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Winter Gala to Benefit Hospice and Gorge Action Programs

A festive winter gala, to be held on Saturday, January 28 at the Best Western Hood River Inn, will benefit Hospice of the Gorge and Washington Gorge Action Programs.

The gala, sponsored by the Rotary Club of White Salmon/Bingen, in partnership with the Soroptimist International of Mt. Adams, features a dessert buffet, music by the popular Portland band Hott Prrsuit, a silent auction, and a no-host bar. Doors open at 7 p.m., dancing starts at 8.

Kathleen O'Connor-McNew, Soroptimist organizer for the event said: "This is the second year we've sponsored the event. It was so popular last year, that we just couldn't resist doing it again."

O'Connor-McNew says that lots of people feel a kind of let-down after the holidays. She explains: "A gala like this, that benefits worthwhile causes, gives people a great excuse to get out and have some fun. It's really just a great big party, and anyone can come."

Tickets cost \$18 each, or \$30 per couple. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling Hood River Inn at 541-386-2200, or they can be purchased at the door.

Washington Gorge Action Programs is a non-profit organization that serves a broad range of emergency needs in Klickitat and Skamania counties, including: Family services, emergency shelter, domestic violence, food assistance, and more. Learn more about them at www.ksdc.ws.

Hospice of The Gorge is a non-profit organization that cares for end-of-life needs of patients and their families in seven counties in and near the Columbia River Gorge. Learn more about them at www.hospiceofthegorge.org.

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