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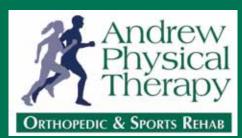


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of this special section, celebrating Women of the Yamhill Valley.

Here you'll find women who are leaders in all sorts of fields and occupations. Women who guide buyers in finding and financing homes. Women who shape the finances of corporations, or who help individuals grow their family's finances and protect their financial futures. Women who lead companies and manage properties. Women who

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Mary Ann Rodriguez is both chief financial officer for Linfield University and an active member of the McMinnville community. At Linfield, she is responsible for all administrative, business and financial operations. She oversees more than 100 people on campuses in McMinnville and Portland, as well as in the online and continuing education programs. She works with the president and college cabinet to plan a \$62 million annual budget and develop a long-term sustainable financial model that ensures the school's viability. She enjoys getting to work with many dynamic women at Linfield and in the community. She chairs the Greater McMinnville Chamber of Commerce, for which she also has been a board member, treasurer and vice chair. She's been on Yamhill Gospel Rescue Mission's board for three years. Mary Ann grew up in Minnesota and moved to California in 1984 after marrying Jose Rodriguez. She came to Linfield six years ago, but has worked in higher education for 35 years. She enjoys being part of a university system and helping create the best learning environment for students. Mary Ann graduated from California State University, Long Beach, in 1998 and received her MBA from Cal State Dominguez Hills in 2004. She took additional training at Harvard University's Institute of Educational Management.

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A mother to three grown daughters, Tammy lives in McMinnville. When she's not helping clients, Tammy enjoys gardening, camping, fishing, crocheting or spending time with friends, family and her beloved cats. She also serves as a dedicated volunteer at the Homeward Bound Spay/Neuter Clinic.



## Dr. Amanda Lynn Hoffman

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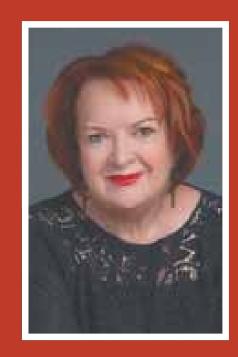
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Her own history with chronic disease, coupled with extensive studies, led Dr. Amanda Lynn Hoffman, N.D., to a career as a naturopathic physician. With understanding and empathy, Dr. Amanda Lynn puts a focus on prevention and wellness. She loves helping patients restore their health and empower them with knowledge to keep themselves healthy.

Dr. Amanda Lynn has studied herbalism, body work, intuitive energy work, nutrition, biology and botany. A primary care provider for 10 years, she uses her expertise in vitality, gastrointestinal issues, hormones, immunity and connective tissue issues as she works with mothers and other women, as well as families. She helps them strengthen their joints, ease pain and tolerate Marfan's syndrome, a genetic disorder of the connective tissue. She literally wrote the book on that: "Naturopathic Support for Marfan Syndrome."

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Daisy Amerson worked at Chris Browne Insurance before finding the perfect career right in front of her: She became an insurance agent. Learning how to help navigate the insurance industry is exciting. She loves working with the community. Now with seven years experience in the field, Daisy helps people understand how insurance works, find the right plans and answers their questions about insurance. Helping people is the best part. Born in Portland, Daisy grew up in Carlton and graduated from Yamhill Carlton High School in 1996. She loves working in the Yamhill Valley with Chris Browne and so many other amazing women.

Daisy is active as a volunteer with many nonprofit organizations. She was co-chair of Sip!, the McMinnville Wine and Food Classic, for four years. She is fundraising coordinator on the board of the McMinnville Swim Club and secretary for the McMinnville Athletic Club booster organization at McMinnville High School. Her 18-year-old son, Kaleb, just graduated from Mac High. She loves watching him swim, and she enjoys wine tasting with friends, traveling and spending time outdoors. In the future, she plans to continue her work as both an insurance broker and a community volunteer.



## Christine A. "Chris" Browne

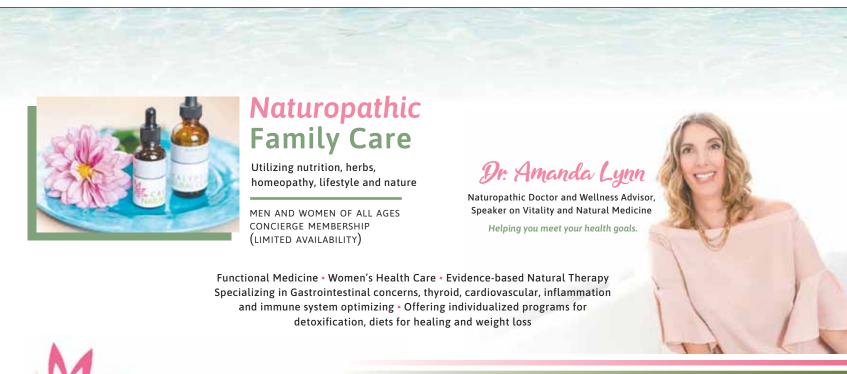
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Insurance Agent Chris Browne loves meeting people and helping the community. In fact, she says, the best part of her job is helping people through the crazy world of health and life insurance. She also enjoys the flexibility afforded by her work. It gives her a chance to be involved in and give back to many community activities and nonprofits — something she has noticed many professional women do. That's the greatest thing about living in the Yamhill Valley, she said.

Chris came here from her home state of Montana after earning a degree in Social Work from Carroll College. She was director of the McMinnville Chamber of Commerce before joining the insurance industry more than 30 years ago. Over the years, she has been involved with Partners in Progress, MV Advancements and Sip!, the McMinnville Wine and Food Classic, and has served on boards of multiple nonprofits. Chris has also held various positions at St. James Church and School over the past 40 years. She was named both Junior Citizen and Woman of the Year in the McMinnville Distinguished Service Awards program. Chris and her husband, Tony, have two grown daughters. Erin and her husband, Adam, also live in McMinnville. Katie and her husband live in Alaska with their two boys, Frank, 2, and Noah, 3 months





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Her letterpress business was born from her family business. "We had a letterpress sitting in our warehouse for decades, and I always thought it would be neat to learn to use it," Chelsey says.

She built her skills, and discovered a gift for setting type. Chelsey and her press produce custom pieces of art in the form of letterpress greeting cards, invitations and business cards—anything with paper and ink. That love of paper and ink includes consuming as well as producing. As a youngster, she wanted to be a book editor or own a bookstore. As an adult, she reads whenever she can.

Type A Press has now expanded with a gift and clothing line inspired by Chelsey's love of her hometown. The products are designed locally and printed by Chelsey and her husband Brent.



## Pamela Lum

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Pam's number one priority is exceeding customer's expectations. She has created a wonderful culture by empowering employees to wow their customers. Lum's is well known for their excellent customer service and family friendly atmosphere! Over the past few months during these unprecedented times, Lum's has implemented new ways to wow customers by picking up and dropping off vehicles for service appointments, providing free car wash and vacuum, offering to pick up groceries for customers and providing free meals to the community.

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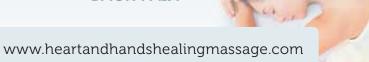


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Lori Gasca, a licensed practical nurse at Vineyard Heights Assisted Living, always wanted to help care for seniors in our community. It's a great way to make a difference in people's lives, she says.

She has more than eight years experience as an LPN and many more as a certified nurse assistant. She has worked in pediatrics, family and internal medicine, assisted living, memory care and skilled nursing. She has been a caregiver in assisted living communities since 2004. She is thankful for the privilege of being a part of the Vineyard Heights team. Lori helps coordinate care between doctors and other providers and her patients and their families. She helps with their medications and treatments. She spends time with patients and gets to know them well. She loves hearing their stories. A native of Mexico City, Lori moved to Oregon when she was 7. She lives in McMinnville with her husband, Isaac, and their four children, Isaac Jr., who graduated from McMinnville High School in June, and Abram, Magdalena and Gabriela. Lori and her extended family — which includes four brothers and plenty of cousins — enjoy camping, playing soccer and going to the beach.



## Carrie Schadewitz

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Carrie has always enjoyed helping others and has a tremendous amount of respect and admiration for seniors. "They have lived full lives and have so much wisdom to share." She's been serving seniors in Yamhill County since 2006.

She loves the integrity and passion our team has here at Vineyard Heights. "We're committed to each and every one of the residents that call our community home," she says. "That's what sets us apart, and I am so proud to be a part of this beautiful community."

Carrie is a native Oregonian who grew up on the Oregon Coast. Her family had a 50-acre farm located in Logsden.

She moved to McMinnville in 2006. Carrie has two grown children. Her daughter Aaryn and family reside in Vancouver, Washington. Her son Drew and his family reside here in McMinnville. When Carrie is not at work she enjoys shopping, traveling, hiking, her flower garden or relaxing with a glass of wine on her patio.



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An interest in providing guidance to clients facing difficult situations was motivation for Karin Moshier to study law. As an attorney at Haugeberg, Rueter, Gowell, Fredricks & Higgins, P.C., Karin is doing just that, helping her clients achieve positive resolutions in domestic relations cases. Karin assists clients with family law issues including divorce, child custody, child support, spousal support and adoption.

Karin received her Bachelor of Arts in Economics from the University of the South in Sewanee, Tennessee. She moved to the Pacific Northwest to earn her Doctor of Jurisprudence at the Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland.

Karin is a member of the Oregon State Bar Family Law Section and is treasurer for the Yamhill County Bar Association. Karin lives in McMinnville with her husband and their daughters. In her spare time, she enjoys traveling, hiking, reading and sports.



## Dianne Haugeberg

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Growing up, Dianne Haugeberg decided she wanted to go into a field involving taxes. With encouragement from her lawyer father, she chose tax law and ultimately came back to McMinnville to work with her father at the firm. She specializes in estate planning including wills, trusts, tax planning, probate and trust

Dianne earned a bachelor's degree at Willamette University before going on for a Doctor of Jurisprudence at the University of Santa Clara, and a master's degree in taxation from the University of San Diego. Dianne is a member of the Oregon Bar Association and the Yamhill County Bar Association.

Dianne lives in McMinnville with her husband, Brian Shea and two children, Keller and Cate.

She invests a significant amount of time locally as Yamhill Enrichment Society board member; founder of Books for Babies; First Presbyterian Endowment Committee member; McMinnville Area Community Foundation board member; and A Family Place: an Emerging Relief Nursery Leadership Co-Chair.





## Katherine L. Gowell

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Hailing from a long line of entrepreneurs, Katherine L. Gowell found herself fascinated by businesses and the people behind them. When she was working on her business degree, a class in business law and ethics captivated Katherine, influencing her to pursue a career in law. As an attorney, Katherine helps her clients in business and real estate matters including contracts, intellectual property, corporate structuring, buying and selling businesses, and buying and selling residential and commercial real estate. Katherine's job is to be part of a team with clients, working to solve problems — an endeavor both challenging and rewarding.

A native of Monument, Colorado, Katherine was awarded undergraduate degrees from the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma before earning her Doctor of Jurisprudence from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law in Denver, Colorado. Katherine holds a Certificate in Corporate and Commercial Law.

Katherine lives in McMinnville with her spouse. When she's not helping her clients, Katherine is an avid knitter, wild food forager, gardener and whitewater kayaker.



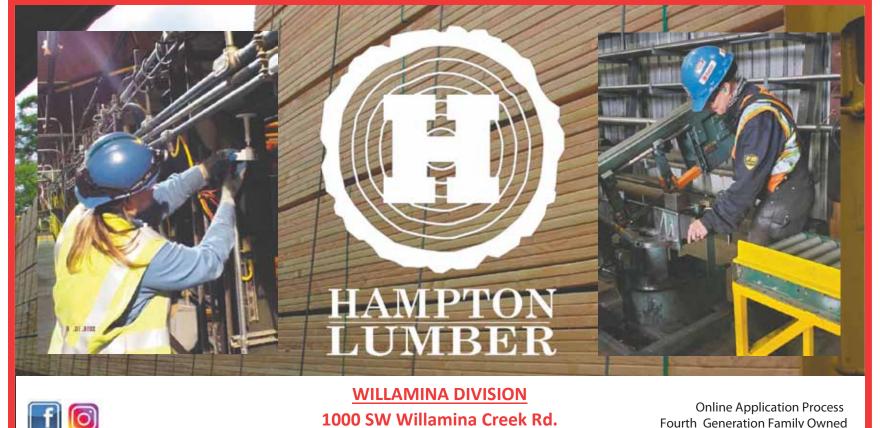
## Katherine "Kat" Clubb

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Katherine "Kat" Clubb is following in her father's footsteps: He has been a millwright at Hampton Lumber since 2004, and she is on her way to becoming a millwright through Hampton's Millwright Apprentice program. Kat was born in Virginia and raised in Ewa Beach, Hawaii. She settled in Yamhill County after serving in the Coast Guard. Kat joined Hampton Lumber's Willamina Division in February 2016 as a clean-up person on swing shift. She went on to become first a planer bin chaser, then a shipping forklift driver, before starting to train as a millwright who will be responsible for maintaining machinery and keeping everything running smoothly. Eventually, she plans to enter Hampton's electrician apprentice program, as well. Kat likes to spend time camping, fishing, gardening and being outdoors with her wife and family. And she's pleased to work at Hampton Lumber, which Bud Hampton started in 1942 in Willamina. Now a fourth generation of the family is participating in running the multifaceted company with ten sawmills and both domestic and international lumber sales. Hampton has a deep commitment to people, community and sustainability. It aims to operate safely and with integrity, enhance diversity, and hire and develop the best people — people like Kat Clubb.



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Amy Wark, DMD, is a graduate of McMinnville High School, where she was a three-sport athlete and recent inductee to the McMinnville High School Sports Hall of Fame. She did her undergraduate studies in biology while playing varsity basketball at Whitworth College in Spokane, Washington. She graduated magna cum laude in 1995 and headed to Portland to attend the School of Dentistry at Oregon Health Sciences University.

Upon finishing her studies at OHSU in 1999, Dr. Wark completed a one-year residency in general dentistry while serving with the Air Force in Dayton, Ohio. It was there that she rounded out her education by learning specialized surgical procedures involving extractions and gingival health. Dr. Wark spent the remainder of her military career in England, and then returned home to join and eventually buy her father's practice. Dr. Wark and her husband, who also manages the practice, spend their free time playing pickleball and enjoying their three children's activities ranging from basketball to whatever sport is in season.



## Kathleen (Kathy) Bernards

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Kathy Bernards had a desire to work in a profession where she could make a difference in the lives of people in her community. Since public accountants help individuals and businesses be good stewards of their hard-earned assets, the career fit for Kathy was perfect. As the sole owner of a firm that employs other paraprofessionals, Kathy enjoys watching them carve their own niches of service to the community.

Kathy most appreciates the interaction she has with clients in very personal matters – the opportunity to help clients discern what is really important, then chart a path to reach those goals. She enjoys helping people discover that philanthropy can make a big difference in their communities while reducing tax liability. Her firm also provides attestation, tax planning, and retirement planning services to businesses.

Kathy earned her degree at Linfield College and has worked as a CPA in McMinnville since 1976. Married for 45 years, she and her husband have three adult children. Kathy serves on numerous community boards and committees and participates in church and community choirs.



## Jamie Meneley

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Working in longterm care has taught Jamie Meneley, the activity director at Life Care Center of McMinnville, what she likes best: the residents.

Jamie has always loved taking care of people. In fact, she says caregiving and being a mother are what God put her here to do. She became a certified nursing assistant in 2008 and a medical aide in 2010. In 2015, she became certified activity director — fulfilling a dream she'd had since she started working in longterm care.

As an activity director, Jamie plans and implements daily activities for the residents and staff at Life Care of McMinnville. She wants to support their physical, mental and psychological well-being. She sees herself continuing in this rewarding line of work in the future, although she may want to become the executive director of a care center someday. Jamie also is pleased to be able to serve others by giving blood. She started as a ninth-grader and plans to continue until the blood bank tells her to stop. She considers giving blood her good deed to society.

Born in Phoenix, Arizona, Jamie has been married for 13 years. She loves spending time with her husband and four children, Josh, Olivia, Brennen and DeEldon.



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Lucetta Elmer

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Entrepreneur Lucetta Elmer works with managers of three downtown businesses, Douglas on Third, Union Block Coffee and The Oak, to make sure they are thriving. She's been in business since 1997. At 49, she and her husband, Denny, have owned the Douglas building since 2008, Union Block since 2011 and The Oak since 2016. They also own RV parks in Oregon and Washington, as well as Craftmark, a reclaimed wood business in the industrial park.

Entrepreneurship is in her blood. Growing up on a farm between Sheridan and Willamina, she watched her entrepreneurial dad, and learned that the world of business requires a strong work ethic, an ability to handle any situation and to figure out solutions to whatever challenge comes her way. A Linfield College graduate with a degree in elementary education, she uses teaching skills as she works alongside and leads people. She finds the Yamhill Valley a wonderful place to live and work. She and her husband are members of the McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce, and she is on the Chamber board. She iust finished a stint on the McMinnville Downtown Association board, as well, The Elmers have four children. Lucetta sings and plays piano, and enjoys traveling and spending time with her family. She hopes to eventually spend her summers here and winters in Florida.



Mary Jane Hendrix

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Mary Jane Hendrix enjoys working with numbers and with the challenges of escrow, a key part of the property buying process. But what she loves most is people -- both her clients and her coworkers. As senior escrow officer/branch manager of Ticor Title in Newberg, Mary Jane reviews closing statements and disclosures for compliance; coordinates files to ensure scheduled loan closures; and prepares and examines escrow documents according to strict state closing guidelines. She didn't know what "escrow" was when she started working as a secretary for a title company at age 20. She considers herself blessed that her manager and coworkers believed in her and trained her in every aspect of the business.

More than 36 years later, Mary Jane is adept at every facet of the escrow business. It's her dream job. She loves helping people, as well. The Lafayette resident is a proud member of Newberg Early Birds Rotary, with which she does much of her community service. Mary Jane loves living in Wine Country, where she has made lifelong friends and feels respected as a professional woman by homeowners, buyers new to the area and others in the real estate industry.



## Jade **Bachmeier**

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For Jade Bachmeier, the best part of her job is all the wonderful people she works with. Whether it's excited clients or professional real estate agents, Jade loves helping people succeed and building lifelong friendships.

As a sales executive for Ticor Title in McMinnville, Jade helps clients build their businesses and achieve their dreams. Whether marketing for Realtors or making sure everything is going smoothly in the office, Jade is eager to see her clients and colleagues have the smoothest experience possible in the complex world of real estate transactions.

After graduating from Amity High School, Jade attended Chemeketa Community College. A native of the charming town of Amity, she has family all over the Yamhill Valley. Jade is a member of the Yamhill County Association of Realtors (YCAR) and the McMinnville Area Chamber of Commerce (MACC).

When she's not busy at work, you might find Jade spending time with her Corgi (Jim) and taking him on hikes and new adventures.



## **Tiffany** Best

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Tiffany Best's local roots and ties are deep: The 40-year-old Senior Escrow Officer was raised in Lafayette. She went on to graduate from McMinnville High School, and from there it was on to Western Oregon University to study business management.

"After college, I knew that I wanted a professional office job," she said. It was an easy call to go for Western Title, now Ticor Title, where she has worked for 18 years, closing real estate and loan transactions for Yamhill County and surrounding areas in the Willamette Valley. The favorite part of her job? "My co-workers," she says proudly.

Tiffany and her husband Jay make their home in McMinnville with two daughters ages 14 and 12. Along with cooking and gardening, she is also active in the McMinnville Lions Club, and she's a committed fan of the Portland Trailblazers and OSU football and baseball.



## Cyndy Willis

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For Ticor Title Escrow Officer Cyndy Willis, McMinnville and the Yamhill Valley aren't just a market. It's home, where she grew up. She fell into the industry easily after two years of college and now keeps busy with clearing up titles, property purchases and refinancing transactions for clients from all over.

It's home for family, too: She's very proud of her husband Dwayne, a local police officer, who's been with the McMinnville Police Department for 29 years, and two daughters: Stephanie, who's attending Linfield University, and Melainie, who's attending Chemeketa Community College. A dog-lover: Junior, Zeke and Oakley. Willis and her family enjoy camping, fishing, kayaking and hiking. It's an active lifestyle that requires she stay in shape, and she does: Willis has participated in McMinnville Crossfit and has also ran triathlons and half-marathons. She loves wine tasting with family and friends. Willis has been in the industry more than two decades and her favorite part of the job is the people, both those she works with and those she works for. Where does she see herself 20 years from now? "Retired, and living in Central Oregon with my husband," she says.



## Kim Dunckel

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Kimberly Dunckel believes that most successful women leaders are those who are big on team-building, enforcing core values, and ensuring that everyone is on the same page. That's what she does at Ticor Title Company in McMinnville, managing the office, maintaining morale and closing residential and commercial transactions.

Kim is originally from California and has made her home in McMinnville since 1993, where she and her husband have raised their children, enjoying beach trips and camping together. She's from a real estate family, which is where her interest in the profession was sparked. "They encouraged me to give it a try," she says, "and I have been in the industry ever since."

A 24-year industry veteran, Kim tracks the latest policies and technology to keep up with the fast-paced market. She understands that every transaction is unique, and loves the feeling of successfully completing a deal that is particularly complex.



## **Tiffany** Brabb

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For Tiffany Brabb, her favorite moments as an Escrow Officer are the signing appointments: "I get to learn about the buyers and meet new people coming into our community," she says. She knows how important it is that she bring patience and flexibility to the sessions. "This is a huge experience for someone," she says, "not just

Born in Junction City, Tiffany got into the industry 18 years ago and relocated from Lane County to McMinnville in 2014 with her husband. They have three children.

A self-described book nerd, Tiffany and her husband liberated their home from traditional TV eight years ago and now she typically has three or four books going. Also, "I love to create in the kitchen, whether it be cooking or making lotion or a random poultice," she says. But she is active outdoors too: In recent years, she's run two half-marathons.



## Leslie Zook

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Leslie Zook is a McMinnville girl, born and raised! She thoroughly enjoys walking down the street and seeing someone she knows, eating a bite at one of the amazing local restaurants, sipping local world-renowned wine or serving in one of the many outstanding local non-profits.

Now, eight years into her career with Ticor Title she can say she LOVES her job! Leslie works with all Yamhill County Realtors® and lenders by helping them grow and be successful by partnering with them in their real estate career. "I love providing value and helping coach and train agents to be great at what they do!", she says.

Leslie also owns Flourish Events & Design, a local wedding and event planning business and serves with the well-known "See Ya Later" Foundation.

When she's not working or volunteering, Leslie enjoys traveling, cooking, and creating fun memories with her family.

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Lisa Pool, LAc chose Acupuncture as a career because she is dedicated to increasing quality of life and improving her patient's ability to live their lives to the fullest. Pain often keeps people from doing the things they love, and in some cases, prevents people from being able to do the work they need to support their families. In order to help her patients with pain, Lisa specializes in the treatment of: neck pain, low back pain, shoulder pain (including frozen shoulder), hip pain, foot pain (including plantar fasciitis), knee pain, hand pain, headaches, migraines and pain from chronic conditions like arthritis and Fibromyalgia.

Lisa also has a special interest in: fertility enhancement, kidney disease, digestive disorders (Chron's, Ulcerative Cholitis, IBS), Diabetes, Hormone Balancing, Menopause, Auto-immune disease and support for stress, anxiety and depression. She supports whole body wellness with Acupuncture. Chinese Herbal Formulas and Nutrition support. Lisa also believes in collaborative and integrative medicine and works with a variety of practitioners to help you meet your wellness goals! Most insurance is accepted, including from a Motor Vehicle Accident. No referral is necessary!



## Anne Muilenburg

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After finding recovery for herself, Anne Muilenburg also found the perfect job: as Office Manager at Provoking Hope, a non-profit organization that helps addicts onto a path of recovery. She likes being a positive influence with Provoking Hope's clients, who are called "peers," and with the community at large.

Anne has been working in offices for 20 years. She came to Provoking Hope two years ago and became Office Manager in November 2019. She considers herself and her work "just one addict helping another."

The job involves everything from starting the coffee in the morning and greeting peers as they come in to meet with mentors or simply to hang out. She oversees the lunches Provoking Hope serves, and schedules appointments for peers to meet with their mentors. In other words, she helps her peers with whatever they need.

Anne, who was born in Oregon City, has been a McMinnville resident since 1984. Outside her job, Anne likes spending time with her husband of 27 years, two children and two grandkids. Twenty years from now, she plans to be retired and enjoying time with her family.



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When Beth Caster discovered the Yamhill Valley in the early 1990s, she fell in love with the rich assortment of vibrant communities that populate this picturesque corner of Oregon. In the 21 years that she's called McMinnville home, Beth has made it her mission to share her affection for the people, products and property that make this area so special.

"I love what I do!" says Beth. "I can't wait to get up in the morning and go to work each day!"

Beth is a full-time, full-service REALTOR® who uses her infectious enthusiasm for this area to showcase some of the valley's outstanding properties, both large and small. Possessed of a deeply-rooted commitment to excellent customer service, she goes out of her way to give her clients what they need. "I am always available when my clients need me," says Beth.

A naturally creative and energetic person, Beth knows the field of real estate is the perfect fit for her. "I love that, in the course of any day, I can go from showing a modest home in town to a luxury home on acreage that has spectacular views of the valley," she says. According to Beth, no two days are ever alike, no two deals are ever alike and no customers are ever alike. "It is a constant opportunity to learn, grow and create possibilities every day," she says.

Beth has a unique outlook when it comes to things local — a perspective that can benefit her clients. "Prior to becoming a REALTOR®, I was a retail store owner, an artist and a freelance writer," she says. Beth's popular wine column ran in the News-Register for years. Today, Beth focuses most of her inventive energy on her work but she still tries to make time to create. "I am an avid knitter and fiber enthusiast," she says.

Beth maintains offices at 220 NE 7th St. in McMinnville. She can be reached via telephone at 971-241-2509 or by email at beth@bethcaster.com.

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Sandy Willius has a strong desire to help others and make a difference. She has found a perfect way to do that as assistant vice president and commercial loan officer at Citizens Bank. Her job entails building long-term relationships with customers, working with local businesses to help them succeed and providing customized lending solutions. She works with a variety of types of lending, including real estate, equipment and inventory loans as well as working capital lines of credit.

Sandy has more than 26 years in the banking industry, nine of them at Citizens Bank. Her experience has given her great respect and admiration for business owners. Especially during the pandemic crisis, she has seen them give their all to keep their businesses running and to help the community. She also is happy to be part of the amazing team at Citizens Bank. She admires how they collaborate to find financing solutions that help businesses grow.

Outside of work, Sandy is active in the McMinnville Kiwanis Club. She and her husband have a daughter and a son. Sandy enjoys spending time with her family and friends, attending kids' sporting events, and going to the beach.





### Teresa Smith

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Teresa Smith knows the value of a strong local economy. As vice president and commercial loan officer at Citizens Bank in McMinnville, Teresa enjoys helping people make their dreams become reality by creating successful businesses. Teresa's greatest reward is seeing her clients grow and achieve success.

Teresa grew up in McMinnville and has over 40 years of banking experience. She tries to make the borrowing experience as painless as possible as she coaches individuals through the process. Teresa is also President of Community Home Builders that assists low to moderate income families build their own homes. In the 28 years as President they have assisted over 260 families achieve home ownership throughout Yamhill County. In addition she is the secretary for the McMinnville Noon Rotary, Vice President for McMinnville Industrial Promotions, Inc, Treasure of McMinnville Economic Development Partnership, a member of the Yamhill Chapter of Women for Agriculture and recently named McMinnville's Woman of the Year.

Teresa and her husband, Duane have been married for 41 years and have two grown sons. When she's not serving her clients, Teresa loves spending time with her granddaughters, gardening or competing on her cutting horse.



## Dawn Owens

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Dawn Owens has always loved helping people and working with numbers, making banking the perfect career for her. As operations manager at Citizens Bank in McMinnville, Dawn supervises tellers and new accounts representatives, helps with scheduling, assists the manager and serves customers, as well. To Dawn, there is nothing more rewarding than assisting customers and seeing them succeed.

Dawn grew up in Sheridan and graduated from Sheridan High School. She studied business management and accounting at Chemeketa Community College. She started her career 22 years ago at a small credit union in Colorado, working her way up from teller to head of new accounts, then moved to larger community bank. Citizens Bank soon became her home when she returned to Oregon in 2007. She loves both her coworkers and her amazing customers. Dawn is active with the Yamhill County Relay for Life, which raises funds to help cancer patients and research into stopping the disease. She plans to join Kiwanis soon. She completed the Chamber Leadership Program in 2019. Dawn enjoys spending time with her husband, Rick, two children and five grandchildren. She loves traveling, wine tasting and working in the yard.



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