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SNBT Awarded for Community Service Pledge
ABA Presents Certificate of Recognition at National Conference

The Stephenson National Bank & Trust (SNBT) has been nationally recognized for its contributions to the community at the American Bankers Association (ABA) National Conference for Community Bankers in Palm Desert, Calif. on Feb. 21.

SNBT was awarded a Certificate of Recognition for encouraging volunteerism among its employees and for the positive impact that their efforts have had on the community.

“SNBT is honored to receive recognition for our commitment, passion and leadership in Marinette, Menominee, and Oconto Counties throughout the year,” said Dan Peterson, Executive Vice President. “SNBT and its employees have distinguished themselves for their longstanding commitment of giving back to this community.”

For 2012, 64 SNBT employees have pledged 6744 hours to 112 different organizations within our community. This amount of donated time is equivalent to over three full time employees. To place a dollar value on this gift of time further, the government program Volunteering America, estimates that each hour of volunteer time is “worth” \$21.36. By those standards, SNBT employees will donate \$144,000 in volunteer hours this year. Since 2000, when SNBT employees began pledging their volunteer hours, they have donated almost \$1.5 million from their 66,500 volunteer hours.

The Community Service Pledge has been an annual occurrence for SNBT since the program began in 2000. This emphasis and dedication to community service began with the Staudenmaier family, first when Louis was bank president, and continued through his daughter Mary. She followed in his footsteps both as bank president and by continuing his tradition of volunteerism. According to Peterson, SNBT embodies their legacy of philanthropy by encouraging employees to take an active role in the communities where they live and work by serving on boards of directors, volunteering in school and church activities, and a variety of non-profit organizations.



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The ABA Community Bank Awards program was established in 2005 to commend community banks' exceptional charitable achievements. Through the ABA Community Bank Award Program, ABA honors institutions that have taken an innovative, creative and effective approach to making a difference in their community.