

MOUNT VERNON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

CHAMBER CHAT

November 2025

Why Community Involvement Matters

In every community, progress depends on people who show up, listen, and engage. Whether it's understanding key policy changes, supporting local initiatives, or simply staying informed, being involved in civic affairs ensures that our collective voice shapes the future we all share. We are living in interesting times, marked by rapid changes in public policy that directly impact our communities and businesses. Now more than ever, it's essential that we understand issues vital to the well-being of our families, workforce, and economy. Healthcare is one of the most critical issues.

Our upcoming November Membership Luncheon provides just that opportunity. We're pleased to welcome **Brian Ivie, President and Chief Executive Officer**, and **Danny Vera, Regional Vice President and Chief Operating Officer**, of **Skagit Regional Health** for a program that will help us better understand both the opportunities and challenges ahead in regional healthcare.

Skagit Regional Health Strategic Plan Overview

Discover SRH's newly developed strategic plan and how it will strengthen services and access across our region—ensuring that healthcare continues to evolve to meet community needs.

Understanding the Healthcare Impacts of the federal One Big Beautiful Bill

Gain insight into major policy changes affecting healthcare delivery, what they mean for patients and providers, and how community collaboration can help shape positive outcomes.

Join us for this important conversation as we learn, connect, and continue to build a healthier, stronger region together.

Andy Mayer
President & CEO



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Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce
(360) 428-8547
mountvernonchamber.com

Calendar of Events

Chamber Membership Luncheon - Providing Quality Care in a Financially Precarious Environment

Wednesday, November 12

11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Mount Vernon Library Commons

208 W Kincaid St

Mount Vernon

[Register here](#)



Speaking of Women Coffee Chat

Wednesday, November 19

9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Union Block Bistro

614 S 1st St

Mount Vernon

[Register here](#)



Skagit Chamber Alliance Multi-Chamber After Hours at Markwood Apartments

Thursday, November 13

5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Markwood Apartments

623 Stevens Rd

Burlington

Latino Business Leaders - Navigating Business Licenses

Wednesday, November 19

6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Skagit Valley College

Lewis Hall 311

2405 E College Way

Mount Vernon

[Register here](#)



Secure Marketing Opportunities for 2026

Do you have plans to increase your marketing presence or support the Chamber? Now is the time to act on marketing and sponsorship opportunities.

The Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce has the following opportunities available:

Monthly Luncheons

Skagit Chili & Chowder Cook-Off

Riverwalk Summer Concert Series

BrewFest on the Skagit

Your Chamber This Week

Chamber Chat Newsletter Inserts

Chamber Website Banner Ads

Mount Vernon HolidayFest

Speaking of Women

These events and publications are a great way to increase exposure to fellow Chamber members and the community at large, and the Chamber makes it easy to participate. See the marketing opportunities on Page 13 for details on each sponsorship, as well as other opportunities available with the Chamber.

Contact Jeremy Kindlund, Operations Director to reserve your participation (360) 428-8547 or Jeremy@MountVernonChamber.com.

The Mount Vernon Chamber Foundation has the following opportunity available: Latino Business Leaders, please contact Business Development and Foundation Director Silvia Reed at Silvia@MountVernonChamber.com or call Direct (360) 395-2944.

Mount Vernon HolidayFest

Get ready for a magical afternoon at Mount Vernon HolidayFest! Join us on Saturday, December 14 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Pine Square for a heartwarming celebration of the season, brought to you by the Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce, Mount Vernon Downtown Association, and Mount Vernon Parks Department.

Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus, sip on free hot cocoa courtesy of The Lunchbox Diner, explore the festive Holiday Market, and enjoy kids' activities galore. Anna and Elsa from Frozen will be at the market from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., then will accompany you to a free sing-along screening of Frozen courtesy of the Lincoln Theatre.

Bundle up, bring the whole family, and let the holiday spirit shine. It's the most wonderful time of the year and it's happening right here in downtown Mount Vernon!

Sponsorship opportunities are available! See page 8 for more details and contact Jeremy Kindlund, Operations Director at Jeremy@MountVernonChamber.com to secure your spot today.

Launching a new Chamber Connections Referral Group

In 2021, the Chamber launched the Chamber Connections Referral Program, and it has proven to be highly beneficial for its participants.

The program is designed for chamber members to:

- Build strong business relationships
- Share best business practices
- Generate referrals

We currently host two successful groups that meet twice a month and are considering opening a third group.

As a referral program, each group allows only one representative per industry sector/category. If you are interested in joining Chamber Connections, please follow the link below and complete the survey.

[Chamber Connections Referral Program – Fill out form](#)

If you need additional information about Chamber Connections, please contact Business Development and Foundation Director Silvia Reed at Silvia@MountVernonChamber.com or call Direct (360) 395-2944.

Partner Members

Anderson Podiatry, Aquarius Collective, Birch Equipment Co., Chikara PR, LLC, Coastal Farm & Ranch, CPI Plumbing & Heating, Foothills Toyota, Global Credit Union, Haggen Food & Pharmacy, Hampton Inn & Suites, Kern Funeral Home, Landed Gentry Homes & Communities, Law Office of Jeffrey R. Pollock, PLLC, Loving Farms, Mount Vernon School District, North Coast Credit Union, PogoZone, Port of Skagit, Puget Sound Energy, Quality Gutters, Skagit Public Utility District 1, Skagit Regional Health, Skagit Speedway, Skagit Valley Food Co-op, WECU, Williams & Nulle, PLLC, CPAs, Wingate by Wyndham

Thank you Renewing Members

35+ Years

Cascade Natural Gas
Chinook Enterprises
Draper Valley Farms
Hawthorne Funeral Home, Crematory & Memorial Park
Kern Funeral Home
Land Title and Escrow
Port of Skagit
Skagit Farmers Supply & Country Store
Skagit Regional Health
Skagit Valley College
The Bony Pony
WaFd Bank

30+ Years

Handy's Heating
Mount Vernon Carpet One Floor & Home
Riverside Health Club

25+ Years

Birch Equipment Co., Inc.
Dimensional Communications, Inc.
Haggen Food & Pharmacy
KBRC 1430AM & 102.9FM
Mount Vernon School District
Peoples Bank
The Skagit Casino Resort
Volunteers of America Western WA

20+ Years

Guardian Northwest Title & Escrow
SaviBank - College Way

15+ Years

Anderson Podiatry
CARE E ME, Inc.
Heritage Financial Group, Inc.
Salem Village
Sign Pro of Skagit Valley
Skagit Habitat for Humanity

10+ Years

Bay Baby Produce, Inc.
Children of the Valley After School Program
Fisher Construction Group
Legg & Watne, CPAs
Mount Vernon Farmers Market
Northwest Propane, LLC
Washington Vocational Services

5+ Years

Allstate - DeVries & Schlagel Insurance
BYK Construction Inc.
HomePlace Memory Care
J.C.'s Pawnshop Inc.
Mount Vernon Grocery Outlet
SERVPRO
VSH Certified Public Accountants

Less than 5 Years

Adobe Acrobat
All Serv LLC
Alpha Home Health and Hospice
LeMaster Graphics
Neu Flessenow Cellars
Newton's Plumbing
Pettruzzelli Inc.
Skagit Valley Pregnancy Care Center
Whispering Willows of Mount Vernon

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR
AMBASSADOR TEAM?



For information:

Silvia Reed

(360) 395-2944 | (360) 305-0895

Silvia@MountVernonChamber.com



Welcome New Members

All Valley Detailing LLC

Kimberly Ruiz

(360) 661-6085

Mount Vernon

www.allvalleydetailing.com

We offer a variety of services by appointment only to suit the needs and budget of each customer. Get on a maintenance plan and save time and money keeping your ride maintained through out the year by us.



Floor & Decor

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1502 SE Everett Mall Way

Everett

www.flooranddecor.com

We are a leading specialty retailer of hard surface flooring, offering the broadest in-stock selection of tile, wood, stone, related tools and flooring accessories at everyday low prices.

Cask & Cleaver Steakhouse

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(360) 419-0674

416 Myrtle St

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Indulge in the finest cuts of steak, expertly aged and grilled to perfection. Discover our unique recipes, infused with the rich, smoky notes of bourbon, and experience the ultimate dining experience.

Thai House Restaurant

Jessie Tippawan Wongkaen

(360) 336-2966

616 S 1st St

Mount Vernon

www.thaihousemv.com

Here at Thai House, you will experience the liveliness and excitement of our exhibition kitchen. Our extraordinary fast and friendly wait staff wishes to make your visit to us an unforgettable event.

Cleaner Guys

Bob Shupe

(360) 757-4300

1703 Railroad Ave

Mount Vernon

www.cleanerguys.com

Residential & commercial property damage restoration: water/mold removal & structural drying. Structural cleaning, bio/disinfecting, fire/smoke/odor remediation. Full mitigation and reconstruction.

(360) 299-1400

Mount Vernon



Wild Heart Radiance

Sheena Browning

(503) 320-4174

Mount Vernon

www.facebook.com/wildheartradiance

The company's mission is to empower women to become confident and self-assured, so that they create a deeply fulfilling and satisfying life. This is accomplished using a holistic approach.



2025 Shop Local Campaign

We are looking for partners to promote shopping locally. Involvement includes fantastic marketing opportunities for your business such as an ad in the Skagit Valley Herald, online and social media promotion, a consumer incentive punch card program, and more. Please return the application on page 9 with your business information, \$25 and a raffle prize valued at \$25 or more to Jeremy Kindlund at the Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce - 301 W Kincaid St Mount Vernon, WA 98273. The campaign will launch November 29 and continue through January 31 with the grand prize drawing on February 1. **Applications are due by November 14!**

Board of Directors

Chair - Tony White

Skagit Valley Food Co-op

Vice Chair - Tammy Reim-Ledbetter

Global Credit Union

Past Chair - Flora Lucatero

Children of the Valley

Treasurer - Tony Cook

Cook CPAs and Consultants, PLLC

Member at Large - Dr. Chris Villa

Skagit Valley College

Lance Calloway

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Matt Gill

Marathon Petroleum Corporation

Katie Hayton

La Conner Inn

Elizabeth Jennings

Community Action of Skagit County

Robert Knoll

Puget Sound Energy

Andrew Miller

Tulip Valley Farms

Julia Phillip

Julia Phillip Realty

Jon Ronngren

Mount Vernon School District

Steve Sexton

City of Mount Vernon

Danny Vera

Skagit Regional Health

STAFF

Andy Mayer President/CEO

Silvia Reed Business Development and
Foundation Director

Jeremy Kindlund Operations Director

Bob Johnson & Julie Newkirk

Visitor Information Services

Member Announcements

Christmas Swing Dance Fundraiser Featuring Skagit Swings Band at the Mount Vernon Senior & Community Center



PUBLIC WELCOME !

MOUNT VERNON SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 FROM 1-3 PM.

MUSIC PROVIDED BY

THE 19 PIECE SKAGIT SWINGS BAND!

\$15.00 ADMISSION, \$25.00/COUPLE, \$10.00 FOR STUDENTS.

THIS IS A FUND RAISER FOR OUR

"FUTURE SENIOR AND COMMUNITY CENTER".

PLEASE COME , HAVE FUN AND SUPPORT OUR EFFORTS.

Start 2026 with Clarity and Calm

Join fellow professionals for a powerful virtual workshop designed to help you step into 2026 with intention, clarity, and balance. This isn't just goal-setting—it's soul-setting. During this full day event, you'll reflect, reset, and create a vision board that prioritizes less stress and more purpose.

Theme: Design Your Year with Less Stress & Better Balance

Clarify your goals, connect to your vision, and create your 2026 with intention

In person (Chamber Office) | 10AM-4PM | Lunch included

Early Bird \$127 | Regular \$167

[Register now](#)



For more member announcements, visit
mountvernonchamber.com/member-announcements

Send your announcements to
Jeremy@MountVernonChamber.com

October in Pictures



Annual Chamber Meet & Greet



**BrewFest on the Skagit
donation to the Lincoln Theatre**



Chamber Connections Social



**Multi-Chamber After Hours at
Guardian Northwest Title & Escrow**



Latino Business Leaders



**Speaking of Women VIP Hour at
The Bony Pony**

Ambassadors

Chair - Betsy Anorbe

Betsy Anorbe Real Estate

Silvia Alvarez

Triumph Teen Life Center

Clarissa De Vries

CrossCountry Mortgage, LLC

Dan Dewispelaere-Rusch

Global Credit Union

Morgan Elton

Country Financial -

The Elton Group

Alicia Evans

Guardian Northwest

Title & Escrow

Ian Houben

Skagit Habitat for Humanity

Jaime Huss

Washington Federal

Crystal King

Chinook Enterprises

Karla Nelson

U.S. Bank - Riverside Dr

Ruth Medina

All Colors Painting

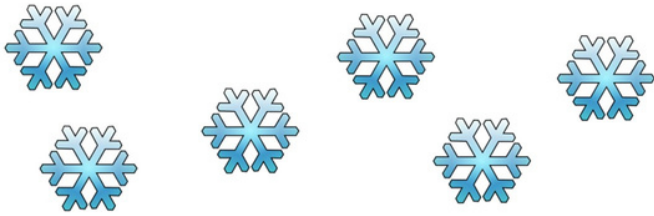
Jessica Rodriguez

Children of the Valley After

School Program

BRONZE LEGACY





Mount Vernon HolidayFest

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sunday, December 14

2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Pine Square downtown Mount Vernon

'Present' ing Sponsor:

\$3,000

Ownership of character story time

Special recognition at the event

Magnified and well-positioned company logo on poster

Logo with a link to your website on MountVernonChamber.com and DowntownMountVernon.org

Social media promotion on Chamber, Mount Vernon Downtown Association, and Mount Vernon Parks channels

Mentions in both the weekly and monthly Chamber and Mount Vernon Downtown Association newsletters

Company Banner displayed at the event

Candy Cane Sponsor:

\$1,000

All Candy Cane sponsors have the opportunity to bring branded candy canes (limit 100)

Company logo prominently displayed on promotional poster

Logo with a link to your website on MountVernonChamber.com and DowntownMountVernon.org

Social media promotion on Chamber, Mount Vernon Downtown Association, and Mount Vernon Parks channels

Mentions in both the weekly and monthly Chamber and Mount Vernon Downtown Association newsletters

Recognition at the event

Icicle Sponsor:

\$550

Company logo on poster

Logo with a link to your website on MountVernonChamber.com and DowntownMountVernon.org

Social media promotion on Chamber, Mount Vernon Downtown Association, and Mount Vernon Parks channels

Mentions in both the weekly and monthly Chamber and Mount Vernon Downtown Association newsletters

Recognition at the event

Contact Jeremy Kindlund, Operations Director to secure your sponsorship

All sponsorships must be confirmed by Friday, November 14

Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce

PO Box 1007

Mount Vernon, WA 98273

(360) 428-8547

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2025 Holiday Shop Local Campaign

Dear Business Owner,

We are looking for partners to promote shopping locally. Involvement includes fantastic marketing opportunities for your business such as an ad in the Skagit Valley Herald, online and social media promotion, a consumer incentive punch card program, and more. Please return this flyer with your business information, \$25 and a raffle prize valued at \$25 or more to Jeremy Kindlund at the address listed below. The campaign will launch **November 29 and continue through January 31 with the grand prize drawing on February 1.**

Not a member of the Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce? You are still able to participate in this great program and promote your business.

For more information, please contact Jeremy Kindlund, Operations Director

Via email: Jeremy@MountVernonChamber.com

Phone: (360) 428-8547

301 W Kincaid St.

Mount Vernon, WA 98273

Participation requirements -

- \$25 payment
- Raffle Prize (Value of \$25 or more)

Participation benefits -

- Consumer incentive punch card program: customers receive a punch for every \$5 spent at participating businesses. When the punch card is full (10 Punches at \$5 each, \$50) they can be used as an entry into weekly & grand prize drawings for fantastic raffle prizes. Each partnering business will be listed on back of the punch cards, poster, and ad.
- Business name on the Shop Local Poster
- PDF copy of flier with partnering businesses listed can be distributed to your customers via email or print off to put in bags, etc.

Please provide the information below, \$25 and the raffle prize to Jeremy Kindlund at the Chamber office no later than November 14.

Business Name: _____ Contact: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Description of Raffle Prize: _____

_____ Raffle Prize Value: _____



JOIN THE CHAMBER TODAY



RECEIVE ADDITIONAL BENEFITS

IF JOINING BY DEC. 17

- YOUR BUSINESS NAME IN A ONE-TIME CHAMBER AD IN THE SKAGIT VALLEY HERALD
- FREE INSERT IN THE CHAMBER NEWSLETTER (1/YEAR)
- ADDITIONAL SOCIAL MEDIA COVERAGE



WHY JOIN?

AND WHAT MAKES US UNIQUE

- Over 100 business events/year allowing you to connect with business leaders in the community
- Access to the Chamber women-only program, "Speaking of Women"
- Chamber Referral Program to help you create referrals for your business and grow your business relationships
- Niche-focus business assistance and professional development

... plus many other membership benefits

Already a Chamber member?

Bring a referral to the Chamber by Dec. 10 for a chance to win

- Additional advertisement for your business / nonprofit
- A chance to win a Staycation Package



FOR INFORMATION

(360) 395-2944 / (360) 305-0895



Silvia@MountVernonChamber.com





ONE-DAY BUSINESS TRAINING

Help us Build Businesses from the Ground Up



Food Business Training

Friday January 23rd, 2026

Mount Vernon Library Commons

1:00 to 4:30 PM



Contractors Training Day

Friday January 30, 2026

Skagit Valley College

1:00 to 4:30 PM



**RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIP
BY NOVEMBER 21st**

(360) 395-2944 / (360) 305-0895

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www.MountVernonChamber.com



Latino Business Leaders **Annual Holiday Social**



DECEMBER 10

6:00 TO 8:00 PM

LOCATION TO BE CONFIRMED



Don't miss out on an evening of camaraderie, traditions and connection



SPONSORSHIP AND EVENT INFORMATION

SPONSORSHIP DEADLINE NOVEMBER 15



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2026 MARKETING & SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Membership Meeting Sponsor Includes your logo in the monthly Chamber Chat, weekly email, website event calendar, newsletter email to over 900 businesses, 5 minute presentation at the meeting, display table and exclusive right to distribute flyers on the tables.	\$300 (Act quickly because these go fast!)	Exclusive Sponsor of "Your Chamber This Week" Email Your display ad or logo sent to over 900 email addresses each week with an active link to your website. We have a special rate for yearly sponsors.	\$100/week or 12 for \$1,000
Skagit Chili & Chowder Cook-Off A fantastic way to get exposure as Skagit County's best battle it out. This competition features both amateurs and professionals and is a sure fire hit with the crowd!	\$325-\$1,250 Sponsorships Available	Chamber Chat Newsletter Inserts You provide the PDF, we do the rest! Perfect for events, sales and announcements; sent to over 900 business professionals in the monthly Chamber Chat Newsletter.	\$100/week or 12 for \$1,000
Riverwalk Summer Concert Series A family-friendly event on the Riverwalk in downtown Mount Vernon Concert Series featuring an eclectic mix of genres from talented local musicians. Sponsorships include radio promotion, social media, display table and option to announce your business during the concert.	\$550-\$5,000 Sponsorships Available	MountVernonChamber.com Display Ads Extend your marketing reach to over 136,000 annual visitors on our website with your display ad linked directly to your website. Three sizes/ styles of display ads available.	Cost varies by size and length of ad run.
BrewFest on the Skagit Cold beer, cider, wine, delicious food, fantastic music, leisure games and a view of the Skagit River. BrewFest on the Skagit has it all! A portion of tickets sales is donated to the Lincoln Theatre Foundation.	\$550-\$5,000 Sponsorships Available	New Member Welcome Basket Be one of the first to introduce your business to new chamber members by providing your company swag or special offer, to be included in every welcome basket.	FREE Just supply us with your promotional items.
Mount Vernon HolidayFest Join us on in Pine Square for a heartwarming celebration of the season. Meet Santa and Mrs. Claus, explore the festive Holiday Market, and enjoy kids' activities galore.	\$550-\$3,000 Sponsorships Available	Door Prizes Keep your business name and brand in front of potential customers by donating a door prize during any one of our events.	FREE Provide us your door prize prior to start of event.

Company Name: _____ **Contact:** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

For more information contact Jeremy Kindlund - (360) 428-8547, or Jeremy@MountVernonChamber.com.

Mount Vernon Chamber of Commerce - PO BOX 1007 Mount Vernon, WA 98273, www.MountVernonChamber.com.



Speaking of Women

2026 Sponsorship Opportunities

Mount Vernon Chamber program designed for business women to connect with one another, empower each other and mentor upcoming business leaders.



Coffee Chats
08/year



Empowerment Panels
03/year



VIP Hours
02/year

SPONSORSHIP	BENEFITS	INVESTMENT
Series Sponsor	• Company name and/or logo prominently displayed in series marketing (panels, coffee chats and VIP Hour Events) • Opportunity to speak to the group at each Speaking of Women event • Your marketing available for all participants • 02 complimentary admissions to all 2026 Speaking of Women events	\$2,000.00
VIP Hour Sponsor	• Company name and/or logo displayed in all VIP Hour marketing • Your marketing material available at the VIP event of your choice • Opportunity to speak to the group at the VIP event	\$ 250.00
Coffee Chat Sponsor	• Company name and/or logo prominently displayed in all coffee chat marketing • Opportunity to speak to the group at the coffee chat of your choice	\$200.00

Sponsorship and Series Information

Silvia Reed | Silvia@MountVernonChamber.com | Direct (360) 395-2944
www.MountVernonChamber.com

THE
SKAGIT REGIONAL HEALTH FOUNDATION'S
37TH ANNUAL



Festival *of* Trees

In partnership with **Peoples Bank**
A higher level of service

Saint Joseph Center | 215 N 15th Street | Mount Vernon

Family FESTIVAL DAYS

**Saturday,
November 29**
10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

**Sunday,
November 30**
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

PWT™ Family Festival Days
Sponsor

Scan for event
information



Gingerbread House CONTEST



*Benefitting Skagit Regional Health Foundation's
Family Birth Center Campaign.*