DHS SPD: State Operated Community Program Employee Newsletter

October 2010

Commestions,

Halloween SOCP style in Portland, Lebanon and Eugene Stepping out of the ordinary ...

ctober 28th, clients and staff stepped out of the everyday and into the extraordinary as super heroes, alter egos, movie stars, witches, ghouls, goblins and everything in between.

Traffic presented some delays and

intensified the excitement for those driving to Portland.

JN (aka – Dracula) was overjoyed as he entered the court yard and gazed upon the dangling apples.

Northern homes were greeted at Eliot as it was transformed from medical home to haunted house with delicious eats and treats.

Some of the guests attending: Super Hero, Spiderman, Princess, Robin Hood, Gangster, Cowboy Tattooed wonder, Angels, Prisoner, Vampires, Hippy, Gumby, Doctor, Gift, Cow, Skeleton and so many more. Stop by the bulletin board on your next trip to Central Office to see ALL the honored guests and staff.

Southern homes under the direction of **Tim Humes** (Eugene) and **Lyn Hickman** (Lebanon) created their

own special blend of Halloween fun and activities.

With Halloween behind us, we look forward to Christmas as the BVS1s combine their creative juices and jump into action, planning more memory making activities. Consider joining the committee and share your creativity and ideas.

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Save the dates:

Christmas Party at the Rickreal Fairgrounds

- Children: Wed., Dec. 15th
- Adults: Thurs., Dec. 16th

Thank you, Portland area staff and volunteers: Job well done

Thank you Eliot staff and volunteers for the activities and backdrop for a whirlwind day of fun. Bev McClain and Mary Biggs, thank you for coordinating the events to include: bobbing for apples, bowling, ring toss and more. Game winners collected tickets to combine for the purchase of an item of choice. A special thank you to Ega Zielinski for all of the wonderful decorations she brought in and to the Eliot Staff/Nurses that began creating decorations in September

and brought in the final touches the morning of October 28th. Thank you also goes to, **Dennis Granner** and **Gordon Lorsung** for providing "Valet Parking" to protect our clients (and their costumes) from the rain.

VOC Day Services Manager, Sandy Rowell

Special report from Southern homes Thank you to **all house** and **staff** for making this a success, with a special acknowledgement to **Lanell**



Cochran (River Road), Billie Bjornsen (Martha Court) and Laura Lewis (Jody Place) for their time and efforts to make this event successful. There was no shortage of fun or activities.

The party was attended by all of the Eugene and Springfield homes with 100% participation from the clients. The managers (**Lyn Hickman, Brenda Roadhouse** and **Tim Humes**) managed the booths and served dinner.

Decorations were donated and pooled together by staff to cut costs and healthy refreshments and treats were provided by each home. I would like to thank each

home for their participation and assistance. The booths, activities and coloring contest provided fun for all. The "Coloring Contest" winner is

Martha Court. Congratulations Martha Court.

Everyone had a great time and the clients left asking, "When is the next party?"

Site Manager River Road, Tim Humes



Gain an extra hour November 7th

Twice a year we change our time one hour ahead or one hour behind. The first weekend in November is the time to "Fall

back" an hour at 2 a.m. and return to **Standard Time.**

Mark your calendars for **Sunday**, **November 7th**.

Attending Training?

Remember to carpool when ever possible

The limited parking at Central Office is a continuing problem. SOCP has partnered with the **Faith Lutheran Church** for some additional <u>designated</u> parking spaces, while attending SOCP Training Classes. Please be respectful and park ONLY in the <u>designated spaces</u> on the <u>days allowed</u> and remember a can good is encouraged to contribute to the Church's Marion Polk Food Drive.

Check the SOCP website for an updated map.

SOCP Central Office Training class parking

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