



**City Club of Portland**

Good citizens are the riches of a city

## **An Invitation to Join the 2009-2010 Leadership Circle**

The Leadership Circle of the City Club of Portland is a group of members and non-member supporters of City Club who are committed to ensuring that the Club continues to be the leading Oregon institution engaging citizens in public issues. Members of the Leadership Circle invest in the Club's future with contributions of \$1,000 or more per year.

### **Benefits of Leadership Circle Membership**

**Named after Portland's iconic sources of public water and gathering spots for interaction and reflection, each level of the Leadership Circle offers valuable benefits. Choose your level of giving and enjoy the following benefits of being a Leadership Circle member:**

#### ***\$1,000 to \$2,499 – Benson Bubbler***

- A one-year membership in City Club (regular or family) from the time of your contribution
- An invitation to the annual Leadership Circle reception with the Club's Board of Governors
- Recognition in the Club's *Bulletin* and annual report

#### ***\$2,500 to \$4,999 – Salmon Street Springs***

- All benefits of the Benson Bubbler level
- *Plus:* A gift membership for a colleague, friend or family member, gift-wrapped for a special occasion (promotion, birthday, holiday, graduation, etc.)
- *Plus:* Four Friday Forum luncheon tickets to the program(s) of your choice\*

#### ***\$5,000 to \$9,999– Keller Fountain***

- All benefits of the Salmon Street Springs level
- *Plus:* A table for you and nine guests at a Friday Forum luncheon of your choice\*
- *Plus:* Two tickets to a Citizen Salon dinner of your choice during the year of your contribution\*

#### ***\$10,000 and above – Skidmore Fountain***

- All benefits of the Keller Fountain level
- *Plus:* A table for ten students from a school or youth group of your choice at a Friday Forum luncheon of your choice, once each quarter during the year of your contribution

### **Tax Considerations**

- Your contribution to the Leadership Circle is tax deductible at both the federal and state levels.\*
- Your gift to the Leadership Circle qualifies as a gift to the arts, heritage or humanities for purposes of the Oregon Cultural Trust, meaning that a gift to the Oregon Cultural Trust equal to your contribution to the Leadership Circle will qualify you for a credit in that amount against your Oregon income taxes (up to \$500 for individuals and \$1,000 for couples filing jointly).

\*The fair market value for each Friday Forum luncheon ticket is \$16 and for each Citizen Salon dinner ticket is \$41. These amounts are not tax-deductible if the luncheon or dinner benefit is accepted by the contributor.

## **Leadership Circle Membership Is a Sound Investment in our Collective Future**

- City Club has a continuous, 94-year history as a community forum and training ground, enabling Club members and others to engage in public discourse and to develop skills and accumulate experience necessary for effective citizenship.
- City Club's roster of more than 1,300 members represents people from all segments of our regional community and beyond. Contributions to the Leadership Circle help keep the Club's annual membership dues affordable and the organization's membership diverse.
- City Club's member-directed research studies, provocative Friday Forum luncheons and other programs—such as Advocacy & Awareness, New Leaders Council, Agora and Citizen Salons—continue to earn the public's respect and regularly influence public issues in Portland, within the metropolitan area and throughout Oregon.
- An investment in City Club pays rich dividends for Oregon's civic community. As City Club grows, diversifies and strengthens, the body politic of our city, region and state are enriched and our collective future is thereby made more promising.

## **Now Is the Time to Join the Leadership Circle: It's Easy!**

Simply decide which level of Leadership Circle contribution is right for you and choose your payment method. If you have any questions, contact Jennifer Untalan at (503) 228-7231 x104 or [jen@pdxcityclub.org](mailto:jen@pdxcityclub.org).

Yes! I want to join the Leadership Circle at the following level: \_\_\_\_\_.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

- My check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed (payable to "City Club of Portland").
- Please charge my credit card in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Mastercard  Visa  American Express

Card number \_\_\_\_\_

Expiration date \_\_\_\_\_ CVV# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize monthly payments in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be charged automatically until my pledge is fulfilled, beginning \_\_\_\_\_ (month/day/year).

- Benson Bubbler \$ 83.33 per month
- Salmon Street Springs \$208.33 per month
- Keller Fountain \$416.66 per month
- Skidmore Fountain \$833.33 per month

Please charge my credit card monthly (my credit card information is included above.)

I want to set up a monthly withdrawal from my bank account. I have enclosed a voided check.

**Thank you! Your Leadership Circle contribution to City Club's future will ensure that Oregon's premier civic affairs organization will continue to engage our community around the most important issues of today and tomorrow.**

*There can be no patriotism without liberty; no liberty without virtue; no virtue without citizens; create citizens and you will have everything you need. – Jean-Jacques Rousseau*