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Network of Volunteer Administrators to Host 22nd Annual Volunteer of the Year Ceremony May 5th, 2011 at the Bend Senior Center

Central, Ore. - At this invitation only event the Network of Volunteer Administrators (NOVA) will be recognizing select volunteers of Central Oregon. Volunteers are nominated in three categories; 18 and under, 19-54, and 55 and older. Volunteer of the Year nominees are submitted by NOVA member organizations and are chosen because their service exemplifies the values and spirit of the nominating organization and due to their significant community contributions.

“We look forward to this event every year.” said Lin Gardner “This is a celebration of community service recognizing the dedication of a select group of our local volunteers. Without them we would be unable to provide key services throughout Central Oregon.”

Each year since 1990, NOVA (the Network of Volunteer Administrators) has honored Central Oregon volunteers at their Volunteer of the Year award banquet. The Volunteers of the Year are selected from these nominations by an independent panel of judges and will be honored at the Bend Senior Center on May 5th, 2011.

Volunteers play a vital role in the Central Oregon community. From empowering individuals to live violence-free lives, to maintaining local trails, to acting as positive mentors to youth, volunteers are an indispensable part of thousands of local programs. Since volunteers fill such vital roles in our community, it is very important to recognize their contributions. The NOVA Volunteer of the Year Banquet is a way for NOVA members to thank their hardworking volunteers and to recognize the "best of the best" in Central Oregon. Thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers!

About the Network of Volunteer Administrators: The Network of Volunteer Administrators is the leading organization for volunteer administrators offering high-quality professional development and networking opportunities. Members represent non-profits organizations, government agencies and corporate programs. NOVA is dedicated to professionalism in volunteer management. NOVA directly supports volunteer coordinators so that they can better support of the mission of the organization they represent.

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