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## Welcome New Members!

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## Bay Area Chamber of Commerce President's Message



Back in the day when togas were fashionable, a hand-wringing philosopher named Heraclitus said "Nothing endures but change". Every year about this time, we are reminded of that fact when the former president (thanks to Jenny Bream) of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce exits and the new president (this time it's me) sits down to write his or her first newsletter blurb.

Of course there are other indications of change. Like new shopping developments, expanded casino and hotel structures, newly-minted businesses, a new airport terminal project, new dining establishments, new mall tenants, and new interest in our neighborhood from industries that could bring more family-wage jobs.

We all know that few things change overnight. These manifestations of progress are the result of many dedicated businesspeople, public officials and community leaders working shoulder to shoulder over the past few years to bring positive change.

So here's your invitation to join me, the new and continuing Chamber board members, and our new Executive Director Timm Slater, in rolling the rock of positive change in 2008. How? Volunteer for Chamber committees. Network at Chamber IBO's. Host and attend Chamber Business After-Hours events. Champion progress whenever and wherever you sense opportunity.

Seeing you at the Chamber meetings and events planned for 2008. Come as you are. (Togas optional).

2008 President, Ken Croes

## 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!

## Business After Hours

January 30, 2008

Ocean Ridge Retirement & Assisted Living  
1855 SE Ocean Blvd., Coos Bay

Come enjoy great food and refreshments and network with your fellow Chamber members.

SEE YOU THERE!

## Director's quote of the month,

You give 100 percent in the first half of the game, and if that isn't enough, in the second half you give what's left.



**Thank you to all of the Sponsors who made the 15th Annual Economic Outlook Forum possible!**

**Bandon Dunes Golf Resort, Bay Area Hospital, BiCoastal Media, CCD Business Development Corp., CEDCO, Charter Communications, City of Coos Bay, City of North Bend, Countrywide Home Loans, Hire Calling Staffing Solutions, Hough McAdam, Wartnik, LLC, KCBY-TV, 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, Bodkin LLP, The World Newspaper, Yellow Cab Taxi**

**Leigh Anne Jasheway-Bryant**, a stress management and humor expert (also known as the "Accidental Comic") will be presenting a workshop for the South Coast Employer Council on January 17th titled "Don't Get Mad, Get Funny ... Humor as a Tool to Cope With Stress and Change". The seminar will be held at The Red Lion Inn. For more information contact Becky Lunetta, Coordinator for SCEC, at 756-8459 ext 517 or email [southcoast.oec@State.or.us](mailto:southcoast.oec@State.or.us)

**SOUTH COAST ESD FACILITIES COMMITTEE TO BE FORMED**

The South Coast ESD (SCESD) board of directors has authorized the formation of a Facilities Committee for the purpose of examining the long-term use, maintenance and staff requirements for the Coos Bay administrative office and the Gold Beach branch office. This committee will be co-chaired by Dr. George Woodruff, ESD superintendent, and Dan Warrick, coordinator of support services. The public is invited to participate as members of this committee. The goals of the committee are to:

- **Ascertain the current condition of the Coos Bay facility; Develop a long-term maintenance plan for the Coos Bay facility;**
- **Ascertain the current condition of the Gold Beach facility; Determine the current and possible future presence of South Coast ESD in the Curry county portion of the ESD region;**
- **Ascertain the compatibility of current and future ESD programming with staffing limitations, structural conditions and layout of the Gold Beach facility; explore possible repairs, expansion, marketing, disposal, or partnership with local school districts or college operations.**

The review of the Coos Bay and Gold Beach facilities will be scheduled during the month of January. Finalization of a recommendation to the SCESD board of directors shall be completed by the end of March and presented to the SCESD board at the May board meeting. The public's participation in this review is needed. Contact Dan Warrick at 541-266-3955 or [danw@scesd.k12.or.us](mailto:danw@scesd.k12.or.us)



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**Visitor Center Office Hours**  
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11am - 3pm Sundays

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**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**  
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## Thank You Renewing Members

Charleston Community Enhancement Corp  
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Ocean Ridge Retirement & Assisted Living Residence  
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SHAMA House  
State Representative Arnie Roblan  
US Bank  
Waterfall Clinic

The Prefontaine Memorial Committee Members, joined by Senator Joanne Verger, were all smiles at the Marshfield High School Boys Basketball Game. While they were rooting for their home teams, that's not what had these local business people smiling. Scott West, Marshfield High School Alum and Chief Strategy Officer of the Oregon Tourism Commission, dba Travel Oregon, presented a check for \$5,000 to the Prefontaine Memorial Committee during half-time of the Marshfield-North Bend boys varsity basketball game.

The Prefontaine Memorial Committee in partnership with the Coos Bay-North Bend Visitor & Convention Bureau received one of the Commission's 16 Matching Grants awards, and this one marked the first check to be given across the state.

Greg Mulkey, athletic director of Marshfield High School explained to the 1000 people in attendance that this grant would ensure that one of their own, Steve Prefontaine, would continue to be celebrated for his achievements. Scott West presented the \$5000 check to Bob Huggins, Jay Farr, Fran Worthen, Kate and Cap Sharples, of the Prefontaine Memorial Committee, and Senator Joanne Verger.



The Welcome Center Managers and Volunteers from all three centers would like to thank the **BENETTI'S** for a wonderful dinner, **EGYPTIAN THEATER** for a fabulous tour and organ demonstration and all of the wonderful businesses that donated gifts to make the Annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner a huge success. Thank you again Cheryl, Barb and Mel, Bay Area Visitor Information Centers.

## Leadership Coos News

"**Emergency Services & Communications**" was the topic for the December session of Leadership Coos. Facilitators for the month were Dudi Wittwer, Brandy Thompson, Patty Scott & Pam Plummer.

The day began with a trip to the U.S. Coast Guard Air Station where LT Josh Steffen and ASTC Joe Metzler gave a presentation. The group boarded the bus and headed for downtown Coos Bay. First stop was The World Newspaper, where the group was met by Circulation Sales Manager Cindy Rawlings. Publisher Janet Geary welcomed the group and introduced Advertising Director Joanna Reeves, City Editor Elise Hamner and Composition Foreman Andris Jaunzems each gave a presentation followed by a tour of the press room. The group walked to the Hall Building and took a tour of Bi Coastal Media led by Mike O'Brian. Then to the Coos Bay Fire Department where Fire Chief Stan Gibson gave his presentation.

The afternoon session included presentations from Steve Humphrey, Bay Cities Ambulance; Coos County Emergency Manager Glenda Hales; Coos County Sheriff Sergeant Pat Downing; North Bend Police Chief Steve Scibelli; Coos Bay Police Captain Roger Craddock. The afternoon ended with the ever popular Coos Bay K-9 unit, Sgt Chris Chapanar, Officer LaBrousse and Officer Shaffer gave a presentation on their duties as K-9 handlers.

We would like to thank South Coast Hospice for providing the meeting room for the afternoon session, Laidlaw Transit for bus service; The Grounds provided coffee and a wonderful assortment of muffins and bagels for our continental breakfast and cookies and coffee for the afternoon. Lunch was delivered by Abby's Pizza.



## 4-Star Customer Service Awards

The Chamber is looking for nominations from members who have received outstanding customer service from businesses in our Bay Area. All **Chamber Member Businesses** are eligible to win! Awards will be given out each quarter and the winners will receive a framed certificate, showcase in the Chamber monthly newsletter, the Chamber Quarterly in The World newspaper and also on KCBY's new "Business Report" program.

Call the Chamber at 266-0868 or E-mail [Timm Slater](mailto:timmslater@oregonsbayarea.org)

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**Did You Know!**

- **Josh Snoddy** formerly with Hough, MacAdam & Wartnick, LLC has excepted a new position with **Smith Barney**.
- **The first annual Small Business Expo.** will be held January 19-20th, 2008 at the North Bend Community Center from 10 AM to 6 PM both days. Small businesses, entrepreneurs and self-employed business people from all around Coos County will gather to show the community their products and services. Those interested the Small Business Expo. can visit the web site at [www.davidwillhite.com](http://www.davidwillhite.com) <http://www.davidwillhite.com/> or contact David Willhite directly for more information at 541-266-9473.
- The Egyptian Theater will give tours and mini organ concerts upon request. Call RICK at 541-260-1033.
- **Shore Acres—Holiday Lights** was featured in a segment on ABC's Good Morning America, Sunday December 16th
- Ten Rules upon which **Evans Products** business policy (1937) is based: **#10.** Smile, be cheerful and work upon the basis that the fundamental purpose of business is to promote the happiness of human beings.
- This was **Sarah Baker's** last edition of our Chamber Newsletter, as she moves to Vancouver!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

