

April 2016 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at: 6:00pm

Meeting Adjourned at: 7:00pm

Number of Members in Attendance: 78

Motion made and approved to accept Minutes from the March 2016 Meeting without a reading?

MEMBER LIST

At the end of 2015, we had 488 members. At the beginning of this meeting we have 425 dues paying members for 2016.

WEB PAGE UPDATE

The webpage is and has been up and running. Not everyone has registered his or her information on the page. Please do so.

To register/update your webpage information you need to:

- 1) Go to westshorebarassoication.org**
- 2) Click on "Current Membership"**
- 3) Click on "Attorney Website Information Form" (fill in PDF and submit)**
- 4) Complete all fields (by tabbing), including "Areas of Practice"**
- 5) Once completed, click on "Submit by Email" in the upper right corner of the form or save the form to your computer and then send it as an attachment to an email to wsbarassociation@aol.com**

LISTSERV/GMAIL ALERT

If you are not receiving notifications, please let us know so we can pass your information onto the web designers. LISTSERV is a huge benefit of being a member of WSBA.

Some new issues are arising with gmail Accounts. If you have a gmail account and are not getting LISTSERV, it is most likely an issue with your personal settings. It appears gmail initiated some security adjustments that are interfering with your usage of LISTSERV. You will need to go into your personal gmail account and check/re-set some of the settings.

Some of you have had your personal emails hacked/phished. Some of those have resulted in some of your fellow members receiving unwanted emails. The best way to protect yourself and those on your personal disbursement lists is to change your password on your personal email accounts. As of today, there have been no issues created by anyone hacking into LISTSERV. This is a personal email account issue.

CLE's

Our 2016 CLE's are being planned by our CLE committee. Our CLE Committee is made up of Members Joe Burke, Tim Clemens, Veronica Dever, Ashley Loyke, Chris Murray, and Drue Skyard. The committee will be meeting soon to begin planning for our 2016 CLE's. More information will be communicated as the process continues.

All of our CLE's are held at Umerly Hall, which is across the parking lot from the Rocky River Court. Members are charged \$50 and non-members are charged \$75 for each CLE. Announcements will be posted on our web page, on the Rocky River Court's web page, and notices will be sent electronically.

Periodically, we also have opportunities to attend other CLE's. We will do our best to keep everyone informed when those opportunities arise.

For 2016, the following dates have been reserved at Umerly:

June 24, 2016 (Basics of Domestic Relations or Probate or Appellate)

August 19, 2016 (Basics of Domestic Relations or Probate or Appellate)

September 23, 2016 (OVI)

November 11, 2016 (Veterans' Day/Vendor Fair)

December 2, 2016 (Ethics and Professionalism)

2016 MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING DATES

Tuesday May 3, 2016 (Speaker: Judge John Russo)

Tuesday June 7, 2016

Tuesday September 6, 2016

TBD Clam Bake/General Meeting

Tuesday November 1, 2016 (National General Elections November 8th)

Tuesday December 13, 2016 (Holiday Party)

TREASURER'S REPORT FROM TERRI LASTOVKA

Previous Balance February 28, 2016		\$12,496.33
Deposits		
02/02/16 Meeting (68 members)	\$680.00	
Dues collected	\$1,075.00	
Raffle Sales	\$143.00	
Total Deposits		\$1,898.00
Payments		
Beachcliff for Meeting	(\$645.00)	
Beachcliff Server	(\$35.00)	
March Madness Event	(\$50.00)	
Raffle Winner- Member Chris Kelly	(\$72.00)	
Total Payments		(\$802.00)
Net Increase (Decrease)		\$1,096.00
Balance as of March 31, 2016		\$13,592.33

Motion made and approved to accept the Treasurer's Report

EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORT:

On March 30, 2016 the WSBA Executive Board met in the Jury Room of the Rocky River Municipal Court. Guests were Social Committee co-chairs Nick Froning and Joe Jerome.

- 1) The Executive Board reviewed and approved most of the proposed Social Committee Budget. Co-Chairs, Froning and Jerome agreed to provide additional information for events where Executive Board Members are seeking additional details.
- 2) Upon recommendation of WSBA Treasurer Teri Lastovka, The WSBA will be changing banks from Citizens to Key

SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT:

The March Madness Social Event was held at Dave and Busters on March 15, 2016. Member Amanda Hawkins won first place and Member John Grauer finished in 2nd place.

Upcoming Events:

- 1) Chili/Soup Cook-off is on Sunday May 1, 2016 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at the Renuvo Salon located at 19900 Ingersoll Dr. in

- Rocky River 44116 (440) 333-1965, which is parallel to Detroit Road between Linda Street and Smith Court south of the railroad tracks. For more information, contact Joe Jerome (jj@jeromelaw.com) or Jackie Celebrezze (jc@celebrezzelaw.com). More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
- 2) Saturday May 7, 2016, Kentucky Derby Day Event is being planned by Amanda Hawkins (amandajhawkinsjd@gmail.com) and Jackie Celebrezze (jc@celebrezzelaw.com). Watch Party will be at BW3 at Westgate Mall in Fairview from 6:00pm-8:00pm. More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
 - 3) May CYC event is being planned by Lynn Lazzaro. More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
 - 4) Tuesday June 21, 2016 Cleveland Indians game in collaboration with the Cleveland Marshall Alumni Association being planned by Joe Jerome (jj@jeromelaw.com). More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
 - 5) Possible July Family Outing at Swings and Things being planned by Amanda Hawkins (amandajhawkinsjd@gmail.com). More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
 - 6) July Corporate Challenge being planned by Nick Froning (nicholas.froning@gmail.com). More details will follow as the date grows nearer.
 - 7) More details about all Social Events will be conveyed through LISTSERV as the time for the events grow closer. In the interim, if you desire more information about the Social Committee or any of their events, you can contact co-chairs Nick Froning (nicholas.froning@gmail.com) or Joe Jerome (jj@jeromelaw.com) directly.

NEW LAWYER COMMITTEE REPORT:

Thanks go out to Member John Stryker for his years of chairing the New Lawyers' Committee. He has passed the torch to Member Leigh Prugh. Tonight they discussed the Ethics Guidelines for File Retention. In light of the recent ransomware attacks and other digital hacking issues, they also discussed the importance of digital file back-ups

NEW BUSINESS FROM MEMBERS

Amelia Leonard discussed the upcoming Women in Law Seminar. She will send additional details to WSBA Members via LISTSERV.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

We welcomed six new Members into the WSBA: Justin Care, Crystal Duplay, Kelly Gallagher, Brendan Healy, Britt Newman, and Collin Showe.

CANDIDATES IN ATTENDANCE AND INTRODUCED

- 1) James Cochran Cuyahoga County Common Pleas General Division**
- 2) Kelly Ann Gallagher Cuyahoga County Common Pleas General Division**
- 3) Judge Matthew McMonagle Cuyahoga County Common Pleas General Division**
- 4) Judge Diane Palos Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Domestic Relations Division**

GUEST SPEAKERS:

OHIO STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Stephanie R. Hanna, Esquire, Senior Manager of Member Outreach and Engagement from the Ohio State Bar Association (OSBA) discussed opportunities through OSBA.

Attorney Hanna's contact information is:

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CUYAHOGA COUNTY VETERANS' TREATMENT COURT

Judge Michael Jackson and the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Veterans' Treatment Court: SEE DOCUMENTS ATTACHED AT THE END OF THE MEETING MINUTES.

The original Veterans' Treatment Court began as an extension of Buffalo NY's City Court's Mental Health Court by Judge Robert T. Russell, Jr.

In Cuyahoga County, the Court's contact person is Amanda Wozniak:

**Amanda Wozniak
Veterans Treatment Court Coordinator
Marion Building
1276 West 3rd Street
Cleveland, Ohio 44113
P: (216) 443-8484
F: (216) 443-3512
E: awoodruff@cuyahogacounty.us**

In Cuyahoga County

- 1) Simplistic Referral Form (attached hereto)**
- 2) Defendant has to meet specific criteria for admission into the program.**
- 3) Compared to other CCS and Special Programs, a lot more work required of Defendants.**
- 4) A Team Treatment approach is utilized**
- 5) Work with Veterans and community-based treatment programs.**
- 6) Successful treatment program graduates have less a 2% recidivism rate.**
- 7) Currently have 30 graduates.**
- 8) Projected 60 graduates by autumn.**
- 9) Veteran volunteer mentors**
- 10) Program Overview, Local rule and Referral Form Attached hereto**

50/50

The pot was \$128. Member/Trustee Stan Stein had the winning ticket. His share was \$64. Stan donated his \$64 winnings to the Social Committee.

ADJOURNMENT