

# The Illinois 1752 Club

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January 22, 2009 Meeting Minutes  
Walter Payton's Roundhouse – Aurora, IL

## Next Meeting

Thursday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> 3 p.m.

Starved Rock State Park - Utica, IL  
(See GPS address and link to directions in Minutes)

### 2008-09 Officers:

President – Carl Konstant

Treasurer – Jack Newman

Vice President – John Immordino

Secretary – Donna Murphy

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m.

**Secretary's Report** – the December minutes were read. Bob Baggot made a motion to approve the minutes and it was seconded by John Immordino.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasurer's report was read and there are sufficient funds to continue club operations. A bill for \$56.65 was approved to reimburse Bob Baggot for member name tags.

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

The Committee met at 7 Bridges in Woodridge to see if the accommodations would be adequate for our Spring Clinic as a change of venue. There is an increase in cost of what was previously paid at St. Andrew's however based upon history the Club should not lose money. A motion was made and passed to accept the Committee's recommendation of moving the venue to 7 Bridges. The change of location was based upon past issues encountered at St. Andrew's as well as attendee survey results which stated they wanted a location with easier on/off access to expressways.

Discussion was had on the following:

- The program has been approved for 4 hours of CE credits.
- Discussion was had on the timeframes for the marketplace, registration and mock trial.
- Tickets and brochures will be available by the next meeting.
- One room has been reserved for the classroom and trial; the next room for the marketplace and refreshments.
- 7 Bridges has offered a discounted rate of \$42 for those who wish to golf that morning prior to the Clinic.
- Discussion was had on whether to offer a light lunch however there are many places for a quick lunch in close proximity.
- The tickets for the Clinic will be \$50 in advance and \$60 at the door.
- The contract needs to be signed and a \$500 deposit check given to 7 Bridges.
- Bob B. will be in charge of having the tickets printed.
- The website should include the change of location with a link to directions.
- Aside from the mock trial the program will include a legislative update and discussion on Certificates of Insurance by Tom Mollenhauer.
- Jack Newman has been asked to see if he could once again get vendors for the Marketplace.

- The trial will run as follows:
  - o The scripts for the trial are almost ready.
  - o Mike Baggot will act as judge. The two attorneys are Carl K. and Peter G. The Bailiff is Rick Pitts.
  - o The eight witnesses are: Bob B., Marilyn K., Donna M., John L., Patrick A., Mark L., Jeff S. and Dave P.

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

Discussion was had on the following:

- Someone desiring a CIC or CISR designation is eligible. The CIC scholarship is \$480 and the CISR scholarship is \$200. Each also receives \$50 for expenses and the money is paid when they take the class.
- Should the scholarship applications be inserted into the Clinic brochures?
- Agency management or principals are not eligible.
- To date there are no applicants yet.

**Legislative:** Chair – Donna Murphy; Member - Patrick Allee

Discussion was had on recent legislative issues:

- The impeachment proceedings have tied up the House and Senate so no new legislative issues were presented.
- The state Insurance Industry Legislative Day is set for Tuesday, March 10, 2009 at the Hilton in Springfield. This is a very worthwhile day with the opportunity to speak with your legislator about issues facing the insurance industry.
- The National Legislative Conference and Convention will be held April 29-May 1 in Washington DC. The PIIAI pays for conference registration and provides travel incentives for all members who attend. For additional information contact Jennifer Jacobs of the IIAI at 217-321-3013.
- The DuPage chapter is also hosting a Legislative Breakfast and the **date has just been changed from January 9<sup>th</sup> to February 13<sup>th</sup>**. Phil Lackman, VP of Government Relations of the Independent Insurance Agents of Illinois will be moderator and all the local legislators have been invited. This will be held at the Hilton in Lisle. For information contact Committee Chairperson Mary Walsh at 630-910-7357.
- The Young Agents Network is having their First Annual Young Agents Sales & Leadership Conference in Peoria for June 5-6<sup>th</sup>.

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

- Members who have not yet paid their dues are encouraged to do so to continue receiving the minutes and Club updates.

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

- The date for the outing is May 21, 2009.
- Carl visited The Paddle Wheel Inn, in Oregon, IL and Silver Ridge Golf Course and it was decided to hold the golf outing here.
- 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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. Links for directions to the hotel and golf course will be in the next minutes.
- There are two restaurants close to the premises. The Paddle Wheel will give us a private room for use as our Hospitality Room.

- Dinner afterwards will be in the Hospitality room and outing prizes will be awarded here.
- The golf course, Silver Ridge, is only two miles from the hotel.

**Web Services:** Chair – Roger Schlink; Member – Arthur Ciszek

We will need to make sure that directions to 7 Bridges be put on the website, with a notation that this is a new location.

**Reservation:** Chair – Donna Murphy; Member – Steve Lager

- The February meeting has been postponed to **3:00 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>** to allow ample time for the printing of the Spring Clinic tickets and brochures so that they could be distributed.
- The meeting will be held in the LaSalle Room at the **Starved Rock Lodge in Utica, IL**. This is a change of venue from what was discussed at the January meeting due to the unavailability at Pheasant Run when the meeting was changed from February 19<sup>th</sup> to the 26<sup>th</sup>.
- The meeting will be at 3 p.m., with dinner following. Since our December holiday celebration was put on hold due to in climate weather, dinner will be compliments of the 1752 Club (cocktails on your own). Then, back to the LaSalle Room for an evening of fun and camaraderie.

Rooms have been reserved in both the West (newer) and East wings. You can request either a King or two double beds. The cost of the room is \$100 in the West wing and \$90 in the East wing. Reservations should be made as soon as possible by calling [1-800-868-7625](tel:1-800-868-7625) and identifying that you are with the IL 1752 Club. You may click on the following link for directions: <http://www.starvedrocklodge.com/index.cfm?pageID=6>  
If you are using a GPS system or on-line service for directions, please enter the following address: **2668 875<sup>th</sup> Road, Oglesby, IL 61348**.

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

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** – Starved Rock Lodge – Utica, IL

**March 19<sup>th</sup>** – Tentative – The Chateau Hotel & Conference Center – Bloomington, IL

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Tentative - 7 Bridges – Woodridge, IL (Fourth Thursday)

**May 5<sup>th</sup>** – Spring Clinic – 7 Bridges – Woodridge, IL

**May 21<sup>st</sup>** – Golf Outing – Silver Ridge Country Club and Paddle Wheel Inn- Oregon, IL

#### **New Business:**

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

A motion was made at 4:23 p.m. to adjourn and it was seconded.

\*\*\*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:**

**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](mailto:scummings@kbic.com). Please mention to him that you were referred by the IL 1752 Club.

**Please Remember:** The next meeting will be on **February 26<sup>th</sup>** at the Starved Rock Lodge in Utica, IL. Please come and be ready for a fun time!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Murphy, Secretary

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**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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Loves Park, IL 61111