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the power to make
the season bright.

Enjoy Your Holiday Season

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...Season of giving

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college scholarships to members of the public as well as union members, their children and grandchildren. Unions step forward with donations and volunteer labor for historic monuments and memorials, including in recent years: a memorial to Oregon workers killed on the job, restoration of the only still-working World War Two PT boat, and a Chehalis, Washington, monument to girls killed in an industrial fire in 1911.

• United Food and Commercial Workers Local 555 raises money for leukemia research and college scholarships for members and their families through an annual golf tournament in June organized by the nonprofit HOPE Foundation.

• Since 2010, IBEW Local 280 in Tangent, Oregon, has collected donations in its annual **Spirit of Giving Sheltered Animal Drive** to purchase “Kong” dog toys, rawhide bones, blankets, food, detergent, bleach, and grooming supplies for dogs and cats at the Linn County and Lane County animal shelters. And for years, members of the local have volunteered to light up the **Christmas tree at the State Capitol** in Salem.

• Members of several trades unions have been involved in **Homes for Our Troops**, a nonprofit organization that builds homes for wounded Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans. Union members also can be found volunteering at **Rebuilding Together** (formerly Christmas in April) and **Habitat for Humanity**.

• Teamsters Joint Council No. 37 has held a fundraiser for the **National Kidney Foundation** annually since 1970 — the longest running benefit for the Foundation west of the Mississippi. For one night each year, Joe Edgar Hall in Northeast Portland is turned into a dance hall with live music, food, and beverages. The event raises over \$10,000 each year, in 2008, \$17,000 was collected.

• For the past several years union members have volunteered to teach youngsters how to fish at the annual **Klineline Kids’ Fishing Derby** in Vancouver, Wash. They also contribute generously with cash donations used to buy fishing poles and prizes for the kids.

• Affiliated unions of the Marion, Polk, Yamhill Counties Central Labor Council have sponsored a holiday party for kids in the community for 72 years. The event includes live music, a movie, goody bags for all, and, of course, a visit from Santa Claus.

• Throughout the year Oregon AF-SCME Council 75 and AFSCME Local 328 members employed at Oregon Health & Science University give generously through their time and money to the **Oregon Food Bank**.

More often than not, union members have fun and build camaraderie while they’re helping out the community. For the labor movement, the season of giving never stops.

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