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STEWART SOKOL & GRAY QUARTERLY BRIEF

MILESTONES

SSG ATTORNEYS NAMED SUPERLAWYERS

John Spencer Stewart and Jan Sokol have been named *Superlawyers* for the fifth consecutive year in 2011, and for the second year Angela Otto has been named a *Superlawyers Rising Star* in the area of Construction Litigation.

SSG RANKED A FIRST-TIER OREGON CONSTRUCTION FIRM

For the second consecutive year, SSG has been ranked a first-tier construction firm by U.S. News and World Report. Peers rate firms and individuals on “expertise, responsiveness, integrity, cost-effectiveness, and whether they would refer a matter to a firm and whether they consider a firm a worthy competitor.”



STEWART SOKOL & GRAY LLC

IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT **LAUREN WALLACE** IS THE FIRM'S NEWEST ASSOCIATE.



Lauren built significant real-world experience before law school as a senior corporate development manager responsible for global technology, manufacturing, and marketing partnerships for major technology firms such as Microsoft and Apple. In law school, Lauren clerked with the U.S. Attorney in its White Collar Crime division, and was an extern for U.S. District Court Magistrate Judge John V. Acosta. She is a great addition to our team.

Getting into the spirit

Parties, charitable giving make December one of SSG's favorite times of the year

December brought with it a flurry of holiday parties and charity events for all of us at Stewart Sokol & Gray. We got the season started a little early this year by joining with Innovative Housing, Inc. for their 5th Annual Coats for Kids drive in November. Kudos to IHI for the drive's success, and for making sure that kids got their coats before the cold set in.

Our friends at NUCA hosted a remarkable live and silent auction fundraiser, “NUCA In the City” which we were honored to co-sponsor with Knife River. It's our hope this event will make it possible for NUCA to support their industry throughout the coming year, and we were very grateful to be a party to NUCA's efforts.

The firm's paralegals have gotten into the holiday spirit by adopting a family with the Oregon Paralegal Association. The family of six and their pets are sure to be well-taken care of thanks to the OPA's annual collection.

Even closer to home, all of our families once again gathered at the Sokol's beautiful home for our firm's holiday party, and we got together for a thank-you happy hour with all of the wonderful tenants who share our space and make our building feel like a second home year-round.

Whatever the month has in store for you, from our family to yours: all our best wishes for a very happy holiday season and a prosperous new year.

Stewart Sokol & Gray proudly supports educational, civic, social and industry groups meeting the needs of our community, and salutes the efforts these groups make not only during the holiday season, but throughout the year.

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| ALS Association | Muscular Dystrophy Association | Project POOCH |
| American Cancer Society | National Utility Contractors Association | Riverdale High School |
| Bradley Angle | Northwest College of Construction | Rose City Park Neighborhood Association |
| Cascade AIDS Project | Oregon State University | Umpqua Bank Challenge |
| Innovative Housing, Inc. | Portland State University | University of Oregon |
| Kai Ikaika Paddling Club | | |
| Liquid Assets | | |



BELOW: STEWART SOKOL & GRAY WAS THRILLED TO DONATE TO INNOVATIVE HOUSING, INC.'S ANNUAL COATS FOR KIDS CAMPAIGN.



OUT AND About

THINGS THAT HAVE GOTTEN US AWAY FROM OUR DESKS THIS MONTH

STEWART FAMILY DONATES NEW WOMEN'S ROWING LOCKERS TO OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

If you find yourself behind the scenes at the Oregon State athletic department, you'll see a sign with Carolyn Stewart's name on it—that's because our own John Stewart donated the money for all new lockers for their women's rowing team. Carolyn's love of paddling is no secret at the firm, as we sponsor her team's participation in the Rose Festival Dragon Boat races every year. Our group had a great time taking a look at the rowing equipment and getting a first-hand look at Oregon State's beautiful facilities.

WINE TASTING TOUR

Jan Sokol and Angie Otto of Stewart Sokol & Gray hosted a tour of wine country lead by Uncorked Northwest at the end of October. The tour included stops at Natalie's Estate Winery, Utopia and Patton Valley Vineyards, and a tour of the vineyards at Willakenzie Estates. It was a "very relaxing, enjoyable way to spend a beautiful fall day in wine country," according to Angie. The group also stopped off at The Horse Radish in Carlton for delicious sandwiches and a much-needed water break.



ABOVE: THE LUCKY WINE-TASTING GROUP. FROM LEFT: CHRIS SOKOL, CAMERON AND KRIS FAROUD, KATHY LOERKE, ANGIE OTTO AND JAN SOKOL.



ABOVE: OUR GROUP POSES IN FRONT OF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY'S NEW WOMEN'S ROWING TEAM LOCKERS. FROM LEFT, NICK BEAUDOIN, KYLE PREEDY, CYNTHIA HILTON, JIM GONZALES, KATHY AND ROY MOORE, JOHN STEWART, KATHY AND MARK GENTEMANN, NEEL BRIGGS, AND TOM LARKIN.



LEFT: FRIENDS OF THE FIRM JASON, PAULA AND BILL CARNAHAN CHEER ON THE PORTLAND STATE VIKINGS FROM THE SSG SUITE DURING THEIR OCTOBER 22ND HOME GAME AGAINST WILLAMETTE. THE PSU VIKINGS WON THE GAME, FINAL SCORE: 36-10.

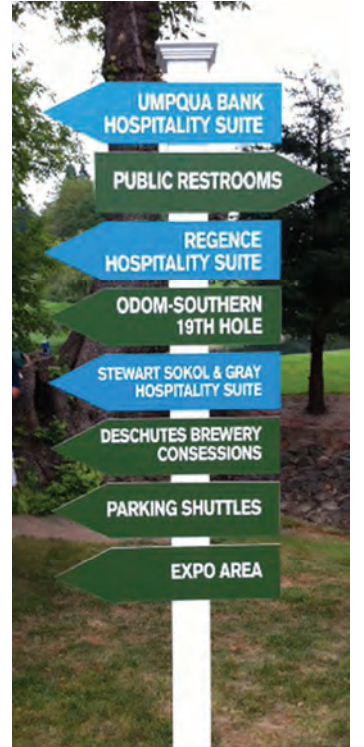
in our COMMUNITY



Golfing for good

The Umpqua Bank Challenge

The contingent from Stewart Sokol & Gray had some of the best seats around at the Umpqua Bank Challenge this year—our tent on the 18th green gave us a great view of some outstanding golf as Steve Elkington and Scott McCarron won the tournament at 24 under. Tournament officials estimate nearly 15,000 golf fans attended the three-day event, which is held in collaboration with The Children's Hospital at Legacy Emanuel and the "I Have A Dream" Foundation of Oregon.



Partnering to Give A Gift of Hope

Stewart Sokol & Gray was delighted to once again join with the Muscular Dystrophy Association as a sponsor of their *A Gift of Hope* dinner and auction. FOX12 news anchor Shauna Parsons was on hand to host, and a great deal of money was raised to support research on Duchenne and Becker Muscular Dystrophies. Our hats go off to honorees the Sullivan Family and guest presenter Sanjay Bidichandani, and all of the other sponsors. Special thanks are due to all of our friends at fellow sponsor Umpqua Bank. We're already looking forward to next year's event.



Walk to Defeat ALS exceeds fundraising goals

There's no doubt that the Portland Walk to Defeat ALS was a great success—the organization started their drive with a goal of raising \$335,000 and this year's walkers blew right through it, raising an amazing \$447,621.62 total.

We are so proud that our team, Arne's Warriors, raised the most funds of any team and was able to contribute \$70,488.00 to make sure that those diagnosed with ALS continue to receive the great services provided by the ALS Association.

Our thanks go out to all of the teams who walked with us, and to the ALS Association of Oregon and SW Washington for their good work.



LEFT: ARNE'S WARRIORS GATHER RIGHT BEFORE THE WALK TO DEFEAT ALS.