

The Illinois 1752 Club

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February 26, 2009 Meeting Minutes
Starved Rock State Park – Utica, IL

Next Meeting

Thursday, March 19, 2009 3 p.m.

Millrose Bar & Restaurant

45 S. Barrington Road– South Barrington, IL

2008-09 Officers:

President – Carl Konstant

Treasurer – Jack Newman

Vice President – John Immordino

Secretary – Donna Murphy

The meeting was called to order at 3:12 p.m.

Secretary's Report – the January minutes were read. Bob Baggot made a motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by Tom Kennedy.

Treasurer's Report – The Treasurer's report was read and there are sufficient funds to continue club operations. Bills for Spring Clinics Tickets and Brochures were presented and approved. John I. made a motion to approve and John Botkin seconded.

Spring Clinic: Chair – John Immordino; Members – John Lasavage; Jack LiCausi; John Botkin; Jack Newman; Mary Kay McNichols; Sheila Minniti

Tickets and brochures were distributed. If you attended, please give Bob Baggot an update on how your sales are going (weekly basis recommended). If you did not receive tickets and brochures or if you need more, please contact Bob. Bob's contact info: Phone: 630-242-3136 Email: bobb614@aol.com.

Discussion was had on the following:

- John Immordino visited the Seven Bridges Facility again, finalized the contract and placed the deposit for the event. We need to provide them with a head count a week before the event.
- The CE Credit Approval request has been sent to Sandy Cuffle.
 - We are applying for 4 CE hours this year
 - 1 Hour will be Tom Mollenhauer's Legislative update.
 - 3 Hours will be the Mock Trial.
- Another thing brought up was the CE credit sign in. We have a sample template which we will adapt for our meeting to use as both the sign in and survey form.
- In reference to the Marketplace, Jack Newman said that the interest was there. He might possibly have more than 10 vendors however we are still looking for more. Pricing are as follows: Sponsors (name on board) - \$150; Supportive - \$50. Both would still have to purchase tickets for the Clinic.
- Notes with tickets: Push for more applicants for Scholarships when selling tickets. Tickets will also be sold via website which Roger will be handling.
- Advertisement of the clinic in Insight magazine is being taken care of; we will also advertise that Sponsorships and Scholarships are still available.

Scholarship: Chair – Bob Baggot; Members – Steve Lager; Julie Wright

Discussion was had on the following:

- There has been one applicant so far, which was the morning of the meeting.
- Brought up via Clinic committee that scholarship applicants should be scouted while Spring Clinic tickets are being sold.
- People could also apply online without having to print anything out.

Legislative: Chair – Donna Murphy; Member - Patrick Allee

A Legislative update was presented by Michael Tate (legislative information is attached).

Discussion was had on recent legislative issues:

- One thing that was brought up was Legislative Day is coming up this upcoming March 10th.
- Another Event- the Big I Legislative Conference and Convention in the end of April in Washington DC. Illinois Congress and Senate Delegates should be there. Contact Mike Tate if you are interested in attending.
- The new Governor is pushing to break out the Division of Insurance into the Illinois Department of Insurance again.
- There is push for more regulations within insurance especially in regards to credit.
- People in the insurance industry are going to have to work harder this year because the government is going to be sinking their teeth into everything.
- Another thing that could be happening within the state of Illinois is that the Sales tax could be going down but most goods and services will begin to be taxed.

Membership: Chair – Jack Newman; Members – Patrick Allee, Kathy Marshke

- Jack Newman stated that they are working on getting an up to date excel sheet with all members.

Golf Outing: Chair – Mark Lipski; Member – John Heywood; Steve Ursin; Doug Lloyd

- The date for the outing is May 21, 2009. See Attachments for locations.
- The hotel will be The Paddle Wheel Inn, in Oregon, IL with golf at the Silver Ridge Golf Course.
- 15 rooms have been reserved under the IL 1752 Club. The cost of the room is \$89 for a river view and \$69 for the standard view. Reservations need to be made by April 2nd by calling the Paddle Wheel at [1-815-732-4540](tel:1-815-732-4540) and identify that you are with the IL 1752 Club.
- Dinner will be at Maxson Riverside Restaurant. They are going to give us our own floor which also has a game room. The Paddle Wheel will also give us a private room for use as our Hospitality Room.
- The golf course, Silver Ridge, is only two miles from the hotel.

Web Services: Chair – Roger Schlink; Member – Arthur Cizek

The Website was updated on February 25, 2009. There were many changes made. A bill came in for the .com website which reroutes to .org. Club decided to renew subscription. It was decided for the website to store meeting minutes from 2008 and up. There is a form for Spring Clinic ticket requests and scholarships could be applied for online.

Tied to the membership committee also, it is important that everyone checks the website to make sure their name, contact info, and company are correct. If it is not, contact Roger Schlink, rschlink@ntxweb.com.

Reservation: Chair – Donna Murphy; Member – Steve Lager

- Next meeting will now be at Millrose Restaurant in South Barrington, March 19th at 3pm.

The 1752 Club meets the third Thursday of the month (with some exceptions) at 3:00 p.m. Future 1752 Club Meeting dates are:

March 19th – Millrose Restaurant & Brewing – South Barrington, IL

April 23rd – Tentative - 7 Bridges – Woodridge, IL (Fourth Thursday)

May 5th – Spring Clinic – 7 Bridges – Woodridge, IL

May 21st – Golf Outing – Silver Ridge Country Club and Paddle Wheel Inn- Oregon, IL

No meetings in June, July or August

September 17th (next term) - Tentative- Peoria, IL

Old Business:

There was long discussion on what we should do about a Central Illinois Chapter. A majority of the meeting attendees would not be able to attend a Bloomington meeting next month. A consensus was made that we should have our September meeting in Peoria to review the October Convention site and to invite the Standard Mutual and Pekin reps to our September meeting to help them get started with a Central Illinois chapter. If the reps do not show up, we will assume that the interest is not there.

Whoever is in contact with these reps needs to remember to communicate this decision with them.

New Business:

Name tags should be worn at the Spring Clinic by all members.

Between the next meeting and September meeting, we need to discuss how the Registration desk will be handled at the state convention, which will be held at a new venue - the Embassy Suites in East Peoria October 7-9th.

A motion was made at 4:30 p.m. to adjourn and it was seconded by Tom Kennedy and John Lasavage.

***Dues for the 08-09 term are now being accepted. Dues remain the same at \$40. Please complete the form below and remit.

Employment Opportunities:

Previous month:

Marketing Position: Seeking an individual for a marketing position for a top rated wholesaler in the Chicago area. This individual must have some casualty background (1-2 yrs) and be willing to work for several demanding, high performance teams. Interested parties should contact Seth Cummings, Kaye/Bassman Int'l Corp. direct at 972-265-5221 or by e-mail at scummings@kbic.com. Please mention to him that you were referred by the IL 1752 Club.

New Addition

Marketing Position: Contact Jeremy at Jacobsen Group- 312-884-0449 about a Commercial Territory Manager position. For more details, contact John Botkin who turned in the referral. John can be reached at 630-972-1506, e-mail curly3@sbcglobal.net.

Please Remember: The next meeting will be on March 19th at the Millrose Restaurant in South Barrington, IL

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Murphy, Secretary

Membership Application – Annual Dues for 08-09 = \$40

Name: _____ Title: _____

Company/Agency: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City & Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

In making this application for the membership in the Illinois 1752 Club, I understand that I am joining a non-profit professional insurance organization dedicated to promoting insurance knowledge for The American Agency System, continuing education of the membership and the insurance industry in general. In accordance with these stated purposes of the Illinois 1752 Club, I hereby include with my membership application, full annual club dues of \$40.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Sponsor: _____

Mail to: Jack Newman, Treasurer
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