



## **NABE NEWS**

**February 13, 2008**

If you weren't there, you missed a *fabulous* MidYear Meeting in Los Angeles. Kudos to Stuart Forsyth and all the members of the Program Committee! We also have to recognize that without the skills and dedication of the DBS staff (and particularly Leticia Spencer, Tondanisha Nevels and Beverley Ware) we couldn't possibly have had a successful meeting (and a GREAT party on Wednesday evening!) Remember – some program materials are available on the NABE website. Attendees will be receiving a request to provide feedback via Survey Monkey. PLEASE share your thoughts with the Program Committee. YOUR feedback helps us improve.

We are delighted to welcome Craig Johnson and Tondanisha Nevels to the NABE “family”.

Craig is our new NABE Staff Director. He has been a “next door neighbor” to DBS, having served as program manager for the ABA Division for Public Education for the last four years. Prior to coming to ABA, he held a series of increasingly responsible positions at the University of Chicago.

Many of us have known Tondanisha in another capacity – She has been a part of DBS for over 9 years. While she hasn't worked directly with NABE, she has interacted with many of us in updating the Directory of State and Local Bars and pulling together the profiles for the regional conferences.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming NABE and ABA events:

CSE Retreat and BLI (March 11 – 15)

ABA Day (April 15 – 17)

Small Bar Conference – Sacramento (June 27-28)

NABE Annual Meeting – NYC (August 5 -7)

Your NABE Board is pleased to report that all bylaws amendments were adopted at the membership meeting conducted August 7. Term limits for Board service promote more participation from a greater number of our members. Virtual Membership will open some of the benefits of NABE to those who staff small bars with very limited resources. We thank you for supporting these ways to better serve bar execs across the country.

If you haven't filed a petition to run for a NABE Board seat yet, don't miss the March 17 deadline. Go to

<http://www.abanet.org/nabe/members/elections/NABE2008electionguidelines.pdf>

to download the necessary petition. Positions open for election are Vice President (must have served on the NABE Board), Secretary, State Bar Delegate, Local Bar Delegate and Delegate-at-Large. *New this year: We will be conducting elections on-line, making it easier for you to participate and easier for us to finalize the election results. Watch for details.*

Stay tuned as we return next month with a fuller edition of NABE NEWS. I look forward to bringing you lots of helpful hints and good information from committees, sections and forums working to make all our jobs easier!

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