

SUBJECT: Presentation of the Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year Award for Wisconsin

FOR: FEBRUARY BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Randy Stark and Shikar-Safari Club International

SUMMARY:

The Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year Award winners have shown exemplary performance of their duties in the protection of wildlife, enforcement of game laws and implementation of conservation and game laws.

Bill Schwengel leads by example in many ways. He is progressive and visionary. He works hard to continuously improve the Bureau of Law Enforcement and adapt the organization to meet new challenges. He has earned the respect of Department Staff, external agencies and citizens over the years. Bill has worked to develop several major technology innovations in the past, and continues to provide troubleshooting and support to these programs. Bill continues to work hard on our current efforts at a solid computerized complaint database. Additionally, Bill is involved with recruit hiring and background investigations. Bill annually teaches Evidence Collection to the recruits during their time in the academy. Bill's expertise in evidence collection is well known in the Law Enforcement community, evidenced by several requests in the past five years from the Wisconsin State Crime Lab to assist with evidence searches in homicide and police involved shooting cases. This past year, Bill also took on much of the field work associated with 2 vacant warden stations, while supervising the rest of his team.

Bill's warden career has spanned nearly 31 years, including the last 15 as Warden Supervisor in Eau Claire. Bill is a very dedicated public servant. He always treats people with respect and dignity. Bill's public contacts go a long way to demonstrate the warden service is an investment of choice to the public we serve. His work serves to maintain our public support and ultimately our success in accomplishing our mission. Bill's demonstrated and sustained commitment to public service, selfless work-ethic, and conservation of our natural resources during his career has earned him this award.

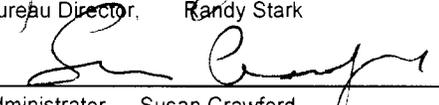
RECOMMENDATION: Acknowledge Bill Schwengel's Shikar-Safari Club International Wildlife Officer of the Year Award for Wisconsin.

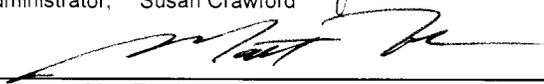
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APPROVED:


 Bureau Director, Randy Stark


 Administrator, Susan Crawford


 Secretary, Matt Frank

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cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8
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