

Meet New Business Community Leaders at March 11 Lunch

Tickets for the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce's March 11 membership meeting lunch are on sale now. The chamber's March membership lunch program will give our members the opportunity to welcome and learn about two of Roseburg's newest community leaders. Be there to hear firsthand from Kara Carlisle, president and CEO of The Ford Family Foundation and Russell Woolley, president and CEO of CHI Mercy Health.

If you have a season pass, you already have your seat reserved. Chamber lunches are held at the Douglas County fairgrounds from 11:45 am to 1 pm. The luncheon buffet opens at 11:45. Advanced ticket purchase is required. Online ticket sales only. The deadline to purchase your ticket is noon on March 6. <u>GET YOUR TICKETS HERE.</u>

Chamber's Annual Awards Dinner is March 21

Tickets for the chamber's March 21 annual awards dinner and meeting of the membership are on sale <u>HERE</u>. The annual celebration of our local business community is held at the Douglas County Fairgrounds' Community Conference Hall from 5:45 to 8:15 p.m. Chamber leadership will share the organization's activities for the past year and discuss future priorities. The evening's festivities will include business of the year honors, with the announcement of our 2023 First Citizens highlighting the evening's event.

For Roseburg Area Chamber members and past First Citizens, tickets are \$70/person or \$560 for a table of eight. Tickets for non-RACC members and the general public are \$90/person. Thank you to our generous member-sponsors, title sponsor <u>Cascade Community Credit Union</u> and corporate sponsors <u>Lone Rock Resources</u> and <u>Acrisure NW (formerly Umpqua Insurance Agency)</u>, for supporting the chamber's 2024 annual awards dinner!

2024 Oregon Legislative Session

Oregon's legislative assembly is in session. RACC posts weekly status updates on business bills to watch from the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce and RACC's positions on bills on our <u>"Issues & Positions"</u> page online. The chamber's <u>2023-24 Public Affairs & Legislative Agenda</u> is also available online.

Bills to Watch

HB 4002—Ballot Measure 110 reform.

<u>HB 4005</u>—Makes changes to state law to clarify/expanding the meaning of an individual's performance of services. **OPPOSE**

<u>HB 4050</u>—The Act removes an exception to the state law concerning pay equity requirement. **SUPPORT**

HB 4055—Raises the exemption and filing thresholds for the CAT tax. SUPPORT

<u>HB 4106</u>—Directs establishment of sustainable harvest levels of timber on state forestlands. **SUPPORT**

<u>SB 1515</u>—Proposal to mitigate or eliminate employee "stacking" related to Paid Leave Oregon and OFLA.

<u>SB 1537</u>—Related to accelerated housing production.

<u>SB 1542</u>—Increases threshold to \$5 million for Oregon businesses to pay CAT. **SUPPORT**

<u>SB 1559</u>—Related to greenhouse gas reduction goals. **OPPOSE**

<u>SB 1573</u>—Would allow workers of subcontractors to file suits against general contractors for unpaid wages. **OPPOSE**

<u>SB 1580</u>—Related workers' compensation fraud and imposition of criminal penalties on employers.

... more to come!

The chamber encourages our members to utilize the <u>Oregon Legislative Information System or OLIS</u> for the most current information about and status of proposed legislation during Oregon Legislative session.

Request Shop Chamber & Save Discount Cards

Members of the Roseburg Area Chamber of Commerce have the opportunity to participate in our annual special member-to-member "Shop Chamber & Save Program!" Each year, chamber member businesses offer discounts to fellow chamber members to build rapport in the business community, increase exposure and to grow their business.

See the new list of participating chamber members and their <u>2024 "shop chamber & save"</u> <u>offers</u>. If you have not yet requested discount cards, send an email to <u>assistant@roseburgareachamber.org</u> and request 2024 discount cards for you and your employees. Some restrictions apply. If you are a new Roseburg Chamber member who wants to provide a member-to-member discount, let us know.

Support local businesses and your fellow chamber members and save money! Request your discount cards today!

<u>Chamber E-Newsletter, Calendar and Current News Are Just a</u> <u>Click Away</u>

Miss an issue of *Business Perspectives* or a "Chamber News" member email? Check out past RACCmember communications online <u>HERE</u> and "Current News" <u>HERE</u>. Visit the <u>Chamber Calendar</u> online for chamber programs, events and deadlines. Your best resource for chamber information is on the <u>Roseburg Area Chamber website!</u>

Have a great week!

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