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Hello to all WJCIA Members and Prima Facie Readers:

I hope that everyone who attended this year's conference found it helpful in any number of ways. The presenters all offered good information on a host of topics which should be useful to your everyday work. The opportunity for all of us to take a break from our difficult jobs and get a fresh perspective is always rejuvenating. Finally, it's good to

It's unfortunate that the keynote speaker on Friday couldn't have been a little funnier but you can't say I didn't warn you. I do appreciate all the 'volunteers' who came up front to help make my presentation more engaging. It reinforces my belief that there are a lot of really good workers doing really good work in this state. Too bad we can't all work in Waukesha County after hearing about their Shangri La. It was amazing to see 15-20 hands go up after asking the question: "Who thinks they have the best job in the world?" It's easy to forget that there are many good aspects to our jobs; particularly the significant impact we have on improving kid's lives.

Glenda Carlson and Michelle Leccia are leaving the board after many years of service. I would like to thank them both for all of their hard work over the years. They both contributed to the board by holding a number of positions and serving on numerous committees. I also want to welcome Renee Handrow from Rock County and Melissa Zarczynski from Dodge County to the WJCIA board.

Please remember that the WJCIA is here for you. Feel free to contact any board member if you are in need of assistance with interpreting statutes, need help finding resources or have suggestions for next year's conference. Our mission is to assist juvenile workers with resources, information and support to help you do your job better.

Remember it's important to have a coworker that allows you to vent when things are difficult but it's even more important to have a coworker that will relish in your successes.

Respectfully,

Michael Weber WJCIA President

meet new people and take time to be with kindred spirits even if it is just once a year.

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2014 Conference Re-Cap

By Mary Ann Hand

Another successful conference has come to an end. We had 202 people registered for Conference. It was packed with information from Mark Gregston on 'Tough Guys and Drama Queens' to Mike Weber discussing how to find your 'True Grit', and much more in between.

There were opportunities to talk to vendors (and get free stuff!), buy tickets for the drawing, and network with colleagues. Networking took place within the conference setting, at the hospitality room in the evenings, and also while moving to the DJ.

The drawing this year had so many items that few people could say no to buying tickets (even if we couldn't all win the 50" T.V.)

Perhaps the most memorable event may have been listening to the young lady on Friday who had the courage to tell her story in front of a large group of strangers. Listening to her made us all realize why we are in this profession.

According to information acquired during the conference, there were all but 13 Wisconsin counties represented at the conference this year. Here's to the 2015 conference, may we get all of the counties represented!



Wisconsin Juvenile Court Intake Association ~ RECOGNITION AWARD



We had two outstanding recipients of the WJCIA Recognition Award this year.

* Kim Schwarz, Intensive Supervision Worker Langlade County

* Rob Fadness, Director, Eau Claire County Children's Court Services

~ SNAPSHOTS ~

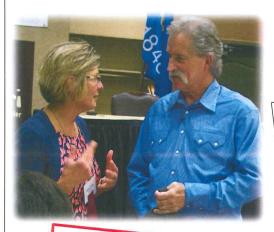


Recognition Awards



Registration





Networking



Attendees

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Hospitality



PRESENTERS







TRUE GRIT

Real life story from a strong & resilient young lady. It was an honor to hear about her life and her success. We wish you the best in everything!

"Top 10 ~ Drawing Winners"
50" LG Flat Screen TV = Kyra Secraw, Chippewa County
Galaxy Tablet = Michelle Leccia, St. Croix County
Homemade Decorative Canoe = Jim Schroeter, Marathon County
Framed Colin Kapernick 49er Football Jersey = Heather Werner, La Crosse County
Williams' Diamond Necklace = Amy Rohrer, LaCrosse County
World Lumberjack Package = Holly Bjerke, St. Croix County
Grand Lodge Waterpark & Loading Zone = Jennifer Black
Noodle Restaurant – Noodles for a Year = Kerry Root, Chippewa County
Signed Bart Starr Football = Cindy Champeau - Fond Du Lac County
Harmon Kardon Onyx Wireless Speaker = Leigh Wahlen, Polk County



WJCIA Membership

Douglas Byrish

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WJCIA Membership

WJCIA developed this membership board to show the County representation we have each year. There are 13 Counties still unrepresented and we would love to have you.

Membership questions can be sent to Cindy Waller at Cindy Waller at Cindy Waller @co.eau-claire.wi.us.

Region 1

10/08/2014 9:00am - Oasis Group Home, Hayward, WI

Contact: Leigh Wahlen, leighw@co.polk.wi.us

Region 2 -

10/28/2014 (Joint w/Region 5) 9:30am -- Outagamie County, Appleton, WI

Contact: Kathy Gourdine, kathy.gourdine@fdlco.wi.gov

Region 3

11/14/2014 9:00am - Eau Claire Courthouse, Eau Claire, WI Contact: Michael Weber, mweber@co.chippewa.wi.us

Region 4

Next Meeting Date Unknown - LaCrosse County. They may join Region 3 in Eau Claire.

Contact: Heather Werner, werner, heather@co.la-crosse.wi.us

Region 5

10/28/2014 (Joint w/Region 2) 9:30am Outagamie County, Appleton, WI

Contact: Kathy Gourdine, kathy.gourdine@fdlco.wi.gov

Region 6

Next Meeting Date Unknown – Dane County/Rock County

Contact Renee Handrow, handrow@co.rock.wi.us

Region 7

Next Meeting Date Unknown - Milwaukee County Children's Court

Contact Mary Ann Hand, Mary Ann. Hand@milwcnty.com

NOTE: These meeting dates and times are subject to change. It is strongly encouraged that you check with your regional contact worker prior to attending a scheduled meeting. If you would like to attend a meeting in another region, contact the identified contact person for that region. If you don't know which region you are in and/or if you have any regional updates, please contact jgeorge@co.pierce.wi.us



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BASIC JUVENILE COURT INTAKE WORKER TRAINING

The next available training is scheduled for January 21* - 23**, 2015
Holiday Inn & Suites, Rothschild, WI

Register at **WWW.WJCIA.ORG**

2014 – 2015 Board Meeting Calendar November 6-7, 2014 April 16 – 17, 2015

January 22–23, 2015 March 12-13, 2015 August 13-14, 2015

The Board of Directors gathers together for two days approximately 6 times per year to plan for the annual conference, juvenile intake trainings, update curriculum, discuss upcoming legislative news, discuss topics/ideas for newsletter, and to update the website. Board minutes will be available for review on the website at www.wjcia.org. Feel free to contact any board member if you have any additional questions.