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Deanne Buck

Economic Development for Central Oregon (EDCO) announces **Deanne Buck** has joined its dedicated team in the position of venture catalyst director, effective February 28.

In this role, Buck will be responsible for helping entrepreneurship drive future job growth in Central Oregon by executing the plans and programs of EDCO's "Start" initiative, which aims to mentor and advise scalable young companies from concept to exit on issues such as access to capital, critical expertise and strategy.

Buck brings with her a tenure in supporting entrepreneurs and a history of success in creating sustainable ecosystems for start-ups to grow and thrive in. She has an entrepreneurial mindset herself, the formal education to add value to the role and the track record of fundraising, stakeholder outreach and community engagement that is vital to be successful in the position.

Buck holds a bachelor of arts degree from the University of Nebraska, Omaha and a juris doctor, with a focus on business entrepreneurship from the University of Colorado-Boulder, School of Law. When not working with entrepreneurs, she enjoys trail running, skiing, climbing, yoga and painting.

Deschutes Children's Foundation (DCF) welcomes **Katherine Rowe** to their Board of Directors.

Rowe is an attorney with Bryant, Lovlien & Jarvis. Though she has called Bend home since 2017, she has long-standing ties to Central Oregon. She has a bachelor's degree from UC Santa Barbara and a law degree from Tulane University.

As an attorney and a mother, Rowe has seen first-hand some of the challenges that face children and families in Deschutes County and the difference that access to resources can make. Rowe hopes to use her professional and parental experience to support the DCF and its collaborative mission with the belief that a community with healthy, supported children can flourish and a community that works together can better achieve that goal.

Rowe enjoys the outdoors, including hiking, fishing, paddleboarding and camping in moderation, so long as her husband does most of the work preparing and setting up. She also enjoys partaking in indoor pursuits while her husband takes their young daughter out on adventures.



Katherine Rowe

The **Sunriver Area Chamber of Commerce** Board of Directors unanimously voted to welcome **Ryan Duley** of Sunriver Brewing Company, **Vivian Houser** of Houser House Creations and **Sgt. Steve Lopez** of the Sunriver Police Department to the board. The executive committee members are **Daniel Youmans**, president; **Aaron Schofield**, treasurer; branch manager and assistant vice president of First Interstate Bank; and **Kelly Newcombe**, secretary; Meredith Lodging, general manager, Central Oregon. Board members are Deschutes County Commissioner **Patti Adair**, **Keith Kessar**, assistant general manager, Sunriver Owners Association and **Thomas Samwel**, director of finance, Sunriver Resort. The board advisors are **John Salzer**, community volunteer and **Julia Theisen**, president and CEO, Central Oregon Visitors.

The **2022 Junior National Cross-Country Ski Championships** held from March 6 to March 12 will bring together the nation's top cross-country skiers ages 14-20 years old. The last time the event was held at Theodore Wirth Park was in 2011 when now Olympic gold medalist Jessie Diggins won every event in the Championship — an early indication of her historic ski career. Join us this spring as we watch the upcoming generation of skiers compete head-to-head in a week of sprinting and distance events in both classic and skate ski technique on World Cup caliber courses.

The athletes representing the Pacific Northwest Ski Association are U18/20 M: **Derek Richardson**, **Zach Jayne** (MBSEF), **Evan Grover** (MBSEF), **Parke Chapin** (MBSEF), **Cole Shockey** (MBSEF), **Lars Sorom**, **Catcher Kemmerer**, **Graham Sheley**, **Lien Hagadorn**, **Carter Sheley** and alternate: **Will Adams** (MBSEF). U18/20 F: **Jori Grialou**, **Sophia Corkran** (MBSEF), **Bridget Burns**, **Stella Scholz**, **Delaney Jackson**, **Piper Widmer** (MBSEF), **Mariah Lucy**, **Katelyn Costello** (MBSEF), **Kirsten Jarmin**, **Isabel Menna**, **Alice McKnight** (formally of MBSEF, auto qualified from National level results) and alternate: **Elle St. Clair** (MBSEF). **Clair McDonald** (MBSEF) also qualified but has declined due to needs of school and soccer commitments. U16 M: **Aidan Jacobus** (MBSEF), **Quinten Koch**, **Peter Norby**, **Zach Shockey** (MBSEF), **Silas D'Atre**, **Reed Wuepper** (MBSEF), **Lucas Clark** (MBSEF), **Peter Grover** (MBSEF), **Will Mowry** (MBSEF) and alternate: **Emmet Bondi**. U16 F: **Neve Gerard** (MBSEF), **Adeline Loewen**, **Caroline Menna**, **Dashe McCabe**, **Lily Antoniuk**, **Serenity Saugen**, **Marta Schkrohowsky**, **Elise Voorhees**, **Piper Antoniuk** and alternate: **Louisa Lamarre** (MBSEF). Coaches: Team Lead: **Heidi Loewen**, U18/20 M Coach: **Coert Voorhees**, U16 M Coach: **Kelly Ryan**, U18/20 F Coach: **Lydia Youkey** (MBSEF)



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and U16 F: **Christie Saugen**. Wax Technicians: **Pete Leonard**, **Pierre Niess**, **Laura McCabe**, **George Bryant** and **Reitler Hodgert** (MBSEF).



Kimberly Howard Wade

Caldera Arts announced **Kimberly Howard Wade** as its new executive director to lead the award-winning nonprofit that provides inclusive, year-round arts and environmental programming to youth in Portland and Central Oregon. Howard Wade's two decades of leadership and experience in arts education, social impact and community building will help supercharge Caldera's commitment to creativity.

Howard Wade joins Caldera with a wealth of experience from a career across public, private and nonprofit sectors. Prior to Caldera, she served as Portland General Electric's director of Project Zero, the social impact initiative that empowered the next generation to create cleaner, greener, more equitable communities. She also supported the Oregon Cultural Trust in their effort to provide grants and

funding to arts, humanities and heritage organizations, allowing them to stabilize and expand. Additional experience includes managing director for Portland's Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center and education/outreach director for the Artists Repertory Theater. She frequently advocates for arts learning in education in her role as Chair for the Oregon State Board of Education and also serves on the Board of Directors for the Portland Playhouse. Howard Wade holds a master of fine arts in theater from Columbia University.

This leadership move marks an exciting organizational refresh for Caldera that builds on 25 years of exceptional programming, while strengthening their foundation for the future. Like many organizations operating during a global health pandemic, Caldera worked diligently to provide many of the same core experiences to young people and artists as they were able to provide pre-COVID, and were quick to pivot and support students at every stage, including remote and in-person. In 2021, Caldera mentors collaborated with teaching artists and residents to provide over 270 hours of instruction, lead over 200 classes and make around 400 outreach calls to youth. Caldera also plans to host its Immersion and Discovery experiences for students this Summer at the Arts Center on Blue Lake.

Howard Wade officially started in the executive director role at Caldera Arts in January.

LRS Architects announced the 2022 promotions of **Amalia Mohr**, **Chuck Archer** and **Ray Yancey** to principals.

Mohr is a proactive and dedicated leader who is passionate about workplace strategy and human interaction within the created environment. Her strong communication skills facilitate productive discussions among multiple project partners, making her a fantastic advocate for her clients. She is the first interior designer to become a principal at LRS.

Previously serving as senior associate and project manager, Archer has earned numerous accolades and earned the trust and admiration of his colleagues and repeat clients. His experience and work ethic have been instrumental in the firm's strategic growth. At LRS, his design work centers on senior living facilities and establishing a team environment that provides the best service to clients.

During his time at LRS, Yancey has made significant contributions to senior living projects. He excels at balancing design considerations with technical requirements throughout the design process. Yancey is skilled in all phases of project development, from conceptual design through construction administration. His ability to lead teams and manage workflows will feed his success as a principal.



Amalia Mohr



Chuck Archer



Ray Yancey

NuScale Power announced the expansion of its leadership team to include **Clayton Scott** who has joined the company as executive vice president of Business Development. The appointment of Scott represents an expansion of executive leadership within the sales and business development functions. This is in furtherance to NuScale's efforts to capitalize on the significant small modular reactor (SMR) market and growing customer interest in NuScale's VOYGR line of SMRs.

Scott will be leading the commercial global business development activities, including the sales and marketing and communications functions for all NuScale products and services in the U.S. and abroad. Scott joins NuScale with an extensive business development background and more than 40 years of professional experience in the nuclear sector including managing utility contracts globally; construction management; vast expertise in licensing and compliance, mergers and acquisitions, engineering design and startup and operation of nuclear power plants. Throughout his years of global experience, he has demonstrated the ability to open markets, raise brand awareness and close deals.

Prior to joining NuScale, Scott was a senior vice president — global sales, deputy director, Instrumentation and Control (I&C) business at Framatome. He managed a worldwide staff of over 2,000 with offices in North America, Europe/MENA and Asia, including all business development, sales, proposal generation, contracts, project management and delivery for domestic and international nuclear clients for both greenfield and retrofit market segments.

Scott is also an active member of various industry committees, including an appointment to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) to chair a taskforce on harmonizing digital licensing issues globally and the University of Tennessee Advisory Board.

Scott holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of California, Irvine, and a leading with finance certification from Harvard Business School.

Nominations Open for 2022 Building a Better Central Oregon Awards

The Central Oregon Association of REALTORS (COAR) has opened the nomination process for the 2022 Building a Better Central Oregon (BBCO) Awards. BBCO recognizes worthy residents who have enhanced their community with outstanding new or renovated residential, commercial or industrial buildings. Projects are judged on economic impact, neighborhood improvement, unique design or use of materials.

Guidelines for projects include:

- Property must be in Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook, Wheeler or Harney counties.
- Must have been completed between October 1, 2020 and October 1, 2022.
- Have significant impact on the community through economic impact, neighborhood/community improvement, neighborhood/community beautification, unique design, unique use of materials.
- Can be new construction and/or renovation/restoration.

- Individuals and small corporations will be given priority over large corporation or government projects.
- Selected nominee properties will be reviewed and toured.

Last year's BBCO Award winners included Bend Tech Academy, Bevel Brewing Taphouse, COTA South Deschutes County Trails, Deschutes County Stabilization Center, J Bar J Boys Ranch Vocational School, Korazon, Larkspur Community Center, Legend Cider Co., Redmond Family Choice Urgent Care, Sun Mountain Fun Center and The Brasserie at Monkless Belgian Ale.

To learn more about BBCO and nominate a project for the 2022 Awards, visit coar.com/files/Awards_Forms/2022_BBCO_Awards__Nominating.pdf. Applications are due April 1. The winners will be recognized at an awards ceremony in October 2022.

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Celebrate 22 Years of Advocacy with the Latino Community Association at its Gala de Oro Fundraiser

Gala de Oro is a golden opportunity to dine, dance, mingle and support the work of the Latino Community Association (LCA). Join LCA on April 2 at Eagle Crest Resort, 1522 Cline Falls Road in Redmond, for an unforgettable evening to celebrate 22 years of building community.

Doors will open at 5pm with cocktails and conversation. The resort will serve a tasty Latin American-inspired dinner at 6:30pm. During dinner, LCA will share highlights and stories of their work and invite guests to contribute to their mission. Interactive auction activities will add to the fun.

As the dinner festivities end, dancing to the live sounds of Conjunto Alegre of Portland will begin and close out the evening from 8-11:30pm. Appetizers are included for dance guests.

All funds raised at the gala will support LCA's mission to empower Latino families to thrive

in Central Oregon.

Buy tickets before midnight on March 6 and get an early bird discount: \$110 for the dinner and dance, and \$25 for the dance only. After that date, the prices will increase. For those who like to dress up, this year's theme is "black and white." To buy tickets, visit galadeoro.org.

About Latino Community Association

Since 2000, the Latino Community Association (LCA) has been empowering Latino families and children and building bridges across cultures to create a more resilient Central Oregon. In partnership with caring individuals, businesses, community organizations and public agencies, LCA remains committed to ensuring full participation of Latinos in our communities. Programs of LCA include: Workforce Education and Training, Family Empowerment, Healthy Families, Youth Rising and



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FAMILY ACCESS NETWORK

Meyer Memorial Trust has granted Family Access Network (FAN) an additional \$37,500, extending an existing two-year grant commitment to three years. These funds will continue to help children and families who are low-income, experiencing homelessness, or living in poverty connect to basic-needs services like food, clothing, shelter, health care, school supplies and more.

Established in 1982, Meyer Memorial Trust has awarded roughly \$840 million in grants and program-related investments to more than 3,380 organizations in Oregon and Southwest Washington. Since 2016, they've focused their grant making to better align with their mission: to work with and invest in organizations, communities, ideas and efforts that contribute to a flourishing and equitable Oregon. Today, they see their role as working to dismantle barriers to equity in education, housing and the environment and to improve community conditions so that all Oregonians can reach their full potential.

Unique to Central Oregon, FAN began in 1993 and currently employs 30 advocates at 66 sites in Deschutes, Crook and Jefferson counties. These advocates work tirelessly to help families break the cycle of poverty. The direct placement of FAN advocates within schools allows FAN to effectively reach and connect disadvantaged children and families to essential basic needs.

EVERY CHILD CENTRAL OREGON

Every Child Central Oregon (ECCO) is the grateful recipient of a \$5,000 grant from Brooks Resources Corporation to support the mission of providing radical support, resource (foster) provider recruitment and retention, ODHS hospitality and community engagement for children and families impacted by foster care in Central Oregon. Funding awarded by Brooks Resources Corporation provides ECCO with an increased capacity to share the need for greater support from Central Oregon to care for children experiencing foster care.

Every Child Central Oregon serves Deschutes, Crook, Jefferson counties, and The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs by mobilizing community to uplift and support those impacted by foster care. Every Child Central

Oregon relentlessly advocates and supports local children and families affected by foster care through recruitment of safe and nurturing resource (foster) homes. Additionally, ECCO provides radical hospitality to youth in care, families providing care, families of origin, and their partners working in child welfare. With over 400 children experiencing foster care annually in Central Oregon, ECCO believes everyone has an opportunity to connect with, and support, the foster community: creating a more positive outcome for our community as a whole.

COUNCIL ON AGING OF CENTRAL OREGON

The Council on Aging of Central Oregon shares that four foundations provided \$20,500 in grants to support the tri-county Meals on Wheels program. The grants will provide over 4,000 meals to homebound seniors across Central Oregon.

The Meals on Wheels program enhances the quality of life of homebound individuals by providing home-delivered nutritious meals, personal contact and related services. It provides nutrition risk screening, nutrition education and nutritious meals for persons 60 years of age or older who are homebound because of illness, incapacity, disability and/or lack of family support. Last year we delivered nearly 100,000 meals across the tri-county thanks to many senior center partnerships and 400+ volunteers.

Council on Aging of Central Oregon received grants from Barbara Emily Knudson Charitable Foundation, OnPoint Community Credit Union, First Interstate Bank and Brooks Resources for its Meals on Wheels program.

1. Brooks Resources awarded \$2,500 to support meals for seniors in Deschutes County. Their mission is to support social services, arts, culture and education in Bend.
2. The Barbara Emily Knudson Charitable Foundation awarded \$12,000 to the Meals on Wheels program. Their mission is to promote education, health and vibrant communities in Oregon.
3. OnPoint Community Credit Union donated \$5,000. OnPoint believes communities grow and thrive when we all work together to support those most in need.
4. First Interstate Bank contributed \$1,000 to address food insecurity in our older adult population in Central Oregon.