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Donor Sabbath

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR



National Donor Sabbath, observed November 15-17 this year, is an annual faith-based celebration of the lifesaving gift of organ, eye, and tissue donation. Because faith plays a significant role in the decision to register as a donor, every year during this special time, donation and transplant organizations work closely with communities of faith to bring the message of donation to congregations.

In the Willamette Valley, a committee of Ambassadors, including Jakki McDonald, Glenda Bittler, and Sue Scott, have made it their goal to contact 25 faith communities, and plan to distribute a kit or resources based on the [Donor Sabbath Toolkit](#).

Regardless of their specific religion, the public is encouraged to [register as donors](#) with their faith communities. Contact volunteers@donatelifenw.org for ideas or materials!

Donation in the Classroom

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR

School Outreach is off to a great start! Have you checked out all that our program offers to teachers and students in Oregon and Southwest Washington?

Teachers can request a free classroom presentation, attend a Donate Life Presentations Workshop to learn more about including donation in the classroom, and request free materials such as our DVD "Your Decision to Donate."

Students can organize a campus donor designation drive or other awareness project, launch a Donate Life club, blog for GoRecycleYourself.com, intern in our office, or become a Donate Life Ambassador.



To learn more about how you can get involved, contact education@donatelifenw.org!

Give the Gift of Inspiration

by ANNA PAPPERT, DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR



Share an inspiring morning at the Lifesavers Breakfast with friends, family, and co-workers.

Donate Life Northwest needs 30 more volunteer table captains for the [Lifesavers Breakfast](#) on November 6th! Table captains play a critical role in the success of the Lifesavers Breakfast by inviting 10 or more guests to be inspired by the power of donation and transplantation. The event is free to attend, but guests will be asked to make a financial contribution. Our goal is to spread awareness and raise \$144,000 to support education outreach programs that register donors and save lives.

Not sure if you can fill a table with 10 or more guests? No problem! Donate Life Northwest can pair you and your guests with another group of supporters to fill a table.

Contact Anna at 503.494.7888 or pappert@ohsu.edu to host a table or reserve your seat. Hope to see you there!

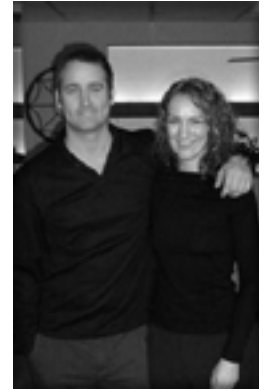
Donate Life Northwest Challenges You!

by ANNA PAPPERT, DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

Donate Life Northwest's fourth annual [FirstGiving Challenge](#) is officially underway! The supporter who raises the most money on their virtual fundraising page from September 15th - December 31st will receive a **\$100 gift card to Amazon.com!** As an added bonus, **all individuals who raise \$250 or more will win a \$25 gift card to Amazon.com!**

Getting started is easy! Create [your fundraising page](#), promote it via email and social media and Donate Life Northwest will track the funds you raise. The [FirstGiving](#) Challenge is a great way to support programs that register organ, eye and tissue donors and to share your passion for our mission with others. **For assistance with everything from personalizing your page to marketing ideas, contact Anna Pappert at 503.494.7888 or pappert@ohsu.edu.**

Pictured Left: 2012 FirstGiving Challenge winner Alicia Soine with her brother and kidney donor, Justin. Alicia raised \$2,225 through FirstGiving last year!



Ambassador Opportunities

by VALERIE EGAN, EDUCATION OUTREACH COORDINATOR



Donate Life Presentations Workshop, Eugene: October 3rd

This is the last of our quarterly trainings for any Ambassadors interested in giving school presentations. If you are unable to attend, contact education@donatelifenw.org to schedule an online webinar.

Lifesavers Breakfast, Oregon Convention Center, Portland: November 6th from 6:00am – 9:00am

We still have a variety of ambassador opportunities open for this year's Lifesavers Breakfast. Come join us for our signature event! Breakfast and tissue will be provided! We need help setting up the room on **November 5th** as well as volunteers to greet, check-in, and direct guests on the morning of **November 6th**. Any photographers out there? We could use your help, too! If you're interested in volunteering at this great event, please contact Sara Lewis at lewissa@ohsu.edu or 503.418.4034.

Threads of Life Quilts: Now accepting quilt squares

Honoring the gift of life, sight and mobility, we invite Ambassadors and community supporters to contribute a square for the 2014 Threads of Life quilt. You can learn more about our workshops, design criteria and submission here: <http://www.donatelifenw.org/content/submit-quilt-square>

Quilt Square Making Craft Day, Eugene/Springfield: November 10th from 1:00 - 5:00pm

Join us for an afternoon of remembrance, caring, and community. All quilt squares made will be given to Donate Life Northwest for the Threads of Life quilt. Simple quilting supplies and squares will be provided. **There will be experienced quilters there to help you, so no previous quilting experience is needed.** For location/parking information and to RSVP, please contact Sue Scott at scotma@ohsu.edu.

Star of the Month

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Aurie Jo Salfen is a Donate Life Ambassador and two-time kidney recipient (and pancreas recipient), dedicated to spreading the word about donation in central Oregon. As one of our Bend Ambassadors, Aurie Jo has been involved with our organization since 2003, attending numerous events and supporting the Classroom Presentation program.

She is especially motivated to work with both youth and community audiences, and looks forward to energizing Ambassadors in Deschutes County. Our Ambassador program fully supports all volunteer-led initiatives which promote the Donor Registry and awareness of donation; for example, organizing a donor drive in your workplace or place of worship, giving a presentation to the community, or hosting gatherings for members of our community – donor families, recipients, and/or those on the waiting list. If you live in the central Oregon region and wish to connect with Aurie Jo, contact us at volunteers@donatelifenw.org!