

## **SCOTT COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER**

*OCTOBER 2009*

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

**CLE:** See attached notification and registrations of the ongoing Patricia Rhodes Cepican CLE Series scheduled for **November 11, 2009**. This seminar will be held on the **Isle of Capri Convention Center, Riviera Room** in Bettendorf. The agenda and registration form is attached. Any questions should be directed to Dane, 326-0006.

**NOTICE:** The Scott County Bar Association will host the Middle School Regional Mock Trial Tournament on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at the Scott County Courthouse. We are in need of volunteers to assist in judging the tournament. There are tentatively 3 sessions scheduled at 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 1:30 p.m. Please email or call Maggie Manternach at [mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com](mailto:mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com) or 563.445.2264 if you are interested in volunteering and more information will be forwarded to you. We appreciate your help!

**NOTICE:** North Scott Middle School is looking for a local attorney to assist in coaching the mock trial team. They have a "teacher coach" and are looking for an attorney to help out. The Middle School Mock Trial tournament is Nov. 14 at the Scott County Courthouse. Please email or call Maggie Manternach at [mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com](mailto:mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com) or 563.445.2264 if you are interested in coaching and more information will be forwarded to you.

**NOTICE:** The Young Lawyer's Division of the Scott County Bar will be hosting a luncheon for the new Scott County Bar lawyers who have been admitted to practice as of January 1, 2009. The luncheon will be held on October 27, 2009 at noon at the Symposium Café in Davenport. Several local judges and attorneys will be present to give the new lawyers some practice tips and pointers. If you are a new lawyer, or know a new lawyer in the area, please have them email or call Maggie Manternach at [mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com](mailto:mmantern@hopkinsandhuebner.com) or 563.445.2264 to r.s.v.p. for the lunch by October 20, 2009.

**NOTICE:** The Young Lawyer's Division of the Scott County Bar will be hosting a fall social on Thursday, November 5, at Buffalo Wild Wings in Davenport starting at 5:00 p.m. The social is open to all members of the Scott County Bar who have been practicing

less than 10 years or are younger than 40 years old. Drinks and appetizers will be provided.

**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:

Ed Broders (2)	Robert S. Gallagher	April Gutting
Jeannette Keller	Larry Lammers	Eric long
Josh Mandelbaum	Kenza Nelson	Candy Pastrnak
Maria Pauly	Ian Russell	Tom Schebler
Stanly, Lande, Hunter	Deere and Company	Lane and Waterman (2)

**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**

September 29, 2009

Present: Thill, DeVine, Davidson, Jacobs, Gross, Gieck, Larsen, Leddin, Cervantes, Syverud, Jasper

Guest: The Honorable Paul L. Macek, Manternach

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 August 25, 2009, were unanimously approved without amendment.

Jacobs presented his written Treasurer's Report.

Leddin reported HELP requested payment of any donations in June and December of each year. Larsen volunteered to seek publicity with the Quad City Times for any donations made to HELP.

A discussion was held concerning the retention of court reporters. Several resolutions had been adopted by different County bar associations for our review. The general consensus was a special meeting of our bar association should be held pursuant to Article IV, Section B, which requires a seven day notice. The attached is a copy of the proposed resolution, which is to be submitted with a cover letter by Davidson. Once received by Jacobs same shall be mailed to the members for a special meeting on October 23, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend this special meeting.

Manternach was present to request funding for the Young Lawyers Luncheon at a copy not to exceed \$250 and the annual Fall Social not to exceed \$300. It was unanimously approved to again sponsor these events and cover expenses up to \$250 for the Young Lawyers Luncheon and an amount not to exceed \$300 for the Fall Social for the young lawyers.

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Manternach indicated she would be having a request to be published in the Newsletter concerning the need of Judges for mock trials. It was the general consensus this request would be placed in the Newsletter upon receipt of same.

The issue of our four grants of \$500 each was presented for discussion. There are four grants each year. For approximately twenty years, Vince Motto has received the applications from any Scott County area individual attending any accredited law school.

The resignation of Derek Jones was submitted and accepted.

Mike Byrne submitted an email report to Davidson confirming a meeting of the Board of Governors on September 24, 2009. The comments of Byrne will be submitted to the Executive Council by Davidson.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis D. Jasper

Secretary

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