



Perspectives

JULY, 2007

2007 ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 19-21, 2007

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN HOTEL
AND CONFERENCE CENTER**

**701 EAST ADAMS ST.
SPRINGFIELD, IL, 62701**

(217) 544-8800

The CICO Council (Central Illinois Council of Housing Officials) has a great program planned for the Annual Meeting. This year's agenda offers a wide range of topics. You will find the latest word from HUD, AHRMA, as well as other entities. You can laugh with Dr. Humor, and gain knowledge from other Housing Authority Directors. Plan now to attend!

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2007

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| 11:00 A.M. | IAHA Executive Board Meeting |
| 11:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. | <u>Registration</u> |
| 1:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. | <u>IDENTITY THEFT</u> – Presented by
Alan Roman |
| 2:00 P.M. – 2:15 P.M. | Break |

2:15 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

AHRMA PRESENTS:

AHRMA is hoping to discuss, in greater detail, the creation of a consumer-driven health insurance pool. We had excellent response to our survey and are in the process of soliciting bids from third party administrators. Our goal is to have pricing information ready in time for the annual meeting, so that we can determine actual member interest. Unfortunately, we can't guarantee a start date yet. As you can all imagine, this is a long and very involved process. We will, however, do our best to have some details for you soon. We look forward to seeing everyone in Springfield!

4:15 P.M

Council Meetings

4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.

Legislative Reception – Come and socialize with your legislators. Wine and cheese will be served.

6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Social Hour – Cash Bar

7:00 P.M. – 8:30 P.M.

AHRMA Annual Meeting & Banquet

8:30 P.M - ?

Hospitality Room

Thursday, September 20, 2007

7:30 A.M. – 8:30 A.M.

Breakfast

7:30 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Registration

8:30 A.M. – 10:15 A.M.

Multiple Topics of interest with Dave Madden.
How to get your Wavers Approved?
How and Why to change your Public Perception.
What you always wanted to know about nonprofits.
Ask Dave.

Mr. Madden has been an Executive Director for 31 years, beginning his career in 1974 at the Russellville Housing Authority in Alabama. Now he is the Chief Operating Officer at the Ozark Housing Authority in Ozark, Alabama. He served as President of PHADA from 1997 to 1999.

Dave's involvement also includes a long-standing commitment to PHADA as a Trustee, and through numerous committees, including serving as Vice President of Professional Development. He also has served HUD on both the Regional and State Housing Advisory Committees.

10:15 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Break

- 10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M. **How to communicate with legislators** – Presented by Bill Jacobs David Wagner, Chris Blechle and David Madden.
- 12:00 Noon - 1:30 P.M. **Lunch**
- 1:30 P.M. – 2:45 P.M. **“THE HEALING POWER OF HUMOR.” - Presented by Dr. Humor**
 Dr. Stuart Robertshaw, a.k.a. Dr. Humor, Professor Emeritus of Psychology and Education at the University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and an attorney; currently serves as President and CEO of the National Association for the Humor Impaired.
 Dr. Robertshaw, a national speaker and humorist, is known throughout the nation as “Dr. Humor”. His review of research led him to conclude that, “15 percent of people in America are humor impaired and another 15 percent are “at risk,” and it’s no laughing matter.” As a result of his review, he founded the Association in 1990.
- 2:45 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. **Break**
- 3:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M **“INCREASING THE JOY, LAUGHTER AND FUN AT WORK”- Dr Humor – Continues!**
- 5:00 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. **Social Hour – Cash Bar**
- 6:00 P.M. – 7:30 P.M. **IAHA Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet**
- 7:30 P.M. – 9:30 P.M. **Entertainment by “JED” – Classic Rock Band**
- 9:30 P.M. - ? **Hospitality Room**

Friday, September 21, 2007

- 8:00 A.M. – 9:00 A.M. **Breakfast**
- 9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. **HUD UPDATE ON CURRENT ISSUES** – Presented by Steven Meiss , Director Illinois Office of Public Housing
- OIG – “PHA’S NEED GOOD INTERNAL CONTROLS”**
 Presented by Barry McLaughlin, Special Agent in Charge for OIG’s Region V Office of Investigations, and Heath Wolfe, Regional Inspector General for Audit for OIG’s Region V Office of Audit.

DON’T DELAY! REGISTER **NOW**, AGAIN, THIS YEAR YOU MAY REGISTER ON LINE AT www.iahaonline.org. AND FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS POSTED. OR IF YOU CHOOSE, A REGISTRATION FORM IS ENCLOSED FOR YOUR USE. PLEASE MAIL IT TO 350 STATE HWY Y, JACKSON, MO 63755. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTION YOU MAY CONTRACT VICKI MILES AT (573) 243-9-4439. E-Mail – vickimiles@att.net

IAHA 2007 AWARDS APPLICATION

PURPOSE: To give recognition to an Illinois Housing Authority and HUD Official for their outstanding achievement in housing. Outstanding achievement means techniques or procedures that are not in common practices among other agencies or officials.

CATEGORIES: Only one category may be chosen on each application.

- ❖ **HUD STAFF AWARD** – Recognizes a HUD staff for their outstanding leadership qualities, and exceptional contributions to IAHA members.
- ❖ **DAVID W. MORGAN MEMORIAL AWARD** – Recognizes an individual who has made outstanding accomplishments at their agency and exceptional contributions to the Illinois Association of Housing Authorities. The David W. Morgan Award was initiated in 1987 by IAHA in honor of the late David W. Morgan, one of the leaders in the foundation and development of IAHA.
- ❖ **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN RESIDENT RELATIONS** – Recognizes an agency or organization that has developed programs that enhances the lives of Residents.
- ❖ **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT FOR CREATIVITY AWARD** – Recognizes programs that produces housing in an innovative manner, improve the efficiency of administrative operations, or improved client services.
- ❖ **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT FOR OPERATIONAL EXCELLENCE** – Recognizes exceptional qualified person who has made an outstanding contribution at their agency, improve the administrative operations, and enhance the general functioning of the agency as documented by the performance standards established by HUD.
- ❖ **MISCELLANEOUS ACHIEVEMENT-Please explain in detail who this person or agency is and why they should be recognized.**
Recognizes anyone not fitting into the other categories.

If you feel your Housing Authority is worthy of an award, we urge you to submit an application on your own behalf.

Submitted by _____ Title _____

Agency _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Area Code/Phone _____ Ext. _____ Fax Number _____

To the best of my knowledge, all information contained herein is accurate and complete.

Signature

All nominations shall be submitted to Debra Helman, Housing Authority of Pulaski County, PO Box 246, Mounds, IL 62964. FAX: 618 745-9761 or by Email hapc@lazernetwireless.net by August 15, 2007.

IAHA 2007 AWARDS APPLICATION FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT CATEGORIES

The application must be prepared on 8 1/2" x 11" paper. The text portion must be no longer than one typewritten page. Include photographs if they help to explain the program or agency. Do not put applications in binders or notebooks because they are copied and forwarded to the Public Relations committee.

Address each of the following sections by number. Failure to do so renders the application incomplete. Page lengths are suggestions only.

- 1. SUMMARY OF PROGRAM:** In no more than 100 words, describe the program or agency, the accomplishments, and how it contributed to the success of the agency. (1/4 page)

- 2. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM:** Provide a description of the program including its objectives, the clientele being served, the agency's role, and the contribution, if any, of other partners. (1/4 page)

- 3. THE RESULTS OR SUCCESS OF THE PROGRAM:** Provide a description of success of the program. Provide specific examples.

- 4. WORTHINESS FOR AN AWARD:** Describe why this program or agency is worthy of an award.

IAHA 2007 AWARDS APPLICATION FOR HUD STAFF AWARD

The application must be prepared on 8 1/2" x 11" paper. The text must be no longer than one typewritten page.

- 1. SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTION TO AGENCY OR IAHA:** In less than 100 words, describe what this person contributed to your agency or IAHA, and how it added to the success of the agency. (1/2 page)

- 2. WORTHINESS FOR AN AWARD:** Describe why this nominee is worthy of an award. (1/2 page)

**IAHA 2007 AWARDS APPLICATION
FOR DAVID W. MORGAN MEMORIAL AWARD**

The application must be prepared on 8 ½” x 11” paper. The text must be no longer than one typewritten page.

- 1. SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS AT NOMINEE’S AGENCY OR FOR IAHA:** In less than 100 words, describe the accomplishments and how it contributed to the success of the agency or the Association. (1/2 page)

- 2. WORTHINESS FOR AN AWARD:** Describe why the person is deserving of the honor. Do not repeat above paragraph. Highlight outstanding contributions through service in the field of housing and in support of IAHA. (1/2 page)

**IAHA 2007 AWARDS APPLICATION
AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING _____**

The application must be prepared on 8 ½” x 11” paper. The text must be no longer than one typewritten page.

This is a new award for that outstanding person you feel should have recognition, and does not fit the criteria in the other awards. This person may be an ED, staff person, Board Member, or even someone from another agency (other than housing authority) who you feel is deserving.

- 1. SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING ACCOMPLISHMENTS OR REASON FOR THIS NOMINEE:** In less than 100 words, describe the accomplishments and why you feel this person or Agency should have recognition. (1/2 page)

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MESSAGE FROM THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The IAHA Project-Based session scheduled for July 27 -28 has 21 people registered to attend.

Please mail your check (\$380 for each person) for this session to WCHA, 401 W. 18th St., Rock Falls, Il. 61071.

The Section 8/Housing Choice Voucher session scheduled for August 15-16 has been canceled. However, Nan McKay has a session scheduled in October in Springfield. You can go to her website to check on this (or course, you will pay more).

Please let any of the IAHA Education committee members know if there is any training session you are interested in having IAHA sponsor - Tom Myers, Tom Smith or Lynn Deter

NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The following slate is submitted by the Nominating Committee:

Northern Illinois Council – Diane Fuller – Greater Metropolitan Area
Central Illinois Council: - Margaret (Peg) Barkley – Macoupin County
Egyptian Council of Housing Officials – Carol Watkins – Johnson County

Nomination for these positions may be made from the floor at the Annual meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2007.

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AGENDA

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRESENTER</u>
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS	Debbie Smith
Determine if a quorum is present.	Brenda Coates
I. Approval of Minutes	Brenda Coates
II. Standing Committee Reports	
A. Personnel	Diana Etheridge
B. Resolutions and By-Laws	Diane Fuller
C. Membership	Teresa Greenstreet
D. Nominating Committee Election of Board Members	Peg Barkley
E. Public Relations	Debbie Helman
F. Legislative	Chris Blechle
G. Education	Lynn Deter
H. Budget and Finance	Brent Newman
III. Council Presidents' Reports	
A. North	Teresa Greenstreet
B. South	Mark Sosnowski
C. Central	Tony Hasbargen
IV.	
A. AHRMA	Julie DePasse
B. Executive Coordinator's Report	Vicki Miles
V. President's Report	Debbie Smith
Adjourn	

**THE EXECUTIVE BOARD HELD THEIR
QUARTERLY MEETING ON
FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2007**

The following are highlights from that meeting:

Standing Committee Reports:

Personnel - President Smith recommended moving the Personnel Report to the end of the agenda.

Resolutions & Bylaws - Diane Fuller – No report

Membership – Teresa Greenstreet – No report

Nominating – Peg Barkley – No report

Public Relations: Debbie Helman reported that IAHA awards are coming up for the Annual meeting. The awards are HUD Staff, David Morgan, Outstanding Achievement and Creativity, Operational Excellence. Increased involvement is needed by housing authorities for nominations. A new award is being introduced this year entitled “Miscellaneous.” This award will cover areas not already covered by one of the other award categories. Councils are expected to nominate housing authorities. It was felt that everyone should be urged to submit their own Housing Authority, if they felt it was worthy.

Legislative - Chris Bleche reported that there is a lot of activity occurring from the association. Board members have been active in providing information updates on items such as Resolution # 301 and # 458. Meeting was held with Senator Durbin regarding issues such as an amendment for housing authorities with units between 250-500 to be exempted from implementing Asset Management. Senator Durbin was responsive and supportive to the members’ concerns. The Section 8 Voucher Reform Act passed the House.

Education - Lynn Deter- No report.

Finance - Brent Newman reported that the net income from the Maintenance and Management Clinic is \$ 46,773 and profit for the year is \$12,344.70. Income from clinic is slightly down from last year.

Status of Incorporation - Teresa Greenstreet reported that Brent Newman filed reports, and forwarded to the state. Diane Fuller Chairperson of the Resolutions and By-Laws committee agreed to prepare procedures of Incorporation into the By-Laws. President Smith thanked everyone for their hard work on this project.

Council Presidents’ Reports

NICHA- Teresa Greenstreet reported that NICHA met in June 2007. Don Tomlin retired. Committee was formed for the IAHA awards and scholarships.

CICHO- Tony Hasbargen reported that final plans being made for the Annual meeting to be held September 19-21, 2007. Dave Madden is scheduled to be there from PHADA for the Annual meeting. Five scholarships were awarded at \$1,000 each, two scholarships awarded at \$500 each.

ECHO- Mark Sosnowski reported that SAS112 training on control policies for ECHO members is being sponsored on July 27, 2007. Scholarship committee will meet in August.

AHRMA- Julie DePasse- No report.

IL Nahro- Brenda Coates reported that IL Nahro is hosting their Annual Meeting and PIC Training on August 9-10, 2007. HUD officials are scheduled to host a roundtable discussion. PIC Training is \$ 100, lunch is free. Also, IL Nahro will host a boat cruise on Friday, July 20, 2007 as part of the Nahro summer conference in Chicago.

Executive Coordinator: - Vicki Miles stated that she had just received the tentative agenda for the Annual meeting and would be working to get a newsletter out to the membership as soon as possible.

Ms. Miles would like to begin working on the Maintenance/Management Clinic forming a committee to start meetings in September. The Decatur Conference Center is up for sale in August 2007. IAHA has contracts through 2011. If the sale affects the contracts, IAHA may have to start immediately searching for a new facility.

President's Report - President Debbie Smith reported that she spoke to Randy McGill and he has agreed to chair the 2008 Maintenance/Management Clinic with Kate Barton and John Day assisting. Each council should appoint members to the committee.

Personnel: - Diana Etheridge, chair of the Personnel Committee reported that an RFP was prepared. There was further discussion on whether to advertise an RFP, and it was decided not to advertise for the position of Executive Coordinator. Members agreed that the Executive Coordinator's contract should be reviewed annually. Written comments regarding the contract and/or position should be sent to Ms. Etheridge by August 15, 2007.

A motion was made by Tom Smith, seconded by David Wagner to negotiate with the Executive Coordinator a contract similar in nature, subject to changes made at the Annual Meeting in September 2007. Upon call for the question, the Ayes were all the Nays None. The President declared the motion carried. Board members will receive the updated draft contract by August 31, 2007.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:03 p.m.

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AUGUST 28, 2007**

Housing Authority: _____ Phone: _____

Name/Title: _____

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Total Registration: \$ _____

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