## **SPECIAL THANKS**

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City of Grandview	City of Sunnyside
City of Granger	City of Tieton
City of Harrah	City of Toppenish
City of Mabton	City of Union Gap
City of Moxee	City of Wapato
Town of Naches	City of Yakima
City of Selah	Yakima County
	City of Zillah



### **SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR EXECUTIVE BOARD**

James A. Restucci, Chair, *Mayor, City of Sunnyside* Mike Leita, *Yakima County Commissioner* Maureen Adkison, *City of Yakima City Council* Area 1 — Dan Olson, *Union Gap City Council* Area 2 — Janice Gonzales, *City of Zillah, City Council* Area 3 — Mario Martinez, *Mayor, City of Mabton* Member at Large, John Hodkinson, Jr., Vice Chair



HARMAN CENTER 101 N 65th Ave, Yakima, WA 98908

# **50<sup>™</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**



6:30 PM – SOCIAL HALF-HOUR 7:00 PM – DINNER - \$25.00 7:30 PM – PROGRAM

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE**

Any partnership that has endured for 50 years is worthy of recognition. Kudos to you - our YVCOG members, Executive Committee, and staff, both past and present- for your work to improve our Valley and our quality of life. Hats off to all of you. YVCOG was, is, and will always remain a member-created, member-sustained, and member-driven organization.

#### **CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS / ROLL CALL**

**PUBLIC COMMENT POLICY** – It is the policy of the YVCOG General Membership to accept public comment on agenda items at the time the item is being discussed. Public comments regarding items not on the agenda will be heard at the end of the meeting.

#### **WELCOMING REMARKS**

by Jim Restucci, Yakima Valley Conference of Governments Chair

#### **DINNER BY YAKIMA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

Carved Prime Rib with Au Jus, Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Winter Salad with a variety baby kale, baby spinach, mixed greens, candied walnuts, feta cheese and pomegranate lightly tossed in a balsamic vinaigrette Roasted Veggies to include fresh butternut squash, carrots and parsnips with café dinner rolls with butter.

#### **REFLECTIONS ON THE LAST 25 YEARS**

Lon Wyrick - Retired, former YVCOG Executive Director Cus Arteaga - Grandview City Manager; 2012 YVCOG's Outstanding Service Award recipient. Don Skone – Retired, former YVCOG Executive Director

#### **SPEAKER: FRED ABOUSLEMAN**

YVCOG's speaker for the evening will be Fred Abousleman, Executive Director at the Oregon Cascades West COG (Council of Governments) and Past Executive Director at NARC (National Association of Regional Councils.) He will be speaking on both of those experiences and the value of COGs and regional thinking.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

Location of January 18, 2017 general membership meeting

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**