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Upcoming Events

March 5: [Painting with a Purpose](#)

Pasadena, TX

Join the Texas Chapter for a Painting With A Purpose Party!

Cost is \$35 (includes all supplies). 50% of all proceeds benefit CHF to help fund CHD research. Register online [here](#).

March 20: [Paint Night Fundraiser](#)

Aurora, CO

Join the Colorado Chapter for an afternoon of painting at the Paint Cellar in Aurora, CO. A silent auction will also be going on at the event. Children are able to attend and paint as well. Reserve your space [here](#).

April 9: [Trivia Night for Hearts](#)

St. Louis, MO

Join the CHF Missouri Chapter for their annual Trivia Night for Hearts event! Trivia Night is your standard good time, competitive, laugh-out-loud trivia night, with

#CHDStories Podcast Series

Last month, in collaboration with the American Heart Association, CHF participated in a CHD awareness social media campaign, called #CHDStories, during CHD Awareness Week. As part of the campaign, AHA produced a podcast series to bring you real-life CHD stories.

There were four podcasts highlighted throughout the week and three of those were CHF volunteers - Jackie Pecora, Cherise Gunnerson, and Lori Jones! Each of them told their CHD story and explained why spreading CHD awareness and funding research is so important.

Didn't get to listen to the podcasts? You can listen to each of them by clicking on the links: listen to Jackie's story [here](#), Cherise's story [here](#), and Lori's story [here](#).

all the proceeds benefiting CHD research. Get ready for a night of door prizes, silent auction bidding, cash prizes, challenging rounds, and lots and lots of heart. Purchase tickets [here](#).

April 9: [Jacksonville Congenital Heart Walk](#)

Jacksonville, FL

The 2016 Jacksonville Congenital Heart Walk will take place at Arena Plaza at the University of North Florida. For information and to register [click here](#).



[The Children's Heart Foundation](#) (CHF) is the nation's leading organization solely committed to funding Congenital Heart Defect (CHD) research.

CHF's mission is to fund the most promising research to advance the diagnosis, treatment, and prevention of CHDs. Our goal is to bring health, hope, and happiness to children and families impacted by CHDs.

Donate Now!



Oregon's Vinolympics Raises over \$40,000!

The Children's Heart Foundation [Oregon Chapter](#) held its annual Vinolympics event on February 6th. The event was a huge success and raised over \$40,000! Here is a recap of the event, written by the Oregon Chapter's President, Julie Legassick:

"What a great night at Vinolympics! The Children's Heart Foundation Oregon Chapter would like to thank everyone who came for making it such a success! It was a great night with some friendly competition, and some very generous donations to help fund congenital heart defect research.

After fighting through the traffic, we had a lot of fun playing games, especially the new addition this year, the Group Game! Some very tight competition and, of course, the Corkhole Off to end the night. Congratulations to the winners of the games, the winners of the Silent Auction, and those who took home some great bottles of wine from the Cork Pull.

Thanks to Tom and Kiran Morrissey who shared with us what it is like for a family to live with a heart defect. Thanks to our sponsors, Regence BlueCross BlueShield of Oregon, Basalite, and the BP Lester and Regina John Foundation for helping make the night such a success!

Thanks to everyone, we made almost \$40,000! We far surpassed our goal, and we are so grateful to all of you. Thank you!!"



Thank You Change My Heart Participants!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Change My Heart last month! People all across the country held Change My Heart (CMH) fundraisers at their schools, local shops & restaurants, their workplaces, and more - all to raise money for CHD research!

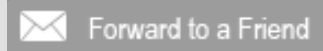
Pictured below is 8-year-old Bronson (center) with 5 other kids in his school who all have CHDs. Bronson organized a school-wide Change My Heart fundraiser at Lititz Area Mennonite School (LAMS). The school raised nearly \$5,000 for CHF! Way to go LAMS!



For more photos of people who have participated in CMH, view our Facebook

album [here](#).

Did you know you can participate in CMH any time throughout the year? For more information about CMH or how to start your fundraiser, email Tina Larson at tlarson@childrensheartfoundation.org.



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