



# THE ORLAND CHAMBER UPDATE

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## President's Message

Orland residents have been through a bit of an ordeal lately with the two raging fires in one week. The strong north winds like we have been experiencing this year are hard on crops, yards and dispositions. The thought of fire in that type of weather certainly crosses all of our minds, because fire combined with wind is all the more devastating.

It always amazes me how coordinated agencies are in such a disaster. I was coming into town on Road M about 10:45 when Tuesday's fire was just starting and there were people directing traffic and fire personnel were already working to contain the fire. How do they know where to start and what to do first? The color of the smoke seems to tell the tale as far as what was burning and it was evident when more than just grass was burning. We are lucky to have the amazing people we do to get us through these frightening times. Thank you to all the people who keep us safe on a regular basis.

At our June 4, general membership meeting at the Pizza Factory we had Ryne Johnson from the Tri County Economic Development Corporation speak about the Orland Business Incubator Program. I was talking about it to a friend who has his own business in Solano County and he hired (for a lot of money) a firm who comes in, analyzes all aspects of your business and tells you exactly what to do to grow your business and meet your goals. He said his business tripled right away and it was the best money he ever spent. You can do the same thing for FREE. This money is for Orland businesses that are looking to grow and expand and it doesn't cost you anything. The people who will be helping you have already done this for businesses in other areas and it is our turn to thrive. Can you think of a reason not to look into this? The contact person is Yassi Lam, Business Services Coordinator for the Glenn County Human Resources Agency at (530) 934-1494.

We are looking for volunteers to help make our October 11, golf tournament at the new Rolling Hills golf course a big success. We need Tee sponsors, donations for prizes and lots of volunteers to help on the day of the event. We have a lot of fun and remember, the success of an agency depends on the people supporting it. Please help support the chamber of commerce. The more united we work the more we can accomplish.

Plans are going forward for our move to our new downtown location. We will be at 401 Walker Street between Trish's Basket Case and Tri County Newspapers on June 30. Please come in to see us in our new downtown location.

Jan Walker



**Your Ambassadors!**  
We are here to serve you!

Joyce Yancy Chair  
Golden Hills Financial  
865-0188

Jeanette Joslyn  
Joslyn Consulting

Sharon Loesch  
Glenn County Title  
865-3338

Claire Arano  
Ginter & Brown Realty  
865-2431

Theresa Foltz Forrest  
Empire Properties  
865-7811

Sabrina Biagi  
Baldwin Minkler

Donna Moore  
Donna Moore Real Estate  
865-5090

Bonnie Morgan  
Bonnie Morgan Insurance

Jan Walker  
Farwood Bar & Grill  
865-9900

**The Orland Ambassador Program**

The Orland Ambassadors are looking for Chamber Members to join in promoting the good will of the community and reaching out to the Orland business owners. It is not a big time commitment and lots of fun. Please give Joyce Yancy at call 865-0188 or the Chamber office 865-2311 If you are interested in joining the Orland Chamber Ambassador program.

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**Thunderhill Park  
August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**The Orland Chamber along with the Chico and Willows Chambers have been invited to participate in a special Open House at Thunderhill**

**Raceway Park. The event will mark the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 530-acre recreational facility located west of Willows on Hwy 162. The Chambers involvement would be to encourage awareness of the facility and the event. Thunderhill will provide all the refreshments and meeting needs.**

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**4<sup>th</sup> OF JULY FUN, FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT**

Please join the fun and entertainment at Vinsonhaler Park on July 4<sup>th</sup> at noon.

As in years past the Orland Historical & Cultural Society has gone all out to provide a fabulous 4<sup>th</sup> celebration for our community.

Grab your family, friends & lawn chairs. Plan to spend the day. Meet up with old friends and make some new ones.

Let's make this years' 4<sup>th</sup> an even bigger success than last year and in years past. Coming to together for a day of fun and relaxation in these turbulent times is what makes a community strong and healthy.

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**Decreasing Rates Reflect System Improvement**

California's workers' compensation system has undergone major transformation in the last four years. In terms of what an average policyholder pays, workers' compensation rates per \$100 of payroll have decreased from the high in 2003 of \$6.46 to \$2.49 in 2007. Despite these enormous strides, California is still the second most expensive state in the nation.

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**Splendor In The Valley V**

**"A Gala Affair"**

Saturday September 13, 6pm  
Be part of the most prestigious evening in the Valley at Cal

Worthington's Big W Ranch in Orland! Join the fun as we celebrate a gala evening of friends, fancy foods, entertainment and much more.

Support the Glenn Medical Foundation with your tax-deductible donation of \$125. Be a part of this most prestigious event! Call 934-5588 e-101 if you would like to help and for more information!

*Visa & Master Card Accepted.*

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**Thunderhill Raceway  
August 7<sup>th</sup> 2008**

Mark your calendar for Thursday night August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Open House at Thunder hill Raceway Park. The event will mark the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 530-acre recreational facility located west of Willows on Hwy 62. Thunderhill will just have completed a \$1.5 million dollar renovation of the track surface and will be re-opening on Friday August 8<sup>th</sup> with a FREE teenage drivers' safety car control clinic.

David Vodden, CEO  
dvodden@thunderhill.com

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**Orland Centennial  
Celebration**

The Orland Centennial Celebration Committee continues to meet twice monthly to coordinate the activities of Orland's Centennial Celebration in 2009.

The big kick-off takes place on December 13, 2008, with a gala Christmas Celebration in downtown Orland. Horse drawn carriages will transport people around downtown, while the Glenn Chorale and the Orland High School Band and Choir entertain in Library Park. The Alta Schmidt Museum will be open for hot apple cider and cookies, served by docents in 1909 costume and dress. Joyce Yancy and the Orland Chamber Ambassadors will present the annual Lighted Christmas Parade through Orland's neighborhoods. The Avenue of Lights will be in full swing, so there will be plenty for everyone to do and see.



Building toward the Centennial Jubilee on September 4, 2009, the OCCC will continue to work with Orland clubs and organizations to calendar events and help with promotion. Stay tuned.

**Chamber Office Move  
Effective JULY 1**

The Orland Chamber Office will be located at 401 Walker St. Between Trish's Basket Case and The Press Register. The phone will stay the same. Please stop by to say hello!!

**WELCOME DUTCH  
BROTHERS COFFEE**

FROM WHAT I COULD SEE FROM THE LINES THE OPENING DAY WAS A GREAT SUCCESS. THE RESIDENTS OF ORLAND WERE TREATED TO A FREE DUTCH BRO FREEZE OR COFFEE OF THEIR CHOICE. I COULD NOT GET CLOSE TO THE ORDER WINDOW EVEN AFTER THREE TRIES. NOW YOU ALL KNOW THE SECRET OREGON RESIDENTS HAVE KNOW FOR A WHILE. DUTCH BROTHERS COFFEE IS A TERRIFIC TREAT. THANK YOU FOR BEING A PART OF THE ORLAND CHAMBER.

**Starting July 1, 2008**

No one in California may use a cell phone while driving unless the phone is equipped with a "hands free device." An acceptable "hands free" device is a headset or earpiece (only covering one ear), or the phone's speakerphone function. The cell phone ban is even more stringent for minors: drivers under the age of 18 may not use cell phones at all, for either voice or text-messaging purposes. For all drivers, there are some exceptions to the ban. Drivers may use handheld cell phones to call 911, drivers of emergency vehicles may use handheld phones in the course of their employment and drivers of some commercial and farm vehicles may use two-way radios with "push to talk" technology. This law does not specifically address whether drivers

can dial their phones while driving. Moreover, the law does not specifically prevent adult drivers from text messaging while driving, or from sending e-mails over devices like Blackberries.

**Chamber General Meeting**

July 2 Noon

City Gates Café

Portuguese Plaza  
1165 Hoff Way  
Topic is the Orland Centennial

Please plan to attend to get current information on all the plans for celebrating our towns 100th year in 2009

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**Chamber Monthly Newsletter**

Please call the Chamber office if you have Suggestions or information you would like in the August newsletter. This is your newsletter as a Chamber Member, please help me to make it what you want.....  
Thanks Candice

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**ORLAND CHAMBER  
GOLF TOURNAMENT  
OCTOBER 11**

*Sevillano Links  
Rolling Hills Casino  
Corning, California*

**Please call the Chamber office to volunteer to help with the planning of the Chamber sponsored golf tournament. 865-2311**

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**Orland Women's  
Improvement Club**

**OWIC**

OWIC welcomes individuals who are interested in community improvement

and personal growth. The Orland club is part of an international community service organization. Meetings are held the second Wednesday monthly September through May at 1:30pm at Carnegie Center, unless otherwise announced, and focus on learning about Orland's city services, volunteer projects and community outreach programs. The OWIC sponsors an annual spring rummage sale to support financial contributions to over two dozen community causes, e.g., school choral groups and academics, Toys for Kids, city beautification and the Orland Food Pantry. For more information please call Joy Guhl at 865-2589 or Bunny Wilson at 865-2876

**Orland Historical & Cultural Society**

The Orland Historical & Cultural Society was formed in the spring of 1977 when members of the Orland 1976 Bi-Centennial Committee called a town meeting. A vote was taken to continue the successful 200<sup>th</sup> Bi-Centennial Celebration in 1976 as an annual event and form OHCS.

The historical preservation of the community of Orland was the organization's number one goal. In 1981 an OHCS relocation project of moving the Southern Pacific Depot to the Glenn County Fairgrounds was completed.

In 1985 the Alta Schmidt House was given to OHCS by Edna Schmidt Ingraham. She requested that the house be names after her sister Alta. In 1988 the Heritage Trail was started at the Glenn County Fairgrounds which includes over 15 historic structures of local interest.

Fundraisers such as the annual November Craft Fair help support our projects.

If you would like to join the Orland Historical and Cultural Society or would like more information please see the contact information.

[www.orlandhistoricalandcultural.org](http://www.orlandhistoricalandcultural.org)

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**JULY**

Saturday

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
	FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION VINSONHALER PARK				INDEPENDENCE DAY Orland Arts Center Artists' Reception 5PM-7PM 1016 So. St	
6	City Council 7:30PM Carnegie Hall  Be The Change 6:30 St Dominics	7	8	9	10	11
						<b>Garnet Hill-Orland Florist</b> 718 Fourth St Flamingo Night 10AM to 5PM
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				No Ambassador Meeting this month		<b>Garnet Hill-Orland Florist</b> 718 Fourth St Flamingo Night 10AM to 5PM
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	Be The Change 6:30 St Dominics					