

**Saint Paul Police Federation Members attend 2005 MPPOA conference.
Officer Tim Bohn and Deputy Chris Tayson named MPPOA Officers of the
Year.**

Members of the Saint Paul Police Federation attended the MPPOA conference on June 14 and 15 in Alexandria. We discussed improvements to the Legal Defense Fund Plan, which all federation members belong to. One improvement is that participants are now covered, if they are no longer employed with their agency, by the LDF during criminal, civil, or P.O.S.T Board actions against them, for acts or omissions which occurred during their employment. This "Tail Coverage" was previously available only in some circumstances like retirement. The federation also authored two resolutions, which were passed, which the MPPOA will lobby for at the legislature. One, authored by Pat Kane, applies to critical incidents and data practices. The other, by Dave Titus relates to the use of marked police vehicles used by non police officers. Talk to these members about the resolutions if you have questions or input. The highlight, though the MPPOA Police Officer of the Year Award, which was shared by Saint Paul Police Officer/Federation Member Tim Bohn and Ramsey County Deputy Chris Tayson. Congratulations Tim, for continuing the proud tradition of the Saint Paul Police Department. Also, congratulations go out to Rich Straka whose team won the golf tournament. Finally, all tips made to volunteer bartenders in the hospitality room were donated to the family of Gerry Vick.