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Luncheon News

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Keynote Speaker Announced

Dr. Steve Moore

M. J. Murdock Charitable Trust

It is the mission of the Murdock Trust to to enrich the quality of life in the Pacific Northwest by providing grants and enrichment programs to organizations seeking to



strengthen the region's educational, spiritual, and cultural base in creative and sustainable ways.

The Murdock Trust is one of the top five largest private foundations in the Pacific Northwest and one of the top 100 in the country. It is one of the only foundations headquartered in the Pacific Northwest that regularly awards grants in a five-state region, although some grants are awarded for national purposes.

In addition to normal grantmaking, it is common Trust practice to convene groups of people to discuss issues of mutual interest and to provide enrichment programs that build capacity and develop leaders.

Over the past few years a particular focus of the Murdock Trust has been on building the capacity of the nonprofit sector throughout the region. We look forward to hearing Dr. Moore's perspective on this work.

2009 Honorees

Palmer Scholars
Neighborhood Clinic
FISH Food Banks
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**Applications now being accepted
for 2011. See over for details.**

Thanks again to last year's Table Captains

Miriam Barnett, YWCA

Judy Brockhoff, Palmer Scholars

Andy Buelow, Tacoma Symphony

John Doan, City of Tumwater

Liz Dunbar, Tacoma Community House

Beth Elliott, FISH Food Banks

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Linda Ishem, UW Tacoma

Tracy Kahlo, Washington PAVE

Joe Lawless, UW Tacoma

Bev Losey, Brown & Brown

Bett Lucas, Young Professionals Ntwk

Margy McGroarty, CommunityVol.

Elizabethte Miller, Neighborhood Clinic

Dave Petrich, Eisenhower & Carlson

Dick Pickett, Rainier Pacific Bank

Bob Pittman, Attorney

*Derrick Rhayn, Tacoma Community
House*

Jane Shanaman, Shanaman Strategies

Kelly Sweet, Laird Norton Tyee

Jay Thomas, United Way of Pierce Co.

Erika Tucci, Tacoma Public Utilities

There's still time to sign up for 2011!
Just call Liz at 253-272-5844.



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Nonprofit Excellence Awards

presented by

The Nonprofit Center

in recognition of outstanding practices and performance of and for South Puget Sound nonprofits. Awards, which include a cash grant of \$1,000, are:

Jane T. Russell Excellence in Governance Award

presented to the nonprofit board demonstrating exemplary practices in one or more of its primary governance responsibilities

Innovation Award

The nonprofit organization selected will have demonstrated innovative internal or external strategies or approaches designed to achieve improved performance or impact (limited to small nonprofits with annual gross revenue under \$500,000)

Impact Award

The recipient of the Impact Award will have provided a service or program with demonstrable and measurable impact on the problem or need being addressed.

Corporate Community Support Award

This award honors the business or corporation in the South Puget Sound region providing integrated support for the nonprofit sector including contributions, volunteer support and in-kind services targeted to helping one or more nonprofits achieve greater sustainability.

Award nominations are now being accepted. The deadline for receipt of nominations is Friday, February 4, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. Details and nomination forms are available at www.governanceconference.org or by calling 253-272-5844.