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Thank You to Our Outgoing **Board Members**



Jon Kloor Consumers Power, Inc.

We would like to recognize and thank **Jon Kloor** for his 2nd year of service as the Board Chair. Thank you for your leadership and advocacy during these extraordinary times over the past two years.

We would also like to recognize **Sue Creel**, **James Ramseyer** and **Loren Roth** for their service on the Board of Directors. Thank you for being catalysts for business growth and championing the Albany Area community.



Sue Creel First American Title



James Ramseyer Consumers Power, Inc.



Loren Roth Citizens Bank

Welcome to the Chamber!

Patrick Garcia, Membership Development Manager pgarcia@albanychamber.com

I'm very excited to join the Albany Area Chamber of Commerce. I've grown up in the Albany area with 32 years of Sales and Business Development experience. I am an Oregon State University graduate with a degree in Accounting. I am very much looking forward to continuing to help our members grow their businesses.





Your Business and Community Advocate

Welcome to Your New Board Members



John Andersen (Executive Director, Boys & Girls Club)

Volunteer Leadership Roles: Albany Public Schools Foundation, Diversity Advisory Team (Albany Police)

Brief personal history: Born in Escalante City, Negros Occidental, Philippines. Moved to Portland, OR in Dec 1987. Graduated from Central Catholic High School in Portland class of '98. Married to Becky Andersen, she is a 5th grade teacher at Timber Ridge. We have three kids Isaiah (12), Caleb (9), and Adelyn (5). My boys play basketball, soccer, and football. I love coaching their basketball and soccer teams. Adelyn does hip-hop and ballet classes. (I don't coach those). I have been working for a Boys & Girls Club since Sep. 2000. Started with BGC of Albany in Dec. 2014 and officially moved to the area March 2016. Received a BS of Psychology from WSU of Vancouver in 2005. Executive MBA in Non-Profit Management from University of Portland in 2013.

Why the Chamber is Important: The Chamber of Commerce supports, promotes, and protects the interest local businesses while advancing the economic well-being of our community. I strongly believe that in order for a community to be healthy, local businesses have to be successful. This allows opportunity for non-profits to continue to provide programs and services to support the needs and interest of the community.

Grant Cyrus (Senior Distribution Director, Target Distribution Center)

Volunteer Experience: Albany Parks and Rec, United Way, Kiwanis, Oregon State College of Business, Memorial Day Flag placement, Hub City Church, Linn-Benton Food Share and more.

Volunteer Roles: President and Board Member of Every Child Linn-Benton, Board Member of Crux Life, Former President of Sisters Kiwanis Club, United Way Board Member (Woodland), Board Member of Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce, Oregon State University Alumni Association Advisory Council, OSU College of Business Management Advisory Council and OSU Honors College Alumni Leadership Circle.

Brief Personal History: I come from a farming/ranching/development background in Sisters, OR. I graduated from the Oregon State University College of Business and Honors College in 2004 with an Honors B.S. in Business Management. Personally, I have been married to my wife, Danielle, for 20 years and we have three children; Ava, Wyatt, and Charlotte.

Why the Chamber is Important: I am a big believer that a highly engaged, influential Chamber plays a critical role in supporting the growth and development of the local business community. The Albany Chamber has a tremendous reputation for its significant impacts, both locally and State-wide, and I'm thrilled to have the opportunity to join the Board.



Cameron Howell (EVP & CFO, Citizens Bank)

Volunteer Experience: Served in various roles within his church for his entire life. Has been on Board of the Benton Community Foundation for the past four years. Worked with the Oregon Banker's Association for over 10 years.

Volunteer Roles: Treasurer and serves on the Finance and Executive Committees for the Board of the Benton Community Foundation. Serves on the Oregon Banker's Association's Finance Committee.

Brief Personal History: Chief Financial Officer of Citizens Bank and has lived in Oregon since 2010. Has worked in the banking industry for over 20 years. Graduated from the University of Phoenix with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and later earned an MBA from the University of Utah. A Certified Public Accountant licensed in the State of Oregon.

Why the Chamber is Important: The Albany Area Chamber does an excellent job of supporting local businesses. Thriving businesses build, support, and sustain healthy and vibrant communities. He looks forward to working with the Chamber to help ensure Albany remains a community of choice.

Welcome to Your New Board Members



Alex Patterson (Vice President, Rhodes-Warden Insurance Agency)

Volunteer Experience: Past Board Chair for United Way of Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties. Active with The Greater Albany Roatary Club.

Volunteer Roles: Served as Vice Chair for United Way of Linn, Benton and Lincoln counties in 2019-2020 and Board Chair in 2020-2021. Current liason for Rotary Club and the Dolly Parton Imagination Library.

Brief Personal History: Born and raised in Lebanon. Moved to Albany 9 years ago for work. Married to Crystal Patterson, wife of 9 years. Father to Amelia, 6 years old.

Why the Chamber is Important: The Chamber is a great resource for local business. As a small business owner, it is nice to know that there is a great local advocate for us/our industry. Any healthy town has an active chamber and we have been blessed with great chambers in each town we are located in (Albany, Lebanon, Stayton).



Brent Stutzman (Co-Owner, Stutzman Services, Inc.)

Volunteer Experience: Governmental Affairs Committee, local church, Trades 4 Life Belize, Youth Job Fair and various local events.

Volunteer Roles: Trades 4 Life Belize and Governmental Affairs Committee member.

Brief Personal History: I have lived in Albany all my life. I have been in the trades industry (plumbing) since 1995. Happily married since 1998. Ownership in Stutzman Services since 2009. I enjoy golfing, traveling, riding dirt bikes and spending time with family.

Why the Chamber is Important: Business can be a very difficult and a lonely road. Having an advocate like our local Chamber brings business people together in a variety of settings. This creates networking and relationship opportunities that would not otherwise be available.

State News

Statewide Minimum Wage Increased

On July 1, the <u>statewide minimum wage</u> increases one last time as part of Senate Bill 1532 from the 2016 legislative session. This is the last of seven phased increases across the state and brings the statewide minimum wage to \$12.50. Linn and Benton Counties minimum wage increases to \$13.50.



New Heat and Smoke Rules Go into Effect

The <u>new rules</u> require employers to take certain safety measures to protect their employees when temperatures reach 80 degrees. Additional safety measures are added on if the temperature reaches 90 degrees.

July 1, new rules went into effect for employers whose employees are or will be exposed to wildfire smoke. Employers must take certain safety measures when the Air Quality Index (AQI) reaches 101, 251, and 501.



2022 Albany Business Extravaganza & Hiring Event



RESERVE YOUR SPOT FOR ALBANY'S LARGEST BUSINESS EVENT

At the Albany Business Extravaganza & Hiring Event, you will:

- Gain exposure for your business
- Highlight new brands, products, or services
- Develop leads for selling your products or services
- Make new contacts by networking with other business
 professionals
- Reconnect with current customers and clients
- Build relationships and exchange ideas with other exhibitors
- Highlights recruiting for open positions and volunteer efforts
- Gain new business from attendees

Reserve your booth today by contacting Jorden Parrish at jparrish@albanychamber.com or 541-926-1517.

September 21st, 2:00-6:30рм Linn County Fair & Expo Center

Presented by this year's **Premiere Sponsors**:











Directory Opportunities to Promote Your Company

- Verify and update your company information
- Have your company listed in multiple directory categories (\$25 per additional category)
- Include your company's logo in the directory (\$75)
- *NEW* Activate a QR Code in the directory to your company's website (\$75)



Benefits of Expanding Your Organization's Listing:

- Highlight your company's products and services by their respective industries
- Stand out to customers and clients with multiple listings throughout the directory
- Enhance your organization's presence to customers and clients with a prominently placed logo
- In a NEW feature, direct customers and clients to your company's website through a QR Code

Update your information and/or enhance your listing by contacting Justen Noll at jnoll@albanychamber.com or 541-926-1517.

Golden Ticket Winner! Austin Kilgore Provision Home Inspections

Background:

I was born and raised in a small town in Michigan. After I graduated high school, I moved to Colorado. My wife and I decided we wanted a change of scenery and moved to Albany, OR in 2020. We moved to Oregon not knowing anyone and without any family here. The pandemic made our adjustment a little more difficult, but we persevered and started our new life here. Growing up in a bluecollar household helping on side jobs over the weekend, I learned and developed many problem-solving skills and gained knowledge of the construction world. I choose home inspections because I love the construction industry and educating people about their home: how it operates through each season, what to maintain, and how to address any immediate concerns. It has become my passion to help educate home buyers about their largest asset.

Biggest Issue Facing Albany:

I feel that one issue Albany is facing right now is the rate it is growing, where it is growing, and how this will affect the community. Growing and expanding is always good for a town. Albany is a very community orientated town and I feel that members of this community do not want to lose that. Just from being here for 2 years I have seen housing projects being completed, businesses coming into town, and the population growing.

Community Involvement:

I make it to as many Greeters meetings and Chamber events as I can. This has been a great way for me, as a small business owner, to meet other likeminded individuals and entrepreneurs. I help out with Snack Packs at FISH. This program hits home for me growing up in a family that needed a little extra help. I am a member of the Willamette Association of Realtors, and an active member of the Mid-Valley Growth Online chapter in BNI and part of the Leadership Team.



Business Marketing Niche:

As a small business owner, networking is essential for my business growth and success. Provision partners with other inspection specialty companies to provide any service needed for agents and clients such as sewer scopes, radon testing, mold testing, septic inspections, and so much more. I am an InterNACHI CPI (Certified Professional Inspector) and offer the Buy Back Guarantee to all my clients. I am a FAA-Certified Drone Pilot, no roof will go uninspected. I also just built a crawl bot to give me the availability to inspect crawl spaces that would otherwise be not inspectable. This is one more way Provision Home Inspections goes the extra mile to provide our clients with the best inspection possible.



Austin Kilgore

Chamber Member Updates & In The News

New Business Loan Officer at Oregon State Credit Union

Oregon State Credit Union has promoted Eryka Mathews to business loan officer. Mathews was previously a business credit analyst.

Mathews began her career with Oregon State Credit Union in 2018 as a financial services consultant. She transitioned into the Business Services department in 2019. As a business loan officer, she is responsible for developing and maintaining relationships with the credit union's business members, and offering products and services that address the needs of the member's business.







Northwest Community Credit Union First in 2022 Forbes Ranking

NWCU leads Oregon Credit Unions in the annual consumer financial services survey. In their fifth annual ranking of the Best-In-State Banks and Credit Unions, Forbes magazine recognized Northwest Community Credit Union (NWCU) as consumers' first choice in credit union services throughout Oregon.

Eugene-based Northwest Community Credit Union serves more than 107,000 members with locations in Portland, Beaverton, mid-and southern-Willamette Valley, North Bend, and Bend.

Welcome to the Chamber! New Members

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Thank You to Our Milestone Members

25 Years American Bookkeeping & Tax Service

> <u>15 Years</u> OreGro Seeds, Inc.

10 Years Best Western Plus Prairie Inn

> <u>5 Years</u> Saddle Butte Ag, Inc.

Congratulations to Our Golf Tournament Participants & Winners



Ambassador Ribbon Cuttings



Margin Coffee's New Location C June 10th

Creating Pathways Pediatric Therapy June 16th

Healing Motion Physical Therapy June 30th

Summer Things to Do in the **Albany Area**





2022 Linn County Fair

July 14-16th, 2022 at the Linn County Expo Center

Concert Series: July 14th: **Sara Evans** July 15th: **Five for Fighting** July 16th: **Sawyer Brown**



Dear Albany Area Chamber of Commerce,

Thank you so much for the privilege of being awarded the 2022 AACC West Albany Scholarship. I am headed to Phoenix, AZ in the Fall to pursue a business and advertising degree with a minor in psychology. This scholarship will bring me one step closer to being able to focus on my studies more than the financial obligation to the school. I have loved getting to know some of your staff through my time in Albany Chamber Youth Leadership as well as around in the community. Thank you all for everything you do!

Best Wishes, Olivia Manske

Pictured: Kate Fast, Santiam Christian (Left), Olivia Manske, WAHS (Right) Not Pictured: Samantha Rubesh, SAHS (Unable to attend)

2022-2023 Officers and Directors

Board Officers

Chair: Stacie Wyss-Schoenborn (Central Willamette Credit Union)

Immediate Past Chair: Jon Kloor (Consumers Power Inc.)

Chair-Elect: Jennifer Stanaway (Samaritan Albany General Hospital)

Vice Chair: Kristal Dufour (AAsum-Dufour Funeral Home)

Treasurer: Cameron Howell (Citizens Bank)

Board Members

Abel Condrea (Edward Jones), Alex Patterson (Rhodes Warden Insurance), Andy Villeneuve (ATI, Brent Stutzman (Stutzman Services), Brian Dietrich (Parr Lumber), Brian Oare (Oare & Associates Realty), Brice Winney (Stack HIP), Cordell Post (Post Law Firm), Grant Cyrus (Target Distribution, Joe Folds (Oregon Freeze Dry), Joel Kinman (Gerding Builders), John Andersen (Boys & Girls Club of Albany), John Pascone (AMEDC), Lori McKinnon (Coastal), Mike Sykes (Mike's Heating & A/C), Roger Nyquist (Lake Shore Lanes), Sarah Steen (Amerititle)

Committee Chairs

Ambassadors: Janet Steele (President)

Albany Business Extravaganza: Chrystal Hart-Meeker & Arthur Meeker (Xtreme Grafx)

Golf Tournament: Dick Perdue (Retired)

Emerging Leaders: Jorden Parrish (Program and Event Manager)

Finance: Cameron Howell (Citizens Bank)

Governmental Affairs Chair: Jon Kloor (Consumers Power)

Greeters Co-Chairs: Peggy Burris (Albany Historic Carousel and Museum), Mr. G Nassar (G & Jenny Insurance), Sarah Steen (AmeriTitle), Greg Bolton (Landmark Professional)

Women In Business: Janet Steele (President)

Youth Job Fair: Jorden Parrish (Program and Event Manager)

Chamber Staff

Janet Steele - President Jorden Parrish - Program and Event Manager Justen Noll - Office Manager Patrick Garcia - Membership Development Manager



GREETERS **SCHEDULE JULY 2022**

Meet with us for an interactive, small group networking and to learn about a Chamber member. Thursday mornings at 8:15am, members attend for free.

Interested in hosting or have questions? Contact Jorden at 541-926-1517 or email jparrish@albanychamber.com

7th

Annual Greeters Meeting

7101 Supra Dr. SW Albany 14th Lumina Hospice Heritage Mall - Back Parking Lot 21st Wilcox Mortgage Group 28th Samaritan Foundation 705 1st Ave E Albany

Upcoming **Events**

Monday, July 4th	Thursday, July 14th
OFFICE CLOSED	8:15 am Greeters
Thursday, July 7th	Thursday, July 21st
8:15 am Annual Greeters Meeting	8:15 am Greeters
Tuesday, July 12th	Thursday, July 28th
3:30 pm Executive Committee	8:15 am Greeters

Important Dates 2022-2023

Albany Business Extravaganza & Hiring Event September 21st, 2022 at the Linn County Fair & Expo Center

Youth Job Fair

December 13th, 2022 at Linn-Benton Community College

Distinguished Service Awards

March 4th, 2023 at the Boys & Girls Club of Albany

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