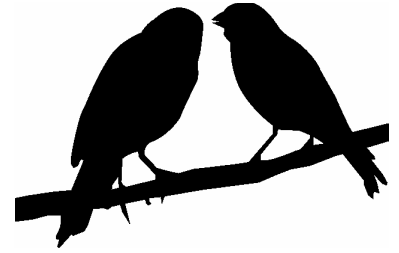


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From the President's Desk

By Angela Olson

I hope the New Year has treated you all well. To make 2010 a good year professionally for myself, I have set some goals for managing my practice in and out of the courtroom. While this goal cannot be achieved overnight, I hope to continue to strive for and remind myself of my goal throughout the year. I hope all of your New Year's resolutions and goals will be achieved; or, at the very least, that you will fight like he** trying.

The holiday party was a success. We had approximately 40 people in attendance. While I thought this was a good turnout, I was reminded by more seasoned attorneys that they used to have double that in attendance at bar functions. I hope more of you will be encouraged to attend the holiday party and all of the SCVBA functions. Our contact with each other outside of the courtrooms make us better lawyers and achieve better results for our clients inside the courtroom.

To ended 2009 with a food drive. Over 550 non-perishable food items, health and beauty aids, and cleaning supplies were donated. A \$25.00 cash donation was contributed as well. Baldwin, Hudson, Menomonie, New Richmond, Prescott and River Falls area food shelves were recipients. Thank you to all who participated. We hope that the food drive will be an annual SCVBA event!

We have an exciting 2010 planned. Specifically, Pierce County has a lot going on. First, as you all know, Judge Wing will be retiring in April. Keith Rodli is in the midst of planning a retirement dinner for Judge Wing, which the St. Croix Valley Bar Association will be hosting. The gathering will be held at the River Falls Golf Course on Wednesday, April 21, 2010. Please mark your calendars now. Look for future Informants and other SCVBA mailings for further details.

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
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updates at

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In conjunction with Judge Wing retiring, his seat obviously must be filled. The St. Croix Valley Bar Association plans to hold a candidates' forum for the Pierce County judicial candidates following the February primary. The forum will be held in the River Falls Municipal Court. Details will be forthcoming. Our annual Judge's lunches in St. Croix and Polk Counties will be held this spring as well.

We are considering donating multi-media equipment to the St. Croix County Government Center. We will be working with Lori Meyer on the details. But once we have a proposal in mind, we will be submitting the idea to the group for a vote.

Don't purge your closets just yet...In April we will be hosting a business clothing drive. The donations will be taken to the State Bar Convention in Madison in May. Future mailings will provide details and drop off sites.

I look forward to seeing all of you at future bar events. Until then, I hope you have a safe and happy new year.

SAVE THE DATE
A RETIREMENT DINNER FOR
JUDGE ROBERT WING
April 21, 2010
5:30 - 9:00pm
Details will be coming soon



Details for the St. Croix Valley Bar Association's Pierce County Judge Candidate Forum, to be held after the February 16th primary, will be coming soon.

St. Croix Valley Bar Association Treasurer's Report

Balance as of January 24, 2010: \$6,286.84.