



CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

The Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce promotes economic vitality through advocacy and collaboration with its members and the larger community.



Shauna Neigh
CEO/President

Message from the CEO – Halloween 2020

September in Cottage Grove usually means back to school, end of summer and thoughts of fall festivities. This year has been a learning experience for us all. Everyone has been so isolated that normal activities have become tiresome. This past weekend I was downtown Cottage Grove and the streets were busy. Our ‘new’ Chamber office has seen visitors from all over. Some have plotted Cottage Grove as a centralized meeting spot for friends near and far. I have heard the same story of the need to see and experience something new. A big draw has been our beautiful hiking/biking trails and the Covered Bridges. Cottage Grove continues to get fantastic press with stories of our charming Historic District, the Bike Trail, the Covered Bridges and even the 6th fastest time in America for the ½ marathon. I am so thankful to live in a spot where most come to get away.

Delivering Donations



Shauna Neigh and Danny Solesbee took a trip to the Upper McKenzie Community Center in Blue River to deliver donations for the victims displaced by the fires. Thank you to the community of Cottage Grove and Sunrisers Kiwanis for your contributions. A special thank you to Shane May for his extra effort and help with this project.

Downtown Holiday Tree Lighting - 2020

The Downtown Holiday Tree Lighting is in the planning process. We are working with our partners to plan a safe experience for everyone. We are limited due to the restrictions the State places based on the spread of COVID 19. The health of Santa and our community is very important to us. We are still working through the specifics for the first Saturday, December 5, 2020. Please look for additional information on the Chamber’s beautiful new web page (cgchamber.com). We will post their information as soon as it becomes available. The Chamber is always looking for ideas and/or volunteers. More information coming soon, we hope you will be able to join us for these festivities! Mark your calendars for a magical time.

The greatest gift on Earth! Chamber Gift Certificates.

Purchasing a Chamber Gift Certificate allows your recipient to shop from 28 excellent Chamber businesses to keep and spend our dollars locally. This is more important than ever. For more information call the Chamber office (541-942-2411) or email info@cgchamber.com. Also contact us to add your business to the growing list of participants accepting Chamber Gift Certificates.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We would like to introduce our newest member!



Cardinal Services, Inc.
Oregon family-owned & operated since 1984, they offer a full range of employer services for business owners: customized staffing, payroll & HR; co-employment

options & regulatory compliance support. Represented locally by Angelena Miller
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Get involved with your Chamber!

Tourism Committee: Create new ways to support and promote tourism in Cottage Grove.

Budget Committee: Ensure financial stability of the chamber with sound fiscal leadership.

Ambassadors: Welcome new members to the community. Assist with the Business After Hours & Breakfast Club.

Membership Committee: Actively pursue new members and add value to Chamber membership.

Media Committee: Assist in the creation of the Newsletter, weekly email, social media and create a plan for Chamber promotion using all aspects of media.

Volunteer at the “New” Visitors Center: Assist the visitors with directions, answer phones and provide tourism information

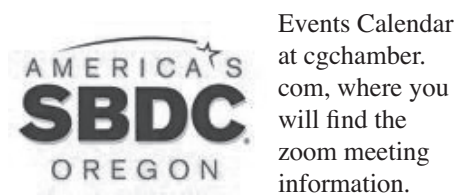
November Breakfast Club

TOPIC: World Class: Building a Robust Small Business Ecosystem
Lane SBDC Director, Robert Killen, will discuss what is necessary for a robust and resilient small business ecosystem and how Lane County can take a leading role in establishing one.

Date: Friday, Nov 13, 2020

Time: 8:00 AM

This event is listed on the Chamber



Events Calendar at cgchamber.com, where you will find the zoom meeting information.

November Business After Hours

Hosted by PeaceHealth

Join our October Virtual Business After Hours and learn how PeaceHealth has responded to the wildfires, their COVID response, and what is new with PeaceHealth and their contributions to the community.

Date: Thursday, Nov 19, 2020

Time: 5:30 PM

This event is listed on the Chamber Events Calendar at cgchamber.com, where you will find the zoom meeting information.



Coming up in December

Stay tuned for our Chamber Membership Madness Event in December. Members will receive 10% off for each ‘new’ member (paid) they recruit, and ‘new’ members get December free!

Special Thanks to our 2020 Enhanced Members

PLATINUM PLUS Cottage Grove Sentinel

GOLD Pacific Power

SILVER Banner Bank City of Cottage Grove Emerald People’s Utility District

Lane Community College - Cottage Grove Center Lane Electric Cooperative Northwest Natural PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center South Lane County Fire and Rescue WalMart Weyerhaeuser

Halloween Contest Winners:



Age group: 0-5, Submitted by Karen Guterrez



Age group: 5-10, Submitted Mandy Hunt



2020 Chamber Board of Directors, Advisors and Staff:

Thank you for your hours upon hours of volunteer time, commitment, and service!

OFFICERS

Chair	Danny Solesbee, 5 Flying Monkeys
Vice Chair	Len Blackstone, Blackstone, Inc. – Windermere Real Estate
Secretary	Ruth Linoz, South Lane Wheels
Treasurer	Gary Manly, Cottage Grove Sentinel
Past Chair	Candace Solesbee, Shampoo Dolls Salon

DIRECTORS

Chrissy Chapman	Covered Bridge Brewing Group
Alyssa Gomez	Sweet Springs Family Farm
Brent Hoover	The Grove Café & Lounge
James Kline	The Espresso Bar’n
Shane May	Emerald Fitness Club
Cameron Reiten	KNND
Dale Smith	Coast Fork Feed Company
Judd Van Gorder	Carousel House B&B & Catering
Tiffanie Williams	PayneWest Insurance

ADVISORS

Richard Meyers	City Manager
Candace Solebee	Cottage Grove City Council
Dr. Yvonne Curtis	South Lane School District
Ryan Gifford	Gifford & Gifford Attorneys at Law
Molly Murai	Main Street Program

Visitor Center Volunteers:

Heidi Abbott, Suzanne Huebner-Sannes, Susan Jeppesen, Judd Van Gorder, Sharon Van Gorder, Penny Westling, Sherry Bricher-Wendt.

Staff:

Shauna Neigh, CEO/President
Georgia Haskell, Office/Membership Manager
Mavis Bradsby, Bookkeeper



Age group: 15+, Ann-Marie Hallwyer



Best Pumpkin, Shelbii Fioravanti



Best Decorated Home: Laura Morales



Best Decorated Car: Kimberly Dahlgren



Age group: 55+, Submitted Annie-Mae Manning

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