



APRIL 2014

Interfaith CONNECTION

SAVE THE DATE!

INTERFAITH WORKS'
40TH ANNIVERSARY
Saturday, MAY 10
10 am—Noon

In 1974 a group of motivated visionary leaders from a dozen local faith communities formed a new organization – “Associated Ministries of Thurston County” (Interfaith Works) – hoping that their shared concerns and combined energies could be more effectively channeled for the good of the greater community.

For four decades, we have taken great pride in being a catalyst and incubator for new initiatives, a voice of compassion, and a model for partnership.

On May 10, we will celebrate our history and the many community projects and organizations we helped create and sustain. We will enliven and bless our current work. And we will envision a loving and sustainable future for Interfaith Works.

Save the Date now and plan on celebrating together with faith and community leaders and members.

Information and tickets, 357-7224;
www.interfaith-works.org

IN CELEBRATION OF OUR 40TH ANNIVERSARY

Interfaith Works is hosting

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a series to learn about and reflect on issues important to our community, and the world.

March 26 INTERCULTURAL RELATIONS

April 23 JUSTICE

May 28 FOOD & HUNGER

June 25 SHELTER

4th Wednesdays from 6pm - 8pm at

Nova School

2020 - 22nd Ave SE, Olympia

PROGRAM

- Short presentation
- Small group talks
- Large group reflection

Light refreshments available

Sponsors: Nova School, Community Sustaining Fund of Thurston County



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MEN'S SHELTER DESERVES MANY THANKS

Danny Kadden, Executive Director and Meg Martin, Women's Shelter Coordinator

We express deep appreciation for the shelter ministries of the Sacred Heart and St. Michael Catholic Parishes for their service to homeless men over this past winter. This is a population that is often excluded from services and it is with their goodwill that 12 men are given a safe and warm place to be each night over the winter. We want to thank our partners at these parishes for their ongoing work in coordinating the men's

shelter each winter, but also for the heartfelt support they have given to the men this winter.

The constant care the men were shown over this season literally saved lives -- 12 beds at a time. Countless volunteers from both churches have stepped up to do essential tasks. Both Sacred Heart and St. Michael Catholic Church have literally opened their doors to provide warmth, safety and love in the very rooms that

parishioners come to worship in. In addition, we saw record high numbers of men in the shelter this winter, proving that this is a vital program for our community.

We want to personally thank **John Terranova** of St. Michael and **Gary Steele** of Sacred Heart for coordinating volunteers to staff the shelter each night. This is no easy feat. We deeply honor the work of these two amazing men and want to give endless thanks to the volunteers that come back year after year to run the shelter.

MORE THAN TWO DECADES OF SERVICE

Special thanks go out to Gary Steele for his service to the men's shelter program for over two decades. Since 1991, he and his peers have endured the elements and faced some tough challenges, especially this past season. The time has come for Gary to move on from the shelter coordinator position at Sacred Heart. Gary, we thank you for your unwavering faith and dedication, and wish you all the luck in whatever ministries are in your future!

Thurston County
CROP Hunger Walk
NEW! 10K around Capitol Lake
 5K option (3.1 miles)
 1:30 pm
 Sunday, May 4, 2014
www.crophungerwalk.org/olympiawa

ENDING HUNGER ONE STEP AT A TIME CROP HUNGER WALK

<p>I want to START a team!</p> <p>Looking for an activity for your group or congregation? Start now! Easily create a team webpage and customize it with special messages and photos, then track your progress.</p>	<p>I want to JOIN a team!</p> <p>If your group or congregation has created a team webpage, you can join quickly online. There's power in numbers!</p>	<p>Just sign me up!</p> <p>Would you like to walk as an individual or family? It's easy to create a personal fundraising webpage then share it with friends and family.</p>
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Our Local Organizations

- First Baptist Church Sunday Dinner Feeding Ministry
- GRuB (Garden Raised Bounty)
- Senior Nutrition Program, Senior Services for South Sound
- Salvation Army / Olympia Community Kitchen
- St. Benedict's Community Dinner Program
- St. Vincent DePaul Society Food Voucher Program
- Thurston County Food Bank

CROP Hunger Walk Facts

- 1.3 billion people live in poverty
- 29% of U.S. children are hungry
- 25% of funds help local programs
- Our walk raised \$46,220 in 2013!

Sponsored by Interfaith Works

For more information, call Interfaith Works at 357-7224, or CROP Hunger Walk Committee Chair Wayne Gruen, 352-9703



Join us in celebrating 40 Years of Love Action!

Please join us for a celebration of our 40 year history and help us honor the many “Love Activists” who have helped make Interfaith Works a force for positive change in Thurston County.

Highlights

- A sumptuous French toast brunch created by Elyse’s Catering
- Artistic birdhouses, available for sale, commemorating 23 years of continuous sheltering.

Save the Date!

Saturday, May 10, 2014
10:00 am – 12:00 pm

South Sound Manor
455 North Street SE
Tumwater, WA







Tickets: \$40/per person
Please pre-order by April 30th.

Interfaith-Works.org

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

A listing of some of the activities and events of Interfaith Works members, and of general interest. IW does not necessarily endorse these events. More details and events at www.interfaith-works.org. Submit your event at www.interfaith-works.org/SubmitEvent.php

March 26 Wed 6-8 pm	 Cornerstone Conversation Series : 1) Intercultural Relations with Eileen Yoshina, Director of Diversity at SPSCC. Celebrating Interfaith Works 40 th Anniversary! Programs: short keynote, small group conversations, and large group reflection. Light refreshments. Nova School, 2020 - 22 nd Ave SE, Olympia 98501. 357-7224; office@interfaith-works.org
Mar 26-28 Wed-Fri 8 am—5 pm	Collaborative Negotiations Training. Get what you want by creating negotiations where everyone feels they have gained something of value. This course provides a foundation in the concepts, skills and processes, with 'hands-on' experience. \$350. Dispute Resolution Center, 956-1155; onlewis@mediatethurston.org. http://www.mediathurston.org
March 29 Saturday 9 am - 3 pm	Tai Chi for Energy. This 16-movement flowing choreography combines two different styles, Chen and Sun, bringing a synergy which helps us achieve better health, mindfulness, energy and stress management. Bring lunch. Cost: \$50. Priory Spirituality Center, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-2595; prioryprograms@gmail.com; www.stplacid.org .
March 30 Sunday 10 am—2 pm	Blintzapalooza. 26th Annual community fundraiser where the proceeds from bagels, blintzes and books benefit local non-profit organizations. Temple Beth Hatfiloh, 201—8th Ave SE, Olympia 98501; http://bethhatfiloh.com/
Apr 4,5,6 Fri/Sat/Sun varies	Crisis Clinic Volunteer Training. An opportunity for service to those in need, as well as personal growth. Build effective listening skills; staying calm; learn about community resources and much more. Total training = 60 hours. Pre-registration and commitment to full training required. Nanci 586-2888x103; nancim@crisis-clinic.org; http://www.crisis-clinic.org
April 5 Saturday 9:30 - 3:30 pm	World Chant. Immerse yourself in the great river of chant. Hindu kirtan, Buddhist mantras, Gregorian, Sufi, Jewish, call-and-response & more. We'll reflect on ways cultures connect to God and how to bring chant practice into our daily lives. Cost: \$60. Priory Spirituality Center, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-2595; prioryprograms@gmail.com; www.stplacid.org .
Apr 8,15,22,29 Tuesdays 7-9 pm	Travel That Transforms Lives. Take 4 vicarious trips— <i>4/8 Europe on A Bike; 4/15 East Africa; 4/22 Spain's Camino de Santiago, and Turkey; 4/29 Bhutan.</i> \$10 class fee. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. 2300 East End St NW, 98502. 786-6383; www.ouuc.org/pages/adultEd.html
April 9 Wednesday 7:00 pm	Marian Anderson & The Lincoln Memorial: 75th Anniversary of the Concert That Awakened America. Denied the opportunity to sing at Constitution Hall because of her race, she performed at Lincoln Memorial in 1939 for 75,000 people. Video, recordings, Q&A. Free. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong., 2300 East End St NW, 98502, ouuc.org
Apr 14-18 Mon-Fri Lunch Hour	Holy Week Organ Concerts. Five concerts by five area organists. Sponsored by The American Guild of Organists, Olympia Chapter. Bring your sack lunch and enjoy the beautiful acoustics of The United Churches of Olympia sanctuary. 110 -11th Ave SE, Olympia 98501. Info: 943-1210; http://www.theunitedchurches.org
Apr 17, May 1 Thursdays 7:00 pm	Olympia's Chinese Community—A Hidden History. Research and findings of the history and impact of the Chinese-American community in our area, along with personal stories from people living it. \$10 class fee. Olympia Unitarian Universalist Cong. 2300 East End St NW, 98502. 786-6383; www.ouuc.org/pages/adultEd.html
Apr 17-20 Thu-Sun 3pm-12pm	Journey to Easter: Triduum Retreat. Travel the road to Calvary with Jesus. Let yourself be fully present to this sacred and holy time. Begin by joining the Sisters for a special meal on Thursday. Cost: \$195/\$230 w/spiritual direction. Priory Spirituality Center, 500 College St NE, 98516, 438-2595; prioryprograms@gmail.com; www.stplacid.org .
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May 4 Sunday 1:30 pm	 CROP Hunger Walk. Our 34th Annual walk around Capitol Lake to raise funds to help end hunger locally and around the world. Need a group project? Organize a team! Or, be a walker (5K or 10K options), or just contribute. Info: http://crophungerwalk.org/olympiawa or call Wayne Gruen, Chair, 352-9703
May 10 Saturday 10am-12 pm	 Interfaith Works' 40th Anniversary Celebration. Please join us for a delicious brunch and celebration of the many community projects, programs and organizations we have helped create and sustain during our 40 years. And help us envision the next 40 years! For tickets and info: office@interfaithworks.org; 357-7224.
Ongoing Thursdays 3:30—5:00 pm	Contemplative Prayer Gathering. Join us as we explore prayer as it was practiced in the early church. A process of deepening my relationship with God, quieting the mind and opening the heart. First Christian Church Sacred Space, 701 Franklin Ave SE, Olympia 98501; Sponsored by Emmaus Ecumenical Catholic Community; http://www.emmaus-ecc.org



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April 2014

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1:30 pm
5K or 10K around
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Help raise funds for
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Sunday, March 30
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Temple Beth Hatfiloh
8th & Washington

**Blintzapalooza, the spring event
that combines blintzes, bagels
and the best used book sale in
South Sound! Proceeds benefit
local non-profit organizations.**

INTERFAITH WORKS ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 22, 7 pm
Temple Beth Hatfiloh
201—8TH AVE SE
Olympia, 98501

Our 40th Year! Learn what we've been
up to over the past year, and our plans
for our next four decades and our gala
40th Anniversary celebration on May 10.

We will present annual reports, elect
new officers and board members, and
hearing from our member communities
and clergy on the inspiring and mean-
ingful activities continue to make our
faith and spiritual communities signifi-
cant centers of Capital area life.

Light refreshments served