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STAND UP, SPEAK UP!

Tinker v. Des Moines Turns 50

Drake University will mark the 50th anniversary of Tinker v. Des Moines, the landmark legal case that established the free speech rights of students in public schools, on Wednesday, Feb. 27, at 7 p.m. in the Cowles Library Reading Room. Mary Beth and John Tinker, plaintiffs in the case, along with Drake students, will lead a conversation on the values and challenges of freedom of expression. The event is co-sponsored by the Drake School of Journalism and Mass Communication, the Drake School of Education, the Drake Law School, Cowles Library, and the Drake Department of Political Science. It is free and open to the public.

For more information about this event, contact Kathleen Richardson, dean of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, at Kathleen.richardson@drake. edu or (515) 271-2295.

> meeting minutes

Iowa Newspaper Association Board of Directors February 6, 2019



Iowa Newspaper Association Board of Directors Meeting Minutes The INA Board met at the Downtown Des Moines Marriott at 3:00 p.m. with the following members present: Kristen Grabinoski, Armstrong Journal; Karen Spurgeon, Bloomfield Democrat; Ann Wilson, Carroll Daily Times Herald; Rich Paulsen, Creston News Advertiser; Deb Anselm, Davenport Quad-City Times; Steve Fisher, Dubuque Telegraph Herald; Bill Tubbs, Eldridge North Scott Press; Terry Christiansen, Ft. Dodge Messenger; Jim Johnson, Kalona News; Trevis Mayfield, Maquoketa Sentinel-Press; Mark Spensley, Monticello Express; Tom Hawley, Mount Ayr Record-News; Jake Krob, Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun; and Jeff Wagner, Sheldon N'West Iowa REVIEW. Also present were Susan Patterson Plank, INA; Geof Fischer, INF; Samantha Fett, INA Services Co. and Jana Shepherd, INF.

Votes Taken:

- A. On a motion by Paulsen, seconded by Christiansen, the minutes of the October 26, 2018 board meeting were approved.
- B. On a motion by Tubbs, seconded by Paulsen, the board approved the following 2019 legislative priorities recommended by the Government Relations Committee:
 - 1. To support transparency in government through strong open meetings and open records laws and to resist any effort to weaken these laws.
 - 2. To preserve publication of public notice advertising in newspapers where it is seen by the greatest number of Iowans.
 - 3. To support the funding request of the Iowa Public Information Board.
 - 4. To support and assist the National Newspaper Association and the News Media Alliance in their efforts to work with the postal service to provide efficient and timely mail delivery of newspapers and to protect newspapers from further expense and regulation by the USPS.
 - 5. To encourage the Iowa Public Information Board and others' efforts to support legislation to...
 - Broaden the law regarding advisory committees and their adherence to the open meetings laws.
 - Clarify the notice requirement for open meetings to be 24 continuous hours.
 - Clarify that a peace officer investigative report is no longer confidential
 once the case is closed or the statute of limitations has run out, except
 in situations where there would be danger to an individual including
 disclosure of a domestic/sexual assault victim's personal identifiers.
 - Clarify in Iowa Code section 22.7 that the IPIB can order the
 release of records under the statute just as a court can and that
 lawful custodians have full discretion to voluntarily release what is
 otherwise a confidential record under the statute unless an injunction
 to prevent release/examination has been ordered by a court or IPIB.
 - To encourage and support legislation to establish a reasonable and consistent fees structure statewide for examining and copying public records.
 - To encourage and support legislation providing consistency, transparency and public accountability regarding public release of law enforcement body camera videos.
- C. On a motion by Paulsen, seconded by Grabinoski, the board approved an Associate Member request from Jim Magdefrau.

Action Agreed Upon:

A. The board set its next meeting date as Friday, April 26th in Des Moines.

Other Items Discussed:

- A. The board heard an update from Patterson Plank on the financials.
- B. The board heard a long-range planning update from staff.

IOWA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES - cont. on page 3

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Can bars advertise free drinks?

lowa's Alcohol Beverage Control Act (lowa Code Chapter 123) only empowers the Alcohol Beverages Division of the Department of Commerce to set wholesale prices and not retail prices. Therefore, it does not prohibit a bar from advertising and offering free drinks. The bar owner, however, should contact the Department of Revenue and Finance as it is likely the bar will have to pay a sales tax on the drinks that are

given away. Also, if a cover charge is required, the drinks are technically not free and that creates a false advertising issue.

The Alcohol Beverages division spokesman responding to this question encouraged a bar owner to contact his or her attorney for guidance before initiating a "free drinks" promotion. Questions regarding lowa's alcoholic beverage laws can be directed to the Alcohol Beverages Division at 515-281-7432.

IOWA NEWSPAPER ASSOCIATION BOARD MEETING MINUTES - cont. from page 2

- C. The board received a board attendance report.
- D. Grabinoski volunteered to attend the new board member orientation on March 1 to represent the INA board.
- E. The board received a board attendance report.

The meeting was recessed at 3:15 p.m. to conduct the Annual Meeting of the INA Services Co.

The meeting was reconvened at 3:17 p.m.

The meeting was recessed at 3:19 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened at 5:45 p.m. on Thursday, February 7st for the election of officers. A quorum was present.

Votes taken:

A. On a motion by Wagner and seconded by Fisher, the following slate of officers was elected:

President Kristin Grabinoski
 Vice President Karen Spurgeon
 Sec/Treasurer Terry Christiansen
 Member-at-large Trevis Mayfield
 Executive Director Susan Patterson Plank

The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Patterson Plank

Iowa Newspaper Association Annual Meeting February 7, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. at the Marriott Hotel in Des Moines with a quorum present.

Votes Taken:

- A. On a motion by Jake Krob, Mount Vernon-Lisbon Sun, seconded by Rich Paulsen, Creston News Advertiser, the following slate of candidates nominated by the INA Nominating Committee was elected to the INA Board of Directors:
 - Deb Anslem, Davenport Quad-City Times to second three-year term;
 - Trevis Mayfield, Maquoketa Sentinel Press to second three-year term;
 - Jason Brummond, Iowa City Daily Iowan to a first three-year term;
 - Matt Grohe, Clear Lake Mirror Reporter to a first three-year term;
 - Abigail Pelzer, Marshalltown Times-Republican to complete the unexpired term of Dan Goetz, Newton Daily News, which will expire in 2020 and
 - Roy Biondi, Waterloo Courier to a first three-year term.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Patterson Plank, Executive Director

Snapshots from the 2019 INA Convention & Trade Show



Friday's kick-off speaker, Ken Paulson, president of the Free Speech Center, gave his presentation titled "Rights, Revolution & Rock 'n' Roll". **(photo by Michael Watson)**



Abigail Pelzer, Marshalltown Times Republican, spoke on the Women in Journalism panel. **(photo by Michael Watson)**

Visit INAnews.com to review the full slate of contest winners and the contest winners' tab.



INF Development Director, Geof Fisher and Jim Magdefrau announced raffle winners at the Trade Show. **(photo by Michael Watson)**





The month of February is named for the Latin word februum, which means purification.



Scott Anderson, Ames Tribune, spoke at the annual meeting. (photo by Michael Watson)



Becky Maxwell, Centerville Daily lowegian; Mary Ungs-Sogaard, Dyersville Commercial; and Steve Fisher, Dubuque Telegraph Herald listen to members at the annual meeting. **(photo by Michael Watson)**



Governor Kim Reynolds spoke at the INA Awards banquet on Friday, February 8, 2019.



Members visited the Raygun booth at the trade show. (photo by Michael Watson)



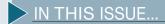
Members discussed industry topics at the annual Suds and Sodas session. (photo by Michael Watson)



Michelle Johnson, Senior Vice President and Head of Referee Operations at the National Basketball Association spoke at the Past Presidents Luncheon. **(photo by Michael Watson)**



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If you are trying to help an employee relocate, please send us the ad information on your letterhead, rather than having the employee write us. We will not run ads for persons living in a member's town without first clearing the ad with the publisher.

Please have copy to the INA office no later than noon on Monday. The INA will make the determination of whether an ad qualifies for free or paid publication. If payment for an ad is not enclosed with the ad, the INA will require payment in advance before the ad will be published.

Ads for products or services which could be marketed for a profit may be published for a fee of \$10 per insertion, paid in advance, with a 40-word maximum.

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Registration fee: FREE · Deadline: February 25

IN THIS WEBINAR...

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THE PRESENTER... Korena Keys



Korena Keys, Founder of Key Media Solutions, is best known for developing her own unique approach to media strategy and digital marketing. This quickly earned her the business and respect of companies across the United States and Canada. In just eight short years, Korena has successfully taken her digital media firm to the front lines in an

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The presenters...

Tim Schmitt & Zack Kucharski



Tim Schmitt has spent decades in various newsrooms — some print, and some broadcast. He was a sports reporter, news reporter, and then managing editor of his hometown paper, the Tonawanda (N.Y.) News, where he led an award-winning editorial page. He's worked as an editor, staffer or longtime contributor with the Arizona Daily Sun in Flagstaff, the Mesa Tribune, the Arizona Republic, the altweekly Buffalo Current, and the Niagara Falls Gazette, where he was executive sports editor over four dailies.



Zack Kucharski is executive editor of The Gazette in Cedar Rapids, where he has worked since 2000. Kucharski leads content strategies for the organization. He has worn many hats within the organization, starting as a freelancer and moving up to reporter, news and database editor. He is a University of Iowa graduate.



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THE PRESENTER...

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in the newspaper industry serving as president and publisher of the Topeka Capital-Journal, president and publisher at the Log Cabin Democrat in Conway, Ark., and vice president of sales for GateHouse Media's Ohio units. Ahrens began his career in 2000 at the York News-Times and served as publisher

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