

Fourth Edition

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# Arkansas State Board of Cosmetology

## *From the President*

I am accepting the position as President of the State Board of Cosmetology with trust that I shall have the guidance of my fellow board members, as well as that of the new Director, Kathy Wittum, and her staff. The confidence that has been bestowed on me is overwhelming, and I envision myself as a flag-bearer on the battlefield charging toward the goals the Board deems appropriate. Although I am filled with enthusiasm for the future of cosmetology, I will rely on open and honest communication from my colleagues in order to be

successful. Diversity, and yes even disparity, is encouraged more than a band-wagon environment.

The future for the cosmetology industry demands for us to take a more progressive approach to the needs of the professionals here in our very own state. It will require us all to work together to bring Arkansas cosmetology to the level of excellence that it deserves.

It would be remiss of me to not mention the loss of a fellow board member who worked tirelessly to bring

excellence to the Board. Johnnie Siebel will truly be missed by me, as well as by the Board and many of you. In her memory, I would like to dedicate my term as President of the State Board of Cosmetology.

Jane Powell



*"No man who ever held office of President would ever congratulate a friend on obtaining it."* -John Adams

## **RENEWAL SEASON IS HERE!**

**REMEMBER:  
NO CASH IS ACCEPTED!!**

A renewal form can be detached from your license and sent in with the correct payment due. A check or money order is required. Cash or the incorrect payment amount will be returned, which will delay the renewal process.

Renew your shop or practitioner license the quick and easy way by logging onto our Website at [www.arkansas.gov/cos/](http://www.arkansas.gov/cos/).

Note: We must have your social security number on file in order for you to renew online.

### **Practitioner Renewal Fee:**

\$12 - before 1-31-06

\$18 - after 1-31-06

### **Shop Renewal Fee:**

\$20 - before 1-31-06

\$30 - after 1-31-06

### **2006 Board Meeting Dates**

January 16

March 20

May 15

July 10

September 18

November 20

### **Exam Dates**

January 9, 10, 17

February 6, 7, 13, 14

March 13, 14, 21

April 10, 11, 17, 18

May 8, 9, 16

June 12, 13, 19, 20

July 10, 17, 18

August 14, 15, 21, 22

September 11, 12, 19

October 9, 10, 16, 17

November 13, 14, 21

December 11, 12, 18, 19

### **Deadline**

December 29

January 26

March 2

March 30

April 27

June 1

June 29

August 3

August 31

September 28

November 2

November 30

## STAFF MEMBERS

Kathy Wittum, Director  
Cheryl Esaw, Administrative Assistant  
Shaunta Belmont, Document Examiner II  
Patricia Eason, Document Examiner II

## INSPECTORS

Sheila Caudle  
Pat Bland  
Brenda Morgan  
Rose Horner  
Lavonne Holman

The Board and Staff mourns the loss of  
cosmetology inspector, Kay Smart.

## WORK IN PROGRESS...

Many of you are aware that the State Board of Cosmetology has been in the process of revising its Rules and Regulations. This process has taken more time than anticipated; however, we are beginning to see progress and should have them finalized after the first of the year. We believe the format change will make it easier for practitioners, establishment owners, cosmetology schools and students, and the general public to better educate themselves on the standards by which this profession is held in compliance.

A project that will begin soon that should also help to keep the cosmetology industry better informed is to update and redesign our Website. We will strive to provide the utmost educational information to you through this valuable technological tool, so watch for it at [www.arkansas.gov/cos/!!](http://www.arkansas.gov/cos/!!)

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## From the Director...

I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Kathy Wittum, and I am the new Director for the State Board of Cosmetology. It has been my privilege to work in state government for the past 14-1/2 years with the Crime Victims Reparations Board, which is administered by the Attorney General's Office. My role with the Crime Victims Board as Secretary, Investigator and ultimately Administrator groomed me for the opportunity to lead the Cosmetology Board's office. This is an exciting challenge for me both professionally and personally.

Although I have been with this

office for only a short time, it is clear to me that the cosmetology industry is growing in Arkansas. With more than 30,000 practitioners, more than 4,000 salons and more than 50 cosmetology schools licensed in this state, the professionals within this industry have a tremendous opportunity to provide a valuable service to Arkansans who simply want to look and feel beautiful. Each of you are to be commended for the dedication and commitment you have for the cosmetology profession, and I look forward to being a part of such a vibrant industry.

Kathy

## BOARD MEMBERS

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