

LINN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES
November 19, 2009
Cedar Rapids Museum of Art

President Connie Alt called the meeting to order at approximately 12:15 p.m. and reminded attendees that everyone needs to RSVP before the deadline for our monthly meetings (given the shortage of food at today's meeting).

President Alt welcomed the following judges: Judge Thornhill

The following guests were introduced: Marty Sleister with the U.S. Attorneys' Office; Michelle Barnes, a legal assistant with Lynch Dallas; and Ann Long, a new attorney in town.

The following attorneys were admitted for membership: None.

Treasurer Todd Anderson distributed a Treasurer's Report. The report shows a \$53,054.46 in the checking account and \$18,876.21 in the Money Market account as of November 1, 2009.

Linn Law Club President Laura Ebinger advised that tonight is the Club's joint event with the U of I law school and Johnson County YLD at the Coralville vine. She also reminded the bar of the need for donations for the annual holiday fund drive (and distributed hand-outs to the tables). Finally, she invited bar members to volunteer to shop for the families the bar is sponsoring in the holiday drive.

Miscellaneous:

- The Bench-Bar has been scheduled for the late afternoon/early evening of Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at the Art Museum. Several retiring members of the bench, as well as Jane Sweaney, will be recognized. This is a purely social event with food and drink. No CLE will be presented at the Bench-Bar event this year.
- Diane Kutzko won the \$50.00 door prize gift certificate for Amazon.com. Another door prize will be awarded at the January LCBA monthly lunch meeting (must be present to win).
- President Alt reminded members to check the LCBA's website for news and events, as a Scriptum is no longer being disseminated due to the retirement of the Scriptum editor.

Finally, Emily Ellingson of Lynch Dallas introduced the following speakers, who spoke about issues associated with the new child support guidelines: Richard Wenzel, Frank Nidey, and Mark Fisher.

President Alt adjourned the meeting at 1:06. The next meeting of the LCBA will be January 21, 2010 at the Cedar Rapids Museum of Art.

/s/ Laura Mueller
Secretary