

Association of Charitable Games of Missouri 20th Annual Convention and Trade Show

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Special points of interest:

At the end of Bingo, workers need to Thank players for coming...

If someone wins Pull Tabs as we pay off the winner, take some pull tabs with you to sell to the winner.

Bingo Angles – Work w/ new players

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Phil Hanson receives 29 Years Award from ACGM



This year's Association of Charitable Games of Missouri Convention presented Phil Hanson with a plaque and watch for 29 years of service to the Association of Charitable Games of Missouri.



The Supervisor of Missouri Gaming Commission, Barbara Whittle answered questions from the convention body and provided legal information. She talked about theft and the organization's responsibility to report theft, gift certificates, and bingo machines to name a few things. One Bingo hall received counterfeit money-did a police report: The secret service became involved. Report it as a loss, technically it is a theft. Submit

as theft, so they will know why you are short. It is your responsibility to report a theft.

As a regular license holder. You can have pull tabs up to 15 times a year, apply for \$10.00 license. Reporting like regular occasion bingo, on quarterly report.

Must have special date.

Ten day turn around for special event license.



Welcome / Introductions

The convention opened with a Welcome and Introductions by Charles Brown ,Convention Chairman, Association of Charitable Games of Missouri Convention. He also welcomed first time members to the Convention. We had eight organizations attend the convention for the first time this year.



Sharing Ideas for small & large Bingo Halls



Mr. Seelinger's session was on sharing ideas on how to recruit new players and keep seasoned players coming. Some of the ideas talked about were: using frequent player cards, good neighbor reward, door prizes and advertisement, to

name a few. I noted a couple that might be worth trying in the future.



You need to keep a look out for counterfeit money. I know of three halls that received counterfeit \$.

IRS Information



Phil Hanson, CPA. Mr. Hanson is an accountant and very knowledgeable regarding the Internal Revenue Service and the forms as they relate to bingo. He provided exceptionally good information on when we need to complete the W-2G form

and how to complete the W-2G form. This information alone was valuable. He also talked about pull tabs and withholding and backup withholdings. Phil also gave the ACGM Financial Report doing the convention.



Selection of Board members

Gerald Seelinger conducted the election for Board members for the Association of Charitable Games of Missouri. He had a ballot with names on it and took nominations from the floor. Once the nominations were closed members voted for new board members.

Each organization gets one ballot to vote. The elected board members are Tom Murphy, Charles Brown, James Malson, Larry Krodinger and Howard Hawkins.





The Gaming Commission considers the convention as a training session for all members, that is why they approved three members from your organization.

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Bills HB-349 / HJR-10 and SB 147 / SJR-9 2 year rule

Phil Hanson and Larry Krodinger gave a presentation about the bills that didn't pass. Need to keep dealing with House and get more Senators to add their name to the bill before it reaches committee. Contact your senator and ask him/her to add their name to the bill sponsored by Senator Gary Romine. The three bills will not have a number until January 2018. When you contact your senator and representative use zipcode an last 4 digits to get a favorable response.



Tom Murphy and John Head attend Public Hearing on Bill

Tom Murphy and John Head attended the Public Hearing on 2 year rule bill in Jefferson City, Missouri. Tom Murphy, President gave testimony about how important this bill was to bingo halls in Missouri. Met with State House Representative Wanda Brown after the hearing, she was one of the sponsors.



The quarterly report can be completed on the web.



Open Panel Discussion

Mary Staggs, Wentzville Community Club, James Malson, VFW Post 2866, and Mary Barber, St. Joseph Parish Bingo led a panel discussion about their bingo halls and how they operate. Also took questions from the members and Tom Murphy.





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The Association of Charitable Games of Missouri Board for 2017 & 2018. The first row: Larry Krodinger, Phil Hanson, Vice Pres. Gerald Seelinger, Roger Hoffman, Pres. Tom Murphy, Howard Hawkins, John Smithberg. Second row: Charles Brown, James Malson, Mary Barber, Communication Director & Webmaster John S. Head, Treasury Ralph How and Secretary Charles Peeters.



Verna Charles gave a report about the calls she made to Bingo Halls around the State. According to her list there were 237 members. She spoke to 76 people, left messages with 72 people 87 wrong number.



Live Entertainment

Leipers Fork Bluegrass Band from Columbia, TN provided entertainment for the convention. If you enjoy songs from a variety of singers, you would have enjoyed this group.

























