

St. Luke's
YAK!
Youth Adult Konnections



FALL 2011



Upcoming Events

St. Luke's YAK! is a healthy youth development initiative based on the Developmental Assets philosophy, providing programs and services for young people that help them to be safe, healthy, and active participants in our community.

For more YAK! information:

Visit: www.stlukesonline.org/YAK

Call: (208) 727-8735

Fax: (208) 727-8730

1450 Aviation Drive, Suite 200

Hailey, ID 83333

"Be the Change" Blaine County Diversity Dramatist Troupe

The Diversity Dramatist Troupe is a group of high school students who use theatre as a way to discuss diversity issues in our community. The students create each performance based on their experiences and the needs of the audience. If your organization or business is interested in having the troupe perform, please call Dan at 727-8735.



BCTAC II gears up for a fun afternoon of paintball.

Healthy Choices Panels- "Today Affects Tomorrow"

In partnership with Wood River and Silver Creek High Schools, this series presents students with information to help them make healthy choices and achieve success for their future. The panels are facilitated by health professionals in the community and are based on students' questions about topics such as drug use, sexual activity, and healthy relationships.

Bellevue Haunted Forest

With the help of high school volunteers from St. Luke's YAK!, this annual event is a highlight of the Halloween season. The Haunted Forest raises money to support the Howard Preserve, and YAK! volunteers serve as tour guides, ghosts, and other spooky creatures. Join the fun!

BCTAC Fall Retreat

The BCTAC Retreat is an opportunity for high school students to meet new friends and get inspired to make a difference in the community. Activities include teambuilding games, discussion groups, and fun events planned by BCTAC students. This year's retreat will be held at Camp Perkins from October 5-7, and advanced registration is required.

Jay Owenhouse Magic Show

Join us as we welcome the phenomenal Jay Owenhouse Magic Show for another year of mind boggling, spell-binding illusions! Jay performs internationally and is joined by his two Bengal tigers, Shekinah and Sheena. Proceeds from the show benefit YAK! and your support is greatly appreciated. Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discount by calling (800) 779-8600.

Saturday, February 18, 2:00 PM
Wood River High School, Gymnasium



Painting the mural at the National Guard Armory in Hailey.



Bengal tigers with BCTAC at the annual Jay Owenhouse Magic Show.

Meet BCTAC Students!

John Quinones

John is a 7th grader at Wood River Middle School. Last year, he volunteered over 48 hours, including Hailey SpringFest, the Hunger Coalition, Blaine County Weed Control Department, Souper Suppers, and many other events. John is always open to trying and learning new things, holds himself and his peers to high standards, and is very accurate in paintball! We thank John for his positive contributions to our community.



BCTAC II cleaning up at the ERC's annual Clean Sweep.

Ongoing Projects

For more information or to volunteer, please call Dan VandenHeuvel at 727-8735

Blaine County Teen Advisory Council (BCTAC)

BCTAC is the high school group of YAK! It is a fun, hardworking youth action council committed to improving the community by involving young people in community service, creating programs and services to address youth needs, and building Developmental Assets.

Tuesdays, 7:00 - 8:00pm
The Hub, Community Campus, Hailey

Blaine County Teen Advisory Council II (BCTAC II)

BCTAC II is the middle school program of YAK! BCTAC II gets students involved in community service and builds Developmental Assets through positive adult relationships and opportunities for community involvement. The program is free, and students can join anytime.

Weekly, 3:30 - 5:30pm
Wood River Middle School and
The Community Campus

YAK! Afterschool Program

For middle school students, YAK! and its partners offer a variety of afterschool programs, including clubs, workshops, recreation, arts, and more. Afterschool activities are fun, as well as important for the healthy development of youth. Students can get involved anytime throughout the year, and all activities are free or at minimal cost. For more information and to register, contact Brandeis at 727-8736.

Weekly, 3:30 - 5:30pm
Community Campus and
Wood River Middle School



Volunteering at the Hunger Coalition is a great way to help out.



More than 300 students, including BCTAC, at the 2011 Idaho Drug-Free Youth Summit in Coeur d'Alene.

Y2Y Thursday Nights!

Middle and high school students are welcome to join us on Thursday nights as we go to the YMCA for fun and fitness. The program is free, and Y membership is not required.

Thursdays, 6:30-8:00
Wood River Community YMCA

YAK! Updates

Get more information about YAK! online at www.stlukesonline.org/YAK.



Braydan and Riley spruce up Boise's parks during a summer service trip.



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A BCTAC II student learns the ropes along Trail Creek with Sawtooth Mountain Guides.

Cover photo: Marco, Travis, and Austin experience success with flyfishing guide Rick Ambrosi.

Contribute

Give the gift that keeps on giving. Donate to St. Luke's YAK! in someone else's name or your own!

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Financial contributions: Mail a tax-deductible contribution to support our youth programs and help St. Luke's YAK! reach its goals. Both monetary and in-kind contributions are always appreciated. Make checks payable to St. Luke's Wood River Foundation and mail to:

St. Luke's Wood River Foundation
PO Box 7005
Ketchum, ID 83340

Volunteer: We have volunteer opportunities for all ages, interests, and needs. We are indebted to our volunteers for their generous contribution to the community.

Suggestions: We are always looking for new community service and outreach opportunities. Send us your ideas.

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