

## **SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**

*JULY 2009*

**MINUTES OF MEETING:** Attached are the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Executive Council for the month of June 2009. These Minutes have yet to be approved by the Executive Council and will be submitted to the Executive Council at its next meeting.

**ANNUAL PICNIC:** The Tenth Annual Picnic of the Scott County Bar Association will be held on August 1, 2009, at Windsor Crest Club in Davenport, Iowa from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. We will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs with chips, beer, pop and bottled water. We have rented the pavilion: lunch will be served at noon. This event is open ONLY to all members of the Scott County Bar Association and staff and their families; Courthouse and Bicentennial Building employees and their families and their staff and their families. Your food, drinks and swimming are free, compliments of your Scott County Bar Association. Please join us for a day of fun in the sun. We will also have a clown for the event and there will be an inflatable bouncer with a slide for the kids to enjoy as well. Everyone is welcome to swim and/or watch their children swim, jump or enjoy the clown. Tennis courts are available if you wish to bring your equipment.

We would like to have an approximate headcount so it is important that people sign up ahead of time with names and number of people attending in their group. Signup sheets will be located in various offices at the Scott County Courthouse and Annex. For any further information, contact Janet at 332-8181 or [jlq@netins.net](mailto:jlq@netins.net) **See attached map for directions.**

**LAWYER REFERRAL:** Attached is the Lawyer Referral information sheet and registration form. Please return the registration form and dues as soon as possible as the new year for the Lawyer Referral Service begins July 1.

**GOLF OUTING:** The Fall Golf Outing is planned to be on Thursday, September 10, 2009, at Palmer Hills. Tee times are at noon and dinner is to follow. More information will be forthcoming. Anyone interested or having any ideas should contact Berger at [saberger@wblslaw.com](mailto:saberger@wblslaw.com)

**ANNUAL DUES:** It's that time again. Attached is the 2009 Dues Statement. Complete the form and return to Steven H. Jacobs, 600 Union Arcade Building, Davenport, Iowa 52801. We would like to distribute new Rosters every year on or about September 1; please update your information. Therefore, if dues are not paid by that date, you will either not be included in the Roster or it may contain inaccurate information.

**NEW FORM:** Associate District Court is now accepting written Pleas of Guilty in writing for aggravated misdemeanors as well as serious misdemeanors. Paragraph 6 of the new form provides a place to insert the factual basis for the offense that needs to be completed before your client endorses the plea. These new forms are available in Associate Court.

**CHANGES:** Everyone should provide any changes in your address, telephone, e-mail or other information to Wing at [spwing@iabar.org](mailto:spwing@iabar.org) so current information can be used on the website.

**THANK YOU:** The Pro Bono Project of the Scott County Bar Association and HELP Legal Assistance wishes to thank the following attorneys who have recently accepted Pro Bono Referrals:

Kathleen Bailey	Arthur Buzzell	George Goebel
April Gutting	Jordan Kaplan	Patrick Kelly
Matthew Leddin	Doug Lindstrom	Jeff McDaniel
William McCollough	Kenza Nelson	Ben Patterson
Ted Priester	Robert Tappa	Dave Treimer
Joel Walker	Stephen Wing	Tom Yeggy
Lane and Waterman (2)	Deere and Company Law Department	
Stanley, Lande and Hunter		

**NEW ADDRESS and/or CHANGES TO EXISTING:**

Barbara K. Wallace  
2466 E. Kimberly Road, Suite C  
Davenport, Iowa 52807  
Telephone: 563/323-3342  
Fax: 563/323-3372  
Email: [barb@barbwallacelaw.com](mailto:barb@barbwallacelaw.com)

Lauren M. Phelps  
New telephone numbers effective immediately 563/449-5518  
563/449-5519  
Fax number effective immediately 563/449-5520

**NEED HELP?:** Problems with alcohol, drugs, stress or depression? Call Iowa Lawyers Assistance Program at 1-800-243-1533. All calls are confidential.

Any member having any comments may contact the President or an Executive Council member for comments on any matters. Further, any member may request a reservation at the monthly meeting for a presentation to the Executive Council by contacting the President.

*SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION*

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

June 30, 2009

Present: Jacobs, Gross, Jones, Thill, Larson, Berger, Devine, Gieck, Davidson, Cervantes, Leddin, Jasper

The meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Front Street Brewery and was called to order at 12:05 p.m. by President Davidson.

The minutes of the meeting of the Executive Council of May 26, 2009, were unanimously approved without amendment.

Jacobs reported a written financial statement. We are receiving the payment of dues and have a positive amount in our checking account.

Jasper reported the Annual Picnic will be held on August 1, 2009, at the Windsor Crest Club. He will be preparing flyers and is encouraged to seek the services of a clown to be in attendance along with an inflatable bouncer and this should be added to the flyer.

Affiniscope was presented to Stephen Wing for inclusion on the website. It was determined to be unacceptable for our purposes and the matter was tabled for any future discussions.

The Golf Outing will be held on September 10, 2009, at Palmer Hills. It was moved, seconded and approved to authorize the purchase of one keg of beer. This should be placed in the Newsletter.

Leddin reports he sold 128 tickets to Baseball Night with the Bandits on June 11, 2009. The persons attending paid \$8 per ticket and the Association paid the remaining \$14 per ticket. It was a beautiful evening and everyone enjoyed themselves. For the future, Baseball Night will probably be in early summer to avoid the heat and humidity.

The maintenance of the files of lawyers no longer practicing law was again discussed. Kent Simmons was apparently holding many of the files of Kyle Williamson and he only wants to maintain them for approximately six months. Cervantes volunteered to contact the State to see if there is any consensus or protocol to retain such files.

Swanberg sent a Thank-you note to our Association for the contribution of \$28,687 by our Association last year.

Davidson indicates he receives emails requesting advertisements or marketing strategies to send to the membership by our email list. It was the general consensus the policy remains the same and the list is not be used for any type of market strategy for some other individual as we do not want our membership receiving more information than they may desire.

Leddin announced Stacey Hall has volunteered to be the Chair of the Social Committee and Maggie Manternach will be the chair for the Young Lawyers Committee. These individuals received unanimous support as Chairs and were appointed by Davidson.

Everyone knows two local Court Reporters have been laid off from employment due to the financial crunch: Kim Brown and Bev Bleigh. Reportedly they had the least seniority in Associate Court for our District. It is believed they will not be recalled. It is the general consensus more Court Reporters may be losing their employment and everyone is encouraged to contact their local legislator with their opinions concerning same.

Berger provided the new written Plea of Guilty to be utilized in Associate Court. In paragraph 6 there is a space designated for the factual basis. Since there is a loss of two Court Reporters in Associate Court, pleas for aggravated misdemeanors, as well as serious misdemeanors will be in writing and the new Plea of Guilty should be utilized. These new forms are available in Associate Court.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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**SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

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**2009 DUES STATEMENT**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Due: \_\_\_\_\_

Home \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Please compute the amount of dues according to the following schedule and return your remittance along with a copy of this statement to the address above.

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| 1. | Member for one year, a Judge, or employed by<br>HELP Legal Assistance          | Free     |
| 2. | Member for 2, 3, or over 50 years  | \$37.50  |
| 3. | All other members  | \$75.00  |
| 4. | Voluntary contribution to HELP Legal Assistance<br>(suggested \$50.00 or more) | \$ _____ |
| 5. | Total remitted   | \$ _____ |

Your dues go toward the support of the Scott County Bar website, Continuing Legal Education, Lawyer Referral Service, video recorder and monitor, composite photographs, and various special events.

**PLEASE REMIT DUES BEFORE JULY 31, 2009**