Message from our Board Chair

In October OBI conducted a survey of Oregonians to find out their thoughts on business, government and ballot measures. This month, OBI Board Chair Scott Parrish looks at the different ways people across the state see their local situations and economies.

Click here to read more and share your thoughts with Scott at scottparrish@oregonbusinessindustry.com.

OBI Annual Meeting Update

OBI is excited to announce that our 2020 Job Champion Awards will go to Reps. Jeff Barker and Shelly Boshart Davis. The Jobs Champion Award recognizes leaders who foster job growth by supporting Oregon companies and standing up for Oregon businesses at the Capitol. Rep. Barker is retiring at the end of 2020, and OBI wants to thank him for his years of service as a state legislator and as a Portland Police officer. Since her election in 2018, Rep. Boshart Davis has become a rising star advocating for Oregon jobs, notably her work to exempt timber and farm vehicles from new diesel emissions regulations.

Please join us at our annual meeting, 7:30 a.m., Thursday, Feb. 13, at the Salem Convention Center to celebrate Rep. Barker and Rep. Boshart Davis.

Make sure to reserve your spot soon! Now through the end of the year OBI is offering a $25 discount on individual tickets.

Click here for more.
And don’t forget, the meeting will also feature an inside look at what’s happening on the national political scene by A.B. Stoddard, associate editor and columnist at RealClearPolitics. Stoddard is known for her extensive career in political journalism. She has worked at The Hill and ABC News and regularly appears on the Fox News Channel and Fox Business Network.

The 2020 Annual Meeting is sponsored by:

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Oregon Business Council – Oregon Leadership Summit

OBI’s First Vice Chair Karen Vineyard interviewed Senate President Peter Courtney at the annual Oregon Leadership Summit this week. Sen. Courtney was one of several leaders who appeared at the summit, along with Gov. Kate Brown, Speaker Tina Kotek, House Republican Leader Christine Drazan and many others. In his interview with Vineyard, Courtney discussed how local government leaders could play a key role in bridging the state’s urban-rural divide.

About 1,000 people attended the summit, which is led by the Oregon Business Council (OBC). OBI works closely with OBC on the event. Also on the main stage was OBI board member Dan Thorndike, who interviewed Reps. Caddy McKeown and Lynn Findley about issues facing Rural Oregon. This year’s summit theme was “The Long Game,” and speakers focused on how the state should approach major issues and opportunities facing Oregon in the years ahead. Click here to learn more.

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OBI Survey

Last month OBI publicized the survey we completed with Moore Information Group to get a beat on what Oregonians are thinking. The Oregonian ran a review of it earlier this month.
If you previously missed it, you can see the full survey results by clicking here.

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**Holiday Giving**

Is your company or business giving back this holiday? Let us know! OBI would love to spread the holiday cheer through our newsletters and social media. Please send information to communications@oregonbusinessindustry.com.

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**November New Members**

- Advanced Transportation
- Baldwin Consulting
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- Mennonite Village
- Orox Leather Co.
- Serp Enterprises, Inc.
- Ultrex Business Solutions Inc.

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**Member News**

Help us tell your story. Send us your news at communications@oregonbusinessindustry.com. Here are a few headlines from OBI members.

- Oregon’s 80-plus Most-Admired Companies for 2019
- Five Oregon Wines Make Influential Top 100 List
- A Celebration of the Life of Gert Boyle

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**LegalPLUS Program**
Did you know, by being an OBI member you can get free legal advice? OBI and Innova Legal Advisors provides members 15 minutes of free legal consultation each month through the LegalPlus program. Check it out by clicking here. Or contact Bob Blackmore at Innova Legal Advisors: Phone: 503-479-7175; email: Bob.Blackmore@innovalegaladvisors.com

Wholesale Fuel Pricing

OBI has partnered with MCP Petroleum to drive down OBI members’ fuel cost. OBI is leveraging the collective purchasing power of our membership to get wholesale fuel pricing for our members. In addition to fuel savings, OBI members will have access to a comprehensive fuel management system that will reduce slippage, save valuable employee time and provide accountability and oversight of your company’s fuel consumption.

OBI members who use 900 gallons of fuel annually through their company are eligible for this program. Please contact Jeff DeSantis for more information.

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