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President's Column

Casey Archer, MCBA President

The Mariposa County Bar Association ("MCBA") is pleased to announce that commencing September 9, 2021, we will be resuming our in-person meetings at the Miner's Roadhouse 140.



We invite all Mariposa area attorneys and colleagues to kick off our in-person meetings by attending our luncheon on September 9, 2021, at noon at the Miner's Roadhouse 140. Our guest speaker, Miles Menetrey of the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, will provide information regarding the status of the Board of Supervisors and the issues they are tackling. Those attending the luncheon may order lunch from the menu at their own cost. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required, by replying to this email at MCBA@MariposaBar.org.

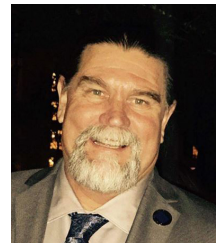
MCBA Membership is \$35.00 and includes access to several MCLE credits throughout the year as well as a listing on the MCBA website at www.MariposaBar.org. An application may be downloaded at our website. Those who are renewing their membership may forego the application and simply send in their dues or bring them to the next luncheon.

Come support the MCBA and Miles Menetrey by joining us for lunch on September 9, 2021!



Miles Menetrey to Speak at September 9, 2021 Luncheon Meeting

Join us for lunch with Miles Menetrey, Mariposa County Board of Supervisors, on September 9, 2021 at the Miner's Roadhouse 140. Miles will be speaking on the status of the Board of Supervisors and the issues they are tackling.



Elected on June 7, 2016, Miles' term began on January 2, 2017, and expires on January 4, 2021. Miles' decision to run for the office of County Supervisor back in 2016 was based primarily upon two factors: a very real concern for the future of Mariposa County and a sincere desire to expand the level of his participation in the County's growth and development.

Miles has been a local business owner, a general contractor, for years. He has lived in Mariposa County for 26 years. Thus, his livelihood has been closely tied to the economic prosperity of Mariposa County and he fully understands the importance of fiscal responsibility. He also fully appreciates the importance of both the tourist industry and the need for expanded non-tourist development that will diversify the County's economic base and provide greater stability.

Miles' taste for public service has evolved from his many years of volunteering in the community. His over fifteen years of service with the Mariposa County Sheriff's Search and Rescue taught him a great deal about public safety issues and problems confronting law enforcement. His time as a member and officer of the Mariposa Lions Club introduced him to many of the needs and problems facing the citizenry in general.

When Miles was elected to the Board, he put his knowledge and experience to work. He has no shortage of accolades from the citizens of Mariposa County, who admire him for his commitment to volunteering his time, craftsmanship and integrity as a builder, and being honest, reliable, and trustworthy.

2021 Meeting Schedule

The MCBA is resuming in-person meetings at noon on the 2nd Thursday of each month at the Miner's Roadhouse 140 Banquet Room.

MINER'S ROADHOUSE

140

January 14, 2021

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

February 11, 2021

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

March 11, 2021

Luncheon meeting postponed due to COVID-19.

April 8, 2021

Luncheon meeting: 1 hour MCLE credit Webinar with Speaker, Brian Chase of ArcherHall, with a presentation on "Identification and Preservation of Electronically Stored Information"

May 13, 2021

Luncheon meeting: 1 hour MCLE webinar with Russell Cook, attorney and mediator, presenting on "Mediating the Hatfield and McCoys"

June 10, 2021

Luncheon meeting: 1 hour Ethics MCLE credit Webinar with Speaker, Tom Plunkett, Director of Digital Forensics at ArcherHall, with a presentation on "Ethical Duties and Electronically Stored Information"

July 15, 2021

Luncheon meeting: Webinar with Sharon Wardale-Trejo, Director for the Merced/Mariposa Regional Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) and David Haycraft, Chief Attorney for the Merced/Mariposa Regional DCSS, presenting an overview of the Department and the services they can offer.

August 12, 2021

No Luncheon Meeting due to Summer Break Schedules

September 9, 2021

Luncheon meeting: Speaker Miles Menetrey of the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors

October 14, 2021

Luncheon meeting: Speaker To Be Announced

November 18, 2021

Luncheon meeting: Speaker To Be Announced

December 9, 2021

Luncheon meeting: Holiday Luncheon and Judges Appreciation Day

MCBA Membership List

Thank you to our 2021 members:

Alexandria Albertoni
Ashley Albertoni
Susan Albertoni
Casey Archer
Kevin Briggs
Marvin Brown (retired)
Anita Starchman Bryant
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If your name is not on the list and you would like to renew your membership or join, you may do so by sending your \$35 dues to MCBA, PO Box 628, Mariposa, CA 95338.

2021 MCBA Officers



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President



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Bryant banks back-to-back male student 'best of' honors

By ALLEN LAMAN Staff Writer, Mariposa Gazette

Davis Bryant is still No. 1.

One year after being voted the best male academic student in Mariposa County by readers of this newspaper, the local boy notched that honor for the second consecutive time in the Gazette's 2021 Readers' Choice Awards. "Making it the second year, it means even more to me that I've got it two years now," said Bryant, who will be a senior at Mariposa County High School when classes resume in August. "I was pleasantly surprised. I wasn't expecting it."

He has the resume to back it up. In addition to handling a rigorous course load that puts him on the MCHS valedictorian track, Bryant holds various leadership roles in FFA — including being the local chapter president and a regional officer who oversees about 20,000 students in Central California. "So, I'm on a team that kind of oversees that area and puts on activities for that group of students," he explained. "Myself and the team, one of the biggest things is that we put on a leadership conference for high school chapter officers. So, we put on a day where all the (officer team) students from our region come together and they kind of learn a little bit more about how they can be influential."

Bryant is motivated by accomplishment. At the end of the day, he likes being able to reflect on what he has achieved and know he gave everything his all. He hopes to one day attend a four-year college and major in environmental science or a similar field of study. "I'm looking to college, and I'm looking to my career," he explained, "and I kind of want to make sure that while in high school, I do what I can to make sure that my options are open. So, I kind of take high school as an opportunity to grow. And I take academics seriously because I know in the future I can really harness some of the skills I'm currently learning."

His advice to younger students discovering academics is to "try things that are available to you, and figure out what you enjoy," Bryant said. "And then focus your time from there," he continued. "So, don't necessarily become overwhelmed by trying to do everything at once. And don't just kind of not do anything. Find what you really enjoy and focus on those things."

Garret Rowley and other MCHS agriculture teachers — including Michelle Wise and Buz Arnold — have left a big impact on Bryant. In a recent interview, Rowley said Bryant "just loves to succeed. There is a feeling of accomplishment when you work hard for something and you get it. And he's a kid that's willing to work hard." "He's a kid that's willing to put in the time and the effort, because he knows that the things he's learning in high school, and the things he's learning through whatever clubs or organizations he's a part of, he knows that those are going to benefit him," Rowley added. "He doesn't take anything for granted for what he's being taught. And he likes to learn what's going on and to master what's going on, and to understand the message behind it."

Bryant pointed to family members when asked about his role models. His mother is local attorney Anita Starchman Bryant and his father is Tim Bryant, who works for the California State Department of Conservation as a grant manager. Davis' grandfather, Allan Bryant, is a role model as well, he said. He has always taken interest in his grandson's life.



Davis Bryant (left) poses for a photo with family at Lake Tahoe. To his right are his sister, Annie Bryant, mother, Anita Starchman Bryant, and father, Tim Bryant. Davis was recently voted best male academic student for the second consecutive year.