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November 2007

## Welcome New Members!

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## Bay Area Chamber of Commerce President's Message



As I sit here writing this for the November newsletter I had to pinch myself – not too hard though!!! Has this year gone so far that we are nearly at the end? By the time that this is in print we will have had the Chamber retreat, Halloween will be just a memory and we will be planning our Thanksgiving menus. Hard to grasp. I am thankful that I had the chance to serve the Chamber as president this year. I have had the pleasure of meeting some fantastic people, and as a “regular” at our Wednesday IBO’s have caught up on all the local projects and businesses. Please, if you haven’t been recently, come on down. Volunteering on one of the committees is also an option for you. We have so many to choose from and contrary to local belief the chairs don’t bite. For your convenience the meetings are held either before work or during the lunch hour. Just don’t be a stranger – this is your Chamber.

See you next month, Jenny.



Director's quote of the month,

“Everyone has a photographic memory, So just don't have film.”

Steven Wright

*Happy Thanksgiving!*





**Loon Lake Lodge & RV Resort** offers some of the finest Oregon camping, boating, and fishing in the Oregon Coast area and makes an excellent base camp for deer, elk, and bear hunting! The Lodge & RV Resort is located just minutes from Reedsport, and offers year-round resort lodging in their cabins or motel, or waterfront Oregon camping at their scenic tent or RV park sites will full-hookups, satellite TV and free Wi-fi, all on one mile of lake frontage.

For more information contact Loon Lake Lodge & RV Resort 541-599-2244.

The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce, Ambassador's would like to thank all of the local merchants for their participation in our 2007 Convention, which was held in Eugene. We gave away three huge baskets, two going to Ambassadors in Eugene and one to a member of the Grants Pass group. We also want to thank our local wineries for their generous donations, Sea Mist Winery, Hawks View Winery, Old Bridge Winery, and Old Coyote. We were pleased to serve local seafood from Clausen's Oysters and Seahawk Seafood.

Our hospitality room and basket giveaways were a big success, thanks to all of you.

**Don't miss out on your opportunity to sponsor  
15<sup>th</sup> Annual Economic Outlook Forum**

The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Economic Outlook Forum will be held on Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> this year from 6:45 to 11:30 a.m. at The Mill Casino-Hotel. This well-received event has grown each year and currently attracts more than 240 attendees.

This event happens because of the support of our great sponsors. We are grateful to those who have sponsored this event in the past and hope to add you to our list of sponsors this year.

This event is a joint project of the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce and the Southwestern Oregon Community College Business Development Center. The 2007 Forum will feature U.S. Bancorp Economist John Mitchell and presentations on economic issues of importance to our area. Areas of focus this year will be the Airport District, South Coast Development Council, CEDCO, Bay Area Hospital and the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay plus "Home Grown Successes".

We invite you to join us for this annual event and to be a sponsor.

**Major Sponsor – cost \$300.00**

Listing in the Chamber December & January Newsletters & Chamber Quarterly published by the World

Listing as a sponsor on attendees agenda and registration forms  
Display table if you wish

Opportunity to place promotional material in the registration packet  
Special thank you announcement by emcee

Listings on ads and banners during event

One complimentary breakfast (\$25 value)

For your records, the Bay Area Chamber of Commerce is a 501 © 6 not-for-profit corporation. Our federal tax ID# is 93-0772212

**We hope you will decide to join with us in sponsoring this important regional event.**

For more information call: Timm Slater or Sarah Baker at (541) 266-0868



**The Bay Area Chamber of Commerce**  
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24 hour info kiosk outside Visitor Center located at  
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**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

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**2007 Chamber Officials**

**President**

Jenny Bream, *Brian Bream Screw Machine*

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**The Bay Area Rotary Club and The Mill Casino • Hotel proudly present  
“The 2007 Festival of Trees”**

Show your holiday spirit by benefiting local charities in our community while enjoying the festive holiday mood at the annual Festival of Trees!

The Bay area Rotary Club and The Mill Casino•Hotel have partnered to sponsor the Festival of Trees. We're inviting businesses, organizations, and individuals throughout the community to sponsor and decorate a tree and/or wreath.

All decorated trees and wreaths will be auctioned off in a live auction held on Thursday, December 6. The Mill is providing the trees again this year, so it's more convenient and fun than ever to participate. All you have to do is bring your team and your ornaments to the November 26 tree-trimming party in the Salmon Room, and let the decorating begin! A live auctioneer will personally introduce each tree and encourage bidding, especially on the top prize-winning entries, on Thursday, December 6. All proceeds from your sponsorship and the auction will benefit local charities. 2007 recipients include:

- Shots for Tots • Coddington Place

**Get the Best Seat in the House! Reserve your organization's spot for auction night!**

**\$100 -Table without Tree/Wreath sponsorship**

**\$80 -Table with Tree/Wreath sponsorship**

For more information, call the Festival Coordinator, Cindy Rawlings at 541-269-1222 ext. 289 . Your contribution to the Festival of Trees/Bay Area Rotary Club is tax-deductible as allowed by law.

**Leadership Coos News**

October's focus was on Natural Resources and Agriculture. The morning was spent at the Millicoma Interpretive Center. Meagan Harper, Bureau of Land Management and Jon Souder, Coos Watershed Association each gave a presentation. Tom Rumreich, Department of Fish and Wildlife assisted the group in "fin Clipping" on baby Salmon. Marty Giles, Wavecrest Discoveries lead a hike through the dunes.

Many thanks to each of these people who took the time to share there knowledge of and the passion for the work they do.

Leadership Coos success is due to the wonderful Steering Committee members and businesses who allow then to generously donate their time to make this program work. This year's committee is comprised of: Chair Gayla Oester, US Bank; Co-Chair Jenny Bream, Brian Bream Screw Machines; Coordinator Pam Cottrell, Bay Area Chamber of Commerce; Barbara Bauder; Brandy Thompson, Cardinal Services; Beth Gipson, Farmers Insurance/Gipson Insurance; Rick Keating, Sterling Savings Bank; John Lloyd, Unity by the Bay Church; Shirley MacAdam, Hough, MacAdam & Wartnik, LLC; Donna Nichols, Oregon International Port of Coos Bay; Pam Plummer, Umpqua Bank; Sandy Qualman, Qualman Oyster Farm; Patty Scott, Southwestern Oregon Community College; Dudi Wittwer, Bay Area Hospital

**Business After Hours**

**November 28, 2007**

**5-7pm**

**The Partnership for Economic Development**

145 Central Ave., Coos Bay

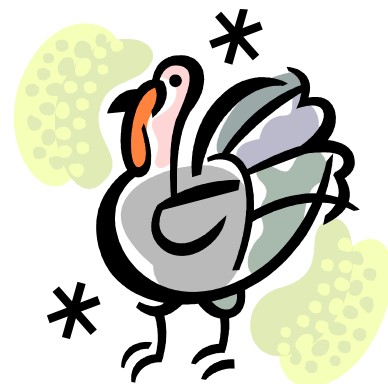
Come and enjoy great food and refreshments and network with your fellow Chamber members

In September, ShoreBank Enterprise Cascadia hired Maggie Kirby to serve as their lead staff in delivering community and economic development programs on the mid-south Oregon Coast. Ms. Kirby will work with coastal communities to provide ShoreBank's consulting and lending products to innovative businesses, non-profits and local governments that are pursuing "triple bottom line" impacts in the region. ShoreBank's triple bottom line approach seeks to create positive economic, ecological, and social benefits through engaging in market-based approaches. Kirby's territory includes the coast from Newport south, including the Bay Area, Florence, Port Orford, Brookings and all points between. For more information contact ShoreBank's Coos Bay office at (541) 266-9945 or visit our website at [www.sbpac.com](http://www.sbpac.com).

**Thank You Renewing Members**

**ADAPT**

- Bay Area Copier company, Inc. (Member since 1997)
- Charlestown Marketplace (Member since 2005)
- Coastal Fitness Center. Inc. (Member since 1995)
- Express Blinds & Beyond, LLC (Member since 2004)
- High Tide Café, LLC (Member since 2000)
- Ken Meserle (Member since 1999)
- Oceanside RV Park Inc. (Member since 1994)
- PatTrance (Member since 2004)
- South Coast Printing & Graphics, Inc. (Member since 1985)
- The Lighthouse School (Member since 2002)
- The Yellow Book



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### Did You Know!

- **Bob Blessinger**, a native of Indiana has been appointed to the position of General Manager for Bandon's Best Western Inn at Face Rock Resort. Bob will be responsible for all aspects of resort operation. For more information call 541-347-9441.
- **Nominations for Business of the Year and Member of the year for 2007 are now being accepted at the Chamber office. To nominate please call 266-0868 or e-mail [timmslater@oregonsbayarea.org](mailto:timmslater@oregonsbayarea.org).**
- **Books by the Bay is proud to present a book signing by Sherri Merritt author of "The Lavender Lady Cooks"** on November 17 at 1pm. Sherri Merritt is the owner of Merritt Lavender Farm in Bandon and known locally as "The Lavender Lady". For more information about "The Lavender Lady", call 541-347-7190.
- The Oregon –Columbia Chapter of the Associated General Contractors is pleased to announce that Reese Electric, Inc of North Bend is the first Specialty Contractor recipient of the chapter's Safety Pride (Program Recognition Dedication and Excellence) status, a recognition program that was developed and implemented in 2006 by the chapter's Safety and Health Council in Partnership with Oregon OSHA. **Way to go Reese Electric!**
- **The 21st Annual Holiday Light at Shore Acres State Park** opens on Thanksgiving day (November 22, 2007) at 4pm. More than a quarter million lights, both holiday and landscaping - dozens of Christmas trees, lighted sculptures, a performance pavilion and the beautifully decorated garden house. Admission is \$3 per car or bus or a current OPRD Annual Parking Permit or Coastal Passport. The friends welcome donations for refreshments and for continuing the event the following year.
- **Sarah Baker our Membership Services Coordinator** will be celebrating her 4th anniversary with the Chamber this month. **Congratulations Sarah!**
- **6th Annual Bus Jam** will be held on December 1, 2007 at both Coos Bay & North Bend Bi-Mart Stores starting at 10am. For more information contact Stephanie Kilmer 269-0935. **"Load the Bus, Fill the Need"**