

OHIO INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION

The Professional Association for State Investigators

77 SOUTH HIGH STREET
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215



NEWSLETTER

-- November 2008 Issue --

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

-- By Steve Schierholt --

Members:

Thanks to Franklin County Prosecutor Ron O'Brien for taking the time to address the membership at our September meeting. We hope that you took away some valuable information.

The AG's Conference on Law Enforcement, was held October 6th-7th in downtown Columbus. We co-sponsored the event and by all accounts everything went as planned.

We are still accepting nominations for **Investigator of the Year**, which is awarded annually at the banquet. If you know someone who deserves to be nominated, please email me directly at swschier@franklincountyohio.gov. We will accept nominations through November 5th.

Next Wednesday, November 5th we will welcome Chris Ferrara from Medial Mutual of Ohio. He will be speaking about current trends in healthcare fraud and discussing how the private sector approaches fraud investigations. You can read his bio online at the OIA website.

The annual banquet will be held on December 12th, 2008. We will be selling banquet tickets during next week's meeting. Tickets will be \$25 per person this year, but you can get the *EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT* by purchasing your ticket next week for only \$20 per ticket.

If you are interested in serving as an officer for 2009 please let me know. We are in need of enthusiastic volunteers to lead the organization. See on the 5th.

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Note: Please contact any OIA Officer or Chair if you would like more details about getting involved as an OIA committee member.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

-- OIA MEETING DATES 2008 --

EARLY BIRD TICKETS November 5th \$20
December 12th (Holiday Banquet)

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INVESTIGATOR OF THE YEAR



LINDA LAWLER IOY 2007

We are seeking nominations for Investigator of the Year 2008. Read Linda's nomination on the OIA website. Do you know someone who deserves to be nominated? You don't have to send a fancy letter. Just send an email briefly explaining why you're nominating the person. We can follow-up with questions as needed. Please email me TODAY! swschier@franklincountyohio.gov

OIA OFFICER RESPONSIBILITIES

President: Serve as voice and face of OIA; communicate directly and consistently with members, potential members, the public and governmental agencies; schedule speakers for each meeting and collect bios for the OIA website; compile agendas for each meeting; attend and lead the business meeting and introduce speakers; update forms; encourage and build membership; and, other duties as appropriate.

Vice President: Attend meetings; compile and publish the newsletter; assume duties of President in his/her absence; serve on committees as necessary; assist in scheduling of speakers; and, other duties as appropriate.

Secretary: Attend meetings; take minutes at each meeting then type them for approval and review; maintain valid email group list for membership; send information to membership as directed by President; schedule and collect lunch orders for each meeting; collect membership applications and send receipts as requested; update OIA membership list and email group; compile and publish annual membership directory; distribute membership directory; check OIA mailbox; and, other duties as appropriate.

Treasurer: Attend meetings; maintain OIA checking and savings account; pay bills as necessary; supply reimbursement as appropriate; budget for annual banquet; buy supplies as needed; and, other responsibilities as appropriate.

If you are interested in a leadership position but have questions or reservations please email or call Steve. His contact information can be found on page one.