

Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State

Minnesota Public Benefit Corporation / Annual Benefit Report

The Annual Benefit Report covers the 12 month period ending on December 31 of the previous year.

Notice: Failure to file this form by March 31 of this year will result in the revocation of the corporation's public benefit

Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 304A

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status without further notice from the Secretary of State, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 304A.301 1. File Number 893809900025 880429000035 2. Corporate Name: (Required) Stone Saloon, SBC 3. The public benefit corporation's board of directors has reviewed and approved this report. 4. In the field below, enter the information required by section 304A.301 subd. 2 or 3 for the period covered by this report, (see instructions for further information): Note: Use additional sheets if needed. (Required) See Exhibit A. 5. I, the undersigned, certify that I am the chief executive officer of this public benefit corporation. I further certify that I have signed this document no more than 30 days before the document is delivered to the secretary of state for filing, and that this document is current when signed. I further certify that I have completed all required fields, and that the information in this document is true and correct and in compliance with the applicable chapter of Minnesota Statutes. I understand that by signing this document I am subject to the penalties of perjury as set forth in Section 609.48 as if I had signed this document under oath. Signature of Public Benefit Corporation's Chief Executive Officer March 27, 2024 Date (Must be dated within 30 days before the report is delivered to the Secretary of State for Filing) **Email Address for Official Notices** Enter an email address to which the Secretary of State can forward official notices required by law and other notices: Theck here to have your email address excluded from requests for bulk data, to the extent allowed by Minnesota law. List a name and daytime phone number of a person who can be contacted about this form: Jon Schroeder 612-385-8838 Entities that own, lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed must register with the MN Dept. of Agriculture's Corporate Farm Program. Does this entity own lease, or have any financial interest in agricultural land or land capable of being farmed? Yes No

ATTACHMENT A

STONE SALOON, SBC d/b/a WALDMANN 2023 MN PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION REPORT

Stone Saloon, SBC d/b/a Waldmann ("Waldmann") is a Minnesota specific benefit corporation having its principal place of business in the oldest surviving commercial building in the Minneapolis/St. Paul metropolitan area, a solid limestone structure that originally housed the German lager beer saloon of Bavarian immigrant Anton Waldmann between 1857 and 1863. After Waldmann returned to Germany in 1885, the building was rehabilitated as a home, and by 2008 it had fallen into severe disrepair. The building is included in numerous historic site surveys, and in 2015 was designated as a Heritage Preservation Site by the Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission.

Waldmann was incorporated in March of 2016. In 2017 we completed the restoration of the historic structure and construction of a "brew barn" addition to the rear—and then opened business in October 2017 as a historically-themed brewery/tap house. In addition to preserving and showcasing this historic building and site, we now serve traditional German lagers and simple, high-quality fare appropriate to the mid-19th century Minnesota frontier.

Waldmann's articles of incorporation state that it has been organized to promote the following specific benefit purposes:

- Educate the public regarding mid-19th century American and Minnesota history, including its diverse German-American and other immigrant cultures; and
- Maintain, preserve and provide routine public access to the Anthony Waldmann
 House/Saloon in accordance with the preservation program adopted by the HPC and the
 United States Secretary of Interior's Standards of Rehabilitation.

2023 was Waldmann's sixth year of operation. Although the COVID pandemic is now years behind us, many of the face-to-face gatherings previously held at Waldmann by the Ramsey County Historical Society and other organizations remain mainly online. Nevertheless, in 2023 were able to conduct the following activities supportive of our purposes:

- On April 18, we hosted a gathering of the Society for Architectural Historians coinciding with their state conference.
- On June 19 and 26, we hosted a presentation entitled "The Temperance Battle in Minnesota" by Dr. Sabine Meyer with Doug Hoverson, with all proceeds benefiting Professor Meyer's research.
- Throughout the summer and fall of 2023, we provided free meeting space for the Justus
 Ramsey House RFP Committee, seeking to preserve and reconstruct this 1852 National Register building somewhere in West 7th, St. Paul.
- On August 30, I presented as a representative of Waldmann "How the Germans Saved a Drunken America: The History of American Lager" at the Minnesota State Fair.

- On four dates between September and December, we hosted free performance space for Bath Mouth Theatre, a local nonprofit theater group performing historically-based plays in the Twin Cities.
- On November 14, we hosted a St. Paul Chamber of Commerce gathering, where I spoke to attendees about Waldmann's history and mission.
- On December 5, we hosted a holiday gathering of reenactors of the Civil War Minnesota First Volunteer Infantry at no charge. (Waldmann's stonemason was a Captain in the MN 5th Volunteer Infantry.)
- In addition to occasionally donating beer, T-shirts and other swag for charitable fundraisers,
 Waldmann donated twelve charitable history tours and beer tastings as silent auction items,
 and provided six such tours in 2023 raising a combined \$1,600 for CAPI Immigrant Opportunity
 Center, The Phoenix Residence, Theatre Latte Da, Pacer, Urban Boat Builders and Landmark
 Center.
- We continue to support local artists specializing in period and folk music appropriate to Waldmann's setting, including the music of the logging camps, Irish/Gaelic/Canadian folk, American blues and Tin Pan Alley.
- Waldmann's 6-day, family-focused Oktoberfest featured 21 performances of German-American music and other traditional German-American cultural activities.
- A local German-speaking Stammtisch meets monthly at Waldmann, to discuss German language, culture and history.
- Throughout the year, on numerous occasions, owner Tom Schroeder provided ad hoc tours to guests describing various aspects of Waldmann's family and building history, the history of lager beer in America, and retelling the story of Waldmann's redevelopment.
- We continue to invest in maintaining and preserving the structure of the Anthony Waldmann Saloon/House, a St. Paul Heritage Preservation Site.
- Most significantly, we provided daily and routine access to an estimated 32,000 unique visitors, all of whom experienced Waldmann first-hand as a "living museum" operating in a manner consistent with its historic use.

In the coming year, Waldmann will continue to provide ad hoc and scheduled tours, programming supportive of its specific benefit purposes, meetings and events space to nonprofits and affinity groups, a venue for folk and period musicians, special gathering space, and information and daily access to its unique history and architecture.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Schroeder

President and Chief Executive Officer Stone Saloon, SBC d/b/a Waldmann

CERTIFICATION OF BOARD REVIEW/APPROVAL:

The undersigned hereby certifies that the Board of Directors of Stone Saloon, SBC, a Minnesota specific benefit corporation, has reviewed and approved the report above.

Thomas S. Schroeder, President/CEO

Date



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