

**NO MEETING IN AUGUST; SEPTEMBER MEETING @ SCIENCE STATION, SEPTEMBER 20 at 4:30**

There will be no meeting of the Linn County Bar Association in the month of August. The September meeting will be held Thursday, September 20, starting at 4:30 p.m. at the Science Station, 427 First St. SE, Cedar Rapids. U.S. Magistrate Judge Jon Scoles will be the speaker, and a general reception will follow beginning at 5 p.m. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served.

**MORE CYCLING WITH THE LCBA and LAW CLUB SOCIAL!**

The LCBA "Tailwind" bike rides were such a success that another series of rides have been planned for August and September. The next rides will be held **Thursday, August 23** and **Thursday, September 6**, with the September 6 ride being held in conjunction with the **Linn Law Club's fall kick-off event**. Both rides start at 5:30 p.m. at the Cedar Valley Nature Trail parking lot off of Boyson Road in Hiawatha and will be approximately 15 miles. The rides are open to all LCBA members and their cycling friends and family members.

Following the September 6 ride, the Linn Law Club will be meeting at Papa Juan's, 5505 Center Point NE, for food & refreshments. (If you don't feel like riding, it's ok to just show up for the social!) Law Club is open to all young or newly practicing attorneys in Linn County.

For more info on the bike rides, email or call Stephanie Hinz at 366-7621. For Law Club info, email or call Caitlin Slessor at 366-1000.

**SUMMER OUTING THANK YOU**

The Summer Outing Golf Committee extends a big thank you to Wells Fargo Bank (Dick Minette in the Trust Dept.) for its generous donation of \$500 to help offset costs of the golf tournament.

**SUMMER OUTING CLE INFORMATION**

*STATE*: Total CLE Hours approved – 3.25 (includes ethics hours); State Ethics Hours approved – 1.25; Activity No. 44655

*FEDERAL*: .5 hours - Professor Yung Tin's presentation on Handling Enemy Combatants by the United States

**LEGAL SUPPORT PROFESSIONALS OF LINN COUNTY**

Curt Nelson of the Entrepreneurial Development Center will talk about choice of business entities at the next meeting of the Legal Support Professionals of Linn County. The meeting, open to everyone in the legal profession, will be held on Thursday, August 23, 2007 at Cooper's Mill Best Western Hotel, beginning at

5:45 p.m. For more information, contact Michelle Halverson at Simmons Perrine PLC, 366-7641; [mhalverson@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:mhalverson@simmonsperrine.com).

**LCBA COMMITTEE CHOICES** Anyone interested in a specific committee assignment for the upcoming year should contact President Allison Heffern at Simmons Perrine PLC; phone 366-7641; fax 366-1917; [aheffern@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:aheffern@simmonsperrine.com)

**LINN LAW CLUB** Officers for the 2007-2008 year are: President – Caitlin Slessor, Johnston & Nathanson, P.L.C., [cslessor@qwest.net](mailto:cslessor@qwest.net); Vice President - Timothy Van Pelt, Simmons Perrine PLC, [tvanpelt@simmonsperrine.com](mailto:tvanpelt@simmonsperrine.com); Secretary - Elizabeth Deegan, Ackley, Kopecky & Kingery, [edeegan@akklaw.com](mailto:edeegan@akklaw.com); Treasurer – Brian Farrell, [bfarrell@iowabar.org](mailto:bfarrell@iowabar.org)

**Ejuror – NEW ONLINE SERVICE OF IOWA COURTS** eJuror, a new online service of the Iowa Judicial Branch, enables Iowans called for jury duty to use the internet to respond to the court summons, complete a standard juror questionnaire, ask to reschedule jury duty and obtain information about serving on a jury. You must have a summons jury number to view the eJuror website, but sample pages may be viewed at [www.judicial.state.ia.us](http://www.judicial.state.ia.us).

**HELP WANTED ADS** As a service to the legal community, the Legal Support Professionals of Linn County will publish your “help wanted” ad in its monthly publication, Behind the Bar. The organization will e-mail the ad to its members, who in turn may know of someone looking for work in the legal community. If you have questions about this service, or if you would like to publish an ad in Behind the Bar, please contact Mickala Anderson, Employment Committee Chair, at 366-7641. **UNIFORM BOND SCHEDULE**

New rules and bond levels for the release of a person arrested for a crime other than a forcible felony, to be used when courts are not in session, were issued under a Supreme Court Order dated August 2, 2007. For more information, go to [www.judicial.state.ia.us](http://www.judicial.state.ia.us)

## **NEW LCBA WEBSITE**

Please check out the new and improved LCBA Website at <http://www.linncobar.org>, where you can access daily court schedules, read the latest issue of The Scriptum, get LCBA CLE information or read the latest announcements.

## **AMENDMENTS TO IOWA COURT RULES**

Iowa Court Rules 31.12 (dealing with admission of attorneys from other jurisdictions) and 35.1(3) (concerning attorney discipline, disability and reinstatement) have been amended, effective August 6, 2007.

## **TWO CLERK OF COURT OFFICES SELECTED TO TEST PAPERLESS COURT**

Story County and Plymouth County have been named by the Iowa Judicial Branch as the pilot sites to test an electronic document management system (EDMS). EDMS will enable electronic filing of, and online access to, entire court documents and files. Beginning early in 2008, everyone using the court system in Story and Plymouth Counties will be required to file court documents electronically. For more information, go to [www.judicial.state.ia.us](http://www.judicial.state.ia.us).

## **DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ITEMS TO THE SCRIPTUM**

If you have an item to submit to this publication, please send the information via e-mail to [mklingler@lwclawyers.com](mailto:mklingler@lwclawyers.com). The deadline for submitting items is the Monday date that is 10 days before that month's LCBA meeting, which is held on the third Thursday of the month (sometimes the first Monday, sometimes the second Monday).

## **WANT ADS**

*Attorney Wanted:* Gruhn Law Firm, consisting of three attorneys, is seeking an additional attorney to join their new offices. Would prefer someone with a minimum of two years experience; however, a recent graduate will be considered. The firm's primary practice includes litigation, municipal and labor law, including representing many public employers. All inquiries shall be held confidential. This position has potential for significant income. Send resume, professional resumes and letter of interest to: Gruhn Law Firm, 4089 21st Avenue S.W., suite 114, Cedar Rapids, IA 52404.

*Vacation Rental:* One-bedroom, one-bath, single-family condo, sleeps six, at the Pilot House in the Harbourage at Clear Lake, Iowa. Unit rents by week for \$550 during summer months and \$300 during winter months. Indoor and outdoor swimming pool. Beautiful view of boat harbor from third-floor patio window and deck. Contact Lew Eells at 393-1020 or by e-mail at [Lew.Eells@eells-tronvold.com](mailto:Lew.Eells@eells-tronvold.com).

*Associate Wanted:* Senior attorney working toward semi-retirement seeks an associate to join five-person, well-established and well-furnished association in Cedar Rapids. Seeking an attorney with interest on taking on additional work in general practice with emphasis on real estate, litigation and general business. Responses held in strictest confidence. Reply to Carson Reporting, LCBA, P O Box 74127, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407.

*For Sale:* Solid walnut conference room table, approximately 8 feet. Made in the Amanas, 1984. Has Amana stamp. \$5,000 or best offer. Contact Stephanie at P O Box 8177, Cedar Rapids, IA 52408-8177.

*Attorney Wanted:* Seeking attorney who wishes to build a private practice. First three months of rent free. Phone system, state-of-the-art void mail, own phone number and phone line, DSL, server, scanner, fax, copier, conference room, free convenient client parking, IowaDocs, Child Support Guidelines software, some legal assistant services available. Send resume and letter of interest to the attention of Stephanie at P O Box 8177, Cedar Rapids, IA 52408-8177. All inquiries held in strictest confidence.

*For Sale:* Multi-line Vodavi telephone system, 10 phones. Contact John Lane at 363-3839.

*Office Space for Rent:* Attractive modern office building in suburban setting. Ample free parking for staff and clients. Conference room, kitchen, updated office equipment and phones. 1-4 offices to rent on short or long-term contracts. Call Dave Mullin or Anne Laverty at 395-9191.

*Office Space Available:* Office space is available with other sole practitioners in the historic Averill House located in a developing medical area, 1120 2nd Avenue S.E., Cedar Rapids. Includes phone system with voice mail, DSL, two conference rooms, free client parking and available paralegal services. Furnishings and office equipment available. Very reasonable overhead expense. Contact Wm. F. Olinger at 319 - 364-0113 or [wmfolinger@aol.com](mailto:wmfolinger@aol.com).

*Associate Wanted for Downtown Law Office:* Prime downtown office space available in the Dows Building. Newer office equipment, large office, very reasonable. Case referrals available. All inquiries to 364-1538; ask for Mary.

*Paralegal Wanted:* Experienced Paralegal with litigation background needed. Competitive salary and benefits. Send resume with cover letter to HR, Lederer Weston Craig, PLC, PO Box 1927, Cedar Rapids IA 52406.

## **LCBA MEMBER CONTACT INFO ON LCBA WEBSITE - UPDATE YOURS TODAY!**

Did you know contact information for all LCBA members is available to the public via the LCBA website? However, some of the contact information listed on the website is out of date! Please take a minute to view the information listed for your name at [www.linncobar.org/directory/attorneys/index.html](http://www.linncobar.org/directory/attorneys/index.html) and let the LCBA webmaster know if any changes need to be made. You can contact the webmaster from the LCBA website by clicking on the "Contact" link at the top of the LCBA home page.

## **PLACEMENTS NEEDED FOR PARALEGAL INTERNS**

The Kirkwood Community College Paralegal Program has an unusually large intern class to place this summer. If you have a need for an intern in your office, please contact Wendy Geertz at [wendy.geertz@kirkwood.edu](mailto:wendy.geertz@kirkwood.edu).

## **ELMO AVAILABLE**

Your LCBA has purchased an Elmo for use at the Linn County Courthouse. For use, call the Court Administrator to schedule.

## **UPDATED, CORRECT E-MAIL ADDRESSES REQUESTED**

If you know of someone who is not receiving this publication via e-mail, please have the LCBA Webmaster at [webmaster@linncobar.org](mailto:webmaster@linncobar.org) so the correct e-mail address for that individual may be added to the e-mail list.

## **NOTIFICATIONS OF CHANGES OF ADDRESS**

If you have a new address, please notify the Linn County Bar Association at P. O. Box 74127, Cedar Rapids, IA 52407-4127, or via e-mail at [webmaster@linncobar.org](mailto:webmaster@linncobar.org).

## **USURY RATE**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 535.2(3)(a), 2005 Iowa Code, the Superintendent of Banking has determined that the maximum lawful rate of interest provided for in said section shall be 7.00% for the month of August. Please note the exemption in subsection 2 of said Chapter 535.2. The usury rate is available on the Internet at [www.idob.state.ia.us](http://www.idob.state.ia.us).