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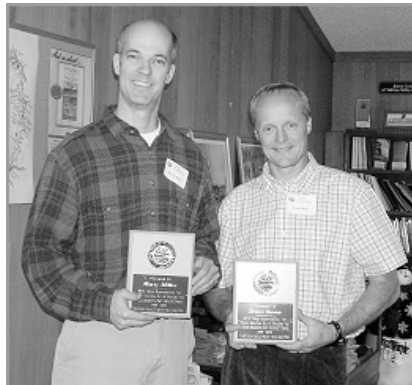
## Greenway Foundation Annual Meeting 2004

At the January 26 Annual Meeting of the Membership, four new board members were elected and welcomed to the Greenway Board of Directors. Elected to the board were Mike Hendricks, Anne Knapp, Ronda Ide and Mike Pratt. This exuberant class of 2004 comes to the Board of Directors with a variety of expertise and are ready to roll up their sleeves and get to work.

Bob DiPietro was elected President, Brendan Monahan as Vice President, Brian Blount as Secretary and Pam Cleaver as Treasurer. Rounding out the Executive Board are Dick Wueste, Michael Buchanan, Gary Johnson, and Immediate Past President Nona Schulz

It is hard to say goodbye to our departing Board members. Retiring from the Board are Bruce Bacon, Don Blesio, Mike Brockway, Marty Miller and Melody Westmoreland. These five members have a combined experience of 25 years on the Board of Directors of the Greenway.

Awarded as a "Point of Light" for 2003 are the employees of our local Home Depot. Store managers facilitated a donation of the grass pavers for the floor of the Frank Frederick Wayside. A hardworking employee group spent an evening helping fill and level the terraces and lay the grass pavers. In addition, they added a touch of beauty to Sarg Hubbard Park by creating a flowerbed around the big park sign. We are grateful for all their help!



Departing Board members Marty Miller and Bruce Bacon



Evergreen Awards were given to BSA Eagle Scout candidates who have completed a project on the Greenway. From left: Joel Bouchey, Raymond Southwick, Reid Strange, and Mark Urlacher

## Volunteer of the Year

2003 Greenway Volunteer of the Year is Ray Kublic. Ray is a Greenway maintenance employee during the summer months. Last winter, he began volunteering nearly every day, assisting our maintenance lead, Ron, with everyday and special maintenance tasks. The Greenway has only had one paid maintenance person working during the winter months for the past few years, so Ray's help was invaluable. After finishing his summer work with us this year, Ray again returned as a volunteer. When you see Ray out on the pathway, give him a big "thank you!" for all he does.



## Volunteer of the Quarter

Volunteer of the Quarter for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2003 is actually a group of volunteers. Don Norman's Career Choices class from PACE School visits the Greenway several times a year to pick up litter and clean up graffiti.

This class, which meets each Friday at the school, is geared toward teaching young people about career options. Some Fridays, they "take over" a store, and work alongside the employees to learn about store operations. Other Fridays are designated for community service and volunteer projects.

The Greenway is thankful that we are one of the places they've chosen for community service. There is always litter to pick up and graffiti to remove, so we appreciate all their efforts!



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# President's Message - Greenway 2004 - Connecting to the Community

**What an asset!** I'm sure you agree that the system of paths, trails and parks that make up the Greenway is now one of the community's most valued treasures. It is especially gratifying that all this happened with private donations and it continues to be maintained solely with *your* support, no tax dollars involved. Thank you very much.

While we're thanking folks, let's include those individuals who had the vision 24 years ago to blaze the trail for a Yakima Greenway:

Bill Baker, Thomas Bostic, Norman Clem, Jim Coates, Heather Franks, Cragg Gilbert, Jack Gustafson, Thomas Hargis, Sarg Hubbard, Royal Keith, Nadine Lee, Ray Lester, Don McGuinness, Stephen Mosier, Doug Peters, Robert Phillips, Fred Plath, Ed Putnam, Marian Roper, Eugene Shields, Victoria Turner, Mel Wagner, Edward Weber, Fred Westberg, Jim Whiteside, Glen Williams, and Mary Williams. What a legacy they have created.

Our job in 2004 is to protect and enhance that legacy. I see us growing connections to the community in a variety of areas. Here are our priorities for the next twelve months.

Under the "protect" heading:

- we will work to get the Greenway Master Plan and Design Standards formally adopted throughout the area. We want to connect future land uses in the Greenway Overlay District to conform with our vision for the corridor
- we will stay connected with all state and federal agencies who have a stake in the Yakima River corridor (and there are many). Again, to protect the interests of the community

"Enhancement" projects include:

- erect a bridge at Myron Lake, creating a connecting loop around the lake
- create a connecting trail on the east side of the river, opening beautiful new vistas to our users

- connect with land owners in the corridor about acquisition opportunities
- plan for enhanced connectivity of the Greenway paths to population centers

These priorities were established by your Greenway Foundation Board of Directors. Clearly, there is more here than can be completed in a year. However, we are excited about the direction the Greenway is headed. There is no doubt that the energy of this board combined with the spirit of thousands of volunteers will build many new connections to the community.



Thank you for your support of the Greenway. I hope this year finds you on the pathways more often than ever!

Bob DiPietro  
2004 President

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## The Yakima Habitat Improvement Project Protecting and Restoring Critical Stream Habitat

Over the past year, the City of Yakima has been working on a new project that focuses on improving stream habitat within Yakima's Urban Growth Area. Responding to increased urban growth, declining water quality, and the listing of steelhead and bull trout under the Endangered Species Act, the City of Yakima has taken the lead in an effort to protect and restore important stream habitat. With funding from Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), The City of Yakima's Habitat Improvement Project, or YHIP, is working to restore and protect aquatic and riparian habitat in and around the Yakima Urban Growth Area.

YHIP's objective is to successfully balance habitat conservation with

urban growth and economic development. Our overall goal is to maintain, preserve, and restore functioning stream habitat within and immediately surrounding the Yakima Urban Area over the long term.

The first year of this project (2002-2003) involved a series of foundation building efforts including establishment of a Technical Work Group and the development of a Habitat Master Plan. The Habitat Master Plan was completed in April 2003. The Plan is designed to guide future habitat protection and restoration activities by the City of Yakima within Yakima's Urban Growth Area. The Technical Work Group was formed in 2003 and includes regional

representatives from federal, state, and local agencies, the Yakama Nation, irrigation districts, and conservation groups. The Technical Work Group has grown from an original group of 16 to 23 active members, within the first year of the project. This group met quarterly to provide the city guidance and partnership on habitat and land management issues.

The second year of this project (2003-2004) is underway and involves implementation of the Master Plan through habitat acquisition and restoration, a feasibility study addressing the consolidation of the Fruitvale, Old Union, and Nelson

# Looking Ahead...2004 Event Preview

## E.A.G.L.E. Earth Day

Recycling...cooking using the sun for heat...the importance of floodplains... For 16 years, the Yakima Greenway has enabled a diverse variety of organizations to share their environmental messages with our area's youngsters. E.A.G.L.E. (Environmental Awareness Greenway Led Education) was developed in the Spring of 1989 as an opportunity for Yakima County students to learn about the environment. The program's goals are to promote skills and attitudes that will enhance knowledge of the natural environment and to reduce our future rate of vandalism by investing our young citizens with a sense of ownership and pride in the Greenway.

This year, E.A.G.L.E. Earth Day will be held Friday, **April 16**. We anticipate a dozen exhibitors, plus there will be entertainment during the lunch hour. Classrooms and home school families in grades K-6 are invited to join us for a fun-filled day of learning in Sarg Hubbard Park.

### Volunteers Needed

Volunteer help is indispensable in staging our fundraising events. If you would like to assist with setting up, taking down, monitoring the Gap2Gap course, or helping with any other aspect of an event, please call Lorrie at the Greenway office.

## Gap2Gap

**June 5** marks the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual** Gap2Gap Relay! We are planning a full day of fun and competition on June 5, with the Junior Gap2Gap, Gap2Gap, Family Festival, and Rock the Gap all taking place in and around Sarg Hubbard Park.

Gather a group of friends or co-workers, or take the Iron challenge in the Gap2Gap Relay. The relay is comprised of a field (cross-country) run, mountain bike, kayak/canoe, road bike, and 10K run legs. The shorter Sport course has an inline skate leg in lieu of the water leg, a shorter mountain bike leg, and a 5K run. Both courses promise a memorable experience!

The Junior Gap2Gap is a five-stage relay for kids 8-14. Teams made up of 2-5 kids (or solo 11-14 year olds) navigate an obstacle course, rollerblade, paddle in Reflection Pond, bike, and run. There will be awards for the top teams in each category and all participants will receive a Junior Gap2Gap t-shirt. The racers also have the opportunity to exercise their creativity for the "Best Team Name" and "Best Team T-shirt" contests.

The evening before the race, join racers, race officials, and volunteers for the YWCA Pasta Feed. There will be fun activities for the kids; a feast of pasta, salad, and bread; and a chance for racers to check out the competition. The community is invited to this pre-race party.

If you're not the athletic type, there is still plenty for you to do during this event. Bring the kids down for the Family Festival activities on Saturday, or rock through the evening hours at Rock the Gap. Music, food, beer, and wine complete an evening in Sarg Hubbard Park.

## A Case of the Blues & All That Jazz

A wonderful day of music and friends in the park...it can only be A Case of the Blues & All That Jazz! **August 21** will be the 12<sup>th</sup> annual Case of the Blues, featuring the very best in blues and jazz music, award-winning local wines and microbrews, a delicious array of foods and desserts, and a silent auction. Plans for this year's event are already in progress, and it promises to be a fabulous time for everyone.

Proceeds from A Case of the Blues & All That Jazz benefit the community through Yakima Greenway Foundation and Junior League of Yakima.

For more information about any of our events, please call 453-8280

# Membership Report

10/16/03-1/15/04

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## Memorials & Honorariums

10/16/03 to 1/15/04

### In Memory of:

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The Dale Miller Team

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### In Honor of:

#### Marian & Joseph Roper

Mr & Mrs Fred B Alexander

#### Mike Poppoff & Gay Dorsey

Poppoff Employees

#### Ron Rosenkranz

The Rev Jane Emma Newall

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10/16/03 to 1/15/04

### Business Membership Renewals

#### Leader

Mr Terry Abeyta  
Superior Asphalt

#### Patron

Horizon Distribution, Inc  
Longview Fibre Co  
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Prediletto, Halpin Law Firm  
Standard Paint & Abbey Carpet  
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Trailer Inns, Inc

#### Supporter

Del Monte Corp  
John L Scott Real Estate  
Ken Leingang Excavating  
PLSA Engineering & Surveying  
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Yakima Bindery & Printing

### New Business Memberships

#### Leader

Clear Channel  
Country Kids Child Development Center

#### Patron

Carey Motors

#### Supporter

Add Temporary Help Service  
Akland Pump & Irrigation Co  
Cook Northwest, Inc  
Emhoff Group, Inc  
Grumpy's Outdoor Store  
Lynch Distributing  
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Salsgivers Inc Realtors  
Sign Works Custom Concepts  
The Janitor's Closet  
Western Feed Supplements  
Yakima Document Solutions

## Yakima HIP

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Diversions on the Naches River, and an effort to increase community awareness of aquatic habitat.

Three Tributary Brochures have been developed to help introduce this project to the general public. The brochures provide information on Cowiche Creek, Ahtanum Creek, and Wide Hollow Creek. These three tributaries are located within Yakima's Urban Growth Area and their condition is a key indicator of the overall health of Yakima's stream habitat. The brochures will be available in February on the project website (<http://www.yakimahip.org>), at the Yakima Greenway office, or by calling project contacts listed below.

A major goal for this project is to involve the public in restoration of stream habitat. If you are a private landowner interested in restoring streamside property within the Yakima Urban Growth Area or your business is interested in sponsoring one of our stream restoration activities, please contact Dueane Calvin, Project Coordinator at (509) 307-8611 ([dj\\_calvin@earthlink.net](mailto:dj_calvin@earthlink.net)).

If you would like to volunteer to participate in one of our restoration activities, please contact Ryan Hopkins, Education and Outreach Coordinator at (509) 307-9557 ([rhopkins@golder.com](mailto:rhopkins@golder.com)).

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## Yakima Greenway Endowment

As I drive along I-82 and Highway 12 or, preferably, take a stroll on our pathways, I can't help but be reminded of the vision of those who conceived the idea and raised the initial funds to establish the Greenway in 1980. And since then, the enormous contribution volunteers have made each and every year, in time and money, to better assure the perpetual security of this Community Treasure.

Maintaining this Jewel is not free. Some of us are aware, and many more need to come to know, the Greenway is not like other parks. We do not receive City, County, State, or Federal tax-payers' monies to fund our operations, nor do we have user fees. The GREENWAY ENDOWMENT exists for one reason . . . to make certain that our children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and theirs, will have a Greenway too!

Please consider including the Greenway Endowment in your planning. For information regarding gifting opportunities, please call the Greenway office.

- Craig Mendenhall, President, Yakima Greenway Endowment

## Thank You, Ron!

Greenway Maintenance Supervisor Ron Rosenkranz was honored for his 15 years of service to the Greenway at the Annual Meeting of the Membership on January 26.

Ron came to the Greenway as a seasonal employee in 1989, moved up to maintenance lead, and eventually became maintenance supervisor.

With his many years of experience, Ron knows the Greenway better than anyone, and remains committed to the Greenway and its users. He's a hard worker and does everything from planting trees to painting out graffiti to repairing lawn mowers to helping stage our fundraising events.

We appreciate Ron and look forward to him being the "go-to" guy on the Jewel of Yakima for another 15 years.

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

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Yakima WA 98901

## Lost & Found

Have you lost your keys, cell phone, or sunglasses along the path or in one of the Greenway parks? We might have your lost item at our office. We have many unclaimed items turned in by conscientious Greenway users. Call us at 453-8280 or stop by the office in Sarg Hubbard Park.

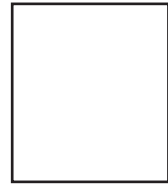
## Greenway Bingo

Did you know you can help the Greenway by playing bingo? Greenway Bingo, on the corner of Butterfield Road and Terrace Heights Drive, is an important fundraising source for us. We have four sessions per day on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays: morning at 10:00 a.m., afternoon at 1:15 p.m., evening at 6:30 p.m., and late night at 10:00 p.m.

## Frank Frederick Wayside Update

Planning is underway to dedicate the Frank Frederick Wayside later this spring. As soon as the winter weather breaks and we move into the warmer months of spring, we will dedicate the newest addition to the Greenway.

A few minor things need to be finished before we're ready to turn on the water and begin enjoying a new green area along the Greenway, complete with drinking water. Watch for the notice in the next few months of the dedication date.



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