

# PRO BONO CONNECTION

## CAMPAIGN FOR EQUAL JUSTICE

*It's not justice if it's not equal.*

We would like to thank those attorneys and law firms who contributed in January on behalf of LAW Advocates:

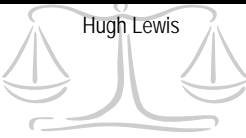
**Tim Farris**  
**Marilyn McLean**

**We appreciate all of your continued support!**

## CHAMPIONS OF JUSTICE

### JANUARY

*Thank You* to the following attorneys for agreeing to provide free legal services through Law Advocates.

Street Law	Direct Representation	Clinics
Richard Banel Kirsten Barron Erin Crisman Glass Ken Karlberg Kathryn Lee Raj Patrao	 Hugh Lewis	<i>Family Law</i> Sandy Holtzman  <i>Tenant Clinic</i> Michael Kleps Alex Ransom Patricia Woodall

 *Appeal to the Community...*  
Thank you to **David & Lois Bright** for their contribution in January.

**Pro Bono Prize Box**  
**And the January winner is....**  
...Michael Kleps   
Michael received a free dozen donuts from Rocket Donuts!

**Welcome Aboard!**  
We are delighted that we have several new members of the LAW Advocates board who were installed at the Annual Meeting. They include **Jim Britain**, a former law professor who has volunteered, assisting clients on foreclosure issues; **Katti Esp**, who serves on the board ex officio as the current bar president; **Tom Lester**, who brings his consumer and bankruptcy skills to our board proceedings; **Sandy Holtzman**, a seasoned family law attorney who relocated here last year; and **Cathy Marshall**, a local member of the Attorney General's staff who has helped with Lawyers take Orders.

**Interesting Facts:**  
*Most soccer players run 7 miles in a game.*  
*Walt Disney was afraid of mice.*  
*The Main Library at Indiana University sinks over an inch every year because when it was built, engineers failed to take into account the weight of all the books that would occupy the building.*

## Award Winners from the Law Advocates Annual Meeting


To **Raj Patrao**, for "his steadfast service and support." Raj retired from California personal injury defense work; took the Washington Bar; and settled in Whatcom County. For the last year, Raj has come in three mornings a week to assist our clients with a range of legal problems. On his own dime, he has taken courses to familiarize himself with family law, debt issues, and bankruptcy. He is the primary lawyer for our Debtor-Creditor Clinic and is about to begin assisting clients with bankruptcies.



(From Left to Right: Raj Patrao, Director Mary Swenson, Larry Daugert, and Carrie Coppinger Carter)

To **Carrie Coppinger Carter**, "for both her extraordinary giving and for her service." Year in and year out, Carrie has provided volunteer services to our clients; her financial contributions to the organization have been exceedingly generous; and she is the first to volunteer to help in a number of ways at our Lawyers take Orders annual fundraiser.

To **Larry Daugert**, "who says yes to demanding cases that need justice." Larry has been a long time talent in the areas of transaction and business litigation. He brought his fierce analytical and litigation skills to two cases where clients were improperly treated in consumer/property transactions. The first was a bait and switch second hand car loan case and the second was a foreclosure scam. In both cases, after filing suit, Larry delivered impressive outcomes for these clients.

**Thank you to following attorneys for volunteering at Project Homeless Connect!** 

Gerry Coleman	Pete Dworkin	Shoshana Paige
David Cottingham	Lee Grochmal	Jeff Solomon

**Our New Chief...**  
Scot Swanson was installed at our annual meeting held during the February Bar Lunch as 2009 Chair of the Board of LAW Advocates. Scot, who is with Belcher Swanson, led the charge in chairing the committee that has established our new courthouse based Friday afternoon Tenant Clinic for low-income tenants. Scot succeeds our "local hero" **Kirsten Barron** who served for three years as chair, assisting LAW Advocates with her characteristic intelligence and with her special ability to resolve issues with a "win-win."



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