

BUSINESS Connections

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Business Spotlight:

Bartel's: A Chehalis Tradition

There are few retail stores that have endured the test of time quite like Bartel's Clothing & Shoes located in downtown Chehalis. With a legacy of personalized service Bartel's is celebrating their Centennial Anniversary this year.

Bartel's was originally founded by Howard Bartel in 1922, and has since moved locations and changed owners hands 4 times over the past century, but has remained locally owned and in downtown Chehalis.

The new owners, father and son duo Boyd and Brady Calder, have owned Bartel's since July 2018. Since taking ownership they have brought in some new brands like Grunt Style, expanded their Kuhl brand and added more accessories to both Men's and Women's selections. Even with over 100 years of service Bartel's focus remains the same; Men's suits & tuxedos.

Bartel's may not carry Women's formal wear, but they do offer alterations, and are happy to recommend other



nearby Women's boutiques that offer those goods and services. "We are experts in Men's wear. Supporting other local businesses that carry women's wear helps the area. Tangible differences between pre and post-pandemic have a conscious effect of feeling the community support. Without that community support and patronage to us and other shops we wouldn't be successful," comments co-owner Brady Calder.

As time passes, Bartel's has seen business improve since the pandemic. As with most other businesses, Bartel's has felt the strain of supply chain disruptions. When it may have been easy to focus on keeping

the store stocked with easy to get items, the Calders chose to work with their suppliers to stay focused on their high quality goods that patrons have come to expect from Bartel's over the years.

While some things may still be hard to stock, the one good Bartel's will never run out of is their exemplary, personally tailored customer service that they have become known for. The community comes to Bartel's for their big moments in life; outfitting, and in many cases saving wedding party attire, helping teens look sharp for prom and homecoming, helping grieving family members needing formal wear, dressing



missionaries and providing much needed last-minute alterations for others.

Boyd bought his first suit from Bartel's from the previous owner, Joe Mount in 1980. "Bartel's understands that these moments are rights of passage and we take these life events seriously. We strive for the highest level of customer service, so we take it hard when we fail,"

states Brady Calder.

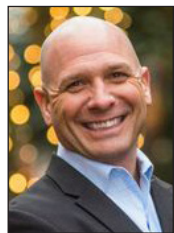
In this modern age of mass-produced, one-size-fits-all clothing, Bartel's offers something hard to find: high quality Men's and Women's clothing, alterations and a caring staff ready to assist customers. With such a rich history, and legacy of exceptional customer service, Bartel's is a true Chehalis tradition.

#ChooseLocal and #ShopLocal

By Rep. Peter Abbarno

November kicks off the #ChooseLocal and #ShopLocal season and it is a good opportunity to think about the reasons to choose local.

The intersection of technology and a busy holiday season make it all too easy to jump online



Rep. Peter Abbarno

rather than visit a brick-and-mortar store. In a matter of minutes and a few keystrokes, all your gifts and shopping could be complete. However, there are a few things you will miss by not choosing one of the almost 650,000 small businesses in Washington State.

Small businesses make up 99% of all businesses in our state and employ over 1.4 million family members, friends, and neighbors. Needless to say, Washington

local small businesses fuel the economic engine of our state.

Buying local products and services have a far greater impact on your local economy than purchasing products online, out of state, or even out of the country. The value of the product or service we buy locally is much more likely to stay in the local economy and keep working for us long after the initial purchase.

When you use a local attorney, buy a local car, or shop at the local hardware store around the corner, the money paid for goods and services helps pay wages for local employees, who are much more likely to also choose to shop locally. The small business owner you support is much more likely to sponsor an event in the area, donate to a local nonprofit, or support youth sports in your city. The taxes you pay are more likely to stay locally; such as the business and occupation tax credit many local businesses use for the Main Street Programs in Centralia and Chehalis.

A recent study indicated



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that over \$9.3 billion would stay in local economies if every family in the United States spent \$10 a month at a local business. That same study reported that small business owners donate 250% more to local nonprofits and charitable organizations than larger out-of-town businesses.

Although we have all shopped online for hard-to-find goods and services, there are many other reasons to #ChooseLocalFirst and support community businesses. In addition to our community missing out on tax revenue and creating successful and vibrant local business communities, you miss out on the experience.

'Girls Night Out' in Centralia, shopping at the farmers market in Chehalis, music in the park, or attending any local events in our historic downtown communities create new shopping experiences for my family. Those local shopping experiences deliver unmatched quality of customer service.

Shopping often becomes utilitarian. However, there are times when shopping can be so much more. Sometimes shopping is an experience and lasting memories are created. Sometimes the 'boring' trip to the hardware store ends up being a discussion about the best Pokémon we saw at the toy store or the Harry Potter book we saw at the store; of course, followed by frozen yogurt.

The best part about shopping local is that you don't need to wait for an event to create a fun and quality shopping experience in historic downtown Centralia or Chehalis. It is right there all year long.

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BUSINESS PROFILES

A “Berry” Sweet Café

You won’t find a busier or more recommended café in the city of Centralia than Berry Fields Café. Just voted “Best Restaurant” and “Best Lunch” for the Best of Lewis County, it’s easy to see that the community has proclaimed its love of this family-owned and operated café.

It will be four years next April that Shane and Nicole Noel have owned Berry Fields Café. Shane Noel has worked for U.S. Foods, one of America’s leading foodservice distributors for over 23 years and was the food purveyor for 15 years for the previous owners of the café. When the opportunity arose they decided to purchase the restaurant from the original owner. Their sons Bailey and Bradley are bakers and also work in the restaurant. “We are family owned and

operated, we all work together as bakers, servers and management. It can be hard work, but it’s rewarding,” commented Nicole Noel.

The Noels have kept true to the original spirit of Berry Fields, making their fresh desserts from scratch, but they have added an early dinner menu. During the Covid restrictions Berry Fields offered take out dinner until 7 pm (when the dining room was closed) and it was so popular that they have kept a few dinner items to serve before they close at 5 pm now. You can order Chicken Alfredo, Chili, and Meatloaf between 4 - 5 pm if you are craving an early dinner. Looking back at that time their dining room was closed Noel stated, “We felt very supported by the community during Covid restrictions. Our customers stuck with us



Bradley, Bailey, Nicole & Shane hold up their Best of Lewis County Awards.



and supported us through that difficult time.”

With fresh ingredients, generous portions, and a love for good food, it is easy to see why the community keeps

coming back for more at Berry Fields Café.

Visit Berry Fields Cafe at 201 South Pearl Street in Centralia.

Jeremy’s Farm to Your Belly

What originally started in 1990 as a small farm-fresh fruit stand, has evolved over the years into the restaurant that the readers of The Chronicle newspaper have voted ‘Best Dinner’ for 2022 in Lewis County. Jeremy’s Farm to Table specializes in not only farm-fresh produce and goods that they personally truck in from as far as Yakima that you can purchase from their farm stands, but also in using those ingredients to make the delicious meals that make this establishment the gem of Chehalis.

When you dine at Jeremy’s you are receiving a meal made from the freshest and highest quality ingredients available from talented Chef

Josh and Chef Michael. “This is why the food is so fantastic, because it is Farm to Table... our chefs are phenomenal and bring so much culinary skill and energy to Jeremy’s,” commented Eric Francis, General Manager. “These two (chefs) put in massive amounts of time above and beyond our normal operations to create our amazing new dishes.” explains Francis.

Jeremy’s specializes in many gluten-free dishes, as well as a pizza crust with only trace amounts of gluten in it. One new offering this season is Charcuterie Board featuring chef-selected cured meats, exotic cheeses, in-house pickled seasonal veggies and more! Live music is featured



Salvador, breakfast chef with Eric Francis, General Manager and Tammy, long time server at Jeremy’s.

on the weekends, adding to the ambience of Jeremy’s.

“One thing we really pride ourselves in is the whole experience of the restaurant, and then follow with great food. This place has that magic. I believe in this restaurant and its amazing chefs and

staff make it possible.” states Francis.

Be on the lookout for seasonal specials heading to Jeremy’s, including Thanksgiving dinner that will be available in November. Jeremy’s is located at 576 W Main Street in Chehalis.

Powersports Fueling Ahead

It’s been a little over a year since Jonathan and Ralph Hubbert bought Powersports Northwest in downtown Centralia. Before buying the Powersport dealership the Hubbert family were fourth-generation owners of Tires Incorporated, and sold to Bridgestone in 2019. After finishing out a two year contract with Bridgestone, Jonathan, with the business guidance of his father Ralph wanted to pursue a business together that they were passionate about and owning a local company that could give back to the community was of the utmost importance.

Powersports Northwest got its start in 1972 as Steve’s Suzuki owned by Steve

and Diane Rasmusson. In 1977 they wanted to change careers and decided to sell to two young employees Dave Lipinski and Jeff Ashe. The company went through several names and locations, but in 1992 found their current location on Tower and renamed the business Powersports Northwest.

Since taking over the business, Powersports Northwest has expanded its footprint by 5,000 square feet, making the whole dealership 29,000 square feet now. New president Jonathan Hubbert stated, “The community has been very receptive. Previous owners Lipinski and Ashe built a very solid foundation and we wanted to expand and



Co-Owner Jonathan Hubbert stands in the 5,000 square foot addition of Powersports Northwest in Centralia

bring new people in and old customers back in for a new experience.” Even with supply chain issues, Powersports has seen an increase in sales over previous years. They are one of top dealerships leading sales for Polaris. Polaris UTVs are the number one sellers, with Honda Offroading coming in second. Hubbert comments, “We plan on expanding a new dealership along I-5.” Plans are

already underway preparing the new property to build on, it will be located further south near Napavine.

Fueled by the passion for outdoor recreation, Powersports Northwest will continue to equip Lewis county for all its offroading needs. Visit Powersports Northwest at 300 S Tower Ave, Centralia, WA 98531.

Book N’ Brush - N’ a whole lot more!

The city of Chehalis has a myriad of curious stories to tell about its past. In 1969 a little bookstore was born by the name of “The Book Rack.” In 1983 the business changed hands, and added “The Brush”, and moved into its current location in downtown Chehalis. In June of 2005 David and Beverly Hartz purchased the business from the former owners, not long after moving to the area from Southern California. The store’s location has an interesting past - the main retail space was originally a Safeway in the 1940s and 50s,

and the now Children’s section used to be a meat locker for the D & J Meat Market.

Not only does Book N’ Brush carry new books and art supplies, but also offers custom framing, unique artisan gifts, candy, cards, jewelry, and toys for sale, many of which are made by local artists. While you are there be sure to check out their local art class offerings, and Book N’ Brush is also hosting local Author Gretchen Staebler on Saturday December 10 from 2 - 4 pm.

Book N’ Brush is much



Sherry, Bobbi and co-owner David Hartz pose behind the counter at Book N’ Brush.

more than an independant book and art store. “Bookstores are a community gathering place. It’s not about selling books. We are in the people business. We just happen to sell books and art supplies.”

states co-owner David Hartz. Be sure to check out Book N’ Brush when you are out doing your holiday shopping this season. The store is located at 518 N Market Blvd in downtown Chehalis.



BIZZBUZZ



WHAT'S THE BUZZ?



American Red Cross

As cooler temperatures settle across western Washington, the American Red Cross Northwest Region urges everyone to safely heat their home by following critical steps to avoid a home fire.

Heating equipment is the leading cause of home fire deaths, with most occurring from space heaters. Overall, home fires account for most of the 60,000-plus disasters that the Red Cross responds to each year across the U.S. In the Northwest Region, home fire responses are 23% higher during cold months than warmer times of year.

Follow these safety tips and visit [redcross.org/fire](https://www.redcross.org/fire) for more information:

- Keep children, pets and anything that can burn at least three feet away from heating equipment.
- If you must use a space heater, never leave it unattended. Place it on a level, hard and nonflammable surface, such as a ceramic tile floor. Don't place it on rugs and carpets, or near bedding and drapes.
- Plug space heater power cords directly into outlets — never into an extension cord.
- Never use a cooking range or oven to heat your home.
- Never leave a fire burning in the fireplace unattended.
- Have furnaces, chimneys, fireplaces, wood and coal stoves inspected annually by a professional and cleaned if necessary.



AMSOIL

In the last two articles we covered the difference between AMSOIL and other synthetic lubricants. I ended the last article with a description of how AMSOIL is designed and how petroleum oil is different. Now let's look at 'other synthetics'! The third jar, crude oil and bb's mixed in! I think you can visualize the difference here! The crushed rock doesn't clump as bad. The bb's help prevent that! This is what a highly refined petroleum product is. It has more of the waxes removed and some more additives put into it. As a result, it does run a little better than a 100% petroleum product. But let me ask you a question. Today's equipment is highly engineered to run at its peak and optimal performance. Why are you putting an inferior oil or one that is a little better in your equipment and expecting it to maintain performance? A vehicle is most likely the second or third most expensive investment behind your house. However, putting an inferior lubricant in it is slowly killing the internal parts. Next month I will explain some benefits of AMSOIL.

Call Mike at 360-304-8595!



Blue Skies Drone Rental Sales & Service

Thinking about Christmas? The new

DJI AVATA FPV drone lets you fly around inside and outside just like you were flying in a pod racer! Wear the goggles and you are in the driver's seat. Useful for fun flights or even for real estate and work. The AVATA is small, light and lets you create high quality video such as a fly through your business, like the Juice Box. Flown with the DJI AVATA using the motion controller. <https://youtu.be/Uvsrhk8nrGw>



Holiday Shopping at Centralia Outlets

Think you can't get through the holiday without spending a fortune? Guess again! Find the best sales around at Centralia Outlets and save big! Retail therapy can be helpful in relieving upcoming holiday tension and stress.

Shop Kay Jewelers Outlet because "Every Kiss Begins with Kay" or purchase a St. Jude's teddy bear to help support St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

Aromatherapy Stress Relief fragrances are available at Bath and Body Works or perhaps a new Coach bag may fit the retail therapy bill.

Popular name-brand clothing and shoes can be found at Chico's, Eddie Bauer, Famous Footwear, New Balance, Pendleton, Polo Ralph Lauren, Skechers, Under Armour, and Volcom.

After Thanksgiving shoppers will have the opportunity to support local artisans by visiting the indoor Holiday Farmer's Market open every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday until December 18th.

Special Holiday Mall Hours:

Day Before Thanksgiving, Wednesday, Nov. 23 : 10 am to 7 pm

Thanksgiving, Thursday, Nov. 24 : CLOSED

Black Friday, Friday, Nov. 25 : 9 am to 8 pm

Saturday, Nov. 26 : 9 am to 8 pm

Sunday, Nov. 27 : 11 am to 7 pm

To view a full list of stores, store hours, and store sales please visit our website at www.centraliaoutlets.com



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Chehalis Centralia Railroad & Museum Presents "Santa's Grinchy Christmas Train"

The Santa Holiday Train is a traditional family favorite and this year everyone is invited to attend Santa's Grinchy Christmas Train. This well-loved event will be held beginning November 26 until December 18 on Saturdays and Sundays at 1:00pm and 3:00pm. Although this is a non-moving train event, The Chehalis Centralia Railroad and Museum invites your family to enjoy the excitement of the day while enjoying candy canes, cocoa, and cookies. Help your little ones write letters to give to Santa as he strolls through the decorated 1920's passenger coach. Sing favorite songs while you and your family wait for their personal visit with Santa. Watch carefully as a certain "Grinch" lingers nearby to try and steal your fun away. Your family will have a chance to get pictures with Santa and the "Grinch" at the Depot. Tickets are available online at SteamTrainRide.com, \$16 each, kids 2 and under are free. This family fun event is brought to you by the Chehalis Centralia Railroad and Museum and is a fundraiser for the organization. Join us for a fun-filled afternoon. Information and tickets are online only: <https://steamtrainride.com/santa-train-ride/>



Centralia School District

Great things continue to happen in the Centralia School District! As part of our focus on climate and culture and to ensure the safety of students and staff, we are taking additional safety and security measures. In collaboration with the Centralia

Police Department, security walks are being conducted at each school. We are then acting on the results of the walks to enhance safety and security. In addition, the police department is training principals this month on active threat response. We are thankful for the partnership with Centralia Police and their work to help keep students safe.

Our students need you! Please consider volunteering. The Lewis County United Way Reading Buddy program is a great way to help our students build their reading skills. A one hour per week investment of time will reap unlimited benefits for our students. Apply at <https://www.lewiscountyuw.com/united-way-reading-buddies-program> and note you want to volunteer in a Centralia school!

Mark your calendar for the Centralia School District Halloween Drive Through on Friday, October 28, 4-6 p.m. in front of the District Office on Johnson Street. We want to enjoy a treat with you and thank you for your support of our children and our District!



Southwest Washington Dance Ensemble

25th Anniversary Nutcracker Ballet Lewis County's Original Nutcracker

Southwest Washington Dance Center's performing company, Southwest Washington Dance Ensemble, will present the 25th Anniversary production of "The Nutcracker". The ballet will take place in the "state of the art" Corbet Theatre, on the campus of Centralia College, on December 16, 17 & 18. Performance times are 7:30 pm on December 16 & 17, 2:00 pm on December 17 and 1:00 and 5:30 pm on December 18.

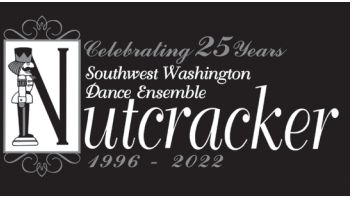
Many area businesses and individuals have contributed to making "The Nutcracker" a success. As a 501 (C) 3, SWDC appreciates sponsors that contribute to the production.

Ticket prices are: \$24.00 - Adults \$16.00 - Seniors 62+, Military and children, 18 and under

Tickets are available online at swwdance.org or by calling the Dance Center. SWDC is at 437 N. Market Blvd. in Chehalis. After December 11th, tickets will only be available online, at the box office of Corbet Theater on the campus of Centralia College from the hours of 2:00 - 7:00 pm or by telephone.

All seating is reserved.

For information regarding the "Escape to the Land of Sweets" visit the web site at www.swwdance.org or call 360-748-4789.



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At our annual Advanced Education Conference that was held at the end of September, Don Enstrom was named Washington State Master Gardener of the Year. This is the third time in five years that this award has been bestowed to WSU Lewis County Master Gardener. This has never happened before in the 49 years of WSU Master Gardener Program in Washington State. The previous WSU Lewis County Master Gardeners who were awarded Washington State Master Gardener of the Year were: 2018 - Bob Taylor and 2020- MaryJo Christensen.



Zero Free Waste Workshop

Join us for our FREE class on Zero Free Waste Workshop. Lewis County residents and businesses disposed of 95,372 tons of waste in 2021. To make that number more relatable, this amount equals the weight of 477 Blue Whales! Find out how you can help make that number smaller this year. YOU can learn how to reduce the amount of food you throw away and Recycle Right. Discover simple steps to practice waste reduction and reuse every day. DIY lesson: make your own toothpaste so you do not have a tube to discard. 5:30 p.m. Nov. 2 Via Zoom. Please pre-register for the class: <https://wsu.zoom.us/j/9tYtcu6srj0oEtdh-CBpl4gYeZZTP0UbQ1Lrx>.

Have too many leaves in your yard? The WSU Master Recycler Composters of Lewis County is hosting a Leaf Exchange November 5th and 19th from 10 am to 4 pm, in the lot next to the Lewis County Transfer Station, 1411 S. Tower. Bring your bagged leaves or pick up bags of leaves for garden mulch. Clean Styrofoam will also be collected! Interested in helping our community Recycler, Reuse and Repurpose? Join the WSU Lewis County Master Recycler Composters! Contact Jason Adams, Program Coordinator, (360) 740-1216 or e-mail jason.adams@lewiscountywa.gov for any questions.

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Member Update

We encourage you to patronize Chamber members.

These are the businesses that are committed to their customers and their community.

Many donate, volunteer, and support our local non-profits, schools, and community activities. Our 2022 Member Directory is available in the office or we can email a link.



October New Members

- Christine's Custom Clean
- Runway Boutique
- First Mode
- Green Logistix, LLC.
- Berg Marketing

Renewing Members

- APD Plumbing & Mechanical Inc.
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- Awesome RV
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- St. Timothy Episcopal Church
- The Aerie Ballroom
- The Branch Bar & Public Room
- The Housing Mart, Inc.
- Timberland Regional Library
- Title Guaranty Co. of Lewis County
- Total Employment and Management
- Wagner Orthodontics
- WSU Lewis County Master Recyclers / Composters

Happy Holidays

from Centralia-Chehalis Chamber of Commerce!

Please join us in thanking all of our sponsors and members who help make our towns such fabulous places to live, work, and shop!

Visit ChamberWay.com for events and member news.

Black Friday Bags

A limited supply of Black Friday Bags containing coupons from local businesses and other goodies are handed out Wednesday, November 23, starting at 5 pm in the parking lot at Lewis County Mall. Enter Kresky or National (151 NE Hempe). The Chamber will be on-hand until the bags run out, so come early!

Shop Small Business For The Holidays & Win!

The Great Receipt X-Change!
Turn in your receipts of \$10

or more after shopping at one of our small local businesses in Centralia or Chehalis and enter to win fabulous prizes. Winners are drawn on December 17 at 3 pm.

There are three ways to Xchange your receipts for a raffle ticket:

Receipts can be exchanged for raffle tickets at The Chamber office located at I-5 Exit 79, 500 NW Chamber of Commerce Way in Chehalis. Open 9 am - 5 pm Monday through Friday.

Saturdays starting November 26 receipts can also be turned over to our living Elf on a Shelf at a local store

Take a photo of your receipt and email to marketing@chamberway.com – include your name and phone number in the email and remember to attach the receipt.

Remember to put your Name & Phone number on the receipt!

Receipts must be from a small business in Chehalis or Centralia.

Elf on a Shelf Appearances!

Come have fun with our living Elf on a Shelf at participating shops! Each week is a different location.

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ChamberWay
Saturday, November 26
11 am - 1 pm
Chehalis Outfitters
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Saturday, December 3
2 - 4 pm
Downtown Chehalis after Santa's Parade!
Brunswig's,
525 N. Market Blvd. (2 pm)
Bartel's, Clothing & Shoes,
486 N. Market Blvd. (2:30 pm)
Totally Pawsome,
463 N. Market Blvd. (3:00 pm)
Book 'N Brush,
518 N. Market Blvd. (3:30 pm)

Saturday, December 10
11 am - 1 pm
Downtown Centralia, before the Tractor Parade!
Dawn's Delectables,
204 N. Tower (11 am)
The Rectangle Gallery (11:30 am)
Three Dog Night,
402 N. Tower Ave.,
209 N. Tower (Noon)
Hubbub,
505 N. Tower Ave. (12:30 pm)

Saturday, December 17
11 am - 1 pm
PostNet
1121 Harrison, Centralia
2 - 2:30 pm
Book 'n Brush,
518 N. Market Blvd. (2 pm)

Annual Santa Parade!

The Night Before Christmas
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Saturday, December 3
11 am, downtown Chehalis
Join us for the parade and stay to shop, eat, and meet our living “Elf on a Shelf!” and enjoy the tree lighting ceremony at Lewis County Historical Museum!

VOLUNTEER PROFILE:

Cara Legg

Volunteering for the Chamber of Commerce is a great opportunity to support locally owned businesses and get out and make an impact in our community. Lewis County native Cara Legg has been volunteering the past 3 years with the Chamber. Legg grew up in Onalaska, moved away for a few years after high school, but returned to Chehalis and has called the area home ever since.

Legg is currently an account executive with Live 95 and KITI Radio stations, and prior to that was a sales representative for Total Employment and Management in Chehalis. A Chamber forum was the first event she attended, and then after that became an Ambassador while working for Total Employment and Management.

“Volunteering is very important in our community. We are lucky to have so many great folks willing to



volunteer their time to help better our community and support local businesses!” commented Legg. Her favorite part about volunteering is the relationships she has built over the years, “Both personally and professionally! Attending our local Chamber events are a highlight...I especially love Ribbon Cuttings!” explained Legg.

We are so grateful to have so many wonderful volunteers. If you would like to find out more about volunteering with the Chamber of Commerce, please email thechamber@chamberway.com or call (360) 748-8885.

The Refined Man Ribbon Cutting

On October 1, The Refined Man celebrated their Grand Opening with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony. Visit The Refined Man at 217 N Tower Ave Suite 101 in Centralia.



The Pasta Bowl Ribbon Cutting

On October 7, The Pasta Bowl celebrated their new restaurant with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony. Visit The Pasta Bowl at 1780 N National Ave in Chehalis.



Washington Trucking School Ribbon Cutting

On October 12, Washington Trucking School celebrated their new location with a Ribbon Cutting ceremony. Washington Trucking School is located at 181 Ribelin Rd in Chehalis.



Bitchin' Britches Ribbon Cutting

On October 22, Bitchin' Britches Boutique had a ribbon cutting to celebrate their Grand Re-Opening with a Ribbon Cutting. Visit Bitchin' Britches Boutique at 1210 Lum Rd in Centralia.



Par 4 Sports Business After Hours

We had a great evening trying the simulator games, and enjoyed the delicious taco bar they had at Par 4 Sports. Thanks goes out to everyone who joined us for this fun Business After Hours Event. If you haven't had a chance to try out the simulators- you gotta check it out! Golfing, Bowling, archery and more! Thanks goes out to Par 4 for a great evening! Par 4 Sports is located at 701 Allen Ave in Centralia.



New Member Benefit – Direct From Your Legislators!



Rep.
Ed Orcutt



Rep.
Peter Abbarno



Senator
John Braun

John Braun and Representative Ed Orcutt are able to commit. While all three may not be able to attend together each month, at

least one will be available to share the latest issues affecting our district.

Join us via Zoom on
Tuesday, December 6
7:30 - 8:30 am

The Zoom link is sent to our member list or you can request the link and instructions directly by emailing director@chamberway.com

District 20 Updates

We are pleased to announce that starting in November the Chamber began offering an opportunity to hear directly from our District 20 representatives about Legislative Updates. This is a member-only benefit that we plan to continue in 2023. We want to thank Peter Abbarno for getting this started and appreciate the time Senator

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