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Greetings!

Happy Labor Day Weekend! We hope this last celebration of summer is safe, fun and relaxing! Don't worry though...fall will not begin until October 2nd this year after our golf tournament! Be sure and register your team by Saturday, Sept. 17th to get early bird pricing!

FU'SION returns September 14th and promises to be better than ever. Building more, stronger and effective business relationships is what Fu'sion is all about. It is far from your typical networking (passing cards) event. It is small group networking that is structured, interactive and fun. Be sure to check it out!

October 1st is the Westside's most unique and fun golf scramble! Information and registration is now up on our website. [Early bird registration ends September 17th](#) so get yours in and take advantage of the discounts. New this year is a discount on all-inclusive betting and gaming packages for foursomes. See details below.

Information continues to become available regarding the Boardman 2010 plan for PGE. Please stay current on the hearings and the potential impacts on our electricity future. Visit 2020Boardman.com for up to date information.

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Building a stronger Beaverton by strengthening of the local economy, promoting community, boosting connections, and speaking out for businesses through advocacy.

Membership in the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce is an investment in your business, in your employees, and in your community.

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This summer the Chamber will be changing our normal hours of operation on Fridays. The doors will be closed at 12pm beginning Friday, June 4th and going through September 3rd. We do not anticipate this creating any problems for our members. Please call if you have questions.

BEAVERTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ENDORSES ONE INCUMBENT AND TWO NEW CANDIDATES IN LOCAL LEGISLATIVE RACES

The Candidate Endorsement Council of the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce turned to two new candidates and one incumbent in three of the six state legislative races that impact the eastern parts of Washington County.

"The Council and many of my fellow Chamber members continue to be concerned about the far-reaching effects of Measures 66 and 67, especially now that we see this taxation of Oregon businesses may only yield half of what was originally predicted," said Lorraine Clarno, President/ CEO of the Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Council endorsed the non-incumbent in two state House races. In House District 27, the Council chose newcomer Republican Dan Lucas over incumbent Democrat Tobias Read, citing Lucas's support of tax reform, and his endeavor to make Oregon employer-friendly again by working to reduce taxes, fees and crippling regulations on businesses.

In House District 28, the Council gave its support to Republican Bill Berg, over Democrat incumbent Jeff Barker. In its endorsement, Berg's specific points of job creation, private-sector growth, fiscal responsibility and accountability were cited.

Running to again represent District 17 in the Oregon Senate, incumbent Democrat Suzanne Bonamici again received the Council's endorsement, with her issue platform of re-enacting Access to Business Capital Act and streamlining the process for small and emerging businesses to obtain loans through the Business Oregon loan funds. The Council also noted she supports Business Energy Tax Credits and incentives such as the Strategic Investment Program.

"The Council and the larger membership of the Chamber believe a longer term approach of tax and finance reform is crucial," said the Council's chair, Scott Burgess, the president and CEO of Rivermark Community Credit Union. "We chose this year to recognize candidates who are dedicated to business development and growth for Beaverton, and for Oregon."

About the Beaverton Area of Chamber of Commerce.....

The Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce promotes a vibrant community and business environment by leading business development and retention, advocating sound public policy

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environment by raising business development and retention, advocating sound public policy and providing strategic member services.

The purpose of the Candidate Endorsement Council is to ensure pro-business candidates are elected to local offices that impact the health and sustainability of the Beaverton business community. The Candidate Endorsement Council, independent of any political party, candidates or organizations, promotes a vibrant business environment by endorsing candidates who support sound public policy that strengthens the business community and the free enterprise system.

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October 1st Chamber Golf Scramble...

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Each year your Chamber puts on the Westside's most unique and fun tournament for players of all experience levels. Theme and betting holes offer entertainment, food, libations and fun on every turn.

Join us OCTOBER 1ST at Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club for business building golf on every tee. Treat your clients and employees to a seriously grand event they will not forget.

Complete details and registration is available on our [website](#). EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION DISCOUNTS END SEPTEMBER 17TH!



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Interactive - Structured - FUN! Small Group Business Building

Date: September 14th, 2010

Time: 4:00 - 5:30pm

Location: Ernesto's Italian Restaurant, 8544 SW Apple Way

Cost: \$15 - members (**REGISTER BY 5PM SEPT. 10TH**), \$25 non-members, late registrants and door walk-ins.

Hors d'oeuvres and no-host bar provided

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Activity Questions for this month:

1. What question do you ask first when meeting a new person in a networking environment?

Example: What solutions do you offer for your clients? What is your professional background?

2. What is your favorite TV show or movie right now and why?

RSVP: Reservations are required. Call 503-644-0123 or online.

[Online registration:](#)

Ambassador's to REPRESENT! :)



The 2009 Ambassadors dancing their way through the streets.

Beaverton's Celebration Parade

We need your Help! And You Don't Even Have to Walk the Parade

Route!

The Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce will be in the parade on September 18th and we will be representing Sustainability, Going Local, and Going Green. We want to show our support for the community and that we are looking ahead for a positive and healthy future. So how do we "Need You"?

We would love to support our members while we are out there parading and we can do this by handing out "Reusable Bags". If any of you would like to donate some of your company's reusable bags we will get them out to folks at the parade. If you do not have any and would like some made, take a look in our directory under advertising for some help.

Contact Sue Balilonis at (503) 481-0826 or [email her](#).

Upcoming Events

Connect with other chamber and community members at these powerful events. See our [full calendar of events](#).

Want to print out the complete month of **September 2010 Calendar** [PDF available here](#).

09.03.10

- 7:45am - 9:30am - **NO Coffee Connection**
Happy Labor Day Weekend!

09.08.10 - 7:45am - 9:00am- **Ambassador Committee**

Join the PR Machine of your Chamber to find out what its like to be a Red Vest!

Chamber, [12655 SW Center St.](#), Conference room

09.09.10 - 7:30am - 8:30am - **Sales Tune Up**

Join a great sales support group for a tune up and learn new tricks for your trade!

Chamber, [12655 SW Center St.](#), Suite 140

09.10.10 - 7:45am - 9:30am - **Coffee Connection**

Kinetic Gymnastics Center, [8785 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy](#)

09.10.10 - 11:30am - 1:00pm - **Just Lunch!**

Applebee's Bar & Grill, [1220 NW 185th Ave](#)

RIBBON CUTTINGS



August 27, 2010

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Keep the County Safe & Provide Access to Information!

Beaverton and Washington County will have the opportunity to renew two vital levies in November.

1) **Public Safety Services Levy:** A renewed levy would provide funds for personnel and services for 5 years. This includes:

- Operation of the county jail and minimizing early release of offenders;
- Providing for enforcement teams, prosecutors, probation and parole officers in the investigation of crimes and prosecution of criminals;
- Monitoring sex offenders
- Supporting emergency shelters for victims of domestic violence (the only shelter in all of Washington County), and the homeless.

Washington County strives to provide for our citizens in crisis and in need. These vital services are critical to our safety, quality of life and local economy. We encourage your YES vote on the Public Safety Services Renewal Levy. Rate remains unchanged at .42cents/ per \$1,000 of assessed value.

2) **Countywide Library Services:** For 34 years, the Washington County Library co-op has provided funding for public library operations, centralized branch support and outreach programs linking residents to their community libraries. In the past 2 years, check-out rates have increased 32% and branch visits have increased 23%. During periods of economic downturn, demands for access to information increase.

The Beaverton Area Chamber of Commerce believes strongly that providing our citizens with information is vital to preserving and growing our community. The current co-op system is cost effective and provides accessibility to vital information. We urge you to vote YES on the Washington County Library Renewal Levy. Rate remains unchanged at .17cents/ \$1,000 of assessed value.

Community News...

Beaverton Named a 2010 "Smarter City" Energy Leader

- Energy efficiency projects, solar power program and renewable energy purchases among factors; Beaverton one of only four small cities in the U.S. named to list -

Beaverton is one of just 22 cities across the U.S., and one of just four with populations under 100,000, named to the Natural Resources Defense Fund's (NRDC) "Smarter City" list of energy leaders.

"We have a supportive and creative administration," said Cindy Tatham, Sustainability Program Coordinator. "We are not afraid to be leaders. If we can demonstrate a sustainability benefit to the community, there is a lot of support on projects."

Projects that propelled Beaverton to the top included several initiatives identified in Mayor Denny Doyle's 10 Point Plan such as making city buildings more energy efficient, offering weatherization loans to residents and a greenhouse gas emissions inventory. In addition, Beaverton has changed traffic signals over to Light-Emitting Diode (LED) technology and, with federal stimulus money, is updating streetlights. Solar Beaverton, a residential pilot solar energy program launched in May, helped raise Beaverton's profile as well, significantly reducing the upfront costs of installing solar power in homes using federal and state tax credits, energy incentives and bulk pricing. Other areas of responsible energy use included Beaverton's highly energy-efficient central plant, community participation in Environmental Protection Agency's Green Power programs as well as a reduction in carbon footprint between 2000 and 2005.

The selection process began with a list of 655 cities with populations greater than 50,000. The list was whittled down to 22 by comparing carbon dioxide emission reductions, home heating and electricity consumption as well as considering factors such as designation as an EPA Green Power Community.

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