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Volunteers are the beating heart of the Bandon Chamber: Thanks to their dedication, Bandon visitors find a warm welcome at the Bandon Visitors Center seven days a week. In addition to meeting and greeting, our volunteers organize and participate in tours of local businesses, assist with special events, distribute professional brochures, and much, much more.

"One source of pride at the Bandon Chamber is how long our volunteers serve," said Julie Miller, Executive Director.

In March, the BCC will thank our volunteers with our annual Volunteer Appreciation Lunch. If you haven't stopped by the Visitors Center lately, we invite you in. Say hello and thanks to the people who endorse our community every day.



Bandon Visitors Center
 Open 10 AM to 4 PM
 Monday through Sunday
 300 Second Street
 Bandon, Oregon
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The folks who volunteer at the Bandon Visitor Center are awesome! Their helpful, smiling welcome leaves a lasting and incredibly positive impression on visitors.

–Penny Allen, BCC Director

BCC Micro Biz Fair
 Wednesday, April 24, 2013
 1 to 2:30 PM
 location TBA

Bandon Visitors Center volunteers want to know what makes your business unique.

Grab your business cards and polish your elevator speech! Our micro business fair is a showcase opportunity for your products and services.

Interested? Call Julie Miller, 541-347-9616.

Come In and Say Hello: BCC Volunteer Assistants and Coordinators keep the Visitors Center running with professional expertise, humor and enthusiasm for meeting new people.



Terrie Loomis, Volunteer Assistant to the Director

"I'm willing to try anything once—almost anything!"

A do-it-yourself attitude and passion for learning go a long way at the BCC. After retiring from her position as a public school elementary teacher in 2003, (she taught 15 years at Bandon's Ocean Crest Elementary), Loomis answered a Coffee Break ad requesting Chamber volunteers. From hanging holiday lights to conducting research, Loomis says her volunteer work is fun and allows her to meet people from all over the world.



Bob Truitt, Volunteer Office Assistant

Truitt moved to Bandon in 2005 and began volunteering for the BCC in 2006. A retired mechanical engineer, Truitt specialized in medical electronics. At the BCC, Truitt brings a detail-oriented approach to everything from compiling organizational data to helping visitors locate Bandon's best destinations. But he isn't all business. Truitt's signature practical jokes keep Visitors Center volunteers and staff on their toes.



Nancy Koontz, Volunteer Coordinator

"If you're really happy being in Bandon, (the Visitors Center) is a great venue to share that enthusiasm."

Before her move to Bandon in 2006, Koontz managed training in web and data systems for the federal courts. Friends Helen Stewart and Cathy Bernal invited Koontz to join the BCC volunteer team. As center schedule coordinator, she notes that Bandon's is one of the few area Visitors Centers where volunteers meet visitors and take phone calls seven days a week year round.

Jeanette Harris, Brochure Coordinator

"I absolutely love meeting the people who come in."

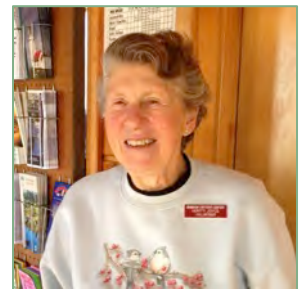
At the Bandon Welcome Club in 2004, Harris enquired where she might volunteer. Past Volunteer Coordinator Pauline Brown pointed Harris to the Visitors Center. Harris looks forward to connecting with visitors and hearing accents from around the world. She helps visitors find Bandon businesses and attractions by managing the center's collection of local brochures.



Horty Joyce, Volunteer Tour Coordinator

"I've met a lot of really nice people through the Visitors Center, and that's a good thing."

Joyce joined the BCC in 2010 and, almost immediately, began coordinating local business tours. This year, she looks forward to paying visits to the newest BCC members with her fellow volunteers. From retail to lodging, Joyce keeps herself acquainted with Bandon businesses.



Helen Stewart, Volunteer Training Coordinator

Visitors who like to swap travel stories will find an eager audience with Stewart at the Visitors Center. Stewart has shared her passion for Bandon's resources since the 1990s, encouraging visitors to enjoy all the town has to offer. She and her husband Robin chose Bandon as their retirement home after touring the length of Oregon's coastline. For Stewart, local beaches remain the most exciting part of discovering Bandon.





Promote Your Events::BCC Events Calendar

Panning an event? Let the Bandon Chamber help you spread the word about your business or organization. The events calendar at bandon.com is designed to help locals and visitors find out what's happening in Bandon. In addition, the Chamber can help you reach a wider audience with strategic event submissions to regional electronic and print publications.

Download the BCC Event Notice form at bandon.com/webfront/bandon-events/

WHAT'S HAPPENING Events at bandon.com



Congratulations! Beth and Ed Wood, Bandon Mercantile Co. Top Tally Shop Bandon 2012 Receipts ~and~ Drawing Winner: Travel with SeaPort Airlines

Beth Wood, co owner of Bandon Mercantile, enjoyed a surprise visit January 22 from Julie Miller, BCC Executive Director. Miller came to the Mercantile with exciting news: Mercantile customers redeemed the highest dollar value in Shop Bandon 2012 receipts. Each Shop Bandon sponsor was eligible to win two round-trip tickets from SeaPort Airlines. Ed and Beth Wood are the lucky winners!

Thanks again to all our sponsors; you make Shop Bandon happen.



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