



IOWA LANDLORD ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER
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From the Desk of Your Directors

As fall approaches, it is interesting to look back upon the summer. The increased interest in the various seminars, meetings and activities of your Iowa Landlord Association has been quite pleasing. It has provided us with more business-related knowledge as well as opened networking doors through our social events. It has been our pleasure to welcome many new regular and vendor members over the summer. Our vendor members have not only brought products and services to the

membership, but have made it possible to expand our services and activities through their sponsorship. Let's thank them through our support.

Upcoming activities include: General Membership meetings, a golf outing, the fall Educational Seminar and Trade Show and possibly a Holiday Party.

General Membership Meeting Survey

Recently, by e-bulletin, we provided our membership with a five question survey dealing with your likes and needs as served by our General Membership meetings. If you would like to share your thoughts and have not already participated in this survey, please go to the following web site and do so. This will help your Association in making the General Membership meetings a fine benefit for the membership.
www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=yiLU27L4kcbTC7wfGIDnVg_3d_3d



Welcome New Members

Brad Scott - Clive, Iowa
Richard Kiel - Des Moines, Iowa
Greg Baker, Grandview Plaza - Des Moines, Iowa

Welcome New Vendor Member

Millard Lumber - Urbandale, Iowa

People on the Move

Joeanna Braey is the new Manager of Cambridge Apartments in Cambridge, Iowa

Amanda Keiran is the new Manager of Park Forest Apartments in Des Moines, Iowa

Congratulations to both on their new positions!

NEW VENDOR



Millard Lumber is a family-owned business started in Millard, Nebraska, in 1948. We have locations in Des Moines, Omaha and Waverly. For the past 60 years, we have been involved in multiple aspects of commercial and residential construction.

We are a full-service supplier of lumber, millwork, interior and exterior doors, windows, siding, cabinets, insulation, decks and hardware.

As a pioneer in Component Manufacturing of walls, trusses and floors, we employ a dedicated design staff at our 250,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in Waverly, Nebraska.

Our unique Turnkey Solutions program combines labor and materials as a value-added construction option.

Thank you for the opportunity to become involved with the ILA!

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(515) 276-6637.



Des Moines Mayor Frank Cownie addressing July's Breakfast meeting at the Cub Club

The final Breakfast meeting of the season, until next summer, was held at the Cub Club Aug. 21. The topic was Rental Inspections. Our guest speaker was Ben Bishop, Administrator, Neighborhood Inspection Division.

We thank all of our members and breakfast club speakers for their diligent participation during this past season and look forward to next summer's meetings.

ILA Award Winners

Keith Denner, ILA Member and President of Professional Property Management, Inc. received the *International Crime-Free Gerda Suess Landlord of the Year Award* in Mesa Arizona last month for his involvement in the Crime-Free Housing Program. The award was presented to the owner/landlord of a multi-housing community whose dedication has made a significant contribution to the prevention of crime. Keith and his staff at Sun Prairie Apartments in West Des Moines joined the program 19 years ago and have since cut police calls to their complex by 50 percent.

The Crime-Free Multi Housing program was first brought to the state of Iowa by the Des Moines Police Department with the assistance of the Iowa Landlord Association in 1988.

Pat Knueven, ILA member and Legislative Chair was awarded the Newell C. Day "Agent of the Year" award during the Iowa Association of Insurance and Financial Advisors state

Fall Maintenance Tips

Now is the time to start preparing your properties for winter. Remove leaves from the grounds and rain gutters. Inspect and prepare heating equipment. (Now is also a good time to double check all smoke detectors and see that they have working batteries.) Make sure air conditioners have been removed from windows and all operable storm windows are in place. Don't forget to caulk those expensive air leaks and put weather stripping on outside doors. Take care of any winter pool maintenance that is necessary. Make sure you have your snow and ice removal plans finalized.



convention in June. This award is the single most prestigious recognition a member of the NAIFA can receive.

Pat is already busy planning "Landlord Day" on Capital Hill to be held mid-February 2008.

Congratulations to both Keith and Pat for their much-deserved awards.





General Membership Meeting

The ILA held a general membership meeting on July 26. The meeting was hosted by the *Des Moines Register* and included a presentation on the *Register's* online local search and a tour of the Production Facility. General and vendor members alike gathered to learn more about the *Register's* online product, a great advertising tool for local businesses. The ILA will be hosting additional meetings in the months to come. Be on the lookout for our next informational meeting! (Submitted by Beth McDonald, Public Relations Chair)

If you would like to host a general membership meeting, please contact one of our vendor co-chairs: Stephanie Bates, 288-1383, Jamie Papian, 988-5989 or Public Relations Chair Beth McDonald, 284-8112.



Beth McDonald, Sales Center Manager, Ellen Wade and Jessica Feltz of the *Des Moines Register*.



ILA Family Picnic Is a Huge Success!

The food was plentiful, games and prizes were abundant.

A combination of sun, with occasional overcast clouds and a breeze from across the lake made the temperature workable. Three box fans stood on the ready line—un-needed.

Our wonderful vendor members tended the grills, provided prizes, refreshments and joined in the games and comradery.



The finalists in the watermelon seed-spitting contest.



Directors Dennis McDonald and Dave Sollenbarger presenting prizes and awards.

GOLF OUTING

The Iowa Landlord Association is holding its second annual Golf Outing at Waveland Golf Course on Thursday, Sept. 27. This will be a 9-hole 4-man best shot. We will gather at 1 p.m. (1:30 tee time) and end with a dinner in the clubhouse. Put together your best team of four and submit names and fees as soon as possible. Send to: ILA Golf Outing, P.O. Box 13246, Des Moines, IA 50310. Cost is \$50 per person. This price includes 9 holes of golf, a golf cart, refreshments and dinner. We will have prizes for the winning foursome, the shot closest to the hole and others. Deadline for registration is Sept. 14. Register NOW! Any questions, call Connie at (515) 255-0675 or e-mail us at: ilaservices@iowalandlord.org.



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3 Labor Day
ILA Offices Closed

6 Vendor Meeting 4 p.m.
Millard Lumber
9850 Douglas Ave.

27 2nd Annual ILA Golf Outing
Waveland Golf Course
1 p.m.

October 2007

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4 Vendor Meeting

8 Columbus Day (Observed)



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