

Board Election Ballot • 2009-2011 Term

It's board election time at the Oregon Area Chamber of Commerce. There are three candidates for two open spots. This page serves as a ballot. Please read the candidate profiles below, and **vote for TWO** of them by checking two boxes. Return ballots by **December 31, 2008** by mailing to PO Box 123, Oregon, WI 53575; Faxing to 608.835.2475; or dropped off at the Chamber office--733 North Main Street, Lower Level.

Each member organization gets one, and only one, vote.

Jerod Bennett
Realtor



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Educational Background

- Bachelors Degree in Computer Science.
- Real Estate Broker license in state of WI.

Professional History

- Realtor for five years.
- Worked for the Wisconsin Supreme Ct.

Family Information

Married to Sarah for 10 years, with two children--Oscar (8) and Andrea (5).

Community Involvement/Associations

- Wisconsin Realtors Association
- Realtors Assoc. of South Central WI
- National Association of Realtors

Hobbies

- Hunting, fishing, camping
- Coaching Oregon basketball
- Spending time up North
- Real Estate Investing

Chamber Involvement

I have been a member for the past year, and served actively on the 2008 Oregon Micro-Brew Fest Committee.

Why are you interested in serving on the Oregon Area Chamber of Commerce?

My wife and I moved to Oregon to be closer to Madison. Quickly, we realized we want to spend most of our time here in Oregon! Our children attend Netherwood Knoll, take swimming lessons at the pool, and use the library weekly. One aspect I would like to address as a Chamber of Commerce member is creating more family friendly activities and businesses. I feel this will keep our city appealing to our current residents and attract new ones.

Ryan C. Ramquist
Vice President,
Business
Development

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available

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Educational Background

UW - Platteville 1999 – 2004; Major:
Social Science Comprehensive & History

Professional History

- PLH & Assoc, LLC - Sept. 2008 – Present
- Target Corp, April 2006 - Sept. 2008

Family Information

- Married to Shannon J. Ramquist 6 years.
- Daughter Clodia Ramquist is 1 years old.

Community Involvement/Associations

My family and I will be moving to Oregon within the next 6 - 10 months. Through my position at PLH & Associates, LLC, as well as my desire to make a difference, I expect to become increasingly involved in community events and activities.

Hobbies

- Spending Time with Family
- Historical Discussion, Reading, Research
- Baseball & Statistical Analysis Fanatic

Chamber Involvement

I attended the Business Expo and thought it was great.

Why are you interested in serving on the board of the Oregon Area Chamber of Commerce?

I am interested in serving on the Chamber Board because it is a great opportunity to integrate myself in the community, as well as, aid in the promotion and hopefully cooperation of area businesses. As an employee of PLH & Associates, LLC, whose primary focus is on business development, I feel that this is a great opportunity to aid in the continuing expansion of Oregon businesses and help in the maintenance of the overall business climate.

Erika Weidler
Co-Owner



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Educational Background

Madison Area Technical College, Associate Degree.

Professional History

Co-owner of Firefly Coffeehouse with husband Mike.

Family Information

Husband Mike, Daughter Meleana, three cats and a dog.

Community Involvement/Associations

- Previous board experience includes WYOU of Madison and Verona Jaycees.
- I was also Chairperson of Training and Arrangements for the Junior League of Madison.

Hobbies

Gardening, traveling, and spending time with family (human and furry) and friends.

Chamber Involvement

- Chair of the Downtown Construction Committee
- Member of the Marketing Committee

Why are you interested in serving on the board of the Oregon Area Chamber of Commerce?

The Oregon Chamber is the voice of its business members. I would like to continue to develop communication between the Village Board, Town Board, various other community organizations and the residents. The Chamber should continue to promote local businesses to help them become vital and ever present in the community. Oregon is a fabulous place to be and it keeps getting better and better. I'm excited to be a part of it. I believe that my enthusiasm and experiences as a small business owner will be of benefit to the Chamber Board.