

CHAMBER LOG Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce Newsletter September 2014

Sutherlin City Council Candidate Forum Wednesday, October 15, 2014

Candidates for City Council met at the Community Center on Wednesday the 15th to share their thoughts and ideas with the citizens of Sutherlin. Audience questions were addressed by each candidate. The Sutherlin Area Chamber was pleased that all candidates and the audience of about 85 persons were able to exchange questions and answers in a clear and respectful manner. With the strong differences of opinion seen in recent city council meetings and through other media this event showed the level of respect everyone has for opposing thoughts and ideas. The chamber does not officially endorse political candidates, but appreciates the involvement of our community in the political process.

"He who cannot change the very fabric of his thought will never be able to change reality, and will never, therefore, make any progress." Anwar Sadat



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Grand Opening day at Pawprints Grooming



City and Chamber officials celebrate the Comstock Connector completion with ribbon cutting

39.2% of Oregon's GDP was made up of Manufacturing in 2013

According to the Commerce Department, Oregon was the third fastest growing state economy in 2013 with manufacturing leading the nation at 39% of Oregon's economy. Oregon's manufacturing output has multiplied 8x since 1997. Manufacturing accounted for \$74 billion of the state's entire economic output. Why? Look at computers and electronics. Intel alone employs about 17,000 people. Unfortunately, that does not equate to jobs as roughly 19,000 people dropped out of the labor sector last year. Productivity is achieved through efficiencies in production like speed of production through automation and robotics.

Basics of Government Contracting

The Government Contract Assistance Program—GCAP is offering a free presentation to those interested in becoming government contractors.

The program will be presented on **October 27, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** at the Umpqua Business Center, 522 SE Washington Ave, Roseburg.

Topics to be addressed include The First Steps to Federal Contracting, Registrations, Federal Codes, Marketing Your Business to Government, FAR (Federal Acquisition Regulation) and Set Asides.

Register on line at: www.gcap.org , under the Basics Class in Roseburg.

call the Umpqua Business Center for more information at 541-440-0995

Security Changes Made at Visitor Center

After months of monitoring the after-hours traffic at the log cabin which now is home to the Sutherlin Visitor Center and the Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce, the Chief of police suggested we install automatic exterior lights and reduce loitering by restricting WiFi connecting to a password access system.

Evidence of drug usage and other vandalism has been reduced since the changes were made. The Chamber and Visitor Center certainly apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Anyone driving by the log cabin after normal business hours who sees suspicious activity is asked to contact the police at 911 to report your concern. Thank you for being a part of making Sutherlin a more livable place to live and work.

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Umpqua Community Health Center joins Chamber

Brenda Lewis, Manager of Umpqua Community Health Center, has expressed a sincere interest in becoming part of the Sutherlin community. With the ability to provide many needed medical services the Health Center is a welcome addition to our city.

"6 Habits of True Strategic Thinkers"

1. Anticipate—Look for game changing information at the periphery.

2. Think Critically— Challenge current beliefs and mindsets.

3. Interpret—Seek patterns in multiple sources of data.

4. Decide—Don't fall prey to "analysis paralysis", take a stand even with incomplete information.

5. Align—Understand what drives other people's agendas, including what remains hidden.

6. Learn—Celebrate both successes and (wellintentioned) failures. These are valuable sources of organizational learning.



Yet another ribbon cutting in Sutherlin. Umpqua Community Health Center assisted by Mayor Cameron celebrates the opening of its office at 123 Ponderosa Drive on August 13th

Grant Funds are Still Available

The Sutherlin Area Chamber of Commerce in its management of the Transient Room Tax (TRT) funds is responsible for receiving funding applications for Sutherlin area tourism related activities.

There are necessary applications available at the Visitor Center at 1310 W. Central. Non profit organizations are urged to contact the Sutherlin Chamber office for more information. Tourism related activities are defined as activities that seek to draw visitors from out of town who will use the hotel facilities and engage in business or tourism related activities in the Sutherlin area.

Upcoming Events and Activities

October 31st	Sutherlin Trick or Treat
November 23rd	Oakland Wine & Antique Walk
November 27-30	Chamber and Visitor Center closed
November 30th	Tree Lighting at the Visitor Center
December 6th	Oakland Tree Lighting & Open House
December 20th	Timber Town Toyland Light Parade
December 25-28	Chamber and Visitor Center closed
December 31– Jan 1	Chamber and Visitor Center closed

"Keep 'Em Warm" Coat & Blanket Drive

The Lady Lioness' of Sutherlin's **"Keep 'Em Warm"** coat and blanket drive will start on Tuesday, October 14th. Donation barrels will be placed at Abbey 's Pizza, Scoop's Ice Cream, Paw Prints, Heavenly Hair & Nails, and American West Bank. The drive will last until November 3. You can donate clean and mended coats, sweaters, sweat shirts, blankets, and any other items to help keep people warm this winter.

Donations are given to Sutherlin High School, East Primary & West Intermediate School, the Community Kitchen, and the Roseburg Veterans Affairs. All items are greatly appreciated. For more information call Jo at 541-459-4522.

Fall Back!!!

Daylight Savings Time ends on November 2nd.



Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour. You wouldn't want to be an hour early would you?

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Contact the chamber for membership information or answers to your questions.

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