

SEPTEMBER 2011

# Chamber Works

## One Month to Great Columbia Crossing 10K

The Great Columbia Crossing began 30 years ago on a cold, wet and blustery day in October of 1982. 1,000 participants signed up to run in the competition. The male winner, Chris Lattig, crossed the finish line after running 45 minutes and 23 seconds in the pouring rain! He was closely followed by the female winner, Mary Russell, who completed the race in 57 minutes and 19 seconds.

During the years in-between we have seen blue skies and some rain on race day, but overall its success can be measured by its increasing popularity.

After 30 years, the Great Columbia Crossing 10k has grown to 3,000 participants! Now, you'll find both runners and walkers taking in the scenic crossing of our beautiful river near the Pacific Ocean.

Share your stories and/or pictures on our website at [GreatColumbiaCrossing.com](http://GreatColumbiaCrossing.com) – just click on “30th Anniversary.”

Make sure you're a part of this year's history – register today at [GreatColumbiaCrossing.com](http://GreatColumbiaCrossing.com) for this year's event on Sunday, October 2nd.

If you received a **complimentary registration**, the registration form is DUE by September 14. Complimentary registration does not include a free t-shirt. Please return the registration form in person or mail to the Astoria Warrenton Chamber of Commerce.



### Member Directory Ends Ad Sales

Thank you to all 97 Chamber member businesses that have purchased display ads in our 2012 Chamber Member Directory and Community Profile! It has been a hugely successful campaign and we are now working diligently on editorial content, photos and other publication requirements. The directory will arrive to the Chamber offices in January.

### Oregon Entrepreneurship Conference

Oregon Microenterprise Network (OMEN) will host the 13th annual Oregon Summit on Entrepreneurship, October 12-13, 2011, at the Governor Hotel in Portland. The Summit will provide training from industry leaders, and opportunities for networking and exploring strategies for future development and partnership for Oregon's most innovative microenterprise and entrepreneurship organizations. To find out more about the program and to register, visit [www.oregon-microbiz.org](http://www.oregon-microbiz.org).

If you are planning to participate this year as a runner or walker, we encourage you to register soon so that you don't miss out on this year's anniversary celebration. The fee to participate is \$35 for adults and \$25 for youth (age 17 and younger). T-shirts feature the new event logo on the front and runners on the sleeve. The shirt may be purchased for an additional \$16. There is **NO REGISTRATION ON RACE DAY** and we anticipate the event will fill up in the weeks prior to the event.

Registration opened on July 1st and 1,300 participants signed up within the first 30 days! We reached the half-way point the second week in August with 1,500 participants (registration capacity is 3000).

The event website is chock-full of valuable information about the event from when and where to pick up registration packets to day of information regarding the shuttle schedule. For more information, go to our website at [www.GreatColumbiaCrossing.com](http://www.GreatColumbiaCrossing.com) or pick up a printed registration form at the Chamber office.

**REMINDER:** The event closes ONE LANE of traffic from about 8:30am until 11:00am on Sunday, October 2nd. Vehicles wishing to cross the Astoria-Megler Bridge during that period may experience 20 minute delays.

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### Chamber Check Trivia!

Answer the following True/False questions correctly, and enter to win a \$10 Chamber Check! Complete the quiz, cut it out of the newsletter (or make a copy) and mail to AWACC, P.O. Box 176, Astoria, OR 97103 or drop by the Chamber office by Sept. 20th. If you have any questions, please call Rose at the Chamber, (503) 325-6311.

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## Director's Corner

### Local Economic Development Reorganization Aligned with Staff Talent

As a result of a staff-driven restructuring of responsibilities to make the best use of staff skills, things will look just a little different for Clatsop Economic Development Resources (CEDR) and its partner program, Clatsop Community College's Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

A proposal developed by Dick Powell, who has held the post of CEDR director since last fall, was the impetus for the shift that puts SBDC director Kevin Leahy into the CEDR director role; he will also stay the course as director of the SBDC. Powell will take over Leahy's duties as business counselor, working one-on-one with small businesses in Clatsop County as well as working on special projects for CEDR as needed. CEDR's board recently approved the internal organizational shift after consultation with CCC.

In a letter to the CEDR board, Powell, who has been Leahy's supervisor said he enjoys a positive working partnership with him, and expressed his belief that Leahy is an "effective communicator," with a "natural inclination and skill for public engagement and presentations."

Powell, who acknowledged he prefers working in the background for CEDR and the SBDC, noted his own strengths. "I am much more effective in one-on-one situations and building long-term relationships," Powell said.

Dr. Stephen Schoonmaker is vice president of instruction for Clatsop Community College, and provides oversight for day to day operations within CEDR/SBDC as part of the college's partnership with CEDR. He applauded Powell for the ability to consider the overall mission of the CEDR/SBDC partnership and that he suggested a way to increase its effectiveness.

"His proposal to put the best resources to each job duty is commendable," Schoonmaker said. "The college assessed the information Dick presented and the CEDR board approved and we think this approach will serve the SBDC and its business clients – as well as maximize the complementary skills Dick and Kevin possess – extremely well."

Skip Hauke, CEDR president, also expressed enthusiasm for the organizational restructuring. "We started CEDR with the director wearing both the SBDC director and CEDR director hats," Hauke said. "The bottom line in business is



*CEDR staff members Kevin Leahy, Mary Fryling and Dick Powell (left to right) pose for a group photo in front of the SBDC/CEDR office in Seaside.*

what's best for the customer. This organizational adjustment will best serve our business customers," he said. And Leahy? "I'm excited and up to the challenge, and very appreciative that Dick, the college and the CEDR board are supportive of my new role."

Clatsop Economic Development Resources (CEDR) is a private organization that provides a variety of economic development services to businesses in Clatsop County. CEDR, in conjunction with CCC's Small Business Development Center, provides entrepreneurs and business owners with resources to improve their businesses.

For more information contact CEDR by calling (503) 338-2402.



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**Chamber Board Nominations**

*A Letter from Executive Director, Skip Hauke*

As provided for in the Bylaws of your Astoria/ Warrenton Chamber of Commerce it is my responsibility, at this time each year, to inform the entire membership of the Board of Director's vacancies which will occur in December of 2011.

Our Bylaws call for the nomination and election of five new Board members each year, with this year's selection starting their three year term in January 2012. While Director's terms are for three years, a member of the Board can be nominated for and be elected to a second term for a total of six years as is the case in two of the five vacancies we will soon have. While the second term is allowed, those wishing to serve this second term must be nominated for and elected to this position like any other nominee.

The Nominating Committee will then present their list of names to the Board of Directors at their October meeting, after which it is my responsibility to notify the membership of those members nominated. With that notification, the membership will also be instructed as to how either they or a fellow member can be added to the list of nominees.

If there are any questions as to the election procedures dictated by our Bylaws, or if you would like to have your name presented to the Nominating Committee, as a possible candidate, please feel free to contact me at (503) 325-6311.

**Standards Changing for Fluorescents**

New federal standards have been enacted that will put an end to the manufacture of T12 lamps and magnetic ballasts by July 2012, making T8 lamps and electronic ballasts the new standard. The newer technology produces better light with less heat, and requires little to no maintenance for up to 20,000 hours of operation. The new standards will help produce continued energy savings and reduce controllable operating costs without compromising lighting quality.

In Oregon, Energy Trust of Oregon, Inc. offers incentives to Pacific Power customers. Businesses that convert now can take advantage of both the new technology and a bonus incentive. At some point the lower efficiency products will no longer be available in the marketplace, affecting supply and demand through 2012. Once T8s are standard practice, financial incentive may no longer be available.

Energy Trust offers incentives from \$10 to \$42 per fixture on upgrades from T12s to T8 lamps with electronic ballasts. For a limited time, a bonus incentive of \$5 per fixture will be added to these standard incentives. Businesses that convert before November 1, 2011, can tap into these additional funds and manage their upgrade on a schedule they control.

For more information, visit [www.energytrust.org](http://www.energytrust.org) or call 1-866-368-7878.

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## Shilo Inn: Member to Member Discount!

Save big bucks through Shilo Inn's member-only discount offer on the Shilo Inn Suites Hotel in Warrenton AND the Shilo Inn Suites Hotel at Portland Airport over this next year! Based on availability.

- Warrenton property: \$59/Oct-Mar Sun - Thurs. only  
\$99 Apr-Sept. Sun - Thurs. only
- PDX property: \$89/night plus 7days free parking.
- PDX property: \$10/day parking only

You must request the Astoria-Warrenton Chamber of Commerce contracted rate by using code: ASCOC when calling or booking online at [shiloinns.com](http://shiloinns.com).

## Scammers Still up to Old Tricks

We received another email from a concerned friend warning of us yet another ingenious scheme to collect personal, financial data from unsuspecting folks like us. This particular one involved someone calling victims pretending to be from the security department of their credit card company equipped with a lot of information like the card number and mailing address. They warn them of suspicious charges on their account which have been flagged and will be credited back to them in the case they did not actually make that purchase. The caller asks the victim to give them their security code from the signature line of the card to indeed verify they are in possession of the card. In this case, it would be a good idea to get the caller's name and credentials, hang up and call the number on the back of your card to verify you are in fact speaking with who you think you are before giving out any details.



Here are some basic tips to avoid scams, provided by [onguardonline.gov](http://onguardonline.gov). This website is worth a review now and then to brush up on your awareness of existing scam techniques.

- Don't send money to someone you don't know.
- Don't respond to messages that ask for your personal or financial information.
- Don't play a foreign lottery.
- Keep in mind that wiring money is like sending cash: once it's gone, you can't get it back.
- Don't agree to deposit a check from someone you don't know and then wire money back.
- Read your bills and monthly statements regularly—on paper and online.
- In the wake of a natural disaster or another crisis, give to established charities rather than one that seems to have sprung up overnight.
- Talk to your doctor before buying health products or signing up for medical treatments.
- When considering an investment, remember that there's no such thing as a sure thing.
- Know where an offer comes from and who you're dealing with.

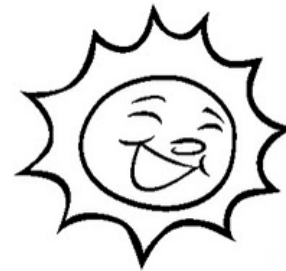
## Business for Sale - Wheelhouse Coffee

Located in the beautiful, waterfront Pier 14 building in downtown Astoria, Wheelhouse Coffee has been family owned for four years. This turn-key, profitable business includes many fine amenities. Asking price is \$116,000, serious inquiries may call (503) 440-5950 for more information.



## A Summertime Note from the Chamber Ambassadors

Summer has finally arrived! With summer, comes warm sunshine and firing up the BBQ with family and friends.



That's what July was like for your Chamber Ambassadors as we hosted the Business After Hours (BAH) Annual Chamber BBQ held AT the Chamber. Approximately 125 chamber members and their families attended this year's BBQ. Mike & Tami Aho from Main St. Market, along with their short-order cook, Chamber Director Skip Hauke (no pun intended) cooked up their WORLD FAMOUS BBQ CHICKEN. Ambassadors provided the delicious salads and delectable cupcakes (purchased from various chamber members) and Fort George Brewery served up their mouthwatering seasonal brew. The highlight of the evening was the \$350 cash pot drawing, won by Brim's Farm and Garden – Congratulations!

The next summer BAH was held at the Wet Dog Café/Astoria Brewing Co. on August 18th where the cash pot started again at \$50. Rounding out our summer BAHs on September 15th is long-time, local community bank, Bank of Astoria AT the Astoria Branch.

The cash pot drawings are based on a full list of Chamber members. You or a representative from your business must be present to win, so please join us at BAHs to add a little sunshine in your pocket!

Enthusiastically,

Jennifer Bennett, Bank of Astoria and Chamber Ambassador



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## Astoria Bicentennial Super Homecoming Event - September 13-18

*The Astoria Bicentennial Celebration continues with a weekend of signature events happening this month:*

**Fur Trade Encampment** Sept. 13-18 at Fort Stevens Historic Area (Daily, 10-5pm, Parking Fee. ): The Fur Trade Encampment will represent a living history reenactment to commemorate the establishment of the first permanent American settlement in the Pacific NW by the Pacific Fur Company in 1811. The encampment will include those interpreting a variety of the diverse peoples involved in the trade, including members of the Northwest Company, the Hudson's Bay Company, French Canadians, Hawaiians, and the Native Americans with whom the trade was carried on over the course of thirty-five years. Demonstrations of fur trading, period crafts and activities will be an important part of the the encampment and will include period music or other entertainment. Volunteers from amongst the encampment participants will give brief historical orientations to visitors arriving at the encampment grounds.

### **Adventure in History Lecture Series with**

**Jane Kirkpatrick** Thursday, Sept 15 at Liberty Theater: Jane Kirkpatrick, author of sixteen books, will tell the incredible story of Madame Marie Dorion, the Iowan Indian women that journeyed with her husband and two children over the Rockies with the overland Astor Party led by Wilson Price Hunt that arrived in Astoria January 1812. This evening's presentation is based on three historical fiction novels on the life of Marie Dorion: *A Name of Her Own*, *Every Fixed Star* and *Hold Tight the Thread*. Evening includes prelude music performed by World Flute Master, Gary Stroutsos, a dessert bar, beverages, lecture and book signing.

**AHS Football Game** Friday, Sept 16 at Warren Field: Many Class Reunions are planning to gather at the game.

**CCHS Historic Homes Tour** Sat., Sept. 17:

Typically held on Regatta weekend, the Historic Homes Tour was postponed this year to coincide with the Super Homecoming weekend. Plans are in the works to include many buildings around Astoria that the public doesn't often get to see, such as the bowling alley at the Elks Lodge, the Armory, and more. (Details to be announced.)

**Astoria Air Show: "Celebrating 100 Years of**

**Naval Aviation"** Sat., Sept. 17 at USCG Air Station, Warrenton: Features include a search and rescue demonstration, aircraft displays and activities for children. (See insert.)

**Coastal Throwdown Disc Golf Tournament** Sat., Sept. 17 at the Lower Columbia Disc Golf Course: See Article on Page 7 for more information.

**AHS & Star of the Sea Alum Dinner and Dance-**

Sat., Sept. 17 at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds

**Judy Collins Concert** Sat., Sept. 17 at 7pm and Sun.,

Sept. 18 at 4pm at the Liberty Theater: Grammy award-winning musician Judy Collins will help ring in Astoria's bicentennial with her unique vocal style at the Liberty Theater, in her only Oregon stop on her nationwide tour. With classics such as her Grammy Hall of Fame rendition of "Both Sides Now," originally performed with Joni Mitchell, and her Broadway-bound ballad "Send in the Clowns," Collins brings more than 50 years of musical legacy to Astoria. The 71-year-old musician is still one of the busiest women in the industry, playing 80 to 100 dates each year while authoring books and creating new American classics. Tickets are available at the Liberty Box Office or through TicketsWest.



## Commercial Fisherman's Festival Promises Informative Fun

The Commercial Fishermen's Festival takes place September 17 & 18 at the Port of Astoria's Tongue Point. The 2-day event will be packed with competitions, demonstrations, fresh seafood, industry information and sales. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for kids 12 and under.

Cheer on the men that risk their lives to bring us seafood as they compete in fun and often grueling competitions. See the "Maverick" and meet other captains and crew made famous on the popular Discovery Channel television series *The Deadliest Catch*. Witness a thrilling Coast Guard helicopter rescue. Here you will see modern and historic commercial fishing boats and equipment worth millions of dollars on display, including traditional Native American canoes. There will be demonstrations of fish filleting, oyster shucking, net mending, crab pot knitting and more. Enjoy live entertainment, great food, craft vendors, and activities for kids. Chefs demonstrating the best way to select and prepare fresh seafood! Roger Wendlick, construction-worker-turned-Lewis-and-Clark-collector, will be interpreting the Corps of Discovery's ties to the fishing industry - the Festival takes place near one of their 1805 campsites.

This is fast becoming Oregon's most popular family fun festival making this an event you won't want to miss. For more information call 503-470-0463, visit [www.commercialfishermensfestival.com](http://www.commercialfishermensfestival.com), or look for the event program at many local distribution points.



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## CHAMBER CALENDAR - SEPTEMBER 2011

- 7 **Chamber Ambassadors Meeting**  
5:30 pm @ El Compadre, Warrenton
- 7 **Chamber Executive Board Meeting**  
1:30 pm @ Chamber "Green Building"
- 8 **Lower Columbia Tourism Committee Meeting**  
8 am @ Chamber "Green Building"
- 15 **Newsletter Articles & Advertisements Due**
- 15 **Chamber Board of Directors Meeting**  
4:00 pm @ Chamber "Green Building"
- 15 **Business After Hours**  
5:30 pm @ Bank of Astoria
- 20 **Newsletter Inserts & Payment Due**
- 27 **Chamber Circle Breakfast**  
8:00 am @ Wet Dog Cafe



### Chamber Circle Breakfast

Date: Tuesday, Sep. 27

Time: Breakfast Buffet

service starts at 7:45am; Program at 8am

Location: Wet Dog Café

Cost: \$7.50 for breakfast, coffee is on the Chamber

Join us for another great networking event that includes information you can use! Jim Entler, Small Business Management instructor at Clatsop Community College will speak. RSVP's would be appreciated to the Chamber, (503) 325-6311.

### Clatsop Republicans Want You!

The Clatsop County Republican Party invites any interested GOP members to join them at an upcoming meeting:  
September 22: 7 - 9pm at Port of Astoria conference room  
October 27: 7 - 9pm at Port of Astoria conference room

### Civic Organizations Meeting Dates

**Astoria Branch AAUW** — 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues. @ 7pm, Library Flag Room

**Astoria Downtown HDA** — 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. @ 8:30am, Baked Alaska

**Astoria Rotary** — Mondays @ Noon, Elks Club

**Elks** — 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays @ 8pm, Elks Club

**Kiwanis** — 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays @ Noon, Golden Luck

**Lions** — Wednesdays @ 6:30pm, Golden Star

**Moose** — Wednesdays @ 6:30pm, Moose Lodge

**Toastmasters** - 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays @ 6pm, Hotel Elliott

**Warrenton Bus. Assoc.** — 1<sup>st</sup> Tues. @ 6pm, Warrenton City Hall

**Warrenton Rotary** — Wednesdays @ 7am, Doogers

## Welcome New Members

### Coastal Eye Care

formerly North Coast Vision Center  
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### Foxgloves

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[foxgloves@nehalemtnet.net](mailto:foxgloves@nehalemtnet.net)  
A gift shop featuring many handmade items, relocated from Nehalem.

## Business After Hours

Thursday, September 15th

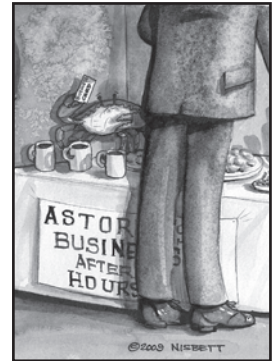
5:30- 7pm

at Bank of Astoria

1122 Duane St., Astoria

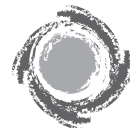
Join the Chamber Ambassadors and the host business for food, beverages and plenty of good company at Business After Hours, typically the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday each month.

Chamber members may invite guests to this fun evening of networking, refreshments and door prizes! Don't forget, you must be present to win the member-only cash pot drawing.



## Chamber Member Orientation

The next member orientation will be held in October. This program is designed to help you take advantage of all your Chamber benefits! New, "old" and prospective members welcome! We are taking this month off as everyone's schedules are so busy this time of year. However, if you would like some help in updating your website listing or have a question about chamber membership, please give Rose or Regina a call at the Chamber office. It would be our pleasure to assist you!



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## Cool Astoria Budget Travel Article This Month

Many of you probably remember the Budget Travel "Coolest Small Town" contest that Astoria was a part of last winter. We knew we came in a close 2nd place (the coolest town west of West Virginia, in fact). The feature is in this month's magazine and posted on the Budget Travel website if you want to check it out. Once again, we'd like to say a big thank you to everyone that supported us with votes and spreading the word!



## Trash Art Exhibit

WOW, a Recology company, would like to encourage and invite anyone who might be interested to attend a very cool Trash Art Exhibit in Portland called the "Pacific NW Art Program." So, what's cool about it? The artists gleaned ALL of the materials they use from the DUMP!

Artists: Mike Suri, Leslie Vigeant, Jen Fuller, William Rihel & Ben Dye

Exhibition: Thursday, September 15, 10 am to 5 pm  
Friday, September 16, 10 am to 8 pm

Reception: Friday, September 16, 6 to 8 pm

Location: Metro Regional Center, 600 NE Grand, Portland

Contact: Amy Wilson, (503) 288-5463

Residents and businesses in the Portland metropolitan area generate about 2.6 million tons of waste each year - the majority of it is sent out of the region to a landfill 150 miles away. Five artists were chosen to help educate the public about excessive waste generation by creating art from discarded materials otherwise destined for the landfill. The exhibition is the public's first opportunity to see the results of seven months of gleaning and creative material adaptation. Please join us at this public exhibition to see how waste is creatively transformed into unique pieces of art.

The Pacific Northwest Art Program (PNAP), a collaboration between Recology, Cracked Pots, Inc. and Metro, seeks to educate the public about recycling and resource conservation while supporting the local art community and diverting material from landfills.

## Celebrate with Open Houses and Grand Openings this Month

### Aaron's Sales and Lease - Saturday, September 10

Aaron's Sales and Lease is opening a new store in Warrenton's Premarq Center at 15 N. Hwy 101 - near Radio Shack and The UPS Store. They invite you to join them for a grand opening on Saturday, September 10, with live music, prizes and more. The Chamber Ambassador's will assist with the ribbon cutting at Noon. Aaron's store phone number is (503) 861-1999.

### Astoria Railroad Preservation Assn. - Sat., Sept. 10

The Astoria Railroad Preservation Assn. will be holding their annual Open House and Free BBQ beginning at Noon on Saturday, September 10th. Stop by to see the progress on the old #21 Steam Locomotive restoration. Food, drinks and great live music will be on tap behind the Portway Tavern with an Old Engine Show of classic and unique motors and engines along Industry Street up to the train shop's blue quonset hut at 446 W. Marine Dr. For more info. please call 503-325-5323.

### Terra Stones - Tuesday, September 13

Terra Stones is the new, combined storefront for one of Astoria's favorite gift shops, Terra Tones and their sister store, Bronze Koi Beads. The new shop will be located where Bronze Koi is currently at 951 Commercial St. The Ambassador's will be assisting with an open house on Tuesday, September 13, from 5:30-7:30pm. The new store will keep TerraTones' phone number of (503) 325-5548.

### Providence Heart Clinic North Coast - Fri., Sept. 23

Please join Providence Heart Clinic North Coast with cardiologist Dr. Robert R. Morse, D.O. in celebrating the opening of our new heart clinic in Astoria on Friday, September 23 from 3-5:30pm. The Clinic is located at 1355 Exchange Street. The Blessing program begins at 3pm followed by the official ribbon cutting, assisted by the Chamber Ambassadors. Tour the clinic, meet Dr. Morse and staff, and enjoy refreshments. RSVP to [Paulette.McCoy@providence.org](mailto:Paulette.McCoy@providence.org) or (503)717-7644.

## Chamber Ambassadors are Here to Help

Should you find yourself wanting to have an open house, ribbon cutting or grand opening, the Chamber Ambassadors Committee would love to assist you with the event. Equipped with knowledge from helping at dozens of networking and business



recognition events each year, the Ambassadors can aid you as you plan the event. And, of course, they can be on-hand during the event to ensure it runs smoothly. The Ambassadors can provide the 3-foot long scissors and ribbon for a cutting, too! This service is provided free to Chamber Members, call Rose at the Chamber to inquire, 325-6311.

## 2011 Board of Directors

(year shown is term expiration)

### Officers:

President - Cindi Johnston	2011
Bank of Astoria	
Secretary - Mac Burns	2011
Clatsop Co. Historical Society	
Treasurer - Lon Mathis	2012
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President Elect - Jeff Parker	2013
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### Members at Large:

Dan Arnoth	2012
Individual	
Dan Bartlett	2011
Individual	
Mark Gagnon	2013
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Chris Gramson	2012
Wadsworth Electric	
Norma Hernandez	2013
Lower Columbia Hispanic Council	
Sara Meyer	2011
Individual	
Lorrie Radu	2013
P & L Johnson Mechanical	
Jill Storey	2013
Dairy Queen	
Mike Wallis	2012
WWC Business Solutions/Cellar on 10th	
Caroline Wuebben	2012
Holiday Inn Express	

### Advisory Board:

Astoria City Manager - Paul Benoit  
 Warrenton City Manager - Kurt Fritsch  
 Clatsop County Manager - Duane Cole  
 Astoria School Dist. 1C - Craig Hoppes  
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## 2011 Coastal Throwdown

The 9-hole Lower Columbia Disc Golf Course (opened in fall 2010) is situated at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds. The Course winds along the edge of the pasture and wooded areas, offering challenges for skilled players as well as a great opportunity for beginners.

The Course was developed and installed by the 2009-10 Ford Family Foundation Leadership Institute. Local disc golf enthusiasts are forming a club to provide continued maintenance of the course. Their first project is to hold a tournament, complete with refreshments, prizes and give-aways, which will take place on Saturday, September 17, sponsored by Fort George Brewery, Clatsop Power, and Astoria Indoor Gardening. Single play starts at 10am, doubles at 2pm - registration (\$8 for one, \$14 for both events) is required at [www.4discgolf.com](http://www.4discgolf.com). For more information or to sponsor a hole at the course, contact Micah Russell at (503) 791-1311.



## PacificNW Brew Cup - Food Bank Benefit

Celebrating its diamond anniversary, the Pacific Northwest Brew Cup will bring more than 30 craft beers to Astoria Sept. 23-25, just east of the Columbia River Maritime Museum. The boardwalk landscape serves as a natural backdrop for the outdoor, Oktoberfest-style festival that will feature live music and local food. Admission is \$7 and includes a souvenir pint glass for the first 1,200 people, and tastes are \$1 for a 4 oz. pour. Root beers and ginger ales will also be available for tasting, making this a family friendly event.

The Baked Alaska Restaurant and Fort George Brewery team up to produce this annual event. Proceeds will benefit the Clatsop Community Action Regional Food Bank, a United Way of Clatsop County agency. More information on this event can be found at [www.bakedak.com](http://www.bakedak.com) or [www.fortgeorgebrewery.com](http://www.fortgeorgebrewery.com).

Would you like to volunteer at this event or help sponsor it? Call Jennifer at the Baked Alaska, 325-7414, to learn more about the opportunities available.

## Fall Cruise Ship Visits

Check out the full schedule at the Port's website: [www.portofastoria.com](http://www.portofastoria.com)

Wed. Sept. 7 - Oceania Regatta	12:00-19:00
Sat. Sept. 10 - Regent Seven Seas Navigator	09:00-18:00
Sun. Sept. 25 - Holland America Zuiderdam	12:00-18:00
Mon. Sept. 26 - Norwegian Pearl	09:00-18:00
Mon. Sept. 26 - Norwegian Westerdam	12:00-20:00
Tue. Sept. 27 - Norwegian Star	08:00-17:00



## The Great American Songbook Celebration featuring A Songbird, An Old Bird and A Piano

The Liberty Theater presents this special farewell concert for David Carlson, pianist, with vocalist Susie Godfrey on Sunday, Sept. 11 at 4pm. Tickets at the Box Office.

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