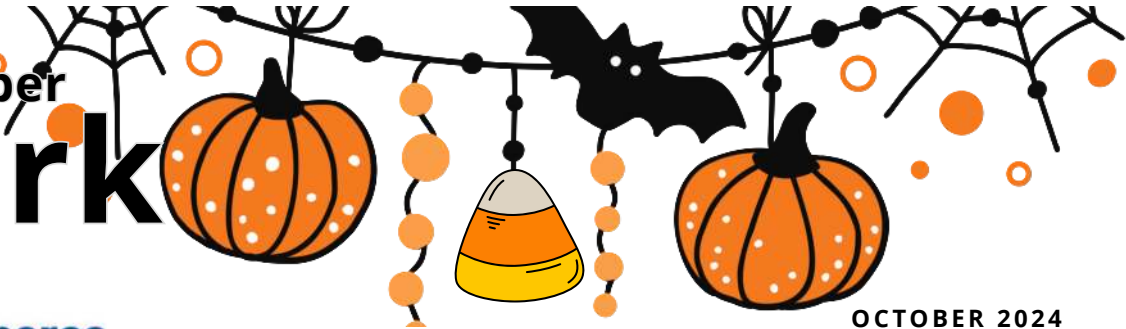


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CHAMBER 101 Please join us for a chance to learn more about what we do and the many opportunities we have available.

Wednesday, October 9th

3:30 PM | Albany Area Chamber Office
435 1st Ave. W, Downtown Albany

[Register By October 4th!](#)

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 Meet the Chamber's leadership team
 Learn how to make the most of your Chamber membership



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to see you again
next year!



UPCOMING EVENTS



October Membership Forum "Samaritan Health Services Update"



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Samaritan Health



Doug Boyson is the president and chief executive officer of Samaritan Health Services, which is an integrated healthcare system that includes five hospitals, over 80 outpatient clinics, two health insurance companies, an inpatient hospice facility, and a captive liability insurance company,

An Iowa native, Mr. Boyson attended University of Northern Iowa where he received a bachelor's degree in business administration. He continued his education at the University of Iowa, graduating with both a master's degree in health administration and a juris doctorate.

Upon graduation, Boyson worked for several years at Von Briesen, Purtell & Roper, a nationally recognized health law firm, as an associate in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He then spent more than five years as assistant general counsel at Legacy Health in Portland, Oregon. Boyson joined Samaritan Health Services in 2006 as vice president and general counsel, and in 2012 he was promoted to vice president, general counsel and human resources. Boyson returned briefly to Wisconsin, spending a year as regional counsel for UnityPoint Health, a large regional health system with more than 30 hospitals and 30,000 employees.

In June 2015, Boyson returned to Samaritan Health Services as executive vice president and chief administrative officer. He became president and CEO of Samaritan Health Services in early 2018.

He has served as a guest lecturer at Oregon State University, Pacific University and Western University of Health Sciences, and as an adjunct faculty member at Oregon State University and Pacific University. Mr. Boyson is a member of the American College of Healthcare Executives, American Health Lawyers Association, and Oregon State Bar Association.

Boyson serves as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Oregon Association of Hospitals and Health Systems. He is also a board member of the West Coast Regional Policy Board of the American Hospital Association, and Citizens Bank.

Save
the
Date

Distinguished Service Awards Banquet
Saturday, March 8, 2025
at the Albany Boys & Girls Club
Nomination Letters Coming Soon

NO ON MEASURE 118

DEFEAT THE **COSTLY** TAX ON SALES

NO ON MEASURE 118



No on Measure 118

New \$6.8 Billion Tax on Sales would be Largest Tax in State History, Hurting Oregon Businesses and Costing Consumers Billions



Things to Know about Measure 118's Deeply Flawed \$6.8 Billion Tax

Opposition to Measure 118 continues to grow as Oregonians learn about the damage this deeply flawed \$6.8 Billion annual tax on the sale of goods and services would do to the state's residents, businesses, economy and public services. Here are some facts to keep in mind:

- *Measure 118 is a tax on sales, not income or profit. This tax on gross sales applies whether a business makes a lot of money, has small margins or even loses money.
- *Prices will go up. There's no such thing as free money. Consumers will pay for this massive tax through higher prices as confirmed by the nonpartisan Legislative Revenue Office.
- *Measure 118 is a "tax on a tax." Unlike a traditional sales tax that happens once at the final sale, Measure 118's tax on sales could apply at every step of the supply chain.
- *Measure 118 makes Oregon businesses less competitive. Out-of-state farmers, manufacturers and others will have an immediate advantage because sales in their state won't apply.
- *There's no guarantee anyone gets their "rebate." Future legislatures could amend this law at any time, use the money for something else, or increase the tax rate.
- *Measure 118 taxes sales on everything—including everyday necessities. There are no product exemptions, so this tax on sales would apply to everything from groceries to gas, and from insurance to medicine.

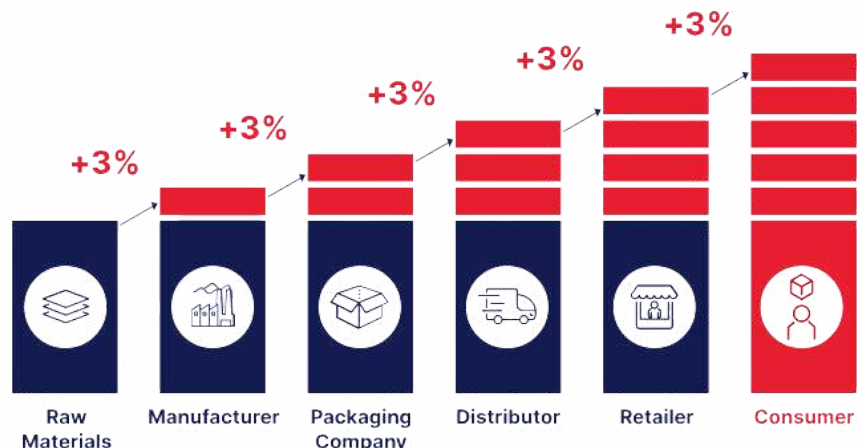
A broad, bipartisan coalition opposes Measure 118. Democrats and Republicans, business organizations and labor unions—the growing list of those who oppose this deeply flawed measure is unprecedented.

MEASURE 118'S DRASTIC "TAX ON A TAX" WOULD MAKE OREGON PRODUCTS MORE EXPENSIVE, MAKE OREGON COMPANIES LESS COMPETITIVE, AND INCREASE PRICES ON OREGON CONSUMERS.

Oregon Measure 118 Is an Aggressive Sales Tax—and Worse
-Jared Walczak, Tax Foundation VP of State Projects

HOW MEASURE 118 WOULD INCREASE CONSUMER PRICES

Measure 118 would add a costly new 3% tax on sales at every step in the production and selling process in Oregon, making it far more costly than a typical sales tax.



Students of the Month



Rebekah Wagner
Santiam Christian



Hannah Patten
South Albany



Brenden Wrigley
West Albany

GOLDEN TICKET WINNER:

Robert Ross Re/Max Integrity



Professional Background: Hello everyone! I'm Robert Ross, and I'm excited to introduce myself as a real estate broker based here in Albany, Oregon. Before starting my journey in real estate, I spent many years in the retail industry, where I honed valuable skills in marketing, business, and customer service. Now, I'm thrilled to apply these skills to my new career, helping clients with all their real estate needs. As a new agent with RE/MAX Integrity, I'm fortunate to be part of a team of experienced professionals who are guiding me as I navigate Albany's real estate market. Their expertise, combined with my passion for learning, allows me to provide personalized service and attention to detail, ensuring that my clients have the best possible experience whether they're buying or selling a home. I'm committed to building strong relationships with clients and industry professionals, and I'm eager to help you achieve your real estate goals. If you're considering buying or selling a home in the Albany area, I'd love to help guide you through the process. Outside of real estate, I enjoy spending time with my family—both of my boys are proudly serving in the United States Air Force. You can also find me hanging out with my standard poodle, Bailey, volunteering in the community, playing golf, and staying up-to-date with the latest in technology.



Biggest Issue Facing Albany: Albany's Infrastructure- Improving Albany, Oregon's infrastructure involves addressing both current needs and future growth, focusing on transportation, sustainability, and technology. Here are a few ideas: Enhance Public Transportation: Expanding and modernizing Albany Transit System routes and schedules would improve accessibility for residents, especially for those without cars. Upgrade Roadways and Traffic Management: Investing in smart traffic systems and maintaining roadways would alleviate congestion, especially during peak hours. Expand Broadband and Technology Access: Ensuring high-speed internet is widely available, including in underserved neighborhoods, would help residents, businesses, and schools. Investing in digital infrastructure can make Albany more competitive in attracting tech-focused businesses.

You and your company's community involvement: At The Integrity Foundation, the mission is to empower and uplift our local community by providing financial support and fostering collaborative partnerships with nonprofit organizations. We are dedicated to making a meaningful impact by strategically investing in projects and initiatives that address critical social, educational, and environmental needs. Together with our network of dedicated donors and community leaders, we strive to create sustainable change and improve the quality of life for those around us. Through integrity, transparency, and compassion, we aim to build a stronger, more vibrant community for all.

Business Marketing Niche: RE/MAX Integrity is known for its comprehensive and effective marketing strategies that empower real estate agents to build successful careers and provide top-notch service to clients. The company leverages a wide array of tools and resources to help agents market properties and attract potential buyers or sellers. My biggest advice for entrepreneurs-just be yourself!



On Sept. 10th Hayden Homes volunteers gathered to repair the West Albany Varsity Baseball Field.

At this fun back-to-school volunteer day, Hayden Homes volunteers overhauled much of the facility and donated \$2,500 towards further repairs as part of the company's Give As You Go™ philosophy. Mayor Alex Johnson II was in attendance to speak about Albany's need for more public-private partnerships.

Members of the 2024 Leadership Albany Class, recently came together to pack snack packs at Fish of Albany. Snack packs are provided to students at GAPS. Thank you Class of 2024!



Washington Street Work Update:

Contractors are constructing street and underground utility improvements on Washington Street from 1st Avenue to Pacific Boulevard. In addition to the street paving on Washington, work will include construction of storm drain repairs, water line replacements, curb ramp replacements, as well as curb and sidewalk repairs. Construction of water line replacements on Calapooia and Ferry Streets will also be included with this project.

The following is a tentative project schedule.

Early September 2024: Water line construction begins on Washington Street from 1st Avenue to Pacific Boulevard and on Calapooia Street from 6th Avenue to Pacific Boulevard.

Winter/Spring 2025: Curb ramp replacements on Washington Street

Late Spring 2025: Paving of asphalt overlay on Washington Street

Summer 2025: Water line construction on Ferry Street from 7th Avenue to Pacific Boulevard while school is out of session during the summer



Update Your Account Info!

We get mail back, quite frequently.



If you need help updating your membership accounts, contact us ASAP & we can help you make the changes.

Welcome to the Chamber, New Members!



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260 Ferry St SW Ste101
Albany OR 97321
(541) 791-7118 [Website](#)



No Baloney Subs & Salads
2250 14th Ave SW Ste D
Albany OR 97322
(541) 760-2473 [Website](#)

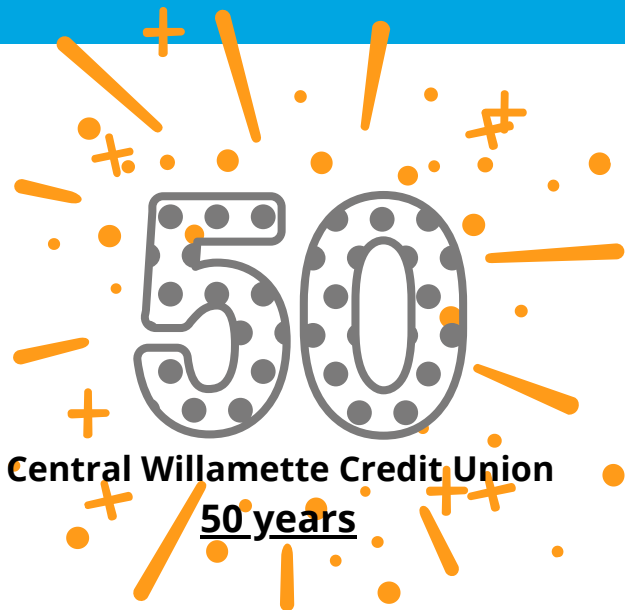


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403 W 1st Ave Ste 2
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Dr. George Dooley, III

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15 years South Pacific Auto Sales

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Neora
Oregon Department of Human Services
Pinnacle Dental Associates
Stutzman & Kropf Contractors, Inc.
Sybaris
Ted Ferry Insurance Agency, INC.
Timberview Care Center
Windermere Willamette Valley



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You can list job openings through our website.

It's free to use as a member.

Log in to your Chamber Master Account

Left side column click on 'jobs'

Click 'add a new job posting'

Fill in the form and click 'save & exit'



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Women In Business: Janet Steele (President)

Youth Job Fair: Jadyn Baskin (Program and Event Manager)

Chamber Staff

Janet Steele - President

Jadyn Baskin - Program and Event Manager

Jim Snyder - Membership Development Manager

Erica Hogan - Office Manager

Upcoming Programs & Events



Women in Business

Wednesday, October 2nd 11:15am-1pm
Safety for Women in Business - Speaker, Marcia Harden, Albany Police Chief
Comfort Suites of Albany \$25/member \$36/non-member

Chamber 101

Wednesday, October 9th, 3:30pm-4:30pm
Chamber Conference Room

Membership Forum

Wednesday, October 30th 11:30am - 1pm
Doug Boyson, Samaritan Health
Linn County Fair & Expo \$24.00/member \$35.00/non-member

Wine, Women & Chocolate

Wednesday, December 11th - More info to come

October Fun Facts:

The World Series of Baseball begins in October.

More U.S. Presidents have been born in Oct. than any other month.

The Orionid meteor shower runs from Oct. 2nd into early November (peaks with as many as 20 meteors visible every hour.

DON'T FORGET!!! Boss's Day on Oct. 19th!

October Greeters

Every Thursday, 8:15am

- Oct 3 **United Way of Linn, Benton & Lincoln Counties**
Location: 226 Hickory St NW, Albany
- Oct 10 **Albany Public Schools Foundation**
Location: 2953 Clover Ridge Rd NE #10, Albany
- Oct 17 **Albany Fire Department**
Location: 611 Lyon St SE, Albany
- Oct 24 **Serv Pro**
Location: 6835 NE Arnold Ave, Adair Village
- Oct 31 **Willamette Valley Bank**
Location: 1970 14th Ave SE, Albany

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