



## EP/UR Chamber board meeting minutes

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Gyuro at 7 a.m. at the Eagle Point Senior Center. Minutes were approved as was the treasurer's report.

A resolution 2012-1 was approved regarding officers to clarify the issue for the bank.

Helen Wolgamott gave a report on flags and said they were not receiving enough burial flags to replace the current ones that are showing age. Kathy Sell said she would check with the EP National Cemetery to see where they order their flags and get price information.

Helen also showed a plaque supporting those who served in Vietnam. The plaque needs to be placed somewhere. A suggestion was on the wall at Ashpole. Helen said she has written to the V.A. to see if they would like it.

Helen also noted the Eagle Point Grange wants to participate in 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday events with an Open Mic event. Participation by donation. No start date was confirmed but it was thought it might begin with Vintage Fair which starts 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday on May 12, the day before Mother's Day.

As of Feb. 15, Ann Grossman reported 39 renewals had been received. She has billed 73. Kathy Sell said he believed there are currently 83 paid members.

Cascade Pool was approved as a new member.

Bob Russell asked if the Chamber was contacting new businesses.

Kathy S. reported the Positively Eagle Point banner, paid for by the city and used at the burial of the time capsule, will hang across Main St.



**The EP/UR Chamber helped Eagle Cove Assisted Living celebrate its remodel and grand re-open. L-r. Brian Hermann, Sam VanMeter, Bob Russell, Richard Gyuro.**

Ann said she would be responsible for sending thank you notes to speakers.

Bob R. said Saturday Market may not be weekly in the future, but he is hoping they can reorganize and at least participate on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays. He announced Grange Co-Op wants to be a Vintage Fair sponsor. There was discussion on how to utilize the offer. Ads promoting Vintage Fair sponsored by Grange, a banner, or perhaps music sponsored by Grange, or even a dunk tank sponsored by Grange was mentioned.

Richard G. said he would be in contact with Dave Hussell about opening of Harnish.

Chamber by-law revisions were discussed. Several revisions were suggested. They will be prepared for insertion in the April newsletter and sent via email. The membership will vote on them at the April meeting.

Bob R. said the Medford Chamber re-branding announcement will be made at the Mill on Mar. 1 at 11:30. It is hoped many Chamber members will be in attendance

This Newsletter is being sent via email and regular mail. Members are asked to voice their preference. In the future, the newsletter will be sent according to member preference so please let the chamber know. Call the chamber phone at 826-6945 or respond via email to [urindependent@charter.net](mailto:urindependent@charter.net)

Tami Meerten, president of the Shady Cove Chamber, sent word that their group would like to work with Eagle Point to do a combined brochure. Mike Frey said he wants to tie in all forms of advertising.

Someone asked if there was interest in a 9-11 parade. No further discussion on the topic at the Feb. Board meeting.

The board approved a \$100 emergency fund that can be used without board approval. Receipts must be submitted.

Bob R. and Janet S. are doing a letter asking for support for the annual flower basket project.

The meeting lasted until about 8:45 because of the details regarding the revised by-laws.

# Upcoming events

Hillside Elementary School will have their Open House on Wednesday, Apr. 11 at 3 p.m. Wonder if the Chamber will do a ribbon cutting? Little Butte School will extend Spring break by two days, to provide time for materials and whatever equipment will be taken from Little Butte to be moved. Therefore, Little Butte will be closed on Friday, Mar. 23 and Monday, Apr. 2.

The Chamber of Commerce will host a Candidate's Fair on Monday, April 30 at 7 p.m. at Ashpole Center.

Given that we are the EP/UR Chamber of Commerce, and that our Upper Rogue territory includes White City to Butte Falls and Prospect, we should have a number of candidates in attendance; they could include candidates for Oregon Senate and House and District Attorney, Circuit Court Judge, County Assessor and County Surveyor, Jackson Co. Commissioner Pos. 2 (C.W. Smith is retiring) and 2<sup>nd</sup> District U.S. Representative.

For information, contact Jonathan Bilden 541-301-4012.

# Council to discuss volunteers at Harnish

Chamber President Richard Gyuro made a presentation to the Eagle Point City Council at its Feb. 28 meeting requesting that Harnish Visitors Center be open extended hours providing it could be hosted by volunteers. This staffing would be in addition to those already hosting for the city.

Richard proposed staffing from Apr. 1 through Oct. 31, 10-5 p.m. He also requested more signage to promote the center.

The council gave the Chamber's proposal show of support. Details will be put together and brought back to council for a formal agreement.

Even without formal approval nine people have indicated they were interesting in volunteering. With approval from the city, Richard said he anticipates the volunteer committee would get more people to assist.



Positively Eagle Point buttons just 50cents at the Upper Rogue Independent. Banners 11x40 inches are \$2.95

# New Administrator contract expected soon

With retirement the end of March for City Administrator Dave Hussell, the search process conducted by the city council and staff for a city administrator has been going on. Eventually candidates were narrowed to three. They were interviewed in an executive session (closed to the public) over a two day period. Following those interviews, another executive session was held, background checks were done, contracts were proposed and exchanged. The final details were expected to be finalized after this Newsletter was finished on Feb. 29. An announcement upon signing of a contract will be made.

City planner Bunny Lincoln also announced her retirement. Her last day was Feb. 29. A reception was held for her at the Ashpole Center on that final day. Bunny has been with the city for 20 years. As previously announced, Mike Upston, from Belleview, Washington, has been hired for that position. He was in town last week to spend time with Bunny and to meet the staff. He begins his employment with the city on Mar. 5.

Applications have been received for the position of City Recorder and Administrative Assistant but as of Feb. 29 no decision has been made on filling that position. Dena Roberts resigned to move back to her home in Virginia. Her last day with the city was Feb. 10.

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# Meeting schedule

Unless otherwise noted, all meetings are held the first Monday at the Ashpole Center, Eagle Point City Hall.

**Mar. 5-** Mike Frey, Paradux Media group, will show the new website.

Marc Bayliss, VP Business Development, PremierWest Bank will speak on fraud prevention, Id theft and the latest scams. PremierWest will sponsor the lunch

**Apr.2-** Vern Thompson, EPPD Chief of Police, will talk about safety. South Valley Bank & Trust will sponsor the lunch.

**May 7-** Hank Rademacher, Country Financial, will speak on retirement for business owners. Edgewater Inn & RV Park will sponsor the lunch.

**June 4-** Glen Finley, Eagle Point & Shady Cove Medical will sponsor the lunch and provide the speaker.

**July 2- Sponsor and speaker is needed.**

**Aug. 6-** Cascade Community Pool

**Sept. 10- Sponsor and speaker is needed.**

**Oct.1-** Brookside Inn & Suites

**Nov. 5- Sponsor and speaker is needed.**

**Dec. 3-** Butte Creek Mill

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# It is petunia basket time, and your help is needed

Letters are in the mail to those who have supported the annual hanging baskets of petunias program in Eagle Point. The cost remains the same as in previous years, \$300 per basket. Last year there were 40 baskets and that is the goal for this year. Baskets hang from May through October.

This is a program promoted by

your Chamber. It has brought many positive comments from local folks as well as those visiting the community.

In order to keep the program going financial support is needed. Bob Russell has spearheaded this program in the past, making many personal calls. His schedule this year does not allocate time for those visits.

Donations may be made in any amount. Of course, sponsorship for one or more baskets will be greatly appreciated. The program depends on donations. Checks should be made to Eagle Point/UR Chamber of Commerce and mailed to P.O. Box 1539, Eagle Point, OR 97524. For more information, contact Bob Russell at 1-503-880-2147.

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