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From the President's Desk

By Max Neuhaus



Happy New Year SCVBA,

2013 looks to be an exciting time for our local Bar Association.

Upcoming events will include our annual Lunch with the St. Croix County Judges on February 13, 2013, Lunch with the Pierce County Judge in March and Lunch with the Polk County Judges in April. If there are any specific questions you want to ensure get to the Judges prior to the lunch, send them on my way.

Regarding future dues, I am inviting some input: SCVBA is considering the option of an "all inclusive lunch membership" of \$50 (normal dues are \$35). With this membership benefit, you would not need to cut additional checks for any of our lunches – which number between 4-6 per year. If you would be interested in this All Inclusive membership, or have additional comment on the matter, I invite the input.

Looking forward, it appears that the world of on-line social-media is only going to grow. As a reminder, don't forget to connect with SCVBA on LinkedIn and our Facebook page if you are registered with either of those websites. Regarding service to the law, I was again approached by Wisconsin Supreme Court staff regarding local interest in serving on its various board and committees, including the Board of Bar Examiners and Access to Justice Commission. If you are seeking an interest, please contact me for more details.

Also, 2013 is planned to be the year SCVBA launches our Wills for Heroes initiative. I look forward to providing updates for this service as we begin to implement the program. Until then, my best.

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.

St. Croix Valley Bar Association Treasurer's Report

Checking Balance as of 1/11/13: \$5,937.00

CD Balance as of 1/11/13: \$3,280.92

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ST. CROIX COUNTY JUDGES FORUM

Please join us for our annual Lunch with the St. Croix County Judges! This year's lunch will take place on **Wednesday, February 13th, 2012** at noon in the County Boardroom at the St. Croix County Government Center. As always, a boxed lunch will be available for \$8.50. The flyer and RSVP form were sent to all members via e-mail.

If you have any specific topics that you would like the judges to address, please send your question to Liz Rohl at elizabeth.rohl@co.saint-croix.wi.us.



FROM THE CITY OF RIVER FALLS:

The City of River Falls is currently seeking proposals from qualified legal institutions interested in providing comprehensive legal services. The primary objective of requesting qualifications is for the City to determine which legal firm can offer the highest quality of service at the most reasonable costs. The City desires general counsel, addressing municipal law issues and defending the City in any claims filed against it, which are not covered by insurance policies.

If you believe that your proposed solution or services would be beneficial to the City, we invite you to offer them.

Request For Qualification (RFQ) information is listed on the homepage of our website, www.rfcity.org, under City Information. We encourage you to be creative and educational in your responses. Written proposals are due on February 1st, 2013.

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Holiday Party.

