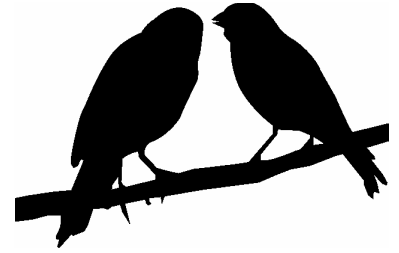


THE INFORMANT

Saint Croix Valley Bar Association Newsletter

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From the President's Desk

By Angela Olson

Dear Members:

I am pleased to recap another successful year. First, congratulations to Judge Needham who was named "Judge of the Year" by the American Board of Trial Advocates. We are honored to have one of our own judges chosen for such an esteemed award. Congratulations to all local attorneys who have received honors recognizing their contributions to the legal profession over the year. I am always delighted to hear of any local attorneys or judges receiving state and national recognition because it reminds me that we are not forgotten up here in the northwest.

We had an exciting year of elections. As you all know for the first time in 25 years, a new judge was elected to serve the citizens of Pierce County. The SCVBA put on a judicial forum in River Falls prior to the general election. It was a very well attended event and allowed the voters to hear from both judicial candidates. After a grueling campaign trail, Pierce County welcomes Judge Joe Boles to the bench. We also sponsored a Happy Hour event for the State Bar president-elect candidates. That event was also very well attended by our members. After shaking hands and mingling with all four candidates who were in attendance, our members got to know each of the candidates and their respective positions. Jim Brennan was elected as the State Bar President-Elect. Congratulations to Joe and Jim and we wish them the best in their new positions.

As we started the 2009-2010 SCVBA year with a food drive, we followed "suit" and ended with a business clothing drive. Once again, you all came through in shining colors. We filled offices and living rooms with all the donations received from attorneys and the public. The business attire went to Polk, Pierce, and St. Croix County Drug Courts for the drug court participants to use when searching for employment. Any non-business attire we received went to local agencies in River

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to promote a legal system whereby the rights and privileges of all persons are asserted and protected. We are dedicated to strengthening public trust in our legal system. We promote high ethical standards, civility, and professionalism amongst all attorneys. We encourage our members to serve the public. As officers of the court, we have an important role in assisting courts in the administration of justice.

Always check the St. Croix Valley
Bar Association Website for
updates at

www.stcroixvalleybar.org

*Thank you to Joel Skinner for donating his
expertise to our Website*

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Falls, New Richmond and Balsam Lake. As a special addition to this issue of The Informant, I have included the letter from The Salvation Army thanking us for our clothing donations. The remainder of the business clothing we received was taken to the State Bar Convention for the annual state-wide business clothing drive the State Bar holds.

We are still accepting nominations for the Warren P. Knowles Scholarship sponsored by the SCVBA. We submitted letters to 24 high schools in the four counties of the St. Croix Valley Bar Association. The scholarship committee will be reviewing those applications and we will announce the recipient after June 1, 2010.

The St. Croix Valley Legal Professionals Group is going strong. They have monthly meetings throughout the four-county area. Keep in mind they are always looking for speakers and content for their meetings. They are also looking for legal professionals in the area to join the group. Please urge your staff to become part of this important networking group. The meetings are both fun and informative.

We are going to close our year with a Saints game and a meeting with State Bar President-Elect, Jim Boll and company. We hope to see you at the ballpark on May 19th and at the Hudson Golf Club on May 20th!

Finally, it is time for me to bid my farewell as your SCVBA President. I've enjoyed my four years of service as an SCVBA officer very much. I have gotten to know each and every one of you and I am happy to serve as your President. This summer marks a new beginning for me as I leave Bakke Norman and join Eckberg, Lammers, Briggs, Wolff & Vierling. I am sad to leave my Bakke Norman family, but excited to join a new professional family at Eckberg Lammers.

SEE YOU WEDNESDAY



My years with the SCVBA and Bakke Norman have been very good to me and I thank all of you for being part of my journey. I look forward to continuing to be an active member in St. Croix Valley Bar Association. Thank you for the opportunity to be part of this valuable organization. I wish you all a safe and happy summer.

St. Croix Valley Bar Association Treasurer's Report

Balance as of May 2010: \$3746.10

THE SALVATION ARMY

April 29, 2010

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Dear Angela:

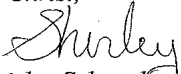
On behalf of The Salvation Army and the families who will benefit from our services here in Polk County, we want to thank you for your donation of clothes and shoes.

We want you to know your gift will make a real and tangible difference in the lives of those who are less fortunate in your community. Thanks so much for your generosity and for thinking of us and supporting this ministry, it is greatly appreciated.

It is through the generosity and efforts of friends like you, especially during this financially difficult time, that we are able to continue reaching out in the name of Christ to those who come to The Salvation Army for assistance.

May you experience a special peace, knowing this thoughtful donation will enable The Salvation Army to continue offering Christ's blessings to our neighbors in need. Again, we thank you for caring.

In Christ,


Shirley Schoenberger
Shelter Manager

Your Donation: Business Clothes & Shoes

In accordance with Internal Revenue Service regulations, we certify that The Salvation Army is registered with the states of Wisconsin and Minnesota and with the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)3 non-profit corporation. An internal audit is available upon request for your review. We attest that you received no goods or services in return for your contribution.

Shirley Schoenberger, Shelter Manager
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Serenity Home Shelters

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A message from Judge Lundell

St. Croix Valley Bar Assn,

WE HAVE LOST
SOMEONE VERY SPECIAL...
THANK YOU FOR
SHARING OUR GRIEF

*The family of
Sophia Kathleen Perron*

*Thank you for your
very generous gift toward
Sophia's memorial.*