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## BIAOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE

### **1st Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference 2003: "Pulling It All Together" and "Realm of the Senses"**

The Brain Injury Association of Oregon (BIAOR) invites you to attend its 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference., "Pulling It All Together" and "Realm of the Senses." The two-day conference will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 3 & 4, 2003 at the Doubletree Hotel Portland-Lloyd Center, in Portland, Oregon (see details on page 4). We will be offering continuing education and medical credits (CEU's and CME's) for professionals attending these sessions. For additional registration and program information, please see pages 4, 5 and 6 or call the BIAOR office (503-413-7707).

The conference will have an interstate focus as we build momentum for uniting various Brain Injury resources, such as the Oregon Brain Injury Resource Network (OBIRN), building stronger and more effective resources for all in the western region to increase awareness and prevention. A broad group of participants from 12 western states and British Columbia are invited. Friday's program, featuring Keynote Speaker Geoffrey Lauer, Director of Affiliate Relations, from the Brain Injury Association of America, targets professionals, service providers, advocates and



Keynote Speaker:  
Claudia Lynn Osborn, D.O.

government agency case staff with the theme "Pulling it All Together," focusing on how to enhance outcomes for persons with brain injury and their families through improved communication and collaboration. One of the two tracks is *Medical*, looking at current practices, procedures, ethical issues and what is being developed for the future. Invited speakers include Dr. Randall Chesnut, Oregon's TBI Model System Grant, and Dr. Kathy Bell, University of Washington's TBI Model System Grant. The second track is *Collaborating to Increase Resources*, how to enhance outcomes for persons with brain injury and their families through improved communication and

collaboration. Featured speakers include Geoffrey M. Lauer, who will describe how lead agency staff, advisory council members, & BIA Associations inter and intra state can work together; Alta Bruce, Chair, Indigenous BIA, Injury Prevention Specialist, Indian Health Service, ND, who will address efforts to create awareness of TBI among Native Americans; and Jane Laciste, CA State TBI Project Coordinator, who will lead discussion on coping mechanisms for providers when resources have been exhausted.

Saturday's program, "Realm of the Senses," will have three topic tracks to appeal to both professionals as well as persons with brain injury and their families. **Keynote Speaker, Dr. Claudia L. Osborn**, a respected

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We invite contributions and comments regarding brain injury matters and articles included in *The Headliner*.

# PRESIDENT'S CORNER

**Stephen Wright**



**SO WHAT'S NEW . . .**

For those who know me, I am a person of many words. However, with all the new and wonderful things that are happening with BIAOR this summer that are covered in *The Headliner*, the editor has challenged me to tell it in a **FEW** words. So here goes:

- We officially moved the BIAOR office from Salem to Portland, with the remaining furniture and boxes delivered last week ... thanks to Bill Olson and Lee Eklund for your awesome help!
- Fran Walsh is our new Development / Administrative Coordinator at the Portland office. Fran comes to us with more than 10 years experience in non-profit fundraising and administration. Welcome Fran!
- The 11th Annual BIAOR Golf Tournament is scheduled for August 9th at the Stone Creek Golf Course in Oregon City. Thanks to Bob Malone and his committee.
- And last, the 1st Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference is scheduled for October 3rd and 4th. Hope to see you there for a rewarding experience and good networking.

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physician medical school faculty member, and author of *Over My Head, A Doctor's Own Story of Head Injury from the Inside Looking Out*, will talk with humorous insight about her life post-injury. On July 11, 1988 her life took a dramatic shift after a bicycle accident left her with a severe head injury. She will discuss the ingredients in a successful rehabilitation, share her coping strategies and reveal the critical elements needed to decrease disability and move on to a full and happy life.

Join national, state, and local policy makers, physicians, health care professionals, health agencies, business and education communities, Brain Injury Association members, survivors and family members, and advocates from 12 states and leading health stakeholders at this pioneering Pacific Northwest regional conference.

The conference program will enable health professionals to discuss

current practices, and state and community representatives to discuss strategies designed to significantly improve access to each states' resources, support mechanisms, and various marketing and advocacy strategies for the future.

More specifically, with this vision in mind, the 2003 Conference will look at: recent trends in Brain Injury diagnosis and treatment; cutting-edge basic and clinical research; new therapies and medications; brain injury coalition efforts; ethical issues in dealing with brain injury; improving communication and collaboration between state and community; media campaigns, targeting and tailoring; physician and health care provider education and skill building; survivor education and skill building; community-based interventions-including for indigenous people; state and local legislation and advocacy.

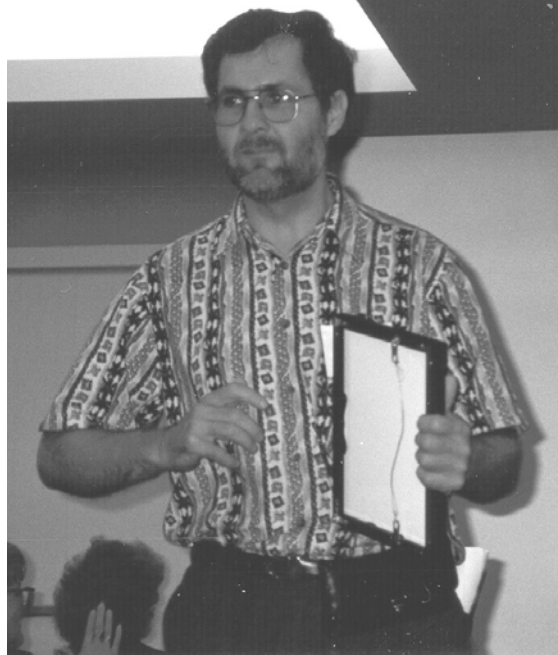
Looking forward to seeing you at the 1st Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference, on October 3&4.

# Survivor Corner

## Volunteer of the Year

Robert Miller sustained a head injury in a winter 1991 auto accident on an icy highway. Rob worked as a Research and Development Manager in Stayton which provides computer systems and services to independent telephone companies. Prior to this position, Rob worked for NASA, the US army and US Navy, and teaching college in 1988-1990. Some of Rob's interests include flying, British cars, astronomy, animals, the Internet, music, rocks and minerals, math and physics.

Rob is an active advocate for people with disabilities and is



consistently involved in two Salem support groups, even though he lives in Lebanon. He continually participates in meetings, provides ideas and carries them out. Rob is computer savvy. He assists and trains survivors to use the computer. He has also developed his own web page. He always has encouraging words to say, is eager to take on projects, and openly shares his feelings of having a brain injury with others.

We want Rob to know we appreciate all he's doing to help fellow survivors. As he puts it: he is the voice for survivors that don't have a voice.

Thank You Rob!

Pam Olson, Salem Social Club

## No Time Like Now To Start Wearing Protective Helmet



If you are a bike rider who doesn't wear a helmet, Wilbur Wilson of Tacoma, WA, has some advice for you. Start today!!

As of 1990, the then 61 year old and a long-time bike rider had never worn a protective helmet when riding. He finally broke down and purchased one when his wife Jacquie suggested that it might be a good idea. Might be, indeed!! Ten minutes into his very first ride after buying the helmet, Mr. Wilson fell and cracked the helmet into three pieces. Though the accident left him unconscious for ½ hour, Mr. Wilson suffered no long-term affects from the fall. Instead of a likely brain injury, Mr. Wilson replaced the helmet and continues to enjoy cycling. And, he listens carefully when his wife makes suggestions.



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# 1st Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference

## Pulling It All Together / Realm of the Senses

The Brain Injury Association of Oregon (BIAOR) invites you to participate in the 1st Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference: "Pulling It All Together" and "Realm of the Senses". The two day conference will be held on Friday and Saturday, October 3rd & 4th, 2003, at the Doubletree Hotel Portland-Lloyd Center, Portland, OR.

### *Preliminary Conference Program*

All conference activities will take place at the:  
**Doubletree Hotel Portland-Lloyd Center**  
 1000 NE Multnomah, Portland, OR 97232

<b>Friday, October 3</b> Pulling It All Together	<b>Saturday, October 4</b> Realm of the Senses
<b>7:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.</b> Registration and Check-in Continental Breakfast	<b>7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.</b> Registration and Check-in
<b>9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.</b> Welcome and Keynote Address Geoffrey Lauer	<b>8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.</b> Welcome and Keynote Address Claudia Osborn, MD
<b>10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Kathy Bell-UW –Rehab Medicine Track 2: Geoff Lauer, BIA USA Poster Sessions	<b>10:00 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Tom Shults—Neuro-ophthalmologist Track 2: Dr. Sterling Hodgson-Otolaryngologist Track 3: Bob Zenuch - Life Skills
<b>11:00 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Horowitz- Track 2: Geoff Lauer/Bill Olson Poster Sessions	<b>11:00 a.m. - 11:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Richard London-Neuro-optometrist Track 2: Mary Ann Seeger—Physical Therapist Track 3: Patient Panel
<b>12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.</b> Lunch	<b>12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.</b> Lunch
<b>1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Randal Chesnut-OHSU neurosurgeon Track 2: How to Cope when resources are exhausted Poster Sessions	<b>1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Christine Trexel—Occupational Therapist Track 2: Claudia Osborn Track 3: Sharon Maynard-Attorney, SSI
<b>2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Mark Ashley-Centre for Neuroshills Track 2: Combining Resources- OBIRN Poster Sessions	<b>2:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Mark Tilson -Neuropsychologist Track 2: Linda Hill Track 3: Networking for Survivors & Family
<b>3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Tom McCormick: Medical Ethics Track 2: Keeping your BIA Alive-Geoff Lauer Poster Sessions	<b>3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.</b> Track 1: Dr. Wolchiechowski -Neuro-optometrist- Simulation Panel Track 2: BIA Idaho Track 3: Adaptive Options-Seizure Dogs
<b>4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</b> Track 1: Bob Fraser-WA Voc Rehab Track 2: Alta Bruce Native Americans with TBI Poster Sessions	<b>4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.</b> Track 1: Simulation Panel continued Track 2: BIA Idaho Track 3: Planning for 2004 Conference
<b>6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.</b> Dinner	

### **Accommodation Information**

Please make reservations directly with Doubletree Hotel Portland-Lloyd Center, 1000 NE Multnomah, Portland, OR 97232

**Reservations: (800) 222-TREE or (503)281-6111 (Fax 503-284-8553) - Reservation Deadline: September 15, 2003**

**4** A block of rooms has been reserved for the conference participants at a special rate of \$109 for both single's and double's. All reservations must be guaranteed with a major credit card. Reference the "Brain Injury Association of Oregon Conference" for rooms. Rooms are limited, please make your reservations early. Reservations must be made by Monday, September 15, 2003 in order to receive our special rate.



## Registration Form - BIAOR Annual Conference 2003

### 1St Annual Pacific Northwest Regional Brain Injury Conference

### Pulling It All Together / Realm of the Senses

**Please register not later than September 15, 2003 to receive discount, assure admittance and facilitate check-in.**

*(Note: A separate registration form is needed for each person attending.*

*Please make extra copies of the form as needed for other attendees.)*

First Name _____	Last Name _____
Badge Name _____	Affiliation/Company _____
Address _____	City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____	Fax _____ Email _____
Special Needs _____	

**Please check all that apply:**

- I am interested in volunteering at the conference. Please call me.
- I am requesting continuing education credits (CEU's and CME's) for the conference.
- I would like to make a donation to cover costs of survivors unable to pay (see below).
- Call me about sponsorship/exhibitor opportunities.

**Conference Registration Fees:** Registration fees include: continental breakfast and dinner on Friday; lunch on Friday and Saturday; all conference related materials; continuing medical/educational units; and access to all conference sessions, exhibits, posters and roundtables.

	BIAOR Member <sup>1</sup>	Non-Member	Accompanying Person <sup>2</sup>	Amount
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>2 Day Conference Advance-</u>	\$225	\$275	\$130	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>After September 15</u>	\$250	\$300	\$155	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Friday Only Advance-</u>	\$175	\$200	\$80	
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>After September 15</u>	\$200	\$225	\$105	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Saturday Only Courtesy<sup>3</sup> Advance</u>	\$20	\$30		
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Courtesy<sup>3</sup> After September 15</u>	\$25	\$35		\$
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Saturday Only Survivor/Family Advance-</u>	\$50	\$75		
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Survivor/Family After September 15</u>	\$75	\$95		\$
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Saturday Only Professional Advance-</u>	\$125	\$150		
<input type="checkbox"/> <u>Professional After September 15</u>	\$150	\$175		\$

1) A limited number of conference scholarships are available to survivor members of BIAOR to cover the costs of conference registration. Transportation from Portland and Salem to and from the conference is also available to survivor members on a limited basis. For more information, contact the BIAOR office.

2) **Accompanying Person:** Registration fee includes continental breakfast, dinner on Friday, lunches and exhibition only. Fee does not include admission to conference sessions.

3) Courtesy rate is for brain injury survivors with limited means.

**I want to become a BIAOR member NOW to receive the discounted registration fee:**

- Basic-\$35    
  Family-up to 3 people-\$50    
  Survivor Courtesy<sup>3</sup>-\$5    
  Professional-\$50    
  Sustaining-\$100  
 Corporation-\$200    
  Sponsorship Bronze-\$250    
  Sponsorship Silver-\$500    
  Sponsorship Gold-\$1000    
  Sponsorship Platinum-\$2000

Scholarship Contribution \_\_\_\_\_ (donation to assist in covering the cost of survivors with limited funds)

**Registration and Membership**

**Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

(Please add totals from Registration Fee, Membership Fee and Scholarship Contribution for final total costs)

## Conference 2003 Registration Continued

### Payment

Payment in full must accompany your registration. Payment may be made by check or money order, PayPal (see directions below), VISA , Discover, or MasterCard.

Enclosed please find my check/ money order payable to BIAOR in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Please charge to my credit card (\$35 minimum):

Visa     MasterCard     Discover    **Total Charged to Credit Card \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

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- Watch for email confirmation
- For assistance, call Sherry Stock 503-740-3155
- Continuing Medical Credits and Continuing Education Credits will be available at the conference

### Confirmation and Cancellation Policies

Confirmation letters will be e-mailed within five business days of receipt of registration. If your confirmation is not received within 2 weeks, please contact us via e-mail at [biaor@biaoregon.org](mailto:biaor@biaoregon.org) or by telephone at +1-800-544-5243 or 503-413-7707, M-F, 9-5.

Cancellations must be received in writing by September 26, 2003 to qualify for a refund. A \$25.00 administrative fee will be deducted. Substitutions are always welcomed and no-shows will be billed.

### Registration, Payment, and Refund Policy

Please submit payment with completed registration form.

Fees are payable by check, credit card, or state government purchase orders which obligate payment.

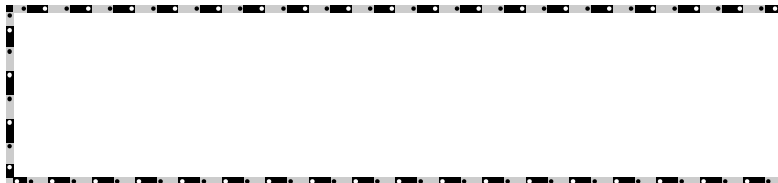
All payments must be received by September 15, 2003, to be eligible for discount.

All cancellations are subject to a \$25 processing fee.

No refunds will be issued for cancellations received after September 26; however, registrations are transferable.

Mail registration forms and payments to:

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The U.S. Department of Transportation is calling on all disability organizations to promote public education about its Toll Free Hotline for air travelers with disabilities through their organization newsletters, list-serves and sponsored events.

The Toll Free Hotline for disabled air travelers has been in operation since August 2002 and is available for callers from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. ET, daily. It is currently not being fully utilized. The Hotline serves two main purposes: (1) education and (2) assistance in resolving disability-related air travel problems.

\* Many disabled air travelers are not aware of their rights and the Hotline, in part, exists as an educational service to inform air travelers with disabilities about their rights under the Air Carrier Access Act (ACAA) and the Department's implementing regulations 14 CFR Part 382 (Part 382). Hotline operators are well versed in the ACAA

and Part 382 and can provide callers with on the spot general information about the rights of air travelers with disabilities. The Hotline operators also respond to requests for printed consumer information about air travel rights of the disabled.

\* The Hotline can also assist air travelers with disabilities in resolving real time or upcoming issues with air carriers. The purpose of "real-time" assistance is to facilitate airline compliance with DOT's rules by suggesting to the passenger and the airline involved alternative customer-service solutions to the problem. The airline remains responsible for deciding what action will be taken to resolve the issue in accordance with the ACAA and Part 382. Generally, if a caller has a real time problem or an upcoming issue with an air carrier, a Hotline Duty Officer will contact that air carrier and attempt to resolve the issue. For example, there have been a number of incidents in which Hotline Duty

Officers have contacted air carriers and convinced them to accept service animals and electric wheelchairs on board flights, to stow folding wheelchairs in the cabin, and to provide requested wheelchair assistance.

Air travelers who want information about the rights of persons with disabilities in air travel or who experience disability-related air travel service problems may call the Hotline to obtain assistance at:

1-800-778-4838 (voice) or  
1-800-455-9880 (TTY).

Air travelers who want DOT to investigate a complaint about a disability-related issue still must submit their complaint in writing via e-mail at [airconsumer@ost.dot.gov](mailto:airconsumer@ost.dot.gov) or postal mail to:

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Dear Golfer:

We are excited to invite you to join in the fun at the **Brain Injury Association of Oregon's 11th Annual Golf Tournament on August 9, 2003!** This **Four-Person Scramble** is a charity event benefiting the many Brain Injury Support Groups around Oregon. This year the

tournament will be hosted by **Stone Creek Golf Course** just 2 miles south of Clackamas Community College on Highway 213. This **Peter Jacobsen** and **Jim Hardy** designed course will provide a round of fun golf for each scramble foursome (**shotgun start at 1PM**) with a box lunch, free range privileges, and a pavilion barbecue buffet after the round. **PLUS!** There will be prizes, prizes, prizes! **PLUS!** A **Putting Contest** and a **Raffle**, so everyone has a chance to win!

Fill out the registration form. **We recommend that you submit registrations by July 31, 2003 to secure a preferred spot for your team!** Call Bob Malone at (503) 736-7293; Dave Griffiths at (503) 282-3210 to become a Team Captain and get three of your golfing friends to join you for a fun round at Stone Creek Golf Club and benefit a **Great Cause. \$75 of your registration fee is tax deductible.** Shoot low with many chances to win big prizes! If you have questions or need registration forms, you can contact Bob Malone at (503) 736-7293.

We also need volunteers for the day of the event from 10:00am to 1:00 pm and 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Please call Bob Malone if you can join us at (503-736-7293).

Sincerely,

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Golf Tournament Chairperson  
Member, Advisory Board, Brain Injury Association of Oregon

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**Smiley's Rule:** A good disposition indicates that the ball has not yet been teed up.

# 10TH ANNUAL BRAIN INJURY ASSOCIATION GOLF TOURNEY



AUGUST 10, 2002  
1:00 P.M.

- WHO? Benefit for Brain Injury Association of Oregon.
- WHERE? The beautiful new **Stone Creek Golf Course**, designed by Peter Jacobsen and Jim Hardy, just south of Oregon City.  
14603 South Stoneridge Drive, Oregon City, OR.
- WHEN? Saturday August 10th, with a shotgun start at 1:00 P.M.
- HOW MUCH? \$125 per person: includes greens fees, 18 holes of golf, electric cart, lunch, catered Barbecue dinner, and live entertainment.
- FORMAT: Four person Scramble.
- IS THERE MORE? Thousands of dollars in prizes to be given away.  
Putting tournament before and after the tournament.

Registrations must be received no later than June 30, 2002.  
For further information call Bob Malone at 503.736.7293.

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ARE YOU PLAYING ON A TEAM?:  YES  NO

(IF YES) NAMES OF OTHER TEAM MEMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

WILL YOU BE STAYING FOR THE BAR-B-QUE?  YES  NO

DO YOU NEED A VEGETARIAN MEAL?  YES  NO

ARE YOU BRINGING ADDITIONAL PEOPLE TO THE BAR-B-QUE?  YES  NO

(IF YES) HOW MANY? \_\_\_\_\_

(Please note: There will be an additional \$15 charge for people not playing in the tournament to attend the bar-b-que.)

# Oregon Brain Injury Support Groups

## **Bend**

2nd Saturday  
10:30am to 12:00 noon  
St. Charles Medical Center  
Rehab Conference Room, Lower Level  
Amy King, 541-382-5882  
joelamyking@aol.com

## **Corvallis**

*"Stroke & Brain Injury Support Group"*  
1st Tuesday 1:30 to 3:00 PM  
Church of the Good Samaritan  
Lounge  
333 NW 35th Street  
Corvallis, OR  
Call for Specifics  
Wendy Greene, (541) 768-5157  
wgreene@samhealth.org

## **Eugene**

*"Heads Up"*  
2nd Tuesday 7:00pm-9:00pm  
Sacred Heart Hospital  
Oregon Heart Center Conference Rm.  
1255 Hilyard St.  
Eugene, OR.  
Mary Bunch, (541) 998-3048  
mebunch1@juno.com

## *"Community Rehabilitation Service Of Oregon"*

2nd Tuesday 7:00 to 8:30 pm  
Central Presbyterian Church  
15th & Patterson  
Eugene, OR. 97401  
Call for Information  
Jan Johnson, (541) 342-1980  
comrehabjan@eschelon.com

## *"Big" (Brain Injury Group)*

Tuesdays 11:00am-1pm  
Hilyard Community Center  
2580 Hilyard Avenue  
Eugene, OR. 97401  
Call for Information  
Leslie Murphy & Curtis Brown  
(541) 345-8376 or (541) 986-0430  
Pisarelli@aol.com or  
BCCBrown@aol.com

## *"Veterans Support Group"*

Inactive at this time. Mr. Epstein can be  
contacted for more information.  
Dennis Epstein, (541) 607-7551  
dennis.epstein@med.va.gov

## **Portland**

*"Brainstormers I"* 2nd Saturday  
10:00am - 11:30am  
Women's self-help group  
Wilcox Building Conference Room A -  
Next to Good Samaritan Hospital  
Northwest Portland  
Jane Starbird, Ph.D., (503) 413-7707  
drstarbird@aol.com

## *"Brainstormers II"*

3rd Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm  
Survivor self-help group  
Emanuel Hospital, Rm 1073  
2801 N Gantenbein  
Northeast Portland  
Denise McHugh  
(503) 887-5386  
mchughloggie@webtv.net

## *"Faraday Club"*

1st Saturday 1:00pm-2:30pm  
Peer self-help group for professionals  
with brain injury  
Emanuel Hospital, Rm. 1035  
2801 N Gantenbein  
Northeast Portland  
Arvid Lonseth, (503) 680-2251  
(pager)  
alonseth@pacifier.com

## *"Survivor, Family & Spousal Support Group"*

2nd Wednesday 6:00pm-8:00pm  
Conference Room  
2145 NW Overton  
Portland, OR 97210  
Northwest Portland  
Rachel Schwartz, Ed.D  
(503) 413-7707  
marknrachel@earthlink.net

## *"TBI Club"*

Location varies, call for times and  
location of meetings  
Meets twice a month - days and times  
vary: call for information  
Sandra Ward, (503) 413-7707

## **Pendleton**

Inactive at this time.  
Ms. McFarland can be contacted for  
more information.  
Joyce McFarland-Orr, (541) 278-1194  
jmcfarland@Oregontrail.net

## **Klamath Falls**

*"Spokes Unlimited TBI Group"*  
4th Friday 3:00pm to 4:30pm  
415 Main Street  
Klamath Falls, OR  
Dawn Lytle, (541) 883-7547  
sustaff@cdsnet.net

## **Lebanon**

*Speaker & Pot Luck Dinner*  
1st Thursday - 5:45 to 8:30 PM.  
Please pre-register  
*Support Group* - 3rd Thursday-  
6:30pm to 8:30pm  
Waterloo Chapel, Lebanon  
(Corner Gross St. & Waterloo Road)  
Laurel Russell, (541) 258-7769  
flyingwvranch@earthlink.net

## **Medford**

*"Turning Point"*  
3rd Tuesday 4:00pm-5:00pm  
Call for More Information  
Pam Ogden, (541) 776-3427  
PAM@sogoodwill.org

## **Roseburg**

*"Umpqua Valley Disabilities Network"*  
2nd Monday 12 noon - 1pm  
419 NE Winchester  
Roseburg, OR 97470  
(Call for More Information)  
Vance Morris, (541) 672-6336  
vancemorris@udvn.org

## **Salem**

*"Salem Rehab Brain Injury Support  
Group"*  
4th Thursday 6:30pm-8:30pm  
Salem Rehabilitation Center  
2561 Center Street  
Leah Mingus, (503) 561-1974  
leah.mingus@salemhospital.org

## *"Salem Social Club"*

6:30pm - 8:30pm  
2nd Wednesday  
Residential Alternative Housing  
3005 Windsor Ave. NE  
Salem, OR 97301  
Pam Olson, (503) 588-7594  
pam-olson@worldnet.att.net





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