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# Annual dinner a success

The Eagle Point/Upper Rogue Chamber of Commerce held their first ever annual dinner. The dinner was planned to help kick off a new award to be given annually. The award is named after one of our great citizens Helen Wolgamott. The "Helen Wolgamott Volunteer of the Year Award" is designed to honor those great volunteers we have in our community. Eagle Point Mayor, Bob Russell, presented the plaque to Helen. All recipients names will be added to the plaque that will be placed in the Ashpole Center. The first recipient of the award was Nancy Leonard.

Nancy was a long time supporter of the community, she volunteered her time and resources to many different thing. She was always in support of the schools and students. She believed that if you are a part of a community then you should do all can do to support it. To Nancy her community was not just Eagle Point but the whole upper Rogue. Nancy's son, Mike was at the dinner to receive the award presented by Kathy Sell.

The dinner was a great success and special thanks go out to those who put it together. Mike Frey, Steve and Gayle Schenck, for cooking, Carroll Newcomb and her students, for serving, Winnie Earl for decorating and Tisha Oehmen for the slide show, and many other without whom the dinner would not have been so nicely done. Thank You all!



Helen Wolgamott shows off the plaque that will hang in Ashpole Center. The top says Helen Wolgamott Volunteer of the Year Award and the botton will list all recipients. The first one has Nancy Leonard's name on it. EP Mayor Bob Russell presented the plaque to Helen at the Chamber's annual dinner.

### Board meeting minutes

The Eagle Point/Upper Rogue Chamber Board met on Oct. 18.

Richard brought the meeting to order, the minutes from Sept. general meeting were approved. The financial report was given and approved.

The first thing on the agenda was the annual dinner. The dinner brought is \$855.00 and expenses were around \$610.00 the difference will be donated to the Nancy Leonard Scholarship fund.

Anne reported 91 members of which two are new. The Bookmark of Eagle Point and Sjanna's Cakery Kisses, White City.

Richard gave a brief report on Economic Development, saying that the city of Eagle Point is still working on their brochure. They are redoing part of it after meeting with some real estate agents and getting a feeling for what they would look for. Mike presented a list of businesses in the upper Rogue that are members of the Medford Chamber but not ours, he would like to create a better, more professional looking packet to hand out to those members to try to get them to join us. The board members will go out in teams of two to visit those members on Mike's list.

The joint brochure being worked on by Bob Pinnell and Valerie Suave was presented as a rough draft and the entire board thought that Eagle Point was undersold on it and will be asking for some revisions.

Richard presented the Circus, asking if the board would like to move forward with getting more information and dates. The board agreed to this but needs this information before they will make a decision on whether to bring the circus in. If the date is in conflict with the Vintage Faire we will not do the circus.

The Helen Wolgamott Volunteer of the Year plaque will hopefully be placed at City Hall in the Ashpole Center.

Kathy reported on the Santa Shop, she is looking for volunteers and is in need of donations. Items donated need to be new or like new and can be dropped off at the Independent. Items are needed for everyone infants to Grandpas. The shop will be open Dec. 12 – 22, at the Judge Stewart House on Main St., Eagle Point.

The last item on the agenda was the candidate forum, Jonathan will moderate. Oct. 22 7-9 pm. All candidates have been invited and most have responded that they will be there. Coffee and cookies will be served. Setup will be at 6 pm.

The November meeting will be sponsored by Alpacas at Lone Ranch but will still be held at the Ashpole Center. The speaker will be from the Eagle Point Food Bank. Starting in November there will be a donation box for lunch to try and offset the price. December meeting is sponsored by Butte Creek Mill and will be held at the Ashpole Center as well.

#### Business of the month

The EP/UR Chamber is starting a new program is which businesses can have a chance to promote their business for a month. Starting at the November general meeting there will be a jar for you to drop your business card in, if yours is drawn out you will be able to write up something on your business. It can be a profile or you can highlight certain parts of your business or run a special. Whatever you write will then be featured on the website, on facebook and published in next months newsletter.

This is a great way to get some FREE direct advertising for your business. So do not forget to bring a card and put it in the jar.

### Welcome new members

The Eagle Point/Upper Rogue Chamber has several new members. The Bookmark of Eagle Point and Sjanna's Cakery Kisses, White City, Rogue Jet Adventures of White City and Eagle Point Accounting of Eagle Point.

We welcome all these members and ask all of our current members to stop in at their business and welcome them to the Chamber.

Daylight Saving Time ends on Nov. 4. Remember to move your clocks back by one hour on Saturday night when you go to bed.

# Santa Shop needs donations

The 2012 Santa Shop is off to a great start with a wonderful donation from Walmart. As always our goal is to make sure no family in Eagle Point goes without Christmas and your help is needed. We need volunteers to help set up, to help work the store and also to help with shopping. Donations are needed as well. We are looking for new or like new items that can be gifts for anyone from an infant to a grandparent and everyone in between. Items can be dropped off at the Upper Rogue Independent or contact Kathy at urindependent@charter.net.

# PremierWest honors veterans

PremierWest Bank recently sponsored their Community Star Award, an award that honors Veteran's that have given so much to the communities they live in. Two of the three finalists are Upper Rogue residents, Skip Geear and Jerry Zieman. Skip was awarded \$1,500 for first place, the money will go to the charity of their choice. In Skip's honor the money will go to the Wood House Preservation fund. Jerry tied for second place and was awarded \$500 which will go to the Eagle Point Senior Center.

Well done gentlemen, and congratulations. Thanks to PremierWest Bank for their generosity.

### Veteran's Day

Veteran's Day is Nov. 11. There will be a ceremony at the Veteran's Park near the covered bridge in Eagle Point. Everyone is asked to meet at the Ashpole Center at 10:15 am and join many others to walk down Main St. to the park where the official ceremony will take place at 11:00 am. The National Guard Color Guard and the Boy Scouts will be there to carry the flags and the Eagle Point High School Band will be playing patriotic songs.

The EP Senior Center will be serving breakfast 7:30 - 10:30. Vets eat free all others pay \$5.

Come out and show your support for our veterans and enlisted soldiers.

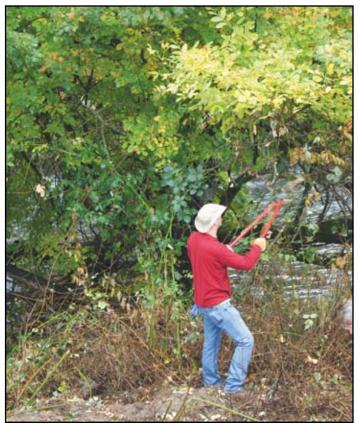
# Day of service in EP

On October 13, volunteers turned out in mass to do cleanup work in the city of Eagle Point. Most of the 75 volunteers were from the LDS Church, men, women, and children came armed with cutters, rakes, shovels, and gloves to work on blackberry removal along the Little Butte Creek. Bob Lyon of Central Valley Excavation and Alan Marshall brought out the big equipment, both came bearing back-hoes. The blackberries did not have a chance against this crew. Members of the city of Eagle Point staff were also working at various locations with the other volunteers.

Some of the work was done at Harnish Wayside but the bulk of it was done between the covered bridge and the Butte Creek Mill. Most of the brush has been removed from that area with hopes of a path being built along the creek so people can view the salmon when they are coming up to spawn. Painting and pruning around the museum were also part of the days work.

Each year LDS church members try to do a service project in the community in which they live. This is the second year they have done great things for the city of Eagle Point. Along with the brush removal they have painted many fire hydrants and will be doing more.

Jared Hill a Bishop with the LDS church encourages other churches and groups to join them in this day of service their community. He has visions of multiple groups working together for a common cause, making Eagle Point a better place to live. If your group would like to become part of this event call Rob Miller at City of Eagle Point 541-826-4212 ext. 105.



Rob Miller, Public Works Director of EP helps to this brush along Little Butte Creek.

# Upcoming events in the Upper Rogue

Election Day is Nov. 6. Please make sure you have voted and dropped off your ballot by then. There is a ballot box located outside of the Eagle Point Library. Remember it is a privilege to vote and one we should not take for granted. Every vote counts, including yours.

Nov. 10 marks the 3rd annual "Gobble til you Wobble" at the Butte Creek Mill. This is a great family event, come see a wonderful Thanksgiving feast prepared in Dutch Ovens the old fashioned way. Tasting is encouraged by all. No charge for wonderful experience, bring the family and friends for a holiday treat.

#### Recycle More & More

- Junk metal
- •Shredded (strips only) paper in paper bag
- •Paper •Boxes (no plastic)
- And commingle
- •Aluminum •Phone books •Tin cans •Plastic bottles #1-7 (no lids)



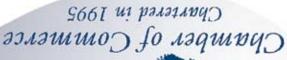
•No photos •No pet food bags •No tissue paper • No yard debris •No plastic •No waxed items

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