

# ORP donates silent auction funds to cancer society

On Friday, July 6, Office of River Protection Manager Harry Boston presented a \$2,000 check to the American Cancer Society to support the 2001 Relay for Life.

Each year, nearly 1.3 million Americans are diagnosed with some form of cancer. In fact, cancer will strike one out of every three people during their lifetime. However, 60 percent of Americans diagnosed with cancer today will survive — up from 20 percent in the 1930s. Today's higher survival rates are made possible through cancer research funded by financial contributions and fund-raising events such as the Relay for Life.

The ORP donation was raised by the employees' first annual silent auction. All items auctioned off were donated by employees, and included such items as catered meals, martial arts lessons, stained-glass windows and plane rides.

"We chose to donate to the American Cancer Society to help support the 2001 'Sock it to Cancer' Relay For Life event," said Boston. "This is our way to give back to the community and support the ongoing fight against cancer." Boston presented the check to Paul Viggiano of the American Cancer Society in a formal ceremony at ORP headquarters, 2440 Stevens Center in Richland. ♦