

### ***The Thomas R. Dargan Award***

The Thomas R. Dargan award publicly recognizes an individual citizen whose unselfish efforts have inspired others to maintain their commitment to make the community a thriving place. This award is for effective leadership in alcohol and drug issues, with genuine concern for improving the humanity of all. Large accomplishments are not as important as a long-standing record of continued achievements and demonstrated concern for the well being of others.

The **Thomas R. Dargan Award** is given in memory of the first Chairman of the Governor's Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse Programs. Successful in business as a Vice-President of Fisher Broadcasting Company, Tom always found time to contribute to his community in work directed to the impoverished in spirit and the under-served--sometimes forgotten--citizens of his community. He gave generously of his time, talent, and compassion. His service energized those around him to care more, to give more of themselves and to improve the lives of those less fortunate. It is this humanitarian regard that Oregonians have for one another and spirit of commitment and dedication the Department of Human Services, Addictions and Mental Health Division seeks to recognize and honor.

### ***The Outstanding Community Achievement Award***

The Department of Human Services, Addictions and Mental Health Division wishes to give formal recognition to community-based programs that most successfully have addressed the goals of prevention, treatment and recovery.

These would include: school programs, parent groups, religious organizations, civic organizations, youth agencies, aging programs, law enforcement, businesses, or other service providers. Community support that is active, visible, and effective is a primary component for outstanding community achievement.

### ***The Outstanding Youth Community Achievement Award***

Formal recognition is given to those youth in Oregon who have made an outstanding contribution and commitment to reduce underage alcohol and drug use in their communities.

### ***The Clark Campbell Media Award***

The Outstanding Media award is given in memory of Clark Campbell, who served as Deputy Director for the Office of Alcohol and Drug Abuse Programs for many years. Clark gave counsel and advice to alcohol and drug service providers and advocates even after he retired. The Department of Human Services, Addictions and Mental Health Division wishes to give formal recognition to media efforts that have been developed to educate, inform, and otherwise reduce alcohol and other drug abuse problems. These may include public service campaigns, documentaries,

editorials, and other special initiatives. The important consideration is the focused effort to reduce alcohol and other drug abuse problems.

### ***The Outstanding Innovations in Government Achievement Award***

This award recognizes an individual, team or agency at local, County, State or Tribe who has substantially changed or improved government practice or policy related to alcohol and drug abuse programming. Innovative changes and improvements have the potential to be replicated beyond the original agency or community.

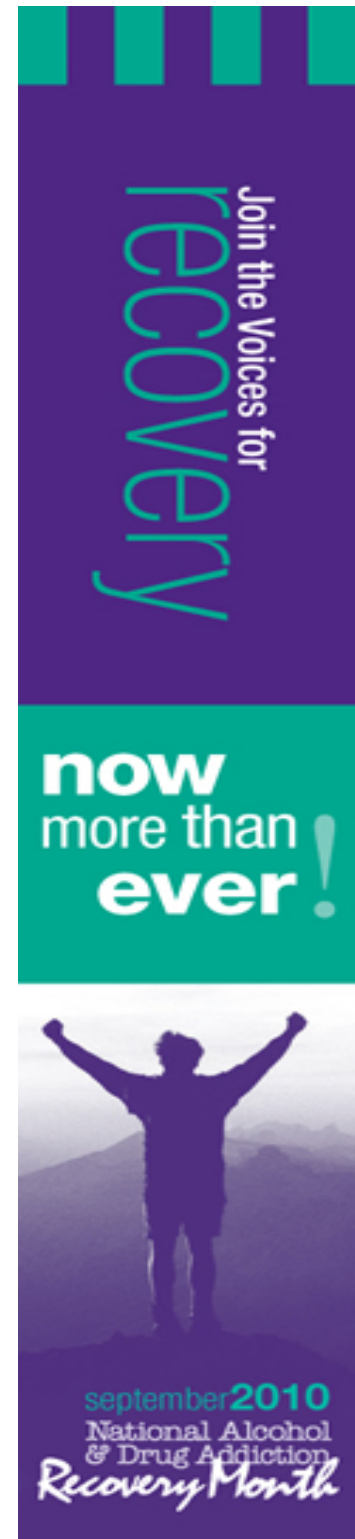
#### ***Previous Thomas R. Dargan Award Winners***

**Nancy Anderson**  
**Rodney "Roadrunner" Clark**  
**Judy Cushing**  
**Dr. Thomas Kearns**  
**Judge Darryl Larson**  
**Pauline Martel**  
**Eric Martin**  
**Bart Murray**  
**Don Skundrick**  
**Rick Treleaven**  
**Ann Uhler**

### ***Department of Human Services, Addictions & Mental Health Division***

The mission of AMH is to assist Oregonians to achieve optimum physical, mental and social well being by providing access to health, mental health and addiction services and supports to meet the needs of adults and children to live, be educated, work and participate in their communities.

**2010 AMH Hope, Resilience & Recovery Awards**  
**September 24, 2010**



## 2010 Recipients

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### **Thomas R. Dargan Award Micki Knuckles**

Micki is the current Executive Director of Willamette Family Treatment Services. She began her career in substance abuse treatment at Buckley Detox Center nearly 30 years ago. Since then she has contributed to the growth of the agency to a staff of more than 175 individuals with an annual budget of close to \$7 million. Micki was a pioneer in developing residential programs for women and their children. Micki is a local, state and national presenter regarding substance abuse issues for women.

### **Thomas R. Dargan Award Janet Wicklund**

Janet is the current Program Director of the Siletz Tribal Substance Abuse Program and has dedicated her career to the field of addictions and recovery. She began her career in the early 1970s at the Sweat House Lodge; she then worked for NARA before moving on to the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians where she has taken a small program to a high quality comprehensive treatment and prevention program. Janet has developed a comprehensive Methamphetamine task force working with law enforcement and county and local communities. She has served on the Oregon 9 Tribes Methamphetamine Task force working on important Tribal Policies and Practices regarding meth abuse. Janet has served as an honored and respected member of the Oregon Indian Council on Addictions for over 15 years.

### **Outstanding Community Achievement Award ~ Individual Tony Howell**

Tony is the current Program Director for the Linn County Alcohol and Drug Program. Tony is a compassionate leader who has devoted a lifetime to helping others and the community. He has spent endless hours developing treatment resources and partnerships that have increased the capacity of the Linn County Alcohol & Drug Treatment Program to serve more individuals. Tony was instrumental in the development and implementation of Drug Court programs in Linn County and continues to be a significant partner in working to maintain such services.

### **Outstanding Community Achievement Award ~ Organization Dual Diagnosis Anonymous of Oregon, Inc. (DDA)**

DDA is a grassroots organization with one primary purpose: “to carry its message of hope and recovery to those who still suffer from the effects of Dual Diagnosis.” DDA is a peer support group based on an authorized version of the 12 Steps of Alcoholics Anonymous plus an additional 5 Steps that focus on Dual Diagnosis (mental illness and substance abuse) offering hope for achieving the promise of recovery. DDA provides support for individuals throughout Oregon, and has expanded to over 100 local chapters in 32 of Oregon’s 36 counties. DDA meetings are attended statewide by an average of 3,586 contacts per month.

### **Outstanding Youth Community Achievement Award YouthLink - OP**

The mission of Oregon Partnership’s YouthLink Program is to deliver innovative, accurate, and creative prevention services to motivate young Oregonians to think about the realities of alcohol and drugs and to provide opportunities for them to make positive changes in their lives and in their communities. YouthLink provides schools and communities with free alcohol and drug prevention trainings. An invaluable resource provided by this group is their peer-to-peer youth crisis hotline, known as YouthLine, the only state-wide teen hotline providing 24/7 service. Since its inception, YouthLine has answered more than 3,000 calls from struggling teens and concerned friends and family members across Oregon.

### **Clark Campbell Media Award Roxann Jones**

Roxann is a Senior Project Coordinator at Jackson County Health and Human Services. She has been a leader in integrating problem gambling prevention into Alcohol, Tobacco & Other Drugs (ATOD) prevention. She was instrumental in the creation of a statewide media campaign called “Think Twice,” which has served as a model nation wide. This involved partnerships with local ABC affiliates and a local community coalition (SODA); use of youth to create media messages and “star” in the public service announcements; and the development of a resource website ([www.thinktwiceoregon.com](http://www.thinktwiceoregon.com)) to accompany and support the media campaign

### **Outstanding Innovations in Government Achievement Award Hood River County Commission on Children & Families**

Hood River County CCF has had major successes making alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention a major focus in the county, bringing in significant state and federal funds directed to changing community norms around acceptance of alcohol and other drug use. Over the last 5 years, 8<sup>th</sup> grade alcohol, binge drinking and marijuana use rates have fallen dramatically, due to the work of the Hood River County CCF. The multi-pronged approach used by CCF addresses both underage and binge drinking with a goal to reduce 8<sup>th</sup> grade use. Strategies include bill boards, news articles, increased awareness of drug-free youth activities, youth-developed media, parent education, open container laws, alcohol sales education/enforcement, minor decoys, etc. Hood River County CCF’s successes are being modeled around the state and around the nation.