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FORTUNA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
January 28, 2019

The January 28, 2019, meeting of the Fortuna Chamber of Commerce was called to order by Chair Melissa Collins with 37 persons present. New guests included Andrea Page and Sarah Kohndrow from Open Door Community Health Center.

Correspondence included announcements from City of Fortuna regarding a new booster pump installation on January 10th, California Economic Summit's 2019 Roadmap to Shared Prosperity, Monthly Report from State Controller Betty T. Yee, Humboldt County Headwaters Fund press release, HSU's Music department schedule, Glamorous Boutique's *Galentine Wish List Party*, Lemonade Day Kick-Off sponsored by the AEDC, CR's free Sign Language Class, and Sequoia Humane Society's *Mardi Cause 2019*.

Renee Lindsay announced the Ferndale Chamber of Commerce mixer at Mind's Eye Manufactory & Coffee Lounge (393 Main St, Ferndale) on January 28th beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Renee Lindsay announced that invitations and table top sponsorship forms were in the Correspondence folder and that email and paper invites would go out this week.

Renee Lindsay reported that tickets for the State of City Breakfast were nearly sold out. The breakfast will be held on February 7 at 7:00 a.m. at River Lodge.

Renee Lindsay reported that there was a new feature on the Chamber website that would allow members to post their own calendar events to the Chamber Calendar online. The link can be found under the Events tab on the main calendar page.

Sean Swanson from River Life Foundation announced two gravel donations from Mercer-Fraser and Wendt Construction for the Dennis Wendt Memorial Trail. He reported that Fish and Wildlife had helped relocate some folks with Sean personally relocating some out of the area. Sean hopes to make the trail the "Community Interstate."

Becky Giacomini announced a ribbon cutting at Jon's Barbershop (591 Main St) immediately following the lunch and a ribbon cutting at Main Street Barber (1710 Main St) on Friday, February 1 at 12:30 p.m.

Dianna Rios announced that applications for the Home Based Business Expo would be going out this week. The Expo will be held at the Monday Club on March 3 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. All Fortuna home-based businesses are invited to apply.

Guest Speaker: **Ferndale Repertory Theatre** / Leira Satlof, Artistic Director

Leira announced the remaining shows for this season, including *Taking Steps* (currently showing through February 17th), *Smokey Joe's Café* (March 15-April 7), and *Mamma Mia* (May 3-June 2). She reported on the new seats and new heater that was recently installed. Six theatre seats are handicap accessible. The concession stand has also been updated and now features cookies from Fortuna's Fat Anne's Bakery & Bistro. Their annual fundraiser "*Rep Fest*" will be on March 9 at the Ingomar Club

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and will start at 6 pm. The night will include entertainment by the cast of Smokey Joe's Café and a live auction led by 1st District Supervisor Rex Bohn. Tickets to Repfest are \$100 each, and can be purchased online or from their box office (786-LIVE). She shared the upcoming season with us, which will feature: 3 Musketeers (non-musical), Matilda, Fun Home (based on a graphic novel), Clue (stage version), and 9 to 5.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Renee Lindsay
Recording Secretary