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Washington County Bar Association

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Christmas Music, Elections to Wrap Up 2014

Fayetteville High School Encore will present a program of holiday music at the next meeting of the Washington County Bar Association, Monday, Dec. 1, at noon at Mermaids Restaurant in Fayetteville.

The membership will also elect new officers for 2015. The nominees are Alan Lane, president; Amy Martin, vice president; and Tyler Benson, secretary/treasurer. Nominations will also be accepted from the floor.

Made up of juniors and seniors, Encore competes at the Regional Choral Performance Assessment and has earned the sweepstakes trophy honoring superior ratings on stage as well as in sight-reading.

Encore performs in the annual Madrigal Feast, serving as the “Royal Court”, and providing a majority of the music.

Dawnelle Fincher is currently in her 25th year of teaching choir, her 13th at Fayetteville High School. Prior to arriving in Fayetteville, Dawnelle was the vocal music director at North Pulaski High School for nine years and McClellan High School for three years. She earned her Bachelor of Music Education degree at the University of Central Arkansas in 1990, and a Masters of Science in Education, with an emphasis on Educational Leadership, through Arkansas State University, in 2013.

The FHS Choirs annually present a Madrigal Feast, and every two years Dawnelle co-directs the FHS musical. Tickets for the Tenth Annual Madrigal Feast (Dec. 11, 12 & 13) may be purchased by emailing madrigal.feast@fayar.net.

Surprise Party Planned for Retiring Court Reporter

A surprise retirement drop-in reception for Darlene Young, court reporter for Judge Doug Schrantz, will be Friday, December 19, from 1– 4 p.m. (drop-in) here at Judge Schrantz’ office, 202 East Central Avenue, Bentonville.

Save the Date for WCBA Christmas Party

A Bar Association Christmas party will be December 18 at the Odom Law Firm, from 5-7 p.m.

Treasurer's Report

Last month's balance: **\$2,341.14**
Deposits: \$1,510.14
Checks/Debits: \$706.19
Current Balance: **\$3,145.09**

Checks Written: John Threet (Gap & Gown) \$419.95
Spring Street Grill (Catering) \$286.24

November Minutes

The WCBA November meeting was held on November 3, 2014, at Mermaids restaurant. After the meeting was called to order and guests announced a presentation was given on Collaborative Law for which participants earned 1 hour of CLE credit. After the presentation, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Martin
Secretary/Treasurer

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December Judges Calendar

Courthouse Closed:

Dec. 24-26: Christmas

Jan. 1 New Year's Day

The judges calendar is attached in a separate document this month.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

MEETING SCHEDULE: Meetings of the Washington County Bar Association are held the first Monday of each month at noon at Mermaids Restaurant in Fayetteville.

If a meeting date falls on a holiday, the meeting will be held on the following Monday. If a meeting date falls near a holiday, the meeting may, at the discretion of the Bar Executive Committee, be rescheduled to the following Monday, with notice of the change in schedule being provided by this newsletter one month in advance.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY: If the Fayetteville School District cancels classes because of inclement weather, the Bar will not meet. The cancelled Bar meeting will be rescheduled at the discretion of the Bar Executive Committee, with notice of the rescheduled meeting, if one, being provided by email as soon as reasonably possible.

MEETING PROGRAMS: The Bar seeks to serve its members by offering a variety of program topics at its meetings. The Bar has a particular interest in providing programs that qualify for continuing legal education credit. If you have a program you would like to present or know someone who would be willing to present at one of the Bar meetings, please contact the Bar president, whose contact information is found near the end of the newsletter.

Information

Dues

\$30 a year or \$10 for new lawyers

Due in January
Mail to P.O. address below or pay at meeting

Addresses

Dues, advertising payment and other business:

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Download an invoice for dues payment:

<http://www.uark.edu/~tarchive/WCBA/Info/invoice.pdf>

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<http://wcba.wordpress.com>

Washington County Bar Association Web Page

How to Submit Newsletter Items

Please submit items for the newsletter by the 20th of the month for the next month.

Send submissions to Katherine Shurlds at kshurlds@uark.edu or fax to 575-4314. Please alert me that a fax has been sent or I'm not likely to see it. You can also send information to 833 E. Ash St., Fayetteville, 72703.

Phone messages may be left at 443-9061.

Whenever possible, please submit items by email so that they do not have to be retyped. Attached files often present a problem so just send the text itself in the email message. Please do not send files as WordPerfect.

Photos may also be submitted. The preferred size of the photo is 300 dpi or 1 MB. When you use your camera or phone to take pictures for the newsletter, set your resolution to "low res."