

CLE LUNCHEON SPEAKER HARPER ESTES, STATE BAR PRESIDENT



The CLE Membership luncheon will be **Tuesday, July 8**, at the Fort Worth Club. This luncheon will have two purposes. Our CLE speaker is **Harper Estes**, President, State Bar of Texas. Mr. Estes will speak on "What You Mean To The Rule of Law." He will also bring us up to date on the new year at the State Bar.

Mr. Estes started his term at the State Bar Annual meeting in June. He is with the firm of Lynch, Chappell & Alsup, P.C., in Midland, where he practices in litigation and serves as a mediator. He earned his J.D. from Baylor Law School in 1979, and he has served on the State Bar Board of Directors, the TYLA Board of Directors, the District 16 Grievance Committee, and as President of the Midland County Bar Association.

The second purpose of the luncheon is to install TCBA's new officers. Show your support and attend!!

The CLE Luncheon is hosted by TCBA and the FW-TCYLA. The cost of the buffet meal is \$20 for TCBA members and for FW-TCYLA members, and \$25 for guests and walk-ins. To make your reservations, contact **Sherry** at 817-338-4092 or by email at sherry@tarrantbar.org. Dress is business casual--suits and ties are not required. Additional parking for the Fort Worth Club is available at the Bank One and the Oil & Gas building garages at a charge of \$1.25 per 30 minutes. For directions to the Fort Worth Club, visit the club's website at www.fortworthclub.com.

Door Prize is a \$150 Gift Card donated by **Texas Motors Sales & Leasing**. To win, you must be pre-registered AND be present.

TARRANT COUNTY BAR BULLETIN AGAIN NAMED "BEST OVERALL NEWSLETTER" BY THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS

The monthly Bar Bulletin has won the Stars of Texas Bars Award in its "**Best Overall Newsletter**" competition in Division IV for 2007-2008. The award will be given during the State Bar of Texas Annual Meeting luncheon in Houston on June 26.

The Bar Bulletin is TCBA's "contact" with its membership. It provides all members with information about upcoming events and seminars, legal articles of interest, and updates on past activities. The award was based on a point system covering: a) quality of publication; b) quality of writing; c) originality in graphics/cover; d) contributions of members; e) interest to members; f) ease of locating information; and g) meeting purpose of publication.

The content of the Bulletin comes from members--attorneys and judges -- who give their time to draft and submit various articles; from Association staff members who write about upcoming community services, events, and activity recaps; and from a wide variety of advertisers, from mediators to vendor services, who have recognized the publication as an excellent source for advertising their services. These articles are monitored and edited by the editor Dean **Vickie Rainwater**, and committee member Professor **Roger Simon**, both of Texas Wesleyan University School of Law. The cover and layout are designed by TCBA's Director of Communications, **Pat Leake**, PLS, CLAS.

From the 12 issues submitted for the award, the Bulletin also won four of the five entries for individual articles:



Editor Vickie Rainwater, Staff Editor Pat Leake and Committee Editor Roger Simon

Best Human Interest Story: "The Human Factor in Mediation" by **Kay Elliott, J.D., LL.M.**

Best News Article: "Celebrating 15 Wonderful Years!" by Executive Director **Patricia Graham, PLS, CLAS.**

Best Series of Articles--Substantive Law: "Offering and Objecting:" n by Judge **Bonnie Sudderth** of the 352nd District Court. This series of articles provided many attorneys with valuable information over a period of 18 months.

Best Series of Articles – General Interest Articles: "Lawyers On the Loose," a series about attorneys' extracurricular activities outside the legal practice. TCBA submitted two articles-- "To The Limit At The Chicago Marathon" by attorney **Bill Berenson**, and "Tarrant County Attorney Lives a Dual Life ...And Loves It!" by attorney **Doug Williams**.

Do you have any "extracurricular" activities to share with the membership? To submit your proposed article, contact Staff Editor Pat Leake at pat@tarrantbar.org. The article should be 1,000 words or less, with photos preferred, submitted in Word format.

The "Best Overall Newsletter" award will be on display, and the authors of the above articles will receive a Certificate from the State Bar of Texas "Stars of Texas Bar Awards" during the CLE Membership Luncheon on July 8.

Docket Call Social at the Scat Jazz Lounge at 501 Houston Street
(the basement of the old Woolworth Building) on **Thursday, August 14.**