached to the Beagle. Please complete and return it with your check to:

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**Renewal
Time!**



Register Online

Did you know that you can now register for an event online? This month at the bar website, www.ejcba.com, you may register for upcoming events. As you utilize this site, please give us feedback about the site and it's effectiveness. We appreciate your input to help make our site informative and functional.

If you would like to receive the Legal Beagle by e-mail please forward your e-mail address to:

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Welcome to New Board Members

Randy Cain has joined the board of the Eastern Jackson County Bar Association as Executive Secretary. Ryan Fry has joined the Board as the Young Lawyer Representative. The Association is grateful to have these two outstanding attorneys on our Board.



The 2006 Annual Steak Fry was a huge success. Approximately 175 guests celebrated our 50th Annual Steak Fry event.

50th Annual Steak Fry



The Annual Golf Tourney held August 28th at the Lakewood Oaks Golf Club was again a huge success. The final accounting is still pending. The proceeds fund the Tom Locke Memorial Scholarship Fund. Many thanks to our hole sponsors:

- James Parrish & Totta
- Foland & Wickens
- Bob Welch
- Legacy Settlement Group
- Franke, Schultz & Mullen
- Langdon & Emison
- Davis Bethune & Jones
- Bob Knapp
- Humphrey Farrington & McClain
- White, Allinder, Graham & Buckley
- Edgar Law Firm
- Metropolitan Court Reporters
- McAnany Van Cleave & Phillips
- Shughart Thomson & Kilroy
- Barton Hall & Schnieders
- Berkowitz & Cook
- Seyferth & Knittig, LLC
- Blackwell Sanders



Newly Renovated Office Space in Independence!

- Receptionist and telephone service
- Spacious conference room
- Recently carpeted 230 sq. ft. offices with windows,
- Attractive lobby, friendly staff
- Conveniently located within 2 blocks of courthouses, city and county offices, post office, restaurants and business services.

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matched by any organization in the metropolitan area. For example, last year's 50th annual steak fry was a huge success and attended by over 175 lawyers, judges and clerks with spouses and/or guests. Special thanks again to Cheri Simpkins for another year of fabulous decorations and door prizes.

Members who attended last year's luncheon meetings and the spring CLE had the opportunity to earn 10.8 hours of CLE credit in Missouri and 10.5 hours in Kansas. Last year's stellar lineup of CLE speakers included Supreme Court Judge Ray Price, Southern District Appellate Judge John Parrish, Eastern District Appellate Judge Vic Howard, Larry Johnson, an internationally recognized expert on terrorism, Sharon Weedon from the Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel for the Missouri Bar, David Stover, Esq., The Honorable Carl Mueller, Administrative Law Judge of the Missouri Division of Workers' Compensation, Robert C. Welch, Esq., Jeffrey Eastman, Esq., The Honorable Susan Watkins from the Independence Municipal Court, Jay DeHardt, Esq., The Honorable J.D. Williamson, The Honorable Marco Roldan, The Honorable Steve Nixon, The Honorable Jack Grate, The Honorable Mike Manners and the area senators and representatives serving in Jefferson City. The low cost CLE Programs are clearly outstanding as well as a terrific value for our members.

This year's annual golf tournament, which benefits the Tom Locke Scholarship Fund, drew 108 participants including lawyers and judges from Jackson, Platte, and Cass Counties and was another huge success. Final accounting is not yet complete, but we expect to add several thousand dollars to the fund. Thanks again to Gene Graham and our sponsors for another great tournament.

I'm looking forward to serving you this year. Spread the word among friends and colleagues to join us at our luncheon meetings. Our organization is successful and dynamic because of the ongoing participation of members like you. Let's keep it going and make this year the best ever for the Eastern Jackson County Bar Association. I look forward to seeing you at the October meeting.

Eastern Jackson County Bar Association
Membership Information and Application/ Renewal

Please complete and send with your \$75.00 annual dues to the address listed below (\$37.50 if a government employee).

I, the undersigned, hereby make application for membership in the Eastern Jackson County Bar Association. Annual dues must be paid in June of each year to remain an active member, in the amount established by the Board of Directors.

Name: _____

Firm Name/ Employer: _____

Address: _____

e-mail: _____

Business Phone: _____

Business Fax: _____

Home Phone: _____

Law School Attended: _____ Date Graduated: _____

Date Admitted to Missouri Bar: _____ Additional Licenses: _____

Public Office(s) Held: _____

Application Date

Applicant Signature

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