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# Community Connections

*Newsletter of Connections for Independent Living*

## 2014 Wine Gala is Friday, March 7!

**17th Annual Gala of Wines**  
**Friday, March 7**  
**6:00 to 9:00 pm**  
**Union Colony Civic Center**  
**Tickets \$40 in advance or**  
**\$45 at the door**

It's time for the Gala of Wines! As our biggest fundraising event of the year, the Gala is an elegant evening of wine, food, silent and live auctions, door prizes, and festive spirit.

To purchase tickets in advance visit Gordon's Discount Liquor Mart (2521 11th Ave, Greeley, CO 80631), Connections for Independent Living, The Union Colony Civic Center (701 10th Ave., Greeley, CO 80631), or visit, [www.galaofwines.weebly.com](http://www.galaofwines.weebly.com), or [ucstars.com](http://ucstars.com). For more information, follow us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/galaofwines](http://www.facebook.com/galaofwines) for event information and tickets. A hearty thanks to our many **sponsors**

listed to the right!

### **Announcing this year's Matt Schuman Memorial Award Recipient:**

We are pleased to announce that this year's Matt Schuman Memorial Award recipient is the High Plains Library District. The library has partnered with Connections in setting up a bookmobile station and tech lab in our building. Library tech and outreach staff has provided outstanding tech support, tutoring, outreach, and other service. Special thanks to Rosa Grana-do, Amii Harmon, and Julie Warth!

Each year, the Matt Schuman Award for Disability Access & Community Inclusion is presented to a local business or member of the community that makes particular efforts to help people with disabilities live more independent and self-sufficient lives.

## 2014 Wine Gala Sponsors

### **Event Sponsors:**

Gordon's Discount Liquor Mart  
K99 Radio  
The Greeley Tribune  
Kenny's Steakhouse

### **Cash Sponsors:**

\$2000 Gold: Noble Energy  
\$1000 Silver: Growling Bear Company, Phelps-Tointon, Baessler Homes  
\$600 Bronze: Kathy Schwartz; Farmers Bank; First Farm Bank; Reliable Field Services; Kennedy Dental; Ruesch, Biddle, Larson & Ratliff; Flood & Peterson; Danielson, Inc.; PASCO; The Buzz Coffee Shop

### **Food and Drink Sponsors:**

Crabtree Brewing Company, MouCo Cheese Company, Santeramos, Wing Shack, Chipotle, Taste of Philly, The Tavern at St. Michael's Square, The Rio Grande, Moody's American Grill, Greeley Chophouse, High Hops Brewery, The Buzz Coffee Shop

## IPad Classes at Connections

Connections is partnering with the High Plains Library District to run a series of iPad classes for people with disabilities. If you are interested, call Lynda at Connections and let her know which classes you would be interested in and what days you are available. We will hold several types of classes as listed below. Stay tuned for iPad classes for people with limited motor skills.

- iPads for beginners
- iPads for intermediate users
- iPads used with the zoom accessibility feature
- iPads used with Voiceover



# New Website for Interpreting Services

Connections now has a website exclusively devoted to our interpreting service, which covers the states of Colorado and Wyoming.

Visit us at [www.connectionsinterpreting.org](http://www.connectionsinterpreting.org) to learn about our services or to request an interpreter.

You can also follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/sarah.burnett.58323?fref=ts>.

Please help us spread the word about our new addresses!

We have included a coupon in this issue to encourage people to use our interpreters for your

communication needs. Call us at (970) 352-8682 for more information.



**\*NOTE:** Mention our newsletter in March 2014 and receive a 10% discount on interpreting services.

Must be used by March 31.

**10% off your  
Interpreting Session**

*One-time use*

*Valid with new requests only*

*\*Must use by March 31, 2014*

**SERVICES FOR  
PEOPLE WHO ARE  
DEAF OR HARD  
OF HEARING**



We are pleased to announce that our independent living services are now more accessible than ever!

Our Deaf Services Coordinator, Sarah Burnett, provides independent living services in sign language. Call her today to make an appointment!



Connections for Independent Living

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