



Your Bay Area Business Connection

25th Anniversary

1980-2005

Chamber of Commerce www.oregonsbayareachamber.com. June 2005

New Member as of May 23, 2005

South Coast Center for Cosmetic Surgery
Charles Hurbis, MD
2695 N 17th Street
Coos Bay, OR 97420
Phone: 266-0900 Fax: 266-0800
Specializing in ear, nose, throat & cosmetic surgery

Yes Virginia, POSITIVITY is a word, if you want it to be!

I received an anonymous post card last week that simply said, *Did You Know—POSITIVITY is not a word.*

True, you won't find POSITIVITY in the dictionary or even on spell check but to say it does not exist would be like saying Negativity does not exist. Negativity has a definition of negative activity. Therefore, POSITIVITY, if it were a word, would be defined as Positive activity. What a concept!!

Unfortunately it is difficult for some to embrace new thoughts and feelings. It can be challenging to look forward with hope. It is sometimes easier to accept the status quo than to try on something new.

The Good News is that POSTIVITY has taken hold in Oregon's Bay Area. We are booming with excitement and attracting lots of positive attention from outside the area too.

So whether or not POSTIVITY is a REAL word hardly matters, it's the thought that counts. If you want POSITIVITY to grow in our beautiful Bay Area, all you have to do is want it! Then share your POSTIVITIY with everyone you know and pretty soon Webster's will be picking it up and we will all know where it came from.

IN POSITIVTY, Shirley Liberante

June is jumping out all over! We've had May flowers, summer is here and company is coming. When our company gets here most of them will visit and shop in our many small businesses run by the owner. The federal government defines small business as any business that has 500 employees or less. I remember being so very excited when I was able to hire my SECOND employee.



The small business that I am familiar with does not have an HR department, an IT department, an Accounting department or a Maintenance department. Most often all of these are rolled into one person that shows up early, stays late and works week-ends.

This person is the self-employed-owner/operator. To paraphrase Churchill: "Self-Employment is the worst form of employment but for all the others."

To all the people that get up early, stay late, work week-ends, provide jobs and provide the goods and services that add richness to our lives I say THANK YOU. See you in the funny papers.

Your President, *Dick Leshley*



Business After Hours
Wednesday
June 29th

Oregon Satellite Home Entertainment Center
810 South Broadway, Coos Bay
From 5-7 pm,
Enjoy great food & refreshments & network with your fellow Chamber members.



Bay Area Chamber Members,
cut out this coupon & bring it
With you to enjoy an
Open House at
Pony Village Cinema 11
June 22, 2005
Starting at 5:30 p.m.

Come & experience the new Cinema 11 Theaters for yourself. Bring your family to enjoy the Movie of your choice, popcorn & soft drinks all compliments of
Coming Attractions Theatres

Shirley's Quote of the Month

"Mistakes are the Portals of Discovery"
James Joyce



Company is Coming!

On July 23rd at approximately 6:30 pm the Coastal Express will arrive in Coos Bay on a vintage passenger train carrying 500 visitors. They will be traveling a route that has not seen passenger rail service since 1953. They will be departing the next morning at 8:00 am. We hope to give them a hardy welcome to the Bay Area. Anyone wishing to volunteer to help welcome them please call the Chamber at 266-0868 or email liberant@uci.net. Check out their website for yourself at www.railsnw.com. What an awesome opportunity we have.



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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
e-mail: bacc@uci.net

www.oregonsbayareachamber.com

Visitor Center Office Hours

9am-5pm Monday-Friday
10am-4pm Saturdays
Noon - 4pm Sundays

The Chamber Business Offices are located at

145 Central, Coos Bay OR 97420
phone: (541) 266-0868 liberant@uci.net

2005 Chamber Officials

President

Dick Leshley, *Yellow Cab Taxi*

President Elect

Jenny Bream, *Brian Bream Screw Machines*

Vice Presidents

Eileen Ophus, *CCD Business Development Corp.*

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John Pundt, *Bicoastal Media*

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Ex Officio

Scott McClure, *City of Coos Bay*

Jan Willis, *City of North Bend*

Community At-Large Directors

Ron Opitz, *South Coast Development Council*

Martin Callery, *Oregon International Port of CB*

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

Angela Jacobson, *Pacific Power*

Ambassadors Joy McCarthy, *South Coast Business*

Employment Corporation

Staff

Shirley Liberante, *Executive Director*

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Cheryl Crockett, *Visitor Services Coordinator*

Sarah Baker, *Administrative Assistant*

Charlie Weeks, *Information Delivery*

John Whitty, *Legal Advisor*

Visitor Center Volunteers

Jay Anderson, Mariam Angell, Carol Armacost, Doug

Beath, Linda Berney, Connie Boddie, Owen Crockett,

Deloras Durringer, Kathy Fisher, George Gebhardt,

Kay Groth, Marie Hopkins, Marlis Houghton, Dorothy

Irvin, Margaret Johnson, Val & Mel Jones, Bob Kerr,

Sharon Larcom, Jean Lindholm, Verena Matthews,

Bob & Dorothy Miller, Harold Ramer, Zella Reney,

Dan Randall, Carol Ann Seven, Martha Springer,

Janice Webb, Charlie & Colleen Weeks

Farmer's Market Every Wednesday
until October 26th 9:00am - 3:00pm,
In Downtown Coos Bay on Central
Fruits, Veggies, crafts and much more!



Saturday Crafters Market 9:00am - 4:00pm,
Harbor St. (at the foot of Virginia Avenue) in North
Bend on the Bay Crafts, Food and much more!

**Northwest Community Credit Union Launches
New College Scholarships**

Northwest Community Credit Union has announced the availability of \$10,000 in scholarships for students living and attending school in one of the 12 counties that NWCU serves. The scholarships will be awarded as either \$1,000 scholarships for full-time students or \$500 for part-time students.

While the scholarships are available to all students, NWCU has designed its program especially to aid non-traditional students who may attend community colleges or vocational schools. The scholarships are intended to help those who might not qualify for most scholarships, but meet other criteria including:

Demonstrated service to the community; An Oregon resident for at least two years; A 2.5 GPA (C+) for previous school work; Demonstrated reasonable financial aid needs; A member of Northwest Community Credit Union.

Students who have been displaced from the workforce and are returning to school or students whose GPAs are not at a level that qualifies them for other scholarships are encouraged to apply.

Students may pick up an application at any NWCU branch or download the application by visiting www.nwcu.com/scholarship. Application deadlines are August 1 for fall term and December 1 for winter term. Completed applications may be dropped off at NWCU branches or mailed to:

Northwest Community Credit Union
Attn: Scholarship Committee, Admin.
PO Box 70225
Eugene, OR 97401

Call Krista Hildebrand at 503-248-9468 for more information.



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Did You Know!

- **Spinreel Dune Buggy Rentals** has announced the launching of its new website, www.ridetheoregondunes.com, designed and hosted by Patricia Davidson of PD Designs. Located 9 miles north of the Bay Area, Spinreel offers panoramic views of Oregon's largest riding area and with between 50 and 60 vehicles to rent they can accommodate most any individual or family.
- **The Coos Bay Library**, 525 Anderson Ave., is presenting a summer reading program from June 23 to August 3. Story time Tuesdays 10am in the Children's Dept. for grades 2-6. Story time Wednesdays 10am in the Children's Dept. for Pre school and 1st grade.
- **Patsy Smullin**, President of California Oregon Broadcasting in Medford, Oregon will be honored with the **Prestigious White Rose Award**. This award is presented by Mazama Capital Management. White Rose honorees are selected on the basis of volunteerism, professional excellence, commitment to improving the status of women in the region and contribution to the community as a whole. COBI is the longest continuously owned independent broadcast organization in the western United States.
- **Fishermen's Wharf** in Charleston does not have an **A** in it? We have wrongly been calling it Fisherman's Wharf, Wrong Bay Area. Stop in at **Fishermen's Wharf** in Charleston on the docks and check them out. Or email them at coosbayangel@aol.com. What a wonderful new business this is!
- The June 2005 issue of Sunset Magazine features salad server utensils from our own local business **The Oregon Connection**.
- The **Bureau of Land Management** is beginning a series of special summer events at New River Area of Critical Environmental Concern south of Bandon. "Arrowheads in my Backyard" June 11, "Going Batty" July 1 and "The Land Beneath Our Feet" August 6. See the Chamber's website Community Calendar for details.
- **Oregon Wine Cellars** will offer free **"Nibble & Sips"** for every one over the age 21, every Friday from 5-7pm.
- **Books By The Bay** will be having their *Harry Potter and the Half Blood Prince* celebration on July 15th from 10pm to 12:30am. You don't want to miss this!
- **\$40 a Day** with Rachel Raye will be shown once again on June 4th at 6:30 pm on cable channel 66. Featuring Oregon's Bay Area.