

## ***IN THIS ISSUE***

- ◆ GARDEN PARTY SNAPSHOTS & THANKS TO SPONSORS
- ◆ CROP WALK DELIVERS
- ◆ NEW MEMBERS JOIN IW BOARD
- ◆ INTERFAITH SUMMER CAMP
- ◆ NAKI STEVENS RETIRES
- ◆ FAITH COMMUNITIES SUPPORT CIELO
- ◆ ACKNOWLEDGING RECENT GIFTS
- ◆ AND MORE...

## **Garden Party Honors Volunteers and Contributors**



At the June 3 Garden Party we celebrated our interfaith work and all who support it. Special awards were presented to Old School Pizzeria (Business of the Year), First Christian Church (Faith Community of the Year) and Selena Kilmoyer (the inaugural "Selena Kilmoyer Volunteer of the Year" annual award).

Thanks to our Garden Party sponsors! A complete list appears on page 4 of this newsletter. We appreciate you!



Our newsletter is published in electronic format.  
You can subscribe here:  
<http://interfaith-works.org/newsletter/>



Connie Phegley and Kenny Pugh, co-owners of Old School Pizzeria, accept award from IW Board member Marco Rossi



Rachel Crum accepts award on behalf of First Christian Church from IW Vice-President Kedda Keough

# Welcome to our New Board Members

At the 43rd Annual Meeting of Interfaith Works, held on May 21, the membership elected four new members. Here's a little about each of them:

**Ken Hall** entered the Jesuits out of High School and worked in an experimental community in Philadelphia which ran a shelter, soup kitchen, food pantry and thrift store. After leaving the Jesuits, he completed his BA in Psychology and Sociology at Duquesne University. He worked with the chronically mentally ill in Pittsburgh, dealing with the original de-institutionalization of the State Hospitals, while obtaining an MSW from the University of Pittsburgh. He worked as half time AIDS counselor and Gender-Reassignment Counselor during the early part of the AIDS crisis, losing most of his clients and friends, which prepared him for being a hospice social worker. Ken worked adult inpatient psychiatry for many years, and eventually on two children's units. He lived in Tacoma for 6 years, working on the two attempts for an LGBTQ city ordinance there, before moving to Olympia, where he is now a Deacon at First Christian Church. He currently volunteers at SideWalk in outreach and is involved with Community Court and

the Community Care Vulnerability Team. He enjoys gardening and going for long walks with his German Shepherd, Bonheur.

**Heather Mary** has been a Program Council representative for Interfaith Works for nine years. She is the chairperson of the Outreach Committee of the Islamic Center of Olympia. She is active with Girl Scouts as a Girl Scout leader and mentor. She is involved with feeding the hungry through Camp Quixote, IW Shelter, and the Thurston County Food Bank. She is passionate about bringing all people together through love and understanding.

**Naki Stevens** is a Quaker and has been active in Olympia Friends Meeting for more than 20 years. Her work life for 40 years focused on



At the Annual Meeting, Interfaith Works recognized and thanked outgoing Board members (l to r) Mindy Chambers, Emily Gray, and Selena Kilmoyer for their service. Their colleague on the Board, Buffie Finkel, presented decorative birdhouses as a token of appreciation.

environmental protection and restoration, with most effort going into saving Puget Sound. She came to both the Quakers and environmental activism in 1970 when laboring in the peace movement to stop the war in Vietnam and when the very first Earth Day launched (or re-launched) the environmental movement in this country. Peacemaking became a real calling at this time, and Earth Day helped her understand that humans also needed to make peace with Mother Earth, stop polluting and destroying, and start coming together around positive solutions for changing our spiritual and material orientation toward one another and toward the planet. Naki's last job was as Program Coordinator for Interfaith Works, where she had the joy and privilege to meet and become friends with many wonderful and dedicated people of faith in Olympia. She retired in May 2017 to devote more time to personal pursuits, as well as to several community-building commitments.

**John Terranova** was born and raised Catholic and is a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Olympia. He was raised in Wisconsin with his three sisters. John moved to the Seattle area after college to work in computer technology. He moved to Olympia after getting married. After a couple years as a substitute teacher, he joined the parish staff and worked for St. Michael's in Social Ministry and Community Outreach. The biggest part of his job at the church is also what he misses most: serving the men who came to the Men's Homeless Shelter at the church. John's wife and two young sons are all active at St. Michael's, too.

The Annual Meeting also re-elected the following Board members: **Catherine Carmel** as Board Secretary, **Kathy Gilliam** (Past President) at large member, and **Ivy Gilliam** as Board Treasurer.

# FAITH EXPLORATIONS 2017

August 7—11

No tuition—donations welcome

Play, explore, share, and interact. Children of any faith who are going into the 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to join others for a week long interfaith day camp at Temple Beth Hatfiloh. This year, camp will be from 9:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. At camp, children will learn in fun ways about the traditions of their friends and community members. For more information and to register, contact Catherine Carmel at Temple Beth Hatfiloh at (360) 754-8519 or [beitsefer@bethhatfiloh.org](mailto:beitsefer@bethhatfiloh.org).



## Goodbye...and Not Goodbye

Our Interfaith Program Coordinator, Naki Stevens, formally retired at the end of May. While the IW Board contemplates how to replace the irreplaceable, we want to thank Naki for her dedicated efforts during two and a half years serving on our professional staff. During that time, Naki forged new relationships with clergy, lay leaders and community agencies, helped develop our Program Council into a vibrant force for good, organized events of all shapes and sizes, developed short- and long-term programming, and each day honored and deepened the 43 year legacy of Interfaith Works.



The best part of Naki's retirement is that it frees up time for her to do more good work in the community...on our Board of Directors! We were delighted to elect Naki to a term on our Board at the recent Annual Meeting. From that seat, she will continue to be a creative leader for peace and justice in our community and the world. See her board statement on page 2.

## 2017 Walk Delivers: \$40,000 +

The 37<sup>th</sup> Annual CROP Hunger Walk had a great year...and we're not quite done counting! Contributions have exceeded the \$40,000 mark, making this year one of the strongest walks in our history and best since 2013. That couldn't have happened without all the dedicated walkers who took part. Special thanks to our Walk Committee: Lorna Linden, Carol & Wayne Gruen, Rob Harper, John Bowden, Richard McCarten, Gordon Robinson, and the efforts of IW Program



Coordinator Naki Stevens. We thank the many volunteers on May 7—Walk day: Rev. Tammy Stampfli of The United Churches for the invocation; featured speaker Amber Blake of Church World Service; Olympia Highlanders, Dave Sederberg and the team at Pacific Stage for providing the sound system; Rob Harper and his team who staffed registration; Linda Greenly for assisting our

Treasurer; shuttle drivers: Paul & Julie Taylor, John & Martha Worcester, and Mark Chavez (Salvation Army); Jennifer Laine and Connie Robinson for helping at the merchandise tent; South Sound Senior Center for refreshments; Artesian Rumble Arkestra; Boy Scout Troop 48 and Scoutmaster Russ Caron for manning the water stations, refreshments at the Walk's end and general help when it was needed most.

**Contributions for the 2017 Walk are still being accepted through the end of June.** Any funds collected by walkers can be turned into the IW office. Call 357-7224 to make arrangements to come by. Or you can donate online here: <https://www.crophungerwalk.org/olympiawa/Donate>



PO Box 1221  
 Olympia WA 98507  
[www.interfaith-works.org](http://www.interfaith-works.org)

# ◆ IW COMMUNITY CALENDAR ◆

We have permanently relocated our Community Calendar to our website. It will no longer appear in the bi-monthly newsletter. Visit <http://interfaith-works.org/selections-community-calendar/> for a one page PDF file of selected postings of events, celebrations and gatherings of interfaith interest. Also see the regularly updated calendar on our website: <http://interfaith-works.org/events/>

## In Memory of and In Honor Of...

Gifts gratefully received in recent months in support of Interfaith Works and our many programs:

**In Memory of Barbara Gibson**  
 From Susan Christian, Susan Dobson,  
 Kathy Friedt

**In Memory of Don Rayment**  
 From Marlene Epp

**In Honor of "Long Hair" David**  
 From Anonymous

**Emergency Overnight Shelter**  
 Sheltering for the Health & Safety of All

**VISIT THE VOLUNTEER PAGE OF  
 OUR SHELTER WEBSITE:**

<http://www.iwshelter.org/volunteer.html>

## THANKS to our Garden Party Sponsors



Dr. Sheila Fay & Olympia Internal Medicine Dr. Yathi Lingham—Olympia Smiles Dentistry Engineered Software Home Depot John Graver, Windermere Real Estate L & E Bottling Love, A Salon Olympia Bark & Garden Center Olympia Federal Savings & Loan Olympia Internal Medicine Olympia Neurology Pacific Air Heating & Air Conditioning Radiance Herbs & Massage Rebecca & Brian Peil

## POTLUCK PICNIC TO BENEFIT CIELO

CIELO = Centro Integral Educativo Latino de Olympia. <https://www.cieloprograms.org/>

**August 20 @ 2—4 PM**  
**The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd**  
**1601 North St SE, Olympia 98501**

A fundraiser potluck in support of the Olympia chapter of CIELO, to raise money for the family needs of those whom CIELO serves, those threatened with deportation and perhaps, down the line, needing sanctuary.

This event is a collaborative effort by local faith communities including The Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Holy Wisdom Inclusive Catholic Community, St. Benedict Episcopal Church, Olympia Universalist Unitarian Congregation, St. John's Episcopal Church, St. Michael Catholic Parish, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, other faith communities, and Interfaith Works.

For information, contact Don and Maggie Foran: [Foranfam4@gmail.com](mailto:Foranfam4@gmail.com)

