

# June 2012 eNews

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## NEWS OF NOTE

### Got Knowledge?

By Sara Patinkin, Development Director

There are just a few more spaces for teams at Donate Life Northwest's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Trivia Nite. Teams consisting of 2-10 players compete against one another by answering trivia questions covering various subjects. When you're stumped pay to "Ask the Expert" and if you anticipate a wrong answer purchase "Do Overs" to help you and your team increase your score. Space is limited to the first 15 teams. All Trivia Nite participants will receive a fun t-shirt and a drink!



Want to play but don't have a team? That's okay. Donate Life Northwest will form a team of individual registrants.

#### What can my team expect?

Teams will be challenged with several rounds of trivia covering a wide range of topics including donation, transplantation, sports, entertainment, history, music, English and more. There will also be a small silent auction to benefit Donate Life Northwest.

#### REGISTER ONLINE

#### Prizes for:

High Score, Low Score, Best Dressed Team

#### Cost per team:

\$100

#### Location:

The Spare Room - 4830 NE 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Portland  
Doors open at 6pm, Trivia begins at 7pm

Got Questions? Contact Sara Patinkin at [patinkin@ohsu.edu](mailto:patinkin@ohsu.edu) or 503-494-2289.

## Race-Walk Your Way to the Transplant Trotters Team

By Judith Trujillo, Program Director



2011 Transplant Trotters Team

Oregon and SW Washington's own Transplant Trotters are seeking new team members to join the [Portland-to-Coast walk](#) relay: 5-6 walkers, 1 driver and 1 team volunteer. The event is all about FUN and celebrating 2<sup>nd</sup> chances - decorating vans, creating special team apparel and cheering each other on through the 24-hour walk relay to the coastal finish line where the real party begins. It's a great way to showcase the importance and power of donation!

Celebrating their 15<sup>th</sup> year, the Transplant Trotters are transplant recipients, family members and friends. Training and support are provided. Email team captain [Marie Kent](#) for more info.

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Be the first to reserve your Lifesavers Breakfast seat or become a table captain!

Contact Sara at 503.494.2289 or [patinkin@ohsu.edu](mailto:patinkin@ohsu.edu)

## Your Gift will be Matched!

By Sara Patinkin, Development Director

Double your impact when you make a financial gift to Donate Life Northwest by June 30<sup>th</sup>. Donate Life Northwest's Every 1 Counts campaign has four weeks left to raise \$4,000 to reach our goal of \$20,000. Please make a contribution today!

Your gift to Donate Life Northwest illustrates your confidence in our education and outreach efforts to add registrations to the donor registry. With over 2,700 people waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant and thousands more needing a tissue or cornea transplant your financial support will give them hope.

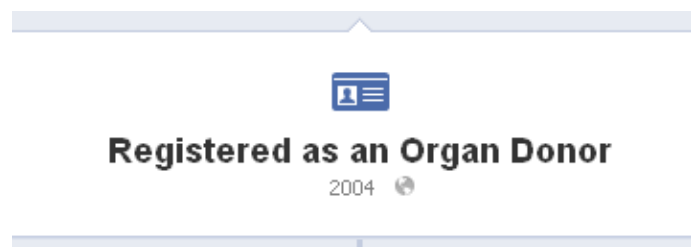
[Click here to make your special gift to the Every 1 Counts campaign.](#)

If you have questions about Every 1 Counts, contact Sara Patinkin, Development Director at [patinkin@ohsu.edu](mailto:patinkin@ohsu.edu) or 503-494-2289.



## Donate Life America – Facebook Initiative Gets Big Results

By Anna Pappert, Administrative Assistant



In early May, Donate Life America and [Facebook](#) partnered to launch an online organ donor initiative which allows Facebook users to share their organ donor status, as well as register to be a donor on their state's registry if they have not done so already. Within the first six days of the initiative's launch, forty-six donor registries reported a total of 33,406 online donor designations, more than ten times the typical enrollment activity of 548 per day!

Donate Life Northwest saw a large increase in online donor registrations for the Oregon and SW Washington donor registry. Normally an average of four people register online per day, but in the first seven days of the initiative 694 people registered their decision to be a donor online. Welcome new donors!

The impact on DMV donor designations, which count for the majority of registrations, will be looked at once first and second quarter registration numbers are available for comparison.

If you are interested in sharing your decision to donate on Facebook, click [here](#) for instructions.

2012 U.S.  
Transplant  
Games

July 28 - 31, 2012  
Grand Valley State  
University,  
Michigan

[www.transplantgamesofamerica.org](http://www.transplantgamesofamerica.org)



## Scalpel Pal 2012 Sweepstakes!

By Valerie Egan, Program Coordinator

Thanks to everyone who registered to [play Scalpel Pal](#) during Donate Life Month - there was such a great turnout!

Congratulations to the three winners, who happily claimed their prizes:

- James of Mosier, Oregon: Kindle Touch
- Adriana of SE Portland, Oregon: Digital Camera
- Orrora of Battle Ground, WA: \$200 Best Buy gift card



Scalpel Pal Steve

## Golf Registration Open and Raffle Tickets on Sale

By Sara Patinkin, Development Director



Donate Life Northwest's 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament is Tuesday, August 7, 2012 at The Reserve Vineyards & Golf Club in Aloha. Join us for a fun filled-afternoon in our double flight scramble starting at 1pm. We have access to the North and South courses which means fast-paced play.

Here are the details:

- Tuesday, August 7, 2012
- The Reserve Vineyards & Golf Club
- \$225 per player or \$900 for a foursome - includes green fees, cart, range balls, \$50 NIKE Bucks, lunch, dinner and beer!

[Click here to register!](#)

Don't forget about the Raffle either! With only 500 tickets left to be sold they are going fast at just \$20 each.

[Click here to buy your Raffle Tickets](#)

Prizes include:

**Grand Prize: Aloha, Maui Getaway**

10 days in a charming [Maui condo](#) with roundtrip airfare for two on Alaska Airlines.

*Courtesy of Shirley & Bruce Shelley and Alaska Airlines*

**2nd Prize: iPad 2**

**3rd Prize: Bend, OR Getaway**

**4th Prize: Theater Lovers' Delight**

**5th Prize: Wine tour and tasting for 4**

**Some restrictions apply. 900 tickets for sale. Ticket price: \$20. Need not be present to win.**

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### VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION



## Star of the Month

By Debra Freedman, Program Coordinator

**May:** Eighteen months ago, Todd Ainsworth was being kept alive by the LVAD (Left Ventricular Assist Device) surgically implanted in his body to keep his heart beating. Doctors could not say how long this would support him as he waited on the transplant list. Last June, Todd got the call that a donor heart was available.

You may have heard parts of Todd's story before. In just one month, he and his daughter were featured on "Good Morning, Central Oregon", in the Eugene *Register Guard*, on the radio, at a community screening for *The Power of Two* documentary and at Donate Life Northwest's 2012 *Threads of Life* quilt presentation in Bend. He and his family also created an "I am Hope" video now posted on [Donate Life Northwest's YouTube site](#).

Thank you, Todd, for being an outstanding representative of the impact of donation and transplantation and helping people understand the importance of registering and sharing their donation decision. Welcome to stardom!

On June 2 Todd will be celebrating his new 1<sup>st</sup> birthday with his family, friends, and faith community. We send you the best of all birthday wishes, Todd!



Heart recipient Todd Ainsworth, double lung recipient Anna Modlin and heart recipient Susan Hassett

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