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Dissolution of Marriage — Update
Speaker to be announced

Criminal Defense — Warner Olds

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Courthouse

July 21, 1976 — To be announced

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JUDICIAL POLLS

It is hoped that you returned your
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YOUNG LAWYERS PARTY

Date: Friday, June 18, 1976
 Time: 8:00 p.m. until ??????
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This was the first election of the officers and executive committee members by written ballot. It was encouraging to note that 57% of the members voted in the election.

***BETTER ABSTRACTS**

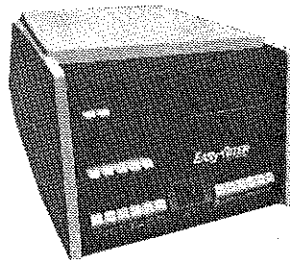
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The proposed budget for the year is presented for your study. It has been approved by the Executive Committee and it has recommended its adoption.

RECEIPT:

Dues (950)	\$33,250.00
Referral Dues	10,000.00
Advertising	2,200.00
Lawyer Referral Income	8,000.00
Interest	1,000.00
	<u>\$54,450.00</u>

EXPENSES:

Salaries & Payroll Tax	\$24,665.00
Stationery & Supplies	3,500.00
Printing	3,500.00
Luncheons	1,000.00
Committees	2,000.00
Utilities	3,900.00
Insurance	250.00
Seminars	1,500.00
Expense Allowances	1,500.00
Lawyer Referral Service	750.00
Dues, Service Contracts, Equipment Rental	2,675.00

BUILDING

Equipment Reserve	\$1,075.00
Repairs & Improvements	750.00
Maintenance	500.00
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For additional information or assistance contact:

- J. Wescoat Sandlin, Chairman
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ACTIVITIES FOR 1975 — 1976

The Broward Barrister

June, 1976

The Broward County Bar Association has won The Florida Bar Award of Merit for General Excellence of Bar sponsored activities. This award will be presented during the general session of The Florida Bar Convention on Friday, June 11. This award is the result of imagination, cooperation, dedicated efforts, and untold hours of work by many members of the Association.

In an effort to make certain that its programs and procedures serve the efforts of both the Bar and the public, the Broward County Bar Association has made an in-depth study of all its activities. As a result, some new programs have been inaugurated, some existing programs have been revised, and others have been retained in their previous forms. One of the most significant changes accomplished was the revision of the Charter and By-Laws. Changes were made in the electing of officers and Executive Committee members. A nominating committee was formed, written ballots were instituted, and geographical divisions within the county established. The number of standing committees were reduced and sections were implemented. Other activities included:

1. A Fee Arbitration Committee has been appointed to study the subject and recommend methods for settling fee disputes. This proposed plan is included with this Barrister.
2. A Low Cost Dissolution of Marriage Program was implemented March 1, 1976, and provides that persons of low income may obtain a dissolution for a fee of \$125 plus court costs. Thus far 27 persons have been served by this program, and 88 attorneys have volunteered for the panel.
3. Public Information: "Your Legal Forum," a radio talk program, is presented on every Saturday morning over radio station WAVS. The one hour time segment is contributed by the station as a public service and each program has two attorneys and an attorney-moderator discussing various legal problems. Telephone calls from listeners are taken on the air. However, careful attention is given to avoid direct legal advice.
4. A Bar-Bench Liaison Committee consisting of four attorneys and four judges meet once each month to discuss the problems that arise in this area. This has resulted in a vast improvement in the relationship and understanding between the two groups.
5. A Legislative Committee has been formed to act as an advisory body to the Broward County Legislative Delegation. It also gathers information about pending legislation and communicates this to the members of the Bar.
6. One of the most interesting activities of the Association is called Operation: Update/Transition. This is a mini-seminar given each month by the members of the Bar. They are co-sponsored by the Broward County Trial Lawyers Association, the Broward County Bar Association, and Nova Law School. Steps are being taken to have this program approved by the CLE committee so that credits may be obtained for the designation.
7. A Broward County Council of Bar Presidents has been formed with the immediate Past President, President, and President-Elect of all local bars meeting every other month. This has greatly improved cooperation among the groups and reduced duplication of efforts programs.
8. The Association participated in Expo '76, and a booth at the industrial fair and career oriented event was manned by members of the Young Lawyers Section.
9. Judicial polls have been planned and you have recently received the evaluation poll. Another poll will be conducted in August after the deadline for qualification of candidates has passed.
10. This Association has continued to assist the Legal Aid Service of Broward County, Inc., by assigning the overflow and conflict of interest cases that occur in Legal Aid.
11. The Lawyer Referral Service continues to be a public service providing legal

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COURT DECISIONS

Henry J. Prominsky

Defendant was charged with delivery of marijuana, possession of more than five grams of marijuana, sale of marijuana as well as possession of paraphernalia used for unlawfully administering any controlled substance. Defendant was acquitted on the first three counts and convicted of possession of a "roach clip", notwithstanding the fact that the State could not prove the Defendant had marijuana in his possession. The Appellate Court for the First District in **Turner vs. Florida** 329 So2nd 360 held that there was sufficient evidence for the jury to infer that the Defendant intended to use the device for smoking marijuana.

Assuming the Statute 893.13(3)(a), (4) is constitutional for definiteness and further assuming that a "roach clip" is a definite clearly manufactured paraphernalia for administering controlled substances, to-wit marijuana, it would appear that the First District Court and the jury stretched a point in finding this Defendant guilty when there was no marijuana in his possession, although there was marijuana residue on the roach clip. To assume that the roach clip is in the category of an opium needle or something clearly detineable to be used for the administration of a control substance and not a patent article such as a Jefferson airplane or clip that would be used for smoking any non-filter cigarette down to the end seems a little far fetched. It is further a little difficult to categorize a "roach clip" as a paraphernalia used to "administer" a controlled substance. It would appear that the Legislature had in mind when they drafted the statute hypodermic needles, syringes and paraphernalia that would administer not merely facilitate the use of marijuana.

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Broward County Legal Secretaries Association

The annual installation of officers for the Broward County Legal Secretaries Association was May 27, 1976 at Yesterday's Restaurant in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

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(Activities for 1975-1976 continued)

The ceremony was conducted by the Honorable James B. Balsiger. The outgoing president Mrs. Delores Ott thanked all outgoing officers for their dedicated cooperation. The following officers were installed:

- Mrs. Dorothy A. Lahan was installed as President.
- Mrs. Jeannie Harris, 1st Vice President
- Mrs. Sharon Fornes, 2nd Vice President
- Mrs. Linda Repass, Treasurer
- Mrs. Judy Bell, Recording Secretary
- Mrs. Michaelleen Stokrer, Corr. Sec'y
- Mrs. Valeria Lazzari, Governor and NALS Representative.

Mrs. Randi Rochow presented the Secretary of the Year Award to Mrs. Jeannie Harris; Mrs. Sophie Briand presented the Scholarship Award to Miss Malinda Durant.

Mrs. Ursela Elze, a past president of BCLSA, said the invocation.

Dinner was served prior to the installation.

service at a fee at which the moderate income individual can afford. There were 210 participating attorneys and 3,078 referrals were made in the past year.

12. The Courts Committee has worked diligently with judges to help relieve congestion in the courts and to obtain additional judges. An outgrowth of this work has been the formation of the Judicial Action Committee.

13. The High School Education Committee has established a program for the purpose of offering High School students broad outlines of the law as it affects them. This year, ten different courses covering twelve areas of the law were given with 24 attorneys participating. The course has become a part of the High School curriculum and has been hailed a great success by the Broward County School Board.

14. As a part of the Bi-Centennial celebration, a history of the Bar in Broward County is being compiled, encompassing Bench, Bar, and the Bar Association.

15. A Committee on Reapportionment is working toward a more equitable representation on the Board of Governors in the Florida Bar.

16. The Law Day USA Committee sponsored a program to include visitation of the Courthouse by school children, a day of free legal advice for residents of Broward County, and mock trials in various High Schools.

In addition to the above activities, the Bar Association and its leaders have worked to improve the status of each member and to keep its members fully informed on movements of the Bar relating to specialization, designation, advertising, pre-paid legal services, and other areas. The Bar has also cooperated with the Federal Courts in holding Naturalization Ceremonies in the county. It has provided speakers on various subjects for a large number of local organizations. It contributed baskets of food to ten needy families in this area at Christmas, 1975. And a pictorial roster of the members was also published.

It has been a very busy year and many plans that did not achieve fruition this year will be continued in the coming year.

BCLSA is now taking memberships. For more information please call Mrs. Jeannie Harris at 463-3301 or by writing to Mrs. Harris c/o Joe Wright Realty, 934 N. Victoria Park Road, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida 33004.

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WELCOME, NEW MEMBERS

THOMAS, M. DACHELET, a native of Greenby, Wisconsin, received his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin and his Law degree from Fordham University Law School. He is associated with Saunders, Curtis, Ginestra & Gore in Fort Lauderdale.

DALE P. REDLICH, a native of Brooklyn, N.Y., received his undergraduate and law degree from the University of Miami. He is associated with Harrington & Orsher in Fort Lauderdale.

CORRECTION:

BERNARD A. JACKVONY, a native of Providence, Rhode Island, received his undergraduate degree from Bryant College and his law degrees from Suffolk University Law School and Boston University Law School. He is associated with Edmund C. Sciarretta in Fort Lauderdale.



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