**Camp Verde Chamber Update 8-8-22**

Dear Fellow Citizens in Camp Verde

We are delighted to begin another prosperous year of business in Camp Verde and look forward to helping businesses grow in the months ahead. Here is the latest from the Chamber.

* July 1 is the change over of the board of directors. According to the bylaws we are to alternate years so that all of the positions will not be left vacant at once. We got a little side-tracked with COVID, so we are attempting to get back on schedule. The President and Pro-tem will be on the even years (2 year terms) and the Secretary and Treasurer will be on the odd years. This year’s Secretary and Treasurer have opted to do a 1 year term. Richard Ellis is advanced to the President Position, John Smoley is elected to the President-pro-tem position, Emily Hoyt is the new treasurer and Sheri Hauser will do another year as Secretary.
* Continuing on the board are David Love Cristy and Dr John Watson. We are opening up a position for an additional board member (to make the board go from 6 to 7) so the number will be odd. Anyone wishing to be considered for a board position, please attend the Second Thursday Mixer at the Library (Aug 11th from 5p-7:30p) and fill out an application for consideration.
* We have developed various ‘welcome packets’ for new members. Anyone wishing to become a member, please email us and we will be happy to email out a packet. We are paperless with a virtual office. The Chamber has opened the option to pay on the website. Please take advantage of this opportunity because it helps us to track payments and membership status.
* The Membership Application is fillable, so there is no need to fill it out and mail it back. Also we have put a PDF (compressed) copy of the latest Camp Verde Resource into the DropBox so we can attach a URL. It is too big to add as an attachment. It can be opened on a cell phone, I Pad or desktop. Contact us for your copy.
* Since COVID, the board opted to allow non-profits to be members free of charge. As of July 2222 we are requesting businesses with non-profit status to pay $35/year.
* August is HOT MEMBER MONTH. Any paid Membership we will give (free of charge) 3 months advertising on the front of the Chamber website. This is a $100 bargain. After Aug 31 we will be charging $100 for 3 month add (Max 2 per year).
* **Fort Verde Days Oct 8 + 9th.** If you are wanting to have a booth, sign up early with Parks and Recreation. Any Chamber Member can help in our booth and have an opportunity to advertise your products and services. See Richard Ellis (Activity Director) for more information.
* **Website is over 5000.** Has added 566 new hits in the last 30 days.
	+ All of the active chamber members are on first page with links to the page where their business is posted.
	+ Pop-up was added. See if you like it. Tells people to go to the video mixer.
	+ Shopping basket has been added. Several products are available.
* **The Chamber Book:** The 2022-23 is out. I have around 20. Also chamber books may be picked up at the Camp Verde Visitor’s Center.
* **See Attachments from SBDC, SCORE and Parks and Recreation.**
* **Our Events:**
	+ Second Thursday Mixer Aug 11th at the Camp Verde Comm Library at 5PM. Sheri will talk on Making $ on Social Media. Please bring a basket (filled with goodies from your store) that we can raffle at the end of the Mixer.
	+ Third Thursday ZOOM Mixer is at the Library Aug 18th at 9AM in the ZOOM ROOM. Several of the board members will be live in the room. We will be available to direct the Video Mixer. There is a flyer with a QR code so people can zip the code and join the meeting. One will be attached to this email.
	+ Ribbon Cutting Aug 20th (Saturday) at 1pm at Sunset Hills CBD on Main next to JT’s Bistro. Terry Link is the owner. Please drop by and cheer him along!