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Hood to Coast

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR



Donate Life Northwest is proud to cheer on the [Transplant Trotters](#), back to represent organ and tissue donation awareness during the [32nd Annual Hood to Coast Relay!](#) This year's Relay is 198 miles long, beginning at Mt. Hood and ending on the Oregon coast. Many of the team are active Donate Life Ambassadors, and will be handing out goodies to promote registration. To learn more, [check out their 2012 video!](#)

Only a Few Days Left...

by ANNA PAPPERT, DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

There are only a few days left to register for Donate Life Northwest's 20th Annual Golf Tournament! This year's tournament, sponsored by [Lions VisionGift](#), is on August 6, 2013 at [The Reserve Vineyards and Golf Club](#). Cost is \$225 per individual golfer or \$850 per foursome.

[Register Here!](#)



National Minority Donor Awareness Week

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR



National Minority Donor Awareness Week, celebrated annually August 1-8, is a nationwide observance to educate minorities of **the desperate need for donation and transplantation within the multicultural community** and how to register their decision to **Donate LifeSM**. Approximately 56 percent of those on the US transplant waiting list are minorities. In Oregon in 2012, 47 minority patients received organ transplants, while there were only 11 minority donors and 10 living donors. In Washington last year, 189 minority patients received organ transplants, while there were only 43 minority donors and 22 living donors.

Visit our [Educational Resources](#) to download a free toolkit to help raise awareness this August!



Ambassador Opportunities

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR

Call for August Event Volunteers! Learn all the details and RSVP to volunteer for the following events [here](#).

August 10: Eugent-Springfield Pride Festival, Eugene, OR
August 16: IBM Employee Charitable Contribution Kickoff, Portland, OR

Ongoing Opportunities:

By starting your regular online shopping at [Click.Buy.Help.](#), Donate Life Northwest earns a donation with every purchase you make.

Organizing a donation awareness event? Don't forget that you can easily request [Donate Life materials online](#).

Are you an engaging, tech-savvy public speaker? If so, consider volunteering with our 2013-2014 Classroom Presentation program! Learn more [here](#).

This Fall:

Volunteer Table Captains are needed to invite guests to the 2013 Lifesavers Breakfast! Contact Pappert@ohsu.edu



Star of the Month

by STEPHEN RICE, PROGRAM DIRECTOR



Charged with enthusiasm after achieving a gold medal designation in the US Department of Health and Human Services' Workplace Partners for Life campaign, the [Portland VA Medical Center](#) continues to gain momentum in educating their staff, patients, and the public at large about organ, eye, and tissue donation. Led by Chief Surgeon, Section of Critical Care, Dr. Darren Malinoski and Research Associate/Program Coordinator, Megan Crutchfield, with support from staff at Lions VisionGift, Pacific Northwest Transplant Bank, and Donate Life Northwest, the VA has a number of significant events planned for this summer and upcoming fall. Outreach and education events include a presence at the VA health fair and OHSU transplant picnic; outreach and registration drives at outpatient clinics in Salem, Bend, and Vancouver; and "Lunch and Learn" workshops for VA nursing staff.

Thank you, VA! Your leadership in the Workplace Partners for Life campaign make you August's Star of the Month!

Welcome Stephen Rice!

by SARAH SALTER, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

Donate Life Northwest is excited to welcome our new Program Director, Stephen Rice! Stephen comes to us with more than 17 years of experience in training, education, education, community outreach, and strategic communications, as well as 5 years of non-profit management experience. Stephen holds a Master's Degree in Intercultural Communications from Antioch University with a specialization in training and development. He enjoys spending time with his wife and young son, and when he isn't deep into a remodeling project in their historic home, he likes mountaineering, hiking, camping, snowboarding, and photography.

Please feel free to welcome Stephen as you see him out around the community! If you need to reach him here at the office, you can email him at ricst@ohsu.edu or call him at 503.494.2257.

