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Chamber of Commerce

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December 2007

Welcome New Members!

Coos Bay Speedway, LLC

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Notes and Potions

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Serenity Therapy Center, LLC

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Correction:

Blackberry Bob's Yard Maintenance, LLC
not Yard Design



Bay Area Chamber of Commerce President's Message



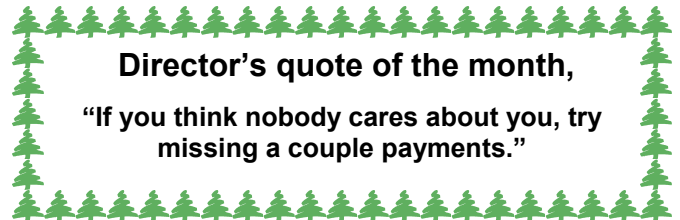
It's hard to believe that my year as president of the Chamber is almost up. I have had a really good time (not too sure if that was the intention) but am now looking forward to handing over the reins to our president elect Ken Croes.

I would like to personally thank the office staff of Timm, Pam, Sarah and Cheryl. Their help this year has been invaluable. It's hard to believe that Timm has been with us such a short time. He seemed to fit in so well that we hardly noticed the transition. Thank you also to Katherine Hoppe who helped me during my first few months.

My thanks also go to my Board who have provided such fantastic support through the year. Our local economy has suffered many setbacks this year but as usual we seem to have weathered the storm and are ready to tackle 2008 head on.

Good luck to all our members – may 2008 be your year.

For the final time, your 2007 president , Jenny Bream



Director's quote of the month,

"If you think nobody cares about you, try missing a couple payments."



Business After Hours
December 12, 2007
Evergreen Court 451
O'Connell
North Bend, OR
5-7pm
Come and enjoy great food,
refreshment and network with your fellow Chamber
members.
SEE YOU THERE!



Don't Miss it!!

The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce,
Southwestern Oregon Community College Business
Development Center & US Bank
Presents

15th Annual Economic Outlook Forum

Featuring: **US Bancorp Economist, John Mitchell**

Friday, December 7, 2007. 6:45 - 11:30am

The Mill Casino - Hotel, North Bend

Please register by 4pm December 5th

Call 266-0868 or E-mail:

sarah@oregonsbayarea.org

Sponsored by:

**Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, Bay Area Hospital,
BiCoastal Media,**

CCD Business Development Corp., CEDCO,

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KDCQ Radio, Lone Rock Timber, Menasha Forest Products,

The Mill Casino/Hotel,

NW Natural Gas, Oregon Employment Dept.,

Oregon First Community Credit Union, Oregon International Port of

Coos Bay, Oregon Pacific Bank, Pacific Power,

Pony Village Mall, Reese Electric Inc, Southwest Oregon Regional

Airport, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Star of Hope,

Sterling Savings Bank, Umpqua Bank, Whitty, Littlefield, McDaniel,

Coos Bay Speedway has been operating in the same location for more than 30 years. Under new management, with over 35 years of racing experience, is going to provide top rated racing in the area.

Coos Bay Speedway has exciting news for the area: They now have a new 1/4 mile clay oval track, they also have 1/8 mile N.H.R.A. drag strip, new motorcross track and the mud drags.

The tracks are fronted by a grandstand area which comfortably seats 3,000 racing fans with an over flow area on a grassy hill for another 600 fans.

The racing season starts begins in the middle of March and continues each weekend through late October. Prior to the official racing season they have test and tune days, so drivers can bring out their race cars and make any necessary adjustments before the race season.

For more information about the Coos Bay Speedway call 541-269-2474 or log on to their website at www.coosbayspeedway.us

Oregon Coast Community Action serves Coos & Curry Counties and Western Douglas County. Their programs include; Head Start, CASA, South Coast Food Share, Housing and Emergency Services, Energy Assistance and Reedsport Great Afternoons, & Great Beginnings. Please visit their website at www.orcca.us and be sure to check out their new Lend-A-Hand Electronics Newsletter coming your way soon!



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24 hour info kiosk outside Visitor Center located at
50 Central, Coos Bay, OR
phone: (541) 269-0215 fax: 269-2861
relocation & visitor info
1-800-824-8486

Visitor Center Office Hours

9am-5pm Monday-Friday

Noon - 4pm Saturdays

11am - 3pm Sundays

The Chamber Business Offices are located at
145 Central, Coos Bay OR 97420

phone: (541) 266-0868

www.OregonsBayArea.org

2007 Chamber Officials

President

Jenny Bream, *Brian Bream Screw Machine*

President Elect

Ken Croes, *KCBY TV*

Vice Presidents

Brandy Thompson, *Cardinal Services*

Barry Hayes, *Pony Village Mall*

Immediate Past President

Chris Christoffer, *Sterling Savings Bank*

Secretary

Lucinda DiNovo, *The Mill Casino/Hotel*

Treasurer

Sherry Yarbrough, *Umpqua Bank*

Directors

Bonnie Barron, *Bay Area Hospital*

Mel Campbell, *Campbell's Vacation Apts.*

Johanna Dillard, *Coastal Paper & Supply*

Eric Farm, *Menasha*

Hank Hickox, *Bandon Dunes*

Jim Hough, *Hough, MacAdam, & Wartnick*

Joanie Johnson, *Sincerely Yours Antique Mall*

Matt LeDoux, *Fishermen's Wharf*

Dick Leshley, *Yellow Cab Taxi*

Mark Mattecheck, *North Bend Lanes*

Joy McCarthy

Crystal Shoji, *Shoji Panning & Development*

Renee Middleton, *US Bank*

Sam Roth, *Century 21, Best Reality*

Bay Area Ambassadors President, Deryl Beebe

Ex Officio

Chuck Freeman, *City of Coos Bay*

Jan Willis, *City of North Bend*

Judith Hansen, *Southwestern OR Community College*

Community At-Large Directors

Martin Callery, *Oregon International Port of CB*

Ron Opitz, *South Coast Development Council*

Rob Schab, *Coos Bay/North Bend Water Board*

Angela Jacobson, *Pacific Power*

Theresa Haga, *CCD Business Development Corp*

Staff

Timm Slater, *Executive Director*

Pam Cottrell, *Office Manager/Leadership Coos*

Cheryl Crockett, *Visitor Services Coordinator*

Sarah Baker, *Membership Services Coordinator*

John Whitty, *Legal Advisor*

Visitor Center Volunteers

Jay Anderson, Mariam Angel, Carol Armacost, Linda

Berney, Connie Boddie, Diane Bunch, Owen Crockett,

Connie Davis, Kathy Fisher, George Gebhardt,

Dorothy Irvin, Margaret Johnson, Bob Kerr, Sharon

Larcom, Jean Lindholm, Bob & Dorothy Miller, Harold

Ramer, Dan Randall, Mary Reilly, Carol Ann Seven,

Martha Springer, Janice Webb, Charlie Weeks.

Thank You Renewing Members

Bay Area Rotary Club (2 year member)
Bay Breeze Vacation Home (9 year member)
Boat Basin Plaza (6 year member)
Coastal Paper & Supply, Inc (22 year member)
Elrod Avenue Investments (1 year member)
Egyptian Theatre Preservation Assoc. (1 year member)
Faith Lutheran Church (5 year member)
Harbor Lights Animal Hospital (18 year member)
Harmony Homecare (2 year member)
Kozy Kitchen (3 year member)
Lakeshore Lodge (2 year member)
Linfield College (8 year member)
Marshfield Sun Association (5 year member)
Oregon Coast Magazine (1 year member)
Oregon Pacific Bank (8 year member)
Roseburg Forest Products (15 year member)
Waterfront Players (8 year member)
Zyta Construction Co.

Leadership Coos News

November's session featured Business & Industry. Facilitators for the day were Beth Gipson, Jenny Bream, Pam Plummer & Sandy Qualman.

The day began at Brown's Studio. Group photos were taken by Memo Jasso for the annual year book.

The group walked to The Grounds and enjoyed a coffee and pastry for breakfast.

After breakfast the group boarded the bus and headed for Southport Forest Products. Jason Smith and Greg Dickey conducted a tour of the Southport operation.

Following the tour, we traveled to The Mill Casino-Hotel. Lunch was hosted by The Mill, followed by presentations from Ron Optiz, South Coast Development Council; Jeff Bishop, Oregon International Port of Coos Bay; Gary LeTellier, Southwest Oregon Regional Airport; Arlene Soto, Business Development Center; Mike Lehman, Cardinal Services; Ray Doering, The Mill Casino. Ray conducted a tour of The Mill Casino-Hotel, sharing the work in progress of the construction taken place at The Mill.

Next on the agenda was Sause Bros Ocean Towing where Julie Woodman gave a history of the business and Doug Eberlein lead a tour through the tugboat Roughneck.

Save The Date !

*The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce
Annual Awards Banquet*

"Full Sail Ahead"

Saturday January 26, 2008

*The Mill Casino-Hotel Salmon Room
Social hour 6:00 pm - Dinner 7:00 pm*

\$37.00 per person

*Join us for this special evening of fun &
entertainment!*

The Bay Area Ambassador's are looking for sponsors to help fund the Bay Area Ambassadors/Greeter's Convention, being held the weekend of October 2, 2008.

Your convention donation will help promote our area, provide local entertainment, speakers for the entire weekend, Ambassadors Pins, a Bay Area shirt or sweatshirt, for all convention attendees and transportation to many local places of interest. Your dollars will also provide us with the funds needed for lanyards, name tags, banners, printing of mailings, and convention programs of the weekend activities.

The Bay Area Ambassador's would really appreciate being considered in your budget planning.

For more information contact Deryl Beebe 756-8876 cell 297-1296, Patti Denton 266-0355 or Pam Plummer 266-2291.

Special rate for Chamber Members!

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE PROGRAM FOR ESTABLISHED BUSINESSES

Program starts January 23!

Call 756-6866 or e-mail lcapps@socc.edu
for more info!

If you're in business, you need profit. Join a group of established business owners in developing and enhancing your business management skills. Learn from business experts how to increase your profitability through 10 (twice-a-month evening) group sessions combined with individual business advising and group interaction. The training program provides business owners/managers with the opportunity to share approaches to business development that can enhance their business savvy and fine-tune their operations. Special rate given for Chamber members! Contact the Southwestern Business Development Center now to reserve space and for additional information.



Happy Holidays!



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Did You Know!

- We are now accepting donations for our Annual Volunteer Christmas Party to be held on December 6, 2007. If you have something you would like to donate, contact Cheryl Crockett at 541-269-0215.
- We are now accepting nominations for **Business of the Year** and **Citizen of the Year**. If you would like to nominate someone contact Timm timmslater@oregonsbayarea.org or Sarah sarah@oregonsbayarea.org or call 541-266-0868
- After a healthy debate in the 1999 legislature they approved the Pacific golden chanterelle as Oregon's state mushroom. One newspaper said commented "Fungi move faster than fiscal issues in the Capitol".
- Have you wondered what "living wage" is in Oregon? The Northwest Federation of Community Organizations has just completed a study of the issue. Find in on line at www.nwfco.org and click on the 2007 Northwest job gap.
- Oregon has a new identity theft protection law that creates strong standards for businesses to ensure the safety of sensitive data, that took effect on October 1, 2007. For guidance on how to implement it go to the Department of Consumer and Business Services Web site at www.dfcs.oregon.gov/id_theft.html or call Diane Childs at 503-947-7423.
- Don't miss Little Theater on the Bay's Country Christmas Dec 7, 8 & 9. For more information contact LTOB 541-756-4336.
- The North Bend High School Cross Boy's Country Team won the State Championship. Way to go North Bend High School!
- OCCI offers wonderful culinary luncheons as part of their new externship program. Creative and tastefully prepared luncheons delight diners every Friday afternoon from 12:00 to 1:00. The price for the luncheon is \$20 per person. Please call 888-1540 or email her at chefstableocci@socc.edu to make your reservation.