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"We will also have a People's Choice award, so we invite folks to come in through the end of March to vote often for their favorite," Rocci said.

The gallery is at 155 Liberty St. NE, Suite No. 140. For more information, go to www.redraven-gallery.com.

Serving homeless and at-risk populations

It's time for one of the granddaddy of all local community events, the Salem-Keizer Community Connect. The one-day resource fair that connects homeless individuals and those at risk of becoming

homeless in Marion and Polk counties with services is set for Tuesday, March 22. It is a collaboration between the Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency and the Salem Leadership Foundation, with the support of Salem First Baptist Church.

Amy Schroeder, with the MWVCAA, brought volunteer extraordinaire **Arlene Janssens**, to spread the word about what help is needed to make the event a success.

More than 50 providers will volunteer their time to offer dental services, health screenings, pet

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care, bike repair and haircuts. There will also be resources for finding stable housing sources, employment and family services, veteran services and other benefits. Participants in the fair will be offered a free hot breakfast and lunch as well as donated items such as sleeping bags, clothing and toiletries.

To meet this high need, the event requires more than 250 volunteers, and Janssens isn't there yet. The no-experience-necessary crew of volunteers is asked to be available for the 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. fair March 22 and to also attend an orientation Monday, March 21 beginning at 5:30 p.m. The 90-minute orientation will include free pizza.

As always, the group is in need of the items it distributes including: sleeping bags, tents, socks, hats, gloves, tarps, propane, and hand and foot warmers. Business sponsorships, which start at \$250, are available until March 14.

To sign up to volunteer, go to www.mycommunityaction.org. Donations can be dropped at the community action agency, 2475 Center St. NE.