

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



HISTORIC DOWNTOWN GRESHAM

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2011 Membership Drive

The HDGBA Board met this past month and started work on putting together the details for this year's membership drive. We hope to continue to build on last year's record number of members. We have been going over the input and feedback from the surveys we sent out last year and are working on continuing to offer the things you liked and also implement the things many of you would like to see your membership provide – offering even more value to your membership!

Please keep an eye out for application packets to start arriving this month. We are very optimistic about 2011 and look forward to continuing to represent and work with the existing and new downtown businesses. Please feel to contact any of the board members with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the Historic Downtown Business Association. A complete list and contact information can be found on our website.



Connect with Us!



Have you checked out our new website yet? If you have any feedback, please let us know. We want to make sure everyone is taking advantage of it as a resource for promoting your business and events here in our community.

Also, if you have not already done so, make sure you stay in the loop of all the fun events taking place in Historic Downtown Gresham by following us on our Twitter and Facebook pages!

twitter.com/ExploreGresham

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Calendar of Events

Business Assoc. Meeting

Tue, Feb 1st @ 8:00am
SBDC office (3rd & Roberts)

Chamber Golden Note Awards Luncheon

Tue, Feb 1st 11:30-1:30 pm
Gresham Baptist Church
Cost: \$30

Valentine's Day

Mon, Feb 14th
Spread the Love! Check with local merchants for Valentine's specials!

Public Meeting/Design Review: NE Hood Ave Project Open House

Tue, Feb 15th 6 – 8 p.m.
Gresham City Hall

Reader's Choice Awards – Downtown Gresham

The people have voted and the winners were announced in the Jan 26th edition of the Gresham Outlook. Here is a list of the downtown merchants who received the most votes in their respective category:

Dining

- Bella Cupcakes – Best New Business
- Sunny Hans – Best Chinese Food
- Bocelli's – Best Italian Food
- 4th Street Brewing Company – Best Selection of Beer
- Trufflehunter Restaurant – Best Sunday Brunch
- Nicholas' Restaurant – Best Vegetarian
- Best Espresso – Silk Espresso

Best Businesses

- Riegelmann's – Appliances
- Nails on First & Hair 2 – Beauty Salon
- Heavenly Maid – Janitorial Service
- GoldArt Jewelry – Jewelry Store
- Free Spirit – Massage

Best Place to Shop for Women's Clothing

- Elegantly Funky – Women's Clothing

Best People

- Matt Wand – Attorney
- Jason Thorpe Construction – Building Contractor
- Randy Monnes – Dentist at Main Street Dental
- Amanda Simpson – Hair Stylist at Ooh La La
- Denice Bricker – Manicurist at Nails on First & Hair 2
- Cayly's Doggy Styles – Pet Groomer

Sandy Actors Readers Theatre

5 plays themed around "***Family Ties***"

Plays will run every 3rd Monday (February – June 2011) at the Gresham Historical Society located at 410 N. Main St. in Downtown Gresham. Showtimes start at 7:00pm and tickets are \$8 at the door.

- Feb 21st – ***A Thousand Clowns***
- Mar 21st – ***Daughters***
- Apr 18th – ***The Fourposter***
- May 16th – ***Marvin's Room***
- June 20th – ***I Never Sang for my Father***

For more information, please visit their website www.sandyactorstheatre.org.

Light up the Streets of Downtown

Have you ever wondered what to do about the street lights that are out in Downtown Gresham?

Well, here's the answer:

- 1.) Each of the street light posts has an oval metal tag at the bottom with a map number (letter) and a pole number (digits and letters). Locate the map and i.d. numbers. If they're not readable, an address or location can be provided and PGE can usually figure out which pole is out
- 2.) Contact PGE at (503) 228-6322 –
 - a. Press 1, then press 3 and you'll be transferred to a representative
 - b. Provide the map and pole numbers to the representative
 - c. PGE will add the pole to their list and provide a work order number to you
- 3.) Allow 7-10 working days for the light bulb to be replaced
- 4.) If replacing the bulb doesn't do the trick, contact PGE again and provide the work order number. They'll proceed with repair.

Let's all take a moment to make sure any street lights we notice not working are reported to PGE, to ensure safety and attractiveness of Downtown Gresham.



SMALL BUSINESS
DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Weekly Connections

Business Growth Program

Date: 1/5 -3/16

Time: 4pm-7pm

Cost: \$395 – Must RSVP.

Business Plan Bootcamp

Date: 2/2, 2/9 & 2/16

Time: 9am – noon

Cost: \$135 - Must RSVP

Going into Business: Start Smart

Date: 2/15

Time: 6 – 9p.m.

Cost: \$55 - Must RSVP

Upcoming Trainings

2/3 Bookkeeping for Small
Business

2/4 Webinar: How to Start
your Business

2/8 Webinar: R U Bankable

2/9 Contracting with the
Government

2/10 Financial Projections for
your Business

2/11 Webinar: Using Social
Marketing to Promote your
Business.

*Pre-registration is required.

For additional classes, visit

<http://www.mhcc.edu/CommunityConnections.aspx?id=1065>

For more information or to register:

Call (503) 491-7658

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