



CONNECTIONS

President's Corner

The HVBA is beginning its 2027 Gala Preparations.

After a huge success planning for and realizing our first ever gala in 2025, our intent is to continue the festivities with a spring gala being planned for late March/early April, 2027. Our first gala was held to celebrate the HVBA's 20th anniversary. Our 2027 gala is intended to celebrate our HVBA community.

The vision for the 2027 gala is twofold. We believe the Happy Valley Business Alliance should be the business epicenter for the greater Happy Valley area. With that in mind, we intend to honor three to five people/businesses the night of the gala. We also intend to donate a portion of our earnings to people or businesses in Happy Valley that work in and for our community. More to come.

We will involve you – our HVBA membership – to determine awards categories and awardees. We will also ask you and your business to sponsor and plan to attend the 2027 gala. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

I'm grateful for the committee behind the work and vision of this 2027 gala. Thank you to Kendra Flores, LizBeth Abbott, Steve Campbell, Joe Cornelious, Amy Farrara, and Harry Singh for participating in our initial meeting. I'm looking forward to seeing how it all turns out.

Much love,
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Fill A Stocking Fill A Heart

Fill A Stocking, Fill A Heart fills and distributes handmade Christmas stockings to agencies in Clackamas County and their clients, young and old. Volunteers working with the community seek to brighten the holiday season by filling stockings with personal necessities and age-appropriate gifts for those less fortunate. Spread joy and hope when you fill a stocking with donated items to be delivered to those in need here in our community.

Stockings can be picked up starting November 1 and returned by November 30th at Happy Valley City Hall or Happy Valley Library.

Fill A Stocking, Fill A Heart is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that is 100% volunteer-operated. 100% of all donated items and funds are used to create and fill stockings and all donations stay local to Clackamas County.



Tuesday, November 10, 2026, 6:00-9:00pm at Happy Valley Library

Join us for an open and honest conversation about the issues that matter most to our community. Hear from local leaders, share your ideas, and make your voice heard. This is your opportunity to help shape a stronger, brighter Happy Valley!

October Keynote Speaker

We're excited to welcome Goodwill Job Connection as our featured speaker at the next Happy Valley Business Alliance meeting! Goodwill Job Connection provides vocational opportunities and support for people with disabilities, as well as others who may face barriers to employment. Their services include job connection assistance, training and development, career resources, English as a Second Language, employee and community education, and long-term vocational services. Join us to learn more about the resources available through Goodwill Job Connection and how their work is helping connect people with opportunities, build skills, and strengthen our local workforce and community.



Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED Classes

Did you know our Parks and Recreation Team teaches in house and can offer Adult and Pediatric First Aid/CPR/AED classes? Our next class is offered Monday, November 9 at City Hall.

Please let us know if any of your team needs to be certified or brush up on their life saving skills. We can help!



HVBA Membership Update

One of the goals of the HVBA is to provide value to our members. The reason we encourage members to make sure their listing in the HVBA Business Directory is complete is so that others can find your business. Members prefer to do business with other members. In addition, if you have an event happening, send information and an image to info@hvba.biz to be included on the HVBA Event Calendar web page. Be sure to copy me, so that if there is enough lead time, I can include it in the HVBA column in the Happy Valley News. If you can think of additional ways the HVBA can create business connections, please reach out to me at Gregg@NWNestRE.com or contact any other HVBA Board Member.
-Gregg LeBlanc

UPCOMING EVENTS



Raffle winners at the HVBA Happy Hour Social October 14 at Snap Fitness.

Official Happy Valley Business Alliance Day as proclaimed by the City of Happy Valley

Wednesday, November 4

HVBA Happy Hour Social

Wednesday, November 11 - 4-6pm
Villas Market
9515 SE 82nd Ave, Happy Valley

Blood Drive for American Red Cross

Friday, November 13 - 12-5pm
At City Hall Council Chambers
Call 1-800-REDCROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Happy Valley to schedule an appointment.



HVBA Member Meeting

Wednesday, November 25 - 7:15-9:00am
Happy Valley Library

Find more event info at HVBA.biz



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