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In the Spotlight



Mari Schlicher

Mary Schlicher is an assistant Black Hawk County attorney contracted to the State of Iowa Child Support Recovery Unit in Waterloo. Mary graduated from UNI and taught French and English in the Clarion Community School system for several years before attending law school at the University of Iowa. Active in volunteer activities, Mary has served as president of I.O.W.A., the Clarion Education Association, UNICivic board, (predecessor of the Friends of Gallagher-Bluedorn) and the Waterloo-Cedar Falls Symphony Guild.

During her spare time, Mary enjoys exercising, reading, knitting, visiting with her mother, Genevieve, and attending UNI concerts and sporting events. Ten years ago, Mary moved into her family home, which she shares with her beloved white and orange cat, Julius. Mary also enjoys being an aunt to her three nieces and two nephews, and has been blessed to be a great-aunt three times in the last three years.

Law School Presentations

I.O.W.A. is planning panel discussions at the University of Iowa and Drake Law School some time after November 1, 2006. Mary Walsh will make a brief Westlaw presentation at each school in conjunction with the panel discussion.



NCWBA Annual Meeting

Heather Palmer, I.O.W.A. Past President, attended the annual meeting of the NCWBA (National Conference of Women Bar Association) in Hawaii earlier this year. NCWBA is an organization of women bar organizations. I.O.W.A. has been a member of NCWBA for several years. NCWBA will celebrate its 25th anniversary in conjunction with its next annual meeting which will be held in San Francisco on August 10, 2007.

Upcoming Events

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Nuts & Bolts Seminar

The Iowa State Bar Association's Young Lawyers Division Professional Development Committee will present its annual "Nuts & Bolts Seminar" in **Des Moines on October 4, 2006** and in **Cedar Rapids on October 6, 2006**. This seminar is primarily designed for "new" attorneys; however, any attorney is invited to attend. For those attorneys admitted to practice for less than two years, the seminar is free. The seminar is available at a low cost for more "seasoned" attorneys. The seminar starts with a general session on the Legal Community and Ethics before breaking into litigation and transactional tracks. Litigation track topics include: Discovery; Juvenile Law; Cross Examination/Trial Technique; and Case & Client Evaluation. Transactional track topics include: Business Formation Entity, Selection, Sale/Purchase; Basic Bankruptcy; Nonprofit Corporations; Real Estate; and the Probate Process. New to the seminar this year, is a panel discussion for new lawyers at the end of the day, with a panel of attorneys from various types of practice. For more information or a registration form, please call (515) 243-3179.

Polk County Women Attorneys Annual Basket Auction

The Polk County Women Attorneys (PCWA) will hold its 5th Annual Basket Auction to benefit the Young Women's Resource Center (YWRC) on **October 25, 2006** at the **Hotel Fort Des Moines**. The mission of YWRC is to support, educate and advocate for young women by providing free, voluntary, confidential and non-judgmental information and counseling. YWRC provides numerous programs for minority women, young mothers and adolescents facing various issues in their lives. If you would like to donate a basket, money, or objects to place into the baskets, please contact Kathy Law at kklaw@nyemaster.com.



The event begins with cocktails, appetizers and basket browsing at 5:00 p.m. The live auction will begin at 7:00 p.m. Tickets for the event are \$10 for a single ticket and \$75 for a table (which seats 8 people). For tickets, please contact Rebecca Brommel at brommel@brownwinick.com or 515-242-2453 or Katie Cownie at cownie@brownwinick.com or 515-242-2490.

Newsletter Submissions

Do you have an idea for the I.O.W.A. newsletter?



Do you have a job to advertise, news about an I.O.W.A. member, or an upcoming event to announce? Contact Kathy Law at kklaw@nyemaster.com.

CLE Speaker Suggestions Needed

Due to the success of I.O.W.A.'s telephone CLE over lunch, the Board of Directors of I.O.W.A. would like to hold similar CLEs more frequently. The Board would like suggestions for speakers and topics. The speaker does not have to be a licensed attorney if the topic has sufficient relation to the law. Please send suggestions for speakers and/or topics to any Board member.