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IT'S HOOLEY TIME!



2nd Annual
HOOLEY IN THE KITCHEN
A YCAP FUNDRAISER
Friday, March 18, 2016
6:00 - 9:30 p.m.



YCAP Main Campus and Food Bank
1317 NE Dustin Court, McMinnville, Oregon

Enjoy an Irish feast prepared by talented local chefs, tasty Oregon beers, wines, whiskey and lively entertainment. All proceeds benefit YCAP programs.

TICKETS ON SALE NOW
\$35 PER PERSON

Visit www.yamhillcap.org to purchase
Visit www.hooleyinthekitchen.org for more details

Last year we introduced The Hooley, our first signature fundraising event. St. Patrick's Day was the cheerful theme that celebrated the generous spirit of our community. It's back again, this time with plans for greater attendance, unique entertainment, a VIP reception, carnival games, outstanding Irish food and beverages, and more!

Thanks to our planning team members:

Event Chair Chelsey Nichol
Courtney Cunningham
Rebecca Quandt

David Sanguinetti
Erin Stephenson
Maria Vasoli

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH

YCAPS' Hooley in the Kitchen
The Great Food Drive
sponsored by KGW

APRIL

Rotary and Roth's Food Drives

MAY

National Association of Letter
Carriers Food Drive

JULY

Grocery Outlet's Independence
from Hunger Food Drive

SEPTEMBER

Hunger Action Month

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR MESSAGE



The question I get most often now is, “So, have you settled in yet?” Yes, I’m definitely feeling more comfortable with my role and the organization. However, YCAP has a broad-reaching and complex array of services that touch so many lives throughout the county. There remains much to learn and explore.

Late last year I continued to travel throughout the county, speaking to service clubs and meeting with our Board members and other civic leaders in their communities. I shared the depth of YCAP’s services and discussed opportunities to build partnerships and meet common goals.

In November we initiated our newest fundraising event, “Light the Fire,” in Newberg. It raised awareness of what we do and attracted dozens of new supporters. We will also host our second annual “Hooley” fundraiser on March 18th. More info about both events can be found in this newsletter. In addition, our holiday season resource drive was very successful. From our 50/50/60 Food Bank campaign, First Federal’s Blanket and Books donations, the Community Cantata Choir concerts, and much more, individuals and organizations were extremely generous with their contributions.

On January 27th we led our eighth county-wide “Point in Time” (PIT) homeless count. Over forty volunteers and our entire Client Services staff were in every community, conducting surveys and offering food, socks, tarps and other essentials to those with no permanent shelter. On the same

day, YCAP also supported the Yamhill County Veterans’ Stand Down. This event provided service and job resources for veterans, with emphasis on those who are homeless. In February we began planning and budgeting for our next fiscal year, which starts July 1st. I won’t go into the mind-numbing details, but what is exciting are the innovative new projects and programs we’re considering to better serve our clients. More about them will be unveiled this summer and in our next newsletter.

I was at an event a couple of months ago that brings the homeless and other members of the community together for dialogue and better understanding. There I met a volunteer who really left an impression on me. She shared how many years ago she was homeless and came to YCAP for assistance. Her case manager diligently worked with her, kept her focused on the right goals, and helped change her life. This woman is now employed full-time, loves what she does, and was so appreciative of what YCAP did for her. It is those stories that make this work so fulfilling.

I continue to be impressed by the care and commitment of our staff, and the hope they give to our clients. We frequently see and hear about crisis and struggle from our neighbors in need. However, we are inspired by their desire to create a better life for themselves and their families, and our opportunity to be a positive part of that journey with them.

With Gratitude,

Jeff Sargent
Executive Director, YCAP

THANK YOU, CAROLYN!



After 19 years of service to YCAP, Carolyn Garza is retiring! So on behalf of the board and staff, we want to say a special thank you to her for all the years of hard work and dedication to the people of Yamhill County. Carolyn is irreplaceable, so we won’t even try. She will be dearly missed by all of us. Congratulations on your retirement, Carolyn! Job well done.

YCAP BOARD of DIRECTORS



Introducing Jon A. George of Grand Ronde Tribal Council

It is an honor to sit on the YCAP Board of Directors in the capacity of an elected official. I was born and raised in Grand Ronde. I have worked for my tribe for 21 years, before being elected as a Tribal council member. I bring to the YCAP Board a broad range of experience from knowing what it is like to live in a small rural community and its struggles, to overseeing a sovereign government, while in turn keeping in balance the needs of our people and community.

MORE THAN \$10,000 RAISED AT 1ST ANNUAL LIGHT THE FIRE



A brisk, fall November evening brought out a great crowd for our first Light the Fire fundraiser in Newberg. Hosted by Ruddick/Wood, the evening featured a collaborative dinner and street party. Guests were inspired by the culinary creations made by the chefs from The Painted Lady, Red Hills Market, and Ruddick/Wood. Wines from A to Z/Rex Hill, Argyle, Purple Hands, Mad Violets, and Brickhouse were the perfect compliment. The lively street party included the upbeat sound of The Jackalope Saints under the heated tent.

Special thanks to Ruddick/Wood's Paul Losch and Kyle Latimer and Pulp & Circumstance's Ashley Lippard and Jennifer Sitter, our amazing event team who brought this idea to life! We are grateful to all our sponsors, chefs, wineries, volunteers, and Ruddick/Wood service staff for such a special evening.

Keep on the lookout for an earlier Light the Fire 2 in October 2016!



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Pacific Office Automation
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The Vintages
Red Hills Market
The Painted Lady
Brick House
Argyle Winery
A to Z Wineworks/Rex Hill
Mad Violets
Purple Hands Winery
Ashley Lippard Design
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... and many other in-kind sponsors found on our YCAP website.

Community Shines During the 2015 Holiday Season

Our Yamhill County communities are truly extraordinary! The success of our holiday resource drives are living proof. From food and fund contributions, songs, turkeys, blankets and books, it was another heartwarming season. Thank you to everyone who participated! Below are just a few of the efforts that made it possible.

3rd Annual 50/50/60 Campaign
Featuring more than 180 Food Drives throughout Yamhill County that brought in 52,000 lbs. of food and \$70,000

Willamette Cares Food Share
Hosted by Willamette Valley Winery Association and collected food and funds to provide 67,480 meals

McMinnville High School
Students and staff participated in creative and inspirational contests to raise money and collect food

McMinnville Seventh Day Adventist and Partners
Provided our families in housing and our three shelters with a turkey and food basket for both Thanksgiving and Christmas

11th Annual Community Cantata Choir
Collected more than \$19,000 in donations at their ten holiday performances around the county

First Federal Blanket and Book Drive
Collected 348 blankets and 610 books for distribution throughout Yamhill County

Adopt-a-Family Program
Our 32 donors provided 177 people in 59 households with Christmas gifts

HILLSIDE FOUNDATION SUPPORTS SENIORS

Meeting client services, housing, energy and weatherization needs for low-income seniors can be difficult due to limited funding. But, with support from remarkable organizations like McMinnville's Hillside Foundation, we are meeting the demand. The Hillside Foundation, whose mission is "together lend a hand to help friends and neighbors," has been faithfully contributing to YCAP since 2012. Last calendar year we supported 22 households with Hillside Foundation funds. Thank you!



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Yamhill Community Action Partnership is Yamhill County's largest nonprofit organization.

Since 1980 we have been providing low-income residents with food, housing assistance, youth outreach and energy and weatherization services. Our mission is to be advocates for those in need and to assist people in our community toward self-sufficiency.

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GET INVOLVED

CREATE A STREET-TO-HOME KIT

As individuals and families enter YCAP housing programs from the streets or from a shelter program, they often lack the basic household supplies necessary to have a fresh start in their new apartment. The Street-to-Home Kit project allows community members to provide those basic items that will assist each household in making a smooth transition into housing. To learn how to create a kit, contact Mandy Gawf at 503.687.1489 or mandyg@yamhillcap.org.

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