President's Message

Brandee Bower

What a gift it is to be AWL’s President this year and to write my first message during Women’s History Month. This concept got its start in 1981 as ‘Women’s History Week,’ but in 1987 it was changed to a month-long celebration to pay tribute to the generations of women who have been invaluable to society. Rosa Parks, Clara Barton, Mother Teresa, Amelia Earhart; all of these women have been instrumental in history and it is a privilege to pay homage to them. It reminds us of how far we have come, and how far we have yet to go. Thank you to the AWL membership for your support of this great organization and its efforts to promote the equality of women and others in society in general and within the legal profession. Over the past 39 years, great strides have been made and we will continue to move ever forward in the future.

“You must do the thing you think you cannot do,” Eleanor Roosevelt said.

Through AWL’s history, there have been many great leaders. The bar was set very high last year by Athena Dickson, so I have big shoes to fill as President this year. Good thing I’m partial to a high heel and not afraid of a challenge. Vickie Schatz runs the ship at KCMBA and previously had the helm at AWL as President in 2002. She has greatly helped AWL and KCMB and forge a partnership that promotes both organizations. The honorable Judge Laura Denvir Stith is also a past President and now serves on the Missouri Supreme Court. Current Board member Courtney Wachal is the newest Kansas City Municipal Judge. So, while we celebrate great women in history in general, let us also celebrate the great women of AWL. We have many exciting events planned this year, and I look forward to seeing you and creating our own history together.

“A girl should be two things: classy and fabulous,” Coco Chanel said.

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AWL member, Jennifer Phillips, is the newest member of the Jackson County Bench

By: Michelle Marvel

On February 10, 2015, Governor Nixon appointed Jennifer Phillips as Circuit Judge for the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit, which serves Jackson County, Missouri. She will fill a vacancy created by the retirement of the Honorable Edith L. Messina.

Phillips graduated from the University of Missouri-Columbia law school in 2001. She worked for the general counsel’s office of the Department of Revenue for about a year before moving to Kansas City and joining the Jackson County Prosecutor’s office.

While an Assistant Jackson County Prosecutor, Phillips has tried over 45 felony jury trials. She has also held a number of positions in the office, including Assistant Prosecutor in the Community Justice Unit, the Major Crimes Unit and the Street Crimes Unit where she also became a Trial Team Leader. Prior to her judicial appointment, she held the position of Chief Trial Assistant over the Violent Crimes Unit and the Special Victims Unit, where she supervised seven trial attorneys and reported directly to the elected Prosecutor.

Phillips has played a significant role in Kansas City’s No Violence Alliance (NOVA), a collaboration between federal, state and local law enforcement, the faith-based community, social service agencies, and city leaders to reduce violent crimes and provide social services to offenders who want to choose a different path.

“As an assistant prosecuting attorney in Jackson County, Jennifer Phillips has demonstrated her dedication to public service, as well as her ability and experience in the courtroom,” Gov. Nixon said, “I am pleased to appoint her as Circuit Judge from a well-qualified panel.”

Mayor and City Council appoint AWL Board Member, Courtney Wachal, as a Kansas City Municipal Court Judge

By: Michelle Marvel

On January 15, 2015, the Mayor of Kansas City and the Kansas City Council appointed Courtney Wachal to fill the judicial vacancy on the Kansas City Municipal Court domestic violence docket. She is the first female judge to preside over the domestic violence docket in Kansas City Municipal Court.

Wachal received her law degree from the University of Kansas in 2004. Immediately following her graduation from law school, she accepted a position with the Missouri Public Defender System in Ava, Missouri. As a public defender, she represented indigent adults and juveniles charged with felonies and misdemeanors. Wachal worked the past three years as a Kansas City Municipal Prosecutor. During her tenure at the municipal court she participated in Step Up, an annual event that partners the Kansas City Municipal Court and volunteers from the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City to allow victims of domestic violence living in area shelters to resolve outstanding warrants and traffic violations by completing community service rather than paying fines.

Wachal is very involved in her community. She is the president of the board of directors for Sheffield Place. She also serves on the board of directors for the Midwest Innocence Project and the Calvary Community Outreach Network.
A major milestone is upon us. This year marks the 20th Annual “I’m Not Serious About Golf” Tournament! What once started out as a small group of women coming together, has now become Kansas City’s Premier Golf Tournament. The Association of Women Lawyers and the Association of Women Lawyers Foundation is proud to announce this year’s 20th Annual charity golf tournament will be held on Friday, September 25, 2015.

This year’s event will be held at Swope Memorial Golf Course, located at 6900 Swope Park Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri. You won’t want to miss this special milestone tournament, which promises to honor 20 years of charitable giving, friendship, and fun.

All proceeds from the Golf Tournament will benefit AWLF, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization whose mission is to support and assist women in the legal profession and women in general. Through its efforts AWLF has been able to provide assistance in the legal profession through its:

1) Scholarship Program. This Program provides financial assistance to women in the legal profession in furtherance of their professional development and legal career;
2) Connections Program. This is a mentor-mentee program focused on fostering relationships through a combination of social, community, and cultural group events, and one-on-one connections; and
3) Practice Development Program. This Program provides practical advice and guidance to women lawyers who are serious about developing profitable law practices.

AWLF also provides support and assistance to women in the community by supporting a large number of local organizations including: Operation Breakthrough, Hope House, CASA, Sheffield Place and many more wonderful and worthwhile organizations.

For more information regarding AWLF, and their commitment to both the legal community and our community at-large, please visit the website at: http://www.awl-kc.org/.

Sponsorship and donation opportunities will soon be available! For more information on how you can help make this year’s tournament a success, look for our upcoming article in the next installment of The Link, or contact Alicia Koranda at akoranda@korandalaw.com or Tracy Barnes at info@TracyLBarnesLaw.com.

Spring Judicial Reception in April
By: The Hon. Courtney Wachal

Please join us in acknowledging the members of the local judiciary at the Association for Women Lawyers Judicial Reception. The reception will take place on Thursday, April 23, 2015 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Counter Point Event Space in the Crossroads, 1903 Wyandotte, Kansas City, MO. You can check out the space on their website at: http://www.counterpointkc.com/ Parking is available at no cost in the lot across from the event space. See you there!

AWL Holiday Party
By: Brandee Bower

Season’s cheers were abundant at the 2014 AWL Holiday Party. The event was held at the beautiful and historic Loose Mansion. Guests were served pink champagne upon their entrance and many red and green layered Mistletini’s were enjoyed. From the sparkling decorations to the decadent desserts, a good time was had by all. AWL presented many awards that evening and honored members who had given outstanding service throughout the year. The 2015 Board of Directors was also introduced. In case you were unable to attend this great event, please mark your calendars for December 8, 2015 and we will see you at this year’s party!

CLE in the City coming in April
The CLE committee is excited for this year’s CLE in the City, AWL’s Annual Conference, to be held on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at the KCMBA Headquarters. This year’s event is packed with outstanding speakers and timely topics. The keynote address on the federal prosecution of human trafficking cases by those in the trenches is sure to be riveting. Registration will open online very soon. This is a great opportunity to obtain your CLE credits before the reporting deadline in June.
2014 Judge of the Year

Edith L. Messina

When Judge Edith L. Messina was appointed to the bench in 1984 by Gov. Christopher S. Bond, she became the first female Circuit Judge in Jackson County since the creation of the circuit in 1826. Judge Messina was also the first woman elected by her peers to be the 16th Circuit’s Presiding Judge, serving in that capacity from 1998 – 2000. Prior to her judicial career, Judge Messina worked in private practice and in the Public Defender’s Office.

Judge Messina obtained her Juris Doctor degree from the University of Missouri-Kansas City after graduating with a Bachelor’s degree in English Literature and an M.S. in Counseling Psychology from Avila College. Judge Messina served as a volunteer in the Peace Corp in Northern Nigeria in 1966-1968. She also is an adjunct instructor in the MBA program at Avila University.

2014 Woman of the Year

Senator Jolie L. Justus

Since her election to the Missouri Senate in 2006, Jolie Justus has been a leading advocate for women, children, families, jobs and a safe and effective criminal justice system.

She has been a tireless voice for Missouri’s most vulnerable citizens and a respected leader and champion for Kansas City. In addition to passing dozens of bills that benefit Missourians, Senator Justus holds key leadership roles as Minority Leader, Chair of the Progress and Development Committee and Ranking Democrat on both the Judiciary and Jobs committees. Senator Justus was one of the champions for getting the Criminal Code passed this legislation session.

Senator Justus will conclude her second term in office on January 7, 2015. Constitutional term limits prevent her from running for a third term. She intends to continue to serve the community in other leadership roles. Jolie and her partner Lucy make their home in midtown Kansas City with a pack of crazy rescue dogs. In addition to her work in the public sector, Jolie is the Director of Pro Bono Services for the law firm of Shook, Hardy & Bacon LLP. Under her direction, SHB is annually recognized as one of the top 100 free legal services programs in the nation.

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2014 President’s Award

Patricia “Tricia” M. Scaglia

Patricia “Tricia” M. Scaglia, received her Juris Doctor from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. Ms. Scaglia received a Bachelor of Journalism and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She served as law clerk to the late Honorable Kelly J. Moorhouse, Sixteenth Judicial Circuit of Missouri and to the Honorable Robert E. Larsen, United States District Court Western District of Missouri.

Ms. Scaglia practices primarily in the area of Family Law, frequently serving as a Guardian Ad Litem and mediator. Ms. Scaglia also handles family law appeals. She is an adjunct professor at the University of Missouri School of Law- Kansas City, co-teaching the Guardian Ad Litem Clinic. She has appeared before the Western District of Missouri, Eastern District of Missouri and the Missouri Supreme Court.

Ms. Scaglia was elected to the Missouri Bar Board of Governors in 2012, and is just beginning her second term. In 2012 the Family Law Section awarded her the Roger P. Krumm Family Law Practitioner of the Year Award. Ms. Scaglia is active in the Missouri Bar Family Law Section Council currently serving as Chair.

She has also been active in her local bar association, currently serving her second two-year term as an At-Large Board Member of the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association (KC MBA).

Ms. Scaglia serves as the Assistant Secretary for the Association of Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City (AWL), where she has been a Board Member since 2009. In 2010 she received the AWL President’s Award. She has been honored by the Kansas City Business Journal as Best of the Bar for 2009-2014. Ms. Scaglia is licensed in Missouri and Kansas.

Courtney A. Wachal

Courtney graduated from the University of Nebraska – Lincoln in 2001 with a Bachelor of Arts degrees in English, Psychology, and Political Science. She received her law degree from the University of Kansas in 2004. Immediately following her graduation from law school, Courtney accepted a position with the Missouri Public Defender System in Ava, Missouri. As a public defender, Courtney represented indigent adults and juveniles charged with felonies and misdemeanors. In 2008, she was nominated as an Up and Coming Attorney in Missouri by Peter Sterling, then Director of the trial division of the Missouri State Public Defender System. After seven years, she left the public defender system in 2011 to begin serving as an assistant prosecuting attorney with the City of Kansas City.

As an assistant city prosecutor, Courtney prosecutes traffic and general ordinance violations for the City of Kansas City. In addition, Courtney assists with the training of law enforcement regarding developments in case law and changes in municipal court procedures. She works in conjunction with the City Attorney’s office to draft municipal ordinances.

During her tenure at the municipal court, Courtney began participation with Step Up, an annual event that partners the Kansas City Municipal Court and volunteers from the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City to allow victims of domestic violence living in area shelters to resolve outstanding warrants and traffic violations by completing community service rather than paying fines. She has also participated in Stand Down, a warrant relief project for veterans.

In April 2014, Courtney was assigned to the Kansas City Municipal Court Mental Health Court docket. As a leader of the Mental Health Court team, she prosecutes defendants diagnosed with mental illness, helps to monitor their medication and treatment compliance, and connects them with community resources.

Courtney is very involved in her community. She serves as the vice-president of the board of directors for Sheffield Place, a shelter where homeless mothers and their children are empowered to heal from their trauma and become self-sufficient. She serves on the board of directors for the Calvary Community Outreach Network, an organization that works with families in the urban core to improve health awareness and personal accountability. Courtney serves on the board of directors for the Association for Women Lawyers of Greater Kansas City. She is also on the advisory board for the Midwest Innocence Project, which is dedicated to the exoneration of wrongfully convicted men and women. She is the president of the Missouri Municipal and Associate Circuit Court Prosecutors Association.

Courtney is the recipient of the 2014 Missouri Bar Young Lawyers Section Pro Bono Publico award for attorneys in practice more than four years.

Courtney lives in Kansas City with her husband, attorney Chris Gahagan, and their German Shepherd Fritzi.
Connections Update

By: Tracy Barnes, mentee, class of 2014

The Connections group met once again at one of our favorite annual locations – Pierpont’s. After some great networking and catching up as a large group, everyone broke into the smaller classes to get down to business. After surveying the group at the end of last year, it was determined that the Connections group as a whole wanted to be more involved in charitable work. At the Pierpont’s meeting, it was announced that the Connections group would be working together this year to help benefit the Women’s Employment Network (WEN). The individual mentors and mentees will work with the students of WEN to assist in resume writing and online job searching, as well as select members to attend WEN’s biggest fundraiser luncheon, held on April 8, 2015.

An exciting addition to the Class of 2015 has arrived. We are pleased to welcome the Honorable Jennifer Phillips as a new mentor. Congratulations to Judge Phillips on her recent appointment to the Jackson County Circuit Court! Several other class members have new positions to announce. Beginning in September of 2015, Diane Carter will be an associate in the litigation department of Dentons US, LLP, based in Kansas City. She currently clerks for the Honorable Cynthia Norton in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of Missouri. Mentee Jessie Fox recently joined Zerger & Mauer, LLP, practicing in the areas of commercial and trust litigation, and contract and tort actions. Prior to joining Zerger & Mauer, LLC, Jessie was an associate at Case Lindon, PC.

Mentee Kathryn Cox recently joined Horn Aylward & Bandy, LLC. Kathryn practices primarily in medical malpractice defense. Prior to joining the firm, Kathryn clerked for the Honorable Charles H. McKenzie in Jackson County, Missouri. And finally, mentee Christina Miller has been asked to sit on the KC MBA CLE Advisory Committee.

The Class of 2014 has many updates, as well. Mentor Kelly McCambridge is now the Membership Co-Chair for the KC MBA Board of Directors. She was also recently elected Secretary of the CASA Board of Directors. Kelly is also now serving on the Jackson County Law Library Board. Mentor Aubrey Gann-Redmon was very successful in a federal EEO administrative sexual harassment hearing against the United States Postal Service. Aubrey has also been asked to sit on KCMBA’s CLE Advisory Committee.

Mentee Callie Pippen has been published! Her article, “Warrantless Search of the Digital Data on Cell Phones,” was featured in the Journal of the Missouri Bar. Mentee Tracy Barnes has been asked to sit on the KC MBA Bench-Bar & Boardroom Conference Logistics Committee. She has joined the Midwest Innocence Project’s Silent Auction Committee, and is preparing for their “Faces of Innocence” fundraiser to be held on April 29, 2015. Tickets are now on sale online at www.themip.org. Tracy is also new to the AWL Board, and is currently Vice-Chair of this year’s “I’m Not Serious About Golf” charity golf tournament, to be held on Friday, September 25, 2015, at Swope Memorial Golf Course. This year marks the 20th anniversary of the golf tournament and you won’t want to miss the anniversary celebration!

The Class of 2013 has a brand new member! Literally. Baby Victoria Rose was born on January 5, 2015, to mother Brooke Edenfield. Kelsey O’Donnell has officially moved to New York following her marriage. She will be missed by her classmates. Heather Hardinger continues to excel in private practice since joining 2014 Mentor Kelly McCambridge’s firm, McCambridge Law, LLC, as an associate. She is currently working on networking and building her own business base. Newcomers Jane Brown and Brooke Amos have been properly welcomed into the group. Mentor Jane Brown is a former Associate Circuit Judge for Clay County, and currently works as an Assistant U.S. Attorney. Mentee Brooke Amos has her own solo practice in Olathe, Kansas, focusing on employment matters.

Mentor Kim Fournier was promoted to Deputy Chief of the Labor Division of the Missouri Attorney General’s Office. Kim also recently received UMKC’s Alumni Public Service/Pro Bono Award.

Karen Glickstein was honored this year with the Women in the Law Award, bestowed by the Defense Research Institute. Karen received this award for her work in mentoring new female attorneys. Maura Weber was just named the Director of the Veteran’s Relief Project for Legal Aid of Western Missouri.

The Class of 2012 has some major achievements to recap. In addition to receiving the Litigation Practitioner Award at the Annual Women’s Justice Awards, Mentor Theresa Otto was named a Fellow in Litigation Counsel of America. She was also named one of the Most Influential Women by the Kansas City Business Journal. She is now serving as the Chair of the Board of Zoning Adjustment for the City of Kansas City, Missouri. Mentor Sherri Wattenbarger has celebrated two important anniversaries this year: her 10th wedding anniversary and 20 years with the Department of Justice. Sherri also received the Excellence in Bankruptcy Practice Award from The Missouri Bar. Currently, she is serving as Secretary on the Board of Directors for the Women’s Foundation.

The Honorable Margene Burnett was sworn into Division 7 of the Jackson County Circuit Court. And, Mentor Nathalie Elliott was named to Super Lawyers to the Top 50 Women for Missouri and Kansas, and she was invited to be a Fellow in The American Bar Association. Mentor Annette Griggs was named in Super Lawyers, as well as, Best of the Bar, and she currently serves as Chair of the MATA Women’s Caucus and the Co-Chair of AWL’s Awards Committee.

Mentee Christine Hall was re-elected Co-Chair of the Young Professionals Board of Legal Aid of Western Missouri, and is serving as the President of the Alumni Board for Notre Dame di Sion. She recently moved to the Office of the Public Administrator. We also congratulate Christine on her recent engagement! Mentee Tricia Campbell is also getting married this June in Florida. Tricia was named a Super Lawyers Rising Star.

Mentee Meredith Webster will serve on two committees she is passionate about: for SevenDays and KC Superstar. SevenDays
Introducing AWL Sponsor – KNDK Law

By: Andy DeMarea

Kenner Nygaard DeMarea Kendall is a small, dynamic trial law firm located near downtown in the heart of the Crossroads district. The firm’s four partners bring their clients a combined total of more than 100 years of experience in civil litigation in Kansas City and throughout the Midwest. But while clients quickly note their experience, in the long run it is their responsiveness and approachability that makes for satisfying results. These traits are initially conveyed by the relaxed atmosphere of their urban-loft office.

The firm offices on the second floor of the Piper Loft building, on 20th Street. Nancy Kenner initially chose the space about five years ago, as the Crossroads District was gaining momentum as the City’s hottest new cultural area. The partners are thrilled with the huge popularity the Crossroads enjoys today – there are many art galleries, top restaurants, bars, bistros and coffee houses to choose from, all within a short radius from the office. With the still increasing attendance at the monthly First Fridays and the new streetcar system being finished soon, KNDK expects its client base will continue growing naturally, as well. The partners insist that great results are one thing, but when they are accomplished by outgoing, professional lawyers who are well-connected to their City, the satisfaction level is that much higher.

Kenner, Andy DeMarea and Brad Kendall work primarily on plaintiffs’ personal injury and medical malpractice claims. Typically representing an injured individual or a decedent’s estate, the legal claims they bring involve personal injuries and wrongful death as a result of negligence. Usually the injuries result from car or truck accidents, medical malpractice, nursing home neglect, railroad accidents, construction site issues, or defective products. Often there are insurance issues to work through as well.

Diane Nygaard focuses on a different area of the law – securities fraud – but she still works to help individuals. Many times her clients have been victimized by an unscrupulous financial company or asset advisor. Examples of Nygaard’s specialty in this field include brokers who have been churning or excessively trading on a client’s account, investing in unsuitable assets, making material misrepresentations or omissions about investments that have been suggested, and breaches of fiduciary duty.

“We’ve really been fortunate with the success of our firm,” Kenner says. “We cherish referrals from friends and from other lawyers, and we look for ways to partner with other attorneys when possible. And if you’ve never been to our offices and just want to come by to have lunch or a drink in the Crossroads, please give us a call! We’ll be glad to see you.”

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is intended to honor the memories of Reat Underwood and Dr. William Corporon, who were killed in the Jewish Community Center shooting last year. The non-profit will hold a memorial walk on April 13, 2015, at 6:30 PM, at the Jewish Community Center. KC Superstar is analogous with American Idol, but targeted at high school students. The goal is to award scholarships as the prizes. The talented students put on an amazing show, open to the public.

Mentee Monica Smith recently gave a speech to over 1,000 alumni at her alma mater, MidAmerica Nazarene University. She has also achieved Toastmasters International’s Advance Communicator Bronze Award. Mentee Stephanie Burton successfully presented her first oral argument to the Court of Appeals.

The Class of 2011 is full of exciting updates. First and foremost, Mentee Ashley Felton announced she is expecting and due in early July 2015! She also opened her own firm, Felton and Zaman, which will focus on estate planning and tax law. Mentee Gillian Wilcox continues to make strides with her new job at the ACLU. In her position as staff attorney for the State of Missouri, she has recently appeared on television during her advocacy of marriage equality in Missouri. Gillian has also been working in Ferguson, Missouri, protecting the rights of free speech for Missouri citizens. Gillian was recently appointed President-Elect for KCMB’s Diversity Committee.

Erica Perkin recently moved her firm, The Perkin Law Firm, to a new Leawood, Kansas location. Perkin handles family law matters and personal injury cases. Mentee Nicole Forsythe is participating in KCMB’s Trial Academy program, and she has begun taking on federal criminal defense cases through CJA appointments (Criminal Justice Act) in the Western District of Missouri.

Mentee Michelle Marvel has added a new practice area to her repertoire: national mass tort pharmaceutical cases. She will also be sitting on KCMB’s CLE Advisory Committee and assisting with the development and arrangement of education programs for Kansas City area attorneys.
AWL Hosts Read Across America Reading Celebration

By: Jenny Redix Jordan

Phyllis Norman and Paige Waits did an outstanding job coordinating this year’s Read Across America event that took place on Monday, March 2, 2015. The nationwide reading celebration takes place annually on Dr. Suess’ birthday. Again this year, the Missouri Bar YLS and Association for Women Lawyers co-sponsored the event and coordinated 28 lawyer volunteers to read in 20 different classrooms. Academie Lafayette and Operation Breakthrough were the host sites for the event. Following the afternoon event, the volunteers gathered at The Drop for a thank you happy hour. AWL wishes to extend a special thank you to all of our Read Across America volunteer readers!

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Katherine Wurzer

Academie Lafayette volunteers were, back row: Matt Jordan, Leslie Lawson, Katherine Wurzer, Marilyn Keller, Stacey Wulschlegler, Jessica Agnelly Krawczyk, and Larry Wright; and front row: Theresa LeVings, Julie Oswald Bautista, Maureen Brady, Phyllis Norman, and Aimee Komorowski.

AWL Goes Red for Women

By: Jenny Redix Jordan

Heart disease and stroke cause one in three women’s deaths each year. Join AWL’s efforts to spread awareness about the number one killer of women. On Friday, February 6, 2015, AWL encouraged its members to wear red by participating in the National Wear Red Day with the American Heart Association. Members shared pictures online of themselves and their colleagues wearing red with the hashtag #IheartAWL. It’s not too late to get involved; assist the Go Red efforts by participating in the Health eHeart Study through a short survey at https://www.goredforwomen.org/healtheheartstudy/.

AWL thanks all of the offices, individuals, and events that supported National Wear Red Day!

AWL Board Wears Read in Support of National Wear Red Day.

Larry Wright and Aimee Komorowski read to second graders at Academie Lafayette. Larry and Aimee had the students recite back to them in French what they read to them in English.