### Summer 2011

# PATCH Bouquets

Thank you for your dedication to helping children and youth. One of the main motivations for sending you my contribution is the fact that you are bringing God to young people, and teaching them about His love for them. May God bless you in all you do.

A, Washington

Praying for you all and the great work you do. I work as an ER nurse and see so many kids who could use your services. I cannot send them all to you but can help keep the door open. God bless all of you.

S, Iowa

I pray this \$\$ is helpful and wish it could be more...God bless continued work there with the kids and families.

G, Oregon

Thanks for all the hard work you do.

J & C, Washington

Thanks for sharing God's love with kids and their families G, Washington

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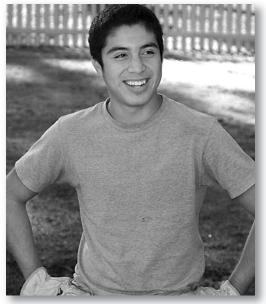
## A Marine's Story of Success

Grinning from ear to ear, Oscar stood in the front of the chapel at the Youth Ranch. It was June 8, 2007, Oscar's graduation day. He listened as his peers and the PATCH staff shared stories about him, his accomplishments, strengths and their hopes for his future. He was happy to be leaving, but he knew he would miss these people and now he knew how much they would miss him, too.

The day he arrived—he was not happy! It was heart wrenching for his mother as well, walking away and leaving him there, knowing how angry and betrayed he felt. But it was her best option, and she prayed for strength and divine intervention as she drove away, tears rolling down her face.

Oscar's trouble started shortly after his parents divorced. He became increasingly angry with everyone. His mother made the decision to move to Idaho. She had heard about Project PATCH at a California camp meeting, and this was in the back of her mind. Once in Boise, Oscar enrolled at Gem State Academy as a sophomore, but because of his authority issues and poor school performance, he was asked to leave after just two months. He went from there to the local high school where he started skipping classes and getting into even more trouble.

As the problems with Oscar escalated, his Mother's resolve to get help did as



well. She heard of a family at church who sponsored a boy at PATCH. This prompted her to make the initial call. Soon Oscar was off to the Ranch.

He had a rough start due to his problems with authority and spent most of the first week chopping wood. The rules, the tight schedule, the expectations, the way the staff never deviated from "the program" all were troublesome for Oscar. He struggled against the supervision; it seemed there was always someone there, making sure he kept on track.

Somehow, in the midst of all the chopping, therapy, structure and study he began to get the message. Soon he decided to give the program a try and quickly became a model resident.

Through the healing relationships with

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## A Marine's Story...continued



loving staff, taking responsibility for his own behavior and learning to talk about what was bottled up inside him, Oscar began to heal. He realized he mattered and there was a bigger purpose for his life. He now believed he could have a bright future in spite of the past.

On June 8, 2011, exactly four years later, Oscar shared his story at the 7th Annual Match for PATCH Golf Tournament in Boise, Idaho, celebrating all the good that came into his life through his time at Project PATCH Youth Ranch. He graduated from high school, joined the Marines and served a tour of duty in Afghanistan. Oscar said his experience at PATCH prepared him for the Marines where he also had to live by rules and deal with the consequences if he broke them. The lessons he learned at PATCH keep him focused and motivated.

The difference in Oscar is amazing. Before PATCH, he had no respect for his mom or anyone in authority. Now he and his mom have a great relationship, and he lives a positive life. He is currently a Platoon Sergeant and is stationed at Camp Pendleton.

A few months ago he called from Afghanistan to ask about the date of the golf tournament. He wanted to be home in time to be there. Why? Because he wanted another chance to say thanks to all of the people at PATCH who helped him get his life back on track. We are so proud of the great effort and good choices he made and for his service to our country.

## **A Love Letter**

Dear Patch Staff,

I wanted to write and tell you: Thank you so much for all that you have done for me and my family. Because of your help my mother and I have the greatest relationship ever and it continues to grow each day. I never dreamed that we could get along as well as we do and have as much fun together. I think I am the only person in my class who enjoys going home to spend time with my family.

Since graduating (from PATCH) in 2009, mother and I have had only two fights, which did not get that big because of the tools that you taught us to use, and they were resolved rather fast with no hard feelings. Life is so much different now and so much more enjoyable. Life is well worth living.

I also want to thank you guys for helping me in school. I really struggled with school before PATCH. Because of your help I am graduating high school with honors. I would never have been able to graduate high school if it hadn't been for your help. in fact, before PATCH I didn't think I was ever going to make it to my high school years let alone graduate, nor did I care about getting a diploma. However, you instilled within me the want to finish school, get a diploma and reach for the stars beyond.

Thank you. I would never be where I am today, in fact I'm not sure I would even be alive right now had it not been for the PATCH staff.

Keep up the great work, tell the kids and parents from an ex-resident, that the program works and does miracles. I love you all and really miss you. Hope to come someday for another visit, but until then, have a great day and don't be discouraged. Sometimes we can



be a pain, but in the end we will see the light and reach for it.

Thank you for your amazing help and devotion to us.
Kristina

Kristina shared her story with Jim Smith at the Family Center dedication.

#### **VANCOUVER**

Tom Sanford, Founder Chuck Hagele, Executive Director Laura Montané, Assistant Development Director Nancy Rader, Administrative Assistant DeAnna Allen, Accountant NancyAnne Ward, Admissions Coordinator Darlene Waybright, Clerical Assistant\*

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\*Part time

# annual report

## from the chairman

You've probably noticed that this Annual Report is focused on the concept of giving to and supporting Project PATCH. When Chuck Hagele, our Executive Director, asked me to write my thoughts about why my wife Kathy and I specifically support PATCH with charitable giving, it led to some wonderful reflective thoughts.

First and foremost, PATCH provides a holistic approach to healing the pain of troubled adolescents and hurting families. As someone who has spent over 40 years helping kids and families, I know of many wonderful secular facilities and agencies who offer medications, counseling, support, and mental health therapy. But what is

often lacking is the spiritual dimension.

Second, to achieve the healing experience described above, one needs a dedicated and compassionate staff. What we have at PATCH is an outstanding group of dormitory staff and counselors whose love for the kids and desire to see them and their families healed is rooted in their own personal experience of love and acceptance by God, through his son, Jesus Christ. The average length of employment at

PATCH, compared to other similar organizations, gives witness to that commitment.

Third, the PATCH program works. Not only in the anecdotal experiences one reads about in the newsletters, but in actual statistical studies as one done by Boise State University which showed our success rate to exceed that of other similar programs.

Fourth, PATCH not only has a dedicated staff of administrators, but also has an outstanding Board of Trustees, who sacrificially donate time and money to make sure it all happens, and with prayerful and wise stewardship of our resources.

I could go on, especially about the testimonials from kids that bring tears to our eyes or about the financial miracles that frequently happen.

You get the point. God is doing a great thing at PATCH. I want to be part of the action. That's why I give.



Harlan R. Gephart, MD

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## from the executive director



"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." – John F. Kennedy

As I reflect on the past year at Project PATCH, I'm most grateful to those who took action to better their lives as well as the lives of others. In the face of paralyzing fear

and overwhelming despair, steps were taken resulting in restored hope, relationships and futures.

It took courage for Samantha's parents to admit that she was out of control and needed help. It took humility to ask their family, friends and church for help because they couldn't afford the care Samantha needed but they felt shame in accepting financial aid.

Courage was also needed for Samantha to confront her roommate for the first time; she was afraid and felt hypocritical but knew it was the best way to help her new friend. It was humbling to sit in a group with everyone knowing the secrets she tried so hard to hide. Samantha felt shame for all she put her family through and for their sacrifice to give her another chance at life. But she felt gratitude for the staff that seemed to care even when she pushed back.

It also takes courage for you, our supporters, to help these kids and families. Investing in people you don't know, with no guarantee that they will do what is necessary to change, or even be grateful for your sacrifice—is hard to do.

I'm grateful for the action I've seen this year as families, kids, staff and donors all work together to change lives. But my gratitude isn't just lip service; I plan to show my gratitude by making every effort to help as many kids and families as possible. Our Youth Ranch continues to search for new, innovative ways to help more kids each year. Our Family Program is open for business, and Tom Sanford and I are sharing ways to help teens and families in local churches and communities.

Thank you for joining us as we answer the call to restore troubled teens and build stronger families.

Chuck Hagele

## the numbers

#### REVENUE IN 2010

	Total Revenues	\$2,617,270
Other		74,141
Gifts in Kind		79,039
Contributions		1,889, <i>757</i>
Client Fees		\$ 574,333

#### **EXPENSES IN 2010**

Program Services	\$2,013,723
Management & General	459,722
Fundraising	310,237

Total Expenses \$2,783,682

#### NON-OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Proceeds from land-use settlement	275,000	
Increase in Net Assets *108,588		

\*Used for Goldendale project

#### **Expenses**

Program services increased 13%, largely due to a major building repair project at the Youth Ranch and start-up costs at the Goldendale Family Center. We are grateful to Maranatha volunteers who led the Youth Ranch repair project over the summer. We could not have done it without them. We are also excited to see the Goldendale Family Center begin to function as we always dreamed it would. As with any new venture, the Family Center is generating expenses before revenue, but we plan for that to balance out in 2011 with offsetting program and rental revenue.

#### Revenue

Yet another year of economic downturn has impacted families' ability to cover PATCH tuition expenses. Some can't even pay for the most basic room and board costs. Our fees are down 28% from last year. However, it has not impacted their children's opportunity to be helped by our program. We continue to open our doors to those who are financially challenged, relying on our generous donors to believe in our mission and sponsor a child.

## **Open for Business**



What happens when part of the foundation of a house washes away or collapses? Either the house falls and valuables are lost or expert builders are quickly called in to shore up the house and build a new foundation. The good news is that many times the house and its contents can be saved.

There are many things that destroy the foundation of a family including death, illness, divorce, remarriage, rebellious children, ADHD, and dealing with financial difficulties. When these things happen, what formerly supported the family no longer works. Things that once seemed easy like talking, trusting, and even having fun no longer are easy. The family may stand for a while without a foundation but pretty soon things will crumble.

The Project PATCH Family Center at Goldendale exists to help families build a strong foundation to support each other. That foundation is built on good communication, understanding individuals and roles, productive problem solving based on trust, establishing family identity and boundaries, and most importantly learning the things that strong families do that pull the family together.

The Family Experience is an active, skill based program for the entire family. The program is challenging but provides the tools and insights for families to begin rebuilding their foundation to support their home. The four-day experience costs about \$100 dollars per day per family member and includes counseling, activities, comfortable lodging and great food.

Please call us at 360-690-8495 if you are interested in attending or would like to help another family attend. You can also learn more at www.projectpatch.org/Family Experience

## **Because You Care**

Praise God for His miracles of changed lives and better family relationships as well as sustaining our ministry. God uses people to accomplish His miracles. Being part of a miracle allows us to accomplish much more as a group than we could individually.

For example, our monthly donors gave over \$300,000 to help at-risk teens and their families last year. Curious about what inspires this generosity, we called some of our donors. Here are just two of the many responses we received:

"I have such a heart for what Patch is doing and I want to do something to help."

"I really believe that this is God-centered work and that there is a huge need to help troubled kids and get them back on the right road. I do not personally know any of the kids that have gone to PATCH, but I give because there is a need to help kids and because they need to be out there in God's nature.

Ultimately, people give because they care. Alan and Beth often discussed and prayed for Sarah, a teen in their church. They were long acquainted with the family and had watched this darling little girl grow from a curious toddler to an angry, rebellious teen. Beth told the family they might consider PATCH as a way to keep Sarah safe and get her back on track. Eventually Sarah did go to PATCH. Alan and Beth knew the family struggled financially, so each month they donated a bit extra to PATCH knowing that PATCH had reduced Sarah's tuition.

They heard stories of Sarah's struggles and sometimes hopeful news during her year at PATCH. When Sarah came home, they were thrilled to meet a mature, respectful girl. Even though Sarah still had challenges, they saw that she was headed in the right direction. Alan and Beth know firsthand that their donations to PATCH made a difference in the life of a teen.

You are probably reading this Annual Report because you were touched or inspired in some way to become involved with restoring troubled youth and building stronger families. You give because you care. So many have been blessed by your giving. We look forward to hearing the stories of how you have been blessed, too.

Annual giving touches every area of life at Project PATCH. Without this vital resource, we would not be able to continue changing lives. Over sixty percent of our operating budget comes in individual donations. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts to those that gave. We realize that many of our supporters' gifts are made at great sacrifice. This Annual Report gratefully acknowledges your generosity. Your gifts and prayers continue to sustain and encourage us.

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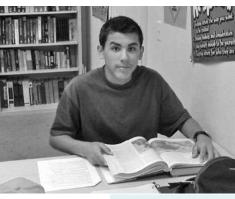
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## In Brief

#### SUCCESSFUL GOLF **TOURNAMENT**

We thank all the golfers, businesses and volunteers who made the 7th annual Match for PATCH a success! May God richly bless you for your generosity.

#### **FIRST RETREAT AT CONFERENCE CENTER**

On the weekend of May 13 -15, over 30 women from Oasis Christian Center in Vancouver, WA, enjoyed the amenities and good food provided by Linda Hill, Hospitality Director. They enriched friendships and deepened their spiritual walk with God.

#### PARENT WEEKEND

How do I validate my child's feelings but not behavior? How do I empower my child with healthy coping skills when stress is high? How do I recognize, set and teach healthy boundaries? How do I teach and live out God's love without forcing it? What is DBT? These were some of the topics parents of over 1/2 of our kids explored recently. A trip across "Poison Peanut Butter Land" was a highlight as parents and kids worked together to get across using stepping stones, communication and teamwork. Finally, the parents were challenged to use their new skills at home.

## From a Thankful Dad

It's not easy for a parent to send their child to PATCH, and sometimes they wonder if it's really worth the angst and financial hardship. The email below comes from the father of a recent alumna, Lanae '10.

"....She is doing much better now. It's funny how she will say, "At PATCH I learned such and such. Our communication is so much better with her. At first when she came home she was making some bad decisions, but she has been demonstrating an ability to make good decisions now. She took the test for Running Start, which is the program for high school students to attend community college. She scored really high on the test. So next fall, which will be her senior year, she will take classes at our local community college.

She recently got a kitten which she is really enjoying and doing a good job of taking care of. I love how she cleans! When she cleans, she really cleans. She is very thorough! Sometimes she cleans the house for something to do.





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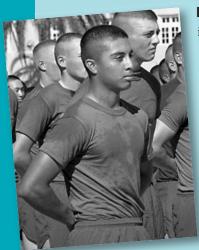
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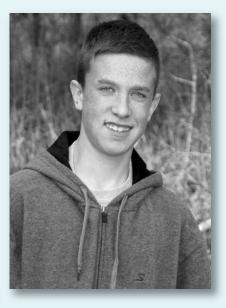
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### RIDING THE ROLLER COASTER

Kevin, a PATCH alumni of '08, responded to the following question that was recently posted to PATCH alumni on our Facebook page.

"What encouragement would you give a teen who is currently at Project PATCH?"

"To remember that your life is kind of like a roller coaster ride...you start off by climbing up, up, up...then as life goes on and you grow up things get crazy, you start to go from high points to low points really fast...right now you are in one of the low points..but there are more highs coming. This is just one portion of your life here at PATCH. When you walk down that isle (sic graduation from PATCH) and get to look at your parents and peers and the staff that helped you get through and be ready to live a life that is so much better than what you came to PATCH



with, you will be able to smile and know you have leveled off at a high point. Yes, there will be more downs and ups, but you will be able to handle them a lot better with the skills you have learned. I had to be at PATCH for a Christmas once and it was hard; but now I'm glad I stuck through because now I am about to graduate from high school on the 29th of May and without PATCH this would not be happening."

We thank those of you who partner with Project PATCH with prayers, gifts and love, for helping PATCH kids make it through the ups and downs to be ready for a bright future.