



## JULY 2025 Report

### Boardman Chamber of Commerce Upcoming Events and Presentations

- **BAM Fishing Trail at the Boardman Marina Park:** The Boardman Chamber of Commerce proudly supports BCDA's efforts in bringing the BAM Fishing Trail to Boardman, taking place on August 22–24, 2025, at Boardman Marina Park. The Chamber provides event promotion, local business outreach, and on-the-ground services while the event is underway. Through coordinated advertising, community engagement, and visitor support, we help ensure a successful and welcoming experience for all participants.
- **End of Summer Celebration:** Join us on **Friday, August 22, 2025**, at **Boardman Marina Park** for our annual End of Summer Celebration—a heartfelt tribute to the brave men and women of our local Fire Department and Police Department. This free, family-friendly event features delicious food, fun activities for all ages, and ends with a spectacular fireworks show over the Columbia River, **sponsored by MCURD**.
- **Tropical Costa Rica with Collette Travel: Registration is now OPEN!!!** The next exciting adventure we're offering to the Boardman and the surrounding community members is here! Join us for an unforgettable journey to the stunning landscapes of Costa Rica, where you'll experience breathtaking ocean views and lush tropical scenery up close.

**Reserve your spot by August 20, 2025** — this 10-day getaway departs on February 18, 2026.

**This incredible travel package includes:**

- 15 meals (9 breakfasts, 5 dinners, 1 lunch)
- Round-trip air from Portland International Airport (PDX)
- Motorcoach transportation from the Boardman Chamber of Commerce to PDX
- Hotel accommodations and ground transfers throughout the trip.

**Come celebrate our community and those who serve it!**

- **3rd Quarter Luncheon:** Is scheduled for September 17, 2025. The luncheon will be sponsored by Tillamook and held at the SAGE Event Center. VegOut will be catering our luncheon and will be serving a delicious meal of Steak or Chicken salads, wraps, and a choice of desserts. Registration is open until Monday, September 15, 2025, through the Chamber website – <https://boardman.chambermaster.com/eventregistration/register/1483>.
- **Upcoming Chamber & SAGE Hosted Events:**
  - *BAM PNW Pro Am – August 22 to 24, 2025*
  - *End of Summer Celebration – August 22, 2025*
  - *3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Luncheon – September 17, 2025*
  - *SAGE Center: Harvest Festival – October 4, 2025*
  - *Trunk-or-Treat – October 31, 2025*
  - *SAGE Center: Holiday Makers Market*
  - *Boardman Community Christmas Celebration – December 6, 2025*
  - *4th Quarter Luncheon – December 17, 2025*

## Past Chamber Events Recaps

- **4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration Recap**

The 2024 Boardman 4th of July Celebration was a tremendous success, thanks in large part to the support and involvement of the Boardman community, our dedicated volunteers, local businesses, performers, Chamber board members, families, friends, and vendors.

We extend our sincere appreciation to the **Boardman Park & Recreation District**, the **Boardman Oregon Police Department**, and all of our **Red, White, and Blue 4th of July Sponsors** for their contributions and continued support. A special thank you goes to **MCURD** for once again funding our annual fireworks display — an ongoing contribution we deeply value.

This year, we were proud to enhance the fireworks experience with **choreographed music**, made accessible through the **PyroCast app**. By entering a provided code, community members were able to listen to the music in real time, even if they were watching the fireworks from home. This new feature was well-received and added an exciting new element to the show.

The celebration featured a full day of community events, including a musical lineup with **Scotty Wilson and Music Medicine, SAGAZZ, Colette Jones, and DJ Kora**. The parade followed its traditional route down North Main Street, and attendees enjoyed a variety of family-friendly activities such as a **mechanical bull, bouncy house, country breakfast, Fun Run, chili cook-off, ice cream contest**, and a full day of **kickball tournament action**.

Our vendor area was full of energy, with numerous food and artisan booths offering something for everyone. Parade sign-ups and vendor registration were opened early, encouraging local businesses and families to participate.

Overall, the event successfully brought the community together for a safe and memorable celebration. We are grateful to everyone who contributed to its success and are already looking forward to next year's event.

- **Bass Angler Magazine Pro Am Fishing Tournament Recap:**

The Bass Angler Magazine Pro Am Fishing Tournament, held at Boardman Marina Park, was a weekend to remember. Anglers launched at sunrise and returned with impressive catches, making for an exciting and well-attended event.

Pro-Angler Zackery Shaff earned the top title with a total of 43.43 pounds from 10 bass, including a standout 7.74-pound catch. Co-Angler honors went to Randy Marshal, and one of the most inspiring highlights of the weekend was high school angler Noah Nguyen being awarded a \$100,000 college scholarship.

The tournament showcased an impressive level of talent, teamwork, and sportsmanship, drawing both participants and spectators from across the region. The atmosphere was one of enthusiasm and camaraderie, and the Boardman Marina proved to be an ideal setting for such a high-profile event.

Looking ahead, the Boardman Chamber of Commerce is proud to support BCDA's efforts in continuing to bring the BAM Fishing Trail back to Boardman on August 22–24, 2025. The Chamber will continue to assist with event promotion, local business outreach, and on-site support services throughout the tournament weekends. Through coordinated marketing and community engagement, we aim to ensure a positive experience for all participants, visitors, and partners.

**The Boardman Chamber of Commerce** remains committed to fostering a vibrant local economy, supporting our business community, encouraging tourism and promoting the unique strengths of Boardman as a place to live, work, and visit.

The Chamber Board of Directors includes **President Janet Hersey, Vice President Mario Sepulveda, Secretary Shari Stokoe, Treasurer Mike Hughes, and Directors Anna Browne, Karen Shelton, Sheila Corpus, and Isavel Gonzalez.**

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## Boardman Community Development Association

### July 2025 Report

#### **BCDA Reaffirms Commitment to Housing, Business Growth, and Community Enhancement**

The Boardman Community Development Association (BCDA) remains dedicated to advancing quality of life and sustainable growth in Boardman through strategic investments in housing, business development, recreation, and community infrastructure.

#### **Continued Housing Investment in 2025**

BCDA continues its successful Home Buyers Incentive Program in 2025 with an investment of \$250,000 to support new homebuyers and attract residents to Boardman. In 2024, \$90,000 in housing grants has already been awarded, underscoring the program's effectiveness and the region's increasing appeal.

#### **Business Opportunity Incubator Moves Forward**

Construction planning is underway on the Boardman Business Opportunity Incubator, supported by a \$1.5 million grant from the U.S. Small Business Administration. This facility will provide affordable, flexible space for small and medium-sized businesses, with a strong focus on supporting women-, minority-, and low-income entrepreneurs. The incubator will serve as a critical launchpad for innovation and local economic growth.

#### **Expansion of Retail and Office Space**

To meet the growing demand for commercial services, BCDA is actively exploring development opportunities along NE Front Street to add retail storefronts and executive office spaces, strengthening Boardman's business ecosystem and enhancing local access to goods and services.

#### **Community Beautification & Facility Upgrades**

BCDA continues its investment in beautification with a new mural by local artist Michelle Hopper, located at the east end of the Boardman Car Wash. This vibrant addition brings local art and storytelling to the heart of the community.

In addition, upgrades to the Boardman Field House are in progress, including:

- Turf replacement

- Modernization of the lighting system
- Extension of interior wood paneling to the ceiling for improved aesthetics and insulation protection

These improvements will enhance the functionality, safety, and appeal of this popular community facility.

### **BAM Fishing Trail Returns August 2025**

BCDA is proud to sponsor the BAM Fishing Trail, returning to Boardman Marina Park on August 22–24, 2025. This exciting tournament brings together professional anglers and visitors for a weekend of outdoor fun, economic activity, and community pride. Events like BAM boost local tourism and support small business visibility across the region.

### **Focused on a Thriving Boardman**

BCDA remains focused on three key pillars:

- Housing development
- Commercial and retail expansion
- Workforce training and business incubation

With ongoing collaboration between municipalities, businesses, and residents, BCDA is committed to fostering a vibrant, forward-thinking Boardman.

BCDA Board of Directors:

- President: John Christy
- Vice President: Lisa Mittelsdorf
- Secretary/Treasurer: Karen Pettigrew
- Board Member: Krista Price

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