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Agron Tarnow

4 Seasons Home Services has earned accreditation from the National Home Watch Association for the fifth year. The NHWA was formed in 2009 in order to establish and maintain the highest industry standards for Home Watch and absentee homeowner services throughout the United States and Canada (nationalhomewatchassociation.org). Home Watch is a visual inspection of a home or property, looking for obvious issues, which means that it is a service that "keeps an eye on things" at your vacation or primary home while you are not in residence. All principals of NHWA Accredited Member companies are background-checked, insured, and bonded.

Owner **Aaron Tarnow** purchased 4 Seasons in 2019. For more than 30 years, 4 Seasons has provided Home Watch

services to the resort community of Sunriver. Tarnow is excited to be expanding into more of Central Oregon, including the Bend, Crosswater, and Caldera Springs areas. 4 Seasons watches over 140 homes. In addition to Home Watch, they offer executive-level cleaning, handyman, vacation rental management, and coordination of repair services.

The Bend and Sunriver communities are located almost exactly in the center of Oregon. Because 4 Seasons is located on the east side of the Cascades Mountain Range, their climate is a high-desert rain shadow, not the rainy forest that many people associate with Oregon. Bend is located at about 3,500 feet in elevation, while Sunriver is at 4,000 feet. Their region is growing greatly, both with permanent residents and vacationers. Visitors and residents alike enjoy more than 300 days of sunshine a year, where they can play golf, ski at Mt. Bachelor (18 miles away and open from November to June), bike on miles of trails, play in the Deschutes River, or recreate in numerous other ways.

Tarnow has earned the designation of Certified Home Watch Professional from the NHWA, placing him among the elite Home Watch providers in the industry. The CHWP designation shows his commitment to providing excellent service to his clients. Tarnow also serves as an NHWA Home Watch Boot Camp instructor and as the Chapter Lead for the NHWA's Northwest Chapter.

Tarnow moved to Bend from Traverse City, Michigan, in 2007 and with his wife, Amy, enjoys all that their area has to offer. Prior to purchasing 4 Seasons, Tarnow worked in the medical field as an orthotist/prosthetist, while managing several rentals on the side. Though quite a career change, Tarnow finds the customer service and project management aspects of Home Watch to be a fun and engaging change of pace. Amy is a native Oregonian and works as the Executive Director of the Mount Bachelor Sports Education Foundation. She helps Tarnow with bookkeeping and other management responsibilities for 4 Seasons.

RE/MAX Key Properties welcomes **Kelly Clark** and **Chad Pasinetti** to its esteemed group of real estate professionals in Central Oregon.

Clark brings a wealth of experience, having previously worked in various roles within the real estate industry, including sales, mortgage and law offices, as well as assisting commercial real estate brokers. Residing in Central Oregon for over two decades, Clark brings an intimate knowledge of the local market, which will undoubtedly benefit her clients seeking to fulfill their real estate dreams and goals in Central Oregon.



Pasinetti has been in the real estate industry for 15 years, specializing in commercial real estate investment sales in Washington State with a focus on multifamily and retail before moving to Central Oregon five years ago. He also worked for several of the largest real estate Proptech firms throughout the U.S. — including Zillow Group & Agent Legend. The opportunity to work in different real estate fields has provided Pasinetti a working knowledge of marketing, sales, management, leadership, coaching, and overall customer experience. When it comes to buying, selling and investing in real estate, Pasinetti provides unique insight into the local market and is committed to helping clients achieve their goals.



Hayley Hoggarth

Rebound Physical Therapy Prineville welcomes **Hayley Hoggarth**, OTR/L, CEAS.

Hoggarth began her path to occupational therapy in New Zealand where she accepted a student-internship, which included hosting the country's Youth Paralympic Games. She then received her masters in Occupational Therapy from Touro University Nevada in 2015 and spent the first three years of her career in short-term and long-term skilled nursing rehabilitation. During her time there, she worked with patients on functional improvements for a variety of diagnoses and conditions, including contracture management through splinting. She followed her passion for orthosis fabrication and transitioned to outpatient hand therapy in 2018.

Through the Pandemic, Hoggarth found many of her patients were suffering upper extremity injuries due to the abrupt transition of working from-home, and that they did not have a supportive ergonomic environment. She obtained her CEAS certification (Certified Ergonomics Assessment Specialist) in 2020 and has seen how valuable ergonomics education and training can be for her patient's recovery.

Hoggarth is grateful to be part of Rebound Physical Therapy, and for the support of her talented colleagues as she pursues her certification as a Hand Therapist. She is joyfully joining her husband, Justin Hoggarth, DPT and clinic manager at the Prineville Clinic. She is looking forward to growing the Hand Therapy Program in Prineville and serving the community with new resources.

Some of Hoggarth's hidden talents outside of the clinic include line dancing, sewing, and baking with her sourdough starter.

NAI Cascade Commercial Real Estate announced that our newest licensed property manager is a familiar face to our team, our owners, and our tenants. **Julia Sutter** obtained her Property Management license in August and was promoted to property manager in October. With this promotion, she has been highly focused in expanding the portfolio with properties that align well with NAI Cascade's objectives.

Sutter has been a part of the property management team at NAI Cascade since July of 2022. She brought with her 25+ years of business operations management that have translated seamlessly to property management.



Julia Sutter



Jonas Grebera

DENT Instruments, Inc. announces **Jonas Greberg** as their new chief executive officer. Greberg assumed leadership in October. Christopher Dent, founder and chief engineer, continues to provide guidance as senior advisor.

Greberg holds a master's degree in industrial engineering and has extensive leadership experience working with various energy, building automation and engineering companies in Sweden. Greberg moved to Bend with his wife, three children and dog this summer.



Kevin Larkin

Deschutes National Forest Supervisor Holly Jewkes has tapped two local candidates for key leadership positions on the Forest.

Kevin Larkin, Bend-Fort Rock District Ranger since 2012, is the new deputy forest supervisor for the Deschutes National Forest and **Kevin Stock**, currently the Central Oregon Fire Management Service Fire and Aviation staff officer, will take a four-month assignment to become the acting Bend-Fort Rock district ranger.

Prior to his position as Bend-Fort Rock district ranger, Larkin previously spent five years on the Kaibab National Forest in Northern Arizona and four years on the

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CASA OF CENTRAL OREGON

The Honorable Judge Bethany Flint recently conducted a swearing-in ceremony for 17 community members to become Court Appointed Special Advocates, or CASAs, for children. The volunteers, who come from all walks of life, will speak in court for children who are in foster care in Central Oregon.

The CASA volunteer represents the child's best interest in court and in the community during their time in foster care. All volunteers complete a thorough training process that includes 40 hours of trauma informed training, a background check, and an interview with a district court judge before being sworn-in as an officer of the court and assigned a child or sibling group currently in foster care in Crook, Deschutes, or Jefferson counties.

"We currently have 46 children waiting to be assigned an advocate. We are very fortunate to have this new group of volunteers who are willing to dedicate their time serving our community's most vulnerable children," said CASA's executive director, Heather Dion.

Last year, 448 children spent time in foster care in Central Oregon. Of these children, 373 were served by a CASA volunteer. The goal of CASA of Central Oregon is to recruit, train, and support enough volunteers so that every child in foster care has a personally assigned CASA volunteer.

CASA of Central Oregon is currently accepting applications for anyone interested in becoming a volunteer advocate. The next training session is scheduled to begin the week of January 22, 2024.

LEADERSHIP REDMOND CLASS OF 2023 & VFW POST 4108

The Leadership Redmond Class of 2023, along with the VFW Post 4108, organized the first annual Red, White and Blue Celebration. This benefit fundraiser was a huge success with attendees enjoying food, music, dancing, raffles and a silent auction. The highlight of the evening was the MIA-POW table ceremony led by the guest of honor, Dennis Guthrie. This moment was a testament to the reason and cause for the celebration of the colors that unite America and deeply underscored the enduring sacrifices for our freedom.

Sponsored by BasX Solutions, Redmond Industrial Park, and Hooker Creek, this year's celebration raised an impressive \$12,000 for the local veterans of the Deschutes VFW Post. Proceeds from the event will be used for capital improvements, with a particular focus on procuring a brand-new HVAC system for the post facility which serves its members, auxiliary, all veterans, their families and the public in our area.

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White Mountain National Forest in New Hampshire and Maine. Before working for the Forest Service, Larkin taught recreation management and social science in the Department of Forestry at Virginia Tech.

Larkin spends his free time hiking and skate skiing on the Forest and takes over as deputy forest supervisor following Shanda Dekome's promotion to director of Natural Resources in the Intermountain Region of the U.S. Forest Service in Utah earlier this year.

Stock started his career in wildland firefighting after being inspired to serve following the Awbrey Hall Fire in Bend that burned 22 homes in 1990. Stock worked as a seasonal firefighter on the Lolo National Forest in Montana and later the Mt. Hood National Forest before settling in to Central Oregon in 1995 and working his way up the ranks from engine captain to the Fire and Aviation staff officer in 2021.

Stock has an associates of applied science degree in Forest Resources from Mt. Hood Community College and a professional certificate in biological science from University of Nevada at Las Vegas. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his wife and two children recreating on the public lands he protects and loves.

Citing the tremendous growth in meals served and plans to assist with meal production for new Central Oregon communities, the **Family Kitchen** Board of Trustees recently approved the new staff position of operations manager. After an extensive search process, **Dana Richards** was hired for the role beginning October 2.

Richards is well known in the local homeless services world for her work opening and managing COVID isolation housing and Project Turnkey housing as unhoused services manager at Neighborlmpact, keeping the public informed as community engagement coordinator at 2-1-1 Connect, and advocating to fill housing gaps as community and economic development program coordinator at Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council. Richards represented the Homeless Leadership



Dana Richards

Coalition (HLC) on the Sounding Board with the City to change land use code for housing opportunities and worked in collaboration with HLC and other service providers to get our local Built For Zero initiative off the ground. She also has years of experience in shelter operations in Portland, Oregon; Phoenix, Arizona; and Las Vegas, Nevada.



Giancarlo Gatto

BendFilm recently announced that **Giancarlo Gatto** will assume the role of executived, effective immediately. He succeeds interim executive director Ann Witsil and prior executive directorTodd Looby.

Gatto is a longtime member of the BendFilm family, including seven years as a board member, five of them as board president. During his tenure, the organization acquired the Tin Pan Theatre, a signature venue for year-round programming and a centerpiece of the annual Bend Film Festival. A 12-year resident of Bend, and a self-described "lifelong cinephile," Gatto has attended the Festival for a decade, and volunteered as a venue manager. His career elsewhere has encompassed over two decades of financial management.

As executive director, Gatto will oversee all aspects of the nonprofit's year-round activities, including strategic business development, community relationship management and cultivation (including sponsor and government relations), financial planning and operations. He will also manage and work closely with the BendFilm staff, including programming director Selin Sevinç, on the production of the annual Bend Film Festival.

Gatto will work from BendFilm's offices at 1000 Northwest Wall Street in downtown Bend, with regular travel to represent and amplify BendFilm's presence and reputation at other festivals, markets and industry events worldwide.

The Bend Chamber announced that four new board members will join the full board of directors on January 1, 2024. The board is an all-volunteer group that guides the mission, policy setting, and governance of the Chamber as they serve the Bend business community.

Laura Breit, PE, LEED AP, owner/CEO of ColeBreit Engineering, is a licensed Mechanical Engineer and the majority owner and CEO of ColeBreit Engineering, a certified Women Business Enterprise in Oregon. ColeBreit Engineering specializes in

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mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fire protection, commissioning, and controls design and engineering services.

Breit brings extensive experience as a professional mechanical engineer and LEED Accredited Professional to every project, including the design of HVAC, plumbing, and process systems for nearly every market sector, including commercial, education, pharmaceutical, science and technology, industrial, municipal, multifamily, healthcare, hospitality, high-end residential, and agricultural facility types and businesses. She has experience working in the traditional design-bid-build and design-build project delivery methods, taking a custom approach to each project and the unique needs of the client. Notable recent local projects include the 315-unit, 6-story Jackstraw project near the Box Factory and The Grove in Northwest Crossing.

Kevin Cole, CEO/president of Mid Oregon Credit Union, joined the Mid Oregon Credit Union team in 2016 as the organization's chief financial officer. He quickly advanced to executive vice president before taking over the CEO role at the retirement of then-CEO Bill Anderson at the end of 2022. During his tenure, he led multiple key initiatives to transform Mid Oregon's technology platforms and introduce new digital tools to the membership.

Cole is committed to helping build better communities in Central Oregon through economic development. He recently completed six years of service on the Bend Economic Development Advisory Board. He serves as the treasurer for Economic Development of Central Oregon. Cole believes that Central Oregon communities can only be healthy when they have a strong employment base that creates opportunities for everyone to share in the region's prosperity and growth.

Gary North is the vice president and shareholder of R&H Construction, leading operations in Central Oregon. R&H has a statewide presence with offices in both Bend and Portland, Oregon. The company's core market sectors include affordable and market-rate housing, office, retail, industrial, medical and resort work.

North has over 35 years of experience in the construction industry, the last 15 of which have been with R&H in roles such as senior project manager, team leader and his current role as vice president. During his tenure with R&H, he has managed over \$400 million in work including ground up developments, remodels and build-out work.

After two years practicing as an associate orthodontist in the Rogue Valley of Southern Oregon, **Dr. Shannon Woods**, orthodontist/owner of Woods Orthodontics, moved her family back home to Bend in 2018, and launched her start-up, Woods Orthodontics.

Dr. Woods has earned numerous honors and certifications, such as: Omicron Kappa Dental Honor Society Member, which is awarded to the top 5 of the 75 OHSU Dental School Graduates of each class; American Board of Orthodontics Certification, which is granted to typically less than 30% of all practicing orthodontists in the country; Affiliate Candidate with the Angle Orthodontic Society, an orthodontic body promoting the scientific advancement of orthodontics; and *Cascade Business News'* Accomplished under 40.

Dr. Woods manages a team of clinical and administrative staff that serve passionately at their Bend and Sisters clinics. She specializes in all aspects of orthodontic care, from early intervention, to clear aligners, brackets, and surgical orthogonathic correction.

Additionally, **Rebecca Berry**, vice president/chief Human Resources officer at St. Charles Health System, will be returning to serve her final year. And, **Laurie Hill**, CEO of Central Oregon Pediatrics Associates, becomes a full board member after serving as a one-year appointee in 2023.

Commute Options welcomes **Marika Tammaru** to the team as their new Safe Routes to School coordinator. In this position, Tammaru educates and encourages Central Oregon children and parents on the benefits and safety of biking and walking to school.

Tammaru graduated from the University of Oregon with a degree in environmental science and Spanish, where she discovered a love for biking and sustainable transportation solutions. In her free time, she enjoys running, skiing, gardening, and camping.



Marika Tammaru

Recently, **The Environmental Center** presented its eighth Sustainability Awards, honoring those who are leading the way to a sustainable future in Central Oregon. Individuals, businesses, organizations, and other community-led projects and programs in Crook, Deschutes, and Jefferson counties were eligible to be nominated or to apply.

This year, The Environmental Center received a total of 14 nominees to review. A team of six individuals made up the review committee, scoring applications based on the nominee's strengths and contributions regarding environmental health, social equity, and economic vitality. Nominees were also scored for their overall leadership in the central Oregon region. Awardees received beautiful hand-made awards crafted by local wood-workers Kenny Adams and Jake Roberts.

The four recipients of this year's awards are:

Business Category: Sakari Farms (Spring Alaska Schreiner)

Schreiner (Upingaksraq) is an Inupiaq Tribal Farmer/Business Owner of Sakari Farms located in Tumalo, Oregon. The farm specializes in Native American Foods, Education, Technical Assistance, Tribal Foods. This farm is 100 percent a Native Regenerative Farm focusing on implementing healthy food, land and cultural practices for our community.

Individual Category: Noelle Bell Copley

Copley manages sustainability efforts for Central Oregon Community College. She believes in community and that sustainability is a lifestyle and business model and that we can balance the environment, economics and equity. Her goal is to make sustainable living choices available to all for the greater good of our community.

Nonprofit Category: RootedHomes

RootedHomes provides environmentally sustainable and permanently affordable homeownership opportunities for those who contribute to the fabric of the Central Oregon economy and community. RootedHomes envisions sustainable, equitable communities where everyone can afford to live where they work and play. RootedHomes' sustainable communities are the gold standard of resident-driven affordable housing communities that advance equity for generations to come.

Recently the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the

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Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), announced one health center in Oregon is part of the top ten percent of health centers nationwide receiving a Gold Health Center Quality Leader badge for their achievements in improving health outcomes and providing high-quality care for patients in rural and underserved communities. The digital badges, part of the Community Health Quality Recognition (CHQR) badge program, honor the health centers across the country that have attained the best overall clinical quality performance.

The CHQR badge program recognizes outstanding performance in a variety of clinical areas, including behavioral health, maternal health, diabetes health, heart health, cancer screening, and HIV prevention and care, as well as overall quality performance.

The health center in Oregon that received a Gold Health Center Quality Leader badge is La Pine Community Health Center, in La Pine.



RE/MAX Key Properties welcomes the Levison Group to its esteemed group of real estate professionals. The Levison Group, led by Tony Levison, with Dustin Hamlet, Jamie Garza, and James Keane, is a team of seasoned Central Oregon real estate professionals. With extensive local expertise, they offer client-centric services aimed at achieving exceptional results. Their combined areas of expertise include residential real estate, property management, land acquisition, and commercial real estate. They are innovative, results-driven and always focused on their clients.



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