



## **Meet New Community Leaders at March Membership Meeting**

Tickets for the Roseburg Area Chamber's March 11 2024 membership meeting lunch go on sale Monday, February 5. The chamber's March membership lunch will give our members the opportunity to meet 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 at the table. 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. [GET YOUR TICKETS HERE.](#)

## **Annual Awards Dinner & Celebration of Business is March 21**

Tickets for the chamber's March 21 annual awards dinner and meeting of the membership go on sale this Friday, February 9 [HERE](#). 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.

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 [Cascade Community Credit Union](#) and corporate sponsors [Lone Rock Resources](#) and [Acrisure NW \(formerly Umpqua Insurance Agency\)](#), for supporting the chamber's 2024 annual awards dinner!

## **2024 Oregon Legislative Session**

**REMINDER:** The Oregon Legislative Assembly convenes for the "short" 2024 session on Monday, February 5. The RACC will monitor legislation impacting business and weigh in when appropriate. Please watch for "Call to Action" emails and add your voice to other businesses and organizations around the state, to help ensure Oregon's business voice is heard. The chamber's [2023-24 Public Affairs & Legislative Agenda](#) is available online. RACC will post weekly status updates, on bills to watch, from the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce on our ["Issues & Positions"](#) page online.

### **Important 2024 Legislative Dates**

January 12: Filing deadline with Secretary of the Senate or House Clerk for 2024 bill introductions  
January 31: 280 bills for the 2024 session were dropped  
February 5: The Oregon Legislature convenes for the first day of the 2024 legislative session  
February 7: Revenue forecast is released  
March 10: Constitutional Sine Die/last possible legislative day

### **Bills to Watch (Initial Review)**

[HB 4002](#)—Ballot Measure 110 reform.

[HB 4005](#)—Makes changes to state law to clarify/expanding the meaning of an individual's performance of services.

[HB 4050](#)—The Act removes an exception to the state law concerning pay equity requirement.

[HB 4055](#)—Raises the exemption and filing thresholds for the CAT tax.

[SB 1515](#)—Proposal to mitigate or eliminate employee "stacking" related to Paid Leave Oregon and OFLA.

[SB 1537](#)—Related to accelerated housing production

[SB 1559](#)—Related to greenhouse gas reduction goals.

[SB 1573](#)—Would allow workers of subcontractors to file suits against general contractors for unpaid wages.

[SB 1580](#)—Related workers’ compensation fraud and imposition of criminal penalties on employers.

... more to come!

The chamber encourages our members to utilize the [Oregon Legislative Information System or OLIS](#) 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 [2024 “shop chamber & save” offers](#). If you have not yet requested discount cards, send an email to [assistant@roseburgareachamber.org](mailto:assistant@roseburgareachamber.org) 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!

## **Chamber E-Newsletter, Calendar and Current News Are Just a Click Away**

Miss an issue of *Business Perspectives* or a “Chamber News” member email? Check out past RACC-member communications online [HERE!](#) Visit the [Chamber Calendar](#) online for chamber programs, events and deadlines. Your best resource for chamber information is on the [Roseburg Area Chamber website!](#)

**Have a great week!**

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