

# JUSTICE

FORUM AT FIRST PRES

JANUARY • FEBRUARY 2010



“HATE EVIL,  
LOVE GOOD,  
ESTABLISH JUSTICE.”

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SUNDAY  
MORNINGS  
AT 9:00

### **January 3: Crime and Punishment**

*District Corrections Director Gary Hinzman*

• Prison, half way house, work release, probation, fine but no time, juvenile detention, deleting crime records, preventing sex offender from living near schools and day care – when is each of these appropriate?

### **January 10: Abuse**

*Judge Susan Flaherty*

• Is abuse frequent? • What is done when it is brought to court? • What is the most just punishment. • Is prevention and/or separation usually recommended?

### **January 17: Crime Prevention**

*Police Chief Greg Graham*

• Can crimes of violence be prevented? How? • Is there a difference between preventing an altercation between two criminals attacking or shooting each other and a innocent stranger from being attacked?

### **January 24: Conflict Resolution**

*Mediator/Attorney Steve Sovern*

• How does mediation work? • Is it for personal conflicts as well as business conflicts? • If it so good, why is not mediation more often used?

### **January 31: Proving Innocence**

*U of Iowa Law School Attorney Brian Farrell*

• What is the "Innocence Project"? • Is DNA identification 100% accurate? • What other new ways have been developed to prove innocence? • Should evidence be rejected if not obtained legally? • Even if it is only an accidental office error?

### **February 7:**

#### **Mental & Behavior Problems & Crime**

*Horizons President Scott Jamieson*

• When do abnormal mental conditions cause crimes? • What counseling and support can be done to prevent this? • Should the punishment for crimes committed by these people be different than for others?



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