



Perth & District Chamber of Commerce “Bridges” September 2013 Newsletter

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“Building Bridges in Business”

Thank you once again to all the sponsors, donors, participants and volunteers that made our 7th Annual Dorothy Griffith Memorial Golf Tournament a success! Your support helps the Chamber operate all year long.



ANNUAL DINNER AWARD NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

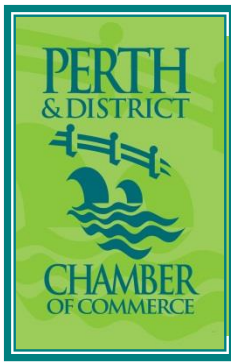
Nominations are now open for the Young Entrepreneur Award as well as the Business Achievement Award. Sponsored by Valley Heartland Community Futures Development Corporation, the Young Entrepreneur Award will recognize a person under 35 who has operated his or her own business for at least a year and has demonstrated a positive impact on the local community. The Business Achievement Award, sponsored by the Perth Courier, also recognizes a business for its positive impact and demonstrated value to the community. Nominations are open until October 1, at 12 p.m.

**The Perth and District Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors are
Accepting Nominations for the
2013 Business Achievement Award, Sponsored by, The Perth Courier
& NEW THIS YEAR,**

**The 2013 Young Entrepreneur Award, Sponsored by
Valley Heartland, Community Futures Development Corporation**

This is your opportunity to nominate a business that you think is deserving of receiving this award. In order for a business to be considered for this award a cover letter and information to support the criteria of the award must be included in the submission.

**PLEASE REVIEW THE PDFs ATTACHED TO THIS EMAIL FOR THE CRITERIA FOR THIS AWARD OR
CONTACT THE CHAMBER OFFICE FOR INFORMATION.
SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY OCTOBER 1, 2013.**



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The Perth & District Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner

Thursday, October 17th, 2013

Code's Mill on the Park

\$75 incl. HST

Join Us From 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Social Hour

Appetizers Sponsored by

Mike Fair

CHEVROLET • BUICK • GMC • CADILLAC LTD.

President's Welcome

Complementary wine sponsored by



Code's Mill
ON THE PARK

(while supplies last)

Award Presentations & Dinner 6:00 p.m.

“Keynote Speaker”

Allan O’Dette

President, Ontario Chamber of Commerce

“The Power and Influence of the Network”

“Award Presentations”

Business Achievement Award

Sponsored by

The Perth Courier

The Perth and District Community Newspaper since 1834

Lanark Leeds Home Builders Association

Builder Member Achievement Award

Sponsored by



The Perth Medal
Sponsored by The Town of Perth



Young Entrepreneur Award
Sponsored by Valley Heartland, CFDC



Please register by **October 10, 2013** Tel: 613-267-3200

Email: welcome@perthchamber.com Cancellation Deadline: Thursday, October 10, 2013

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars!! September & October are busy months for the Chamber.

“After 5 Mixer”– Networking Evening

When: Tuesday, September 10, 2013

Location: THE MASONRY restaurant & market

Time: 5pm – 7:30 pm

Cost: Free, RSVP Chamber Office at 613-267-3200 or at welcome@perthchamber.com



Chamber Business Symposium

When: Wednesday, September 25, 2013

Location: The Best Western Plus Perth Parkside Inn & Spa

Time: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 for Chamber Members and \$20.00 for Potential Members

RSVP the Chamber Office at 613-267-3200 or welcome@perthchamber.com

What a great opportunity to listen to four presenters in one location and in one evening.

Presentations:

How to Engage Your Facebook Fans: Sherry Crummy (Crummy Media Solutions), Kyle Woods (THE MASONRY restaurant & market)

How to Create Better Cash Flow: Roy van der Mull, VDMA Training & Consulting Inc.

Business Basics – It’s the Law: S. Craig Halpenny, B.A. LL.B., Partner, Barker Wilson Professional Corporation



Volunteer / Non-Profit Seminar

When: October 3, 2013

Location: Perth & District Union Public Library

Time: Evening Seminar – to be determined

Cost: \$5.00, RSVP Chamber Office at 613-267-3200 or welcome@perthchamber.com

Come learn about volunteer recruitment and retention as well as good governance / best practices for corporate management.

Presenters: Barb Woods, Certified Volunteer Manager

Katie A. Ireton, B.A., LL.B. Woodward & Stevens Professional Corporation
Barristers & Solicitors

Perth & District Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner

When: Thursday, October 17, 2013

Location: Code’s Mill on the Park

Time: Social Hour & President’s Welcome, 5pm – 6pm, Dinner & Awards, 6pm

Cost: \$75.00 (including HST) per person

Keynote Speaker: Allan O’Dette, President of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce

RSVP the Chamber Office by October 10, 2013

The Fall / Winter Schedule for the Small Business Advisory Centre has now been released.

Topics include Quickbooks Training, Business Confidence Seminar, Business Planning Workshop (Full Day) plus many more. For more information contact the Chamber Office or Cindy or Shannon directly at 613-283-7002 or smallbusiness@smallbizcentre.ca

Member Profile of the Month – Advanced Alarm Systems

(Submitted by Advanced Alarm Systems)



We are a locally owned and operated family business. We are members of the Canadian Alarm and Security Association (CANASA) and our monitoring station is listed by the Underwriter's Laboratories of Canada (ULC).

“Advanced Alarm Systems has been serving the needs of families, businesses and individuals for over 38 years. Our reputation has grown because of the service we provide.”

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We Welcome Our Newest Members

<p>James David Wright Communications Jim Wright 24 Tysick Ave. Perth, ON K7H 3J5 613-264-9997 jim@jamesdavidwright.com www.jamesdavidwright.com</p>	<p>James David Wright Communications helps you make sense of your online presence including the web and social media. Jim is a writer, trainer, consultant, and translates tech-speak into plain English.</p>
<p>All-Tech Consulting Group Cam Allen 1131 Conc 3 Lanark, ON K0G 1K0 613-259-2020 dillman54@gmail.com www.inspectourhome.ca</p>	<p>Cam Allen has 15 years experience as a home inspector and over 30 years as a builder. An inspection with Cam, prior to your purchase, can relieve a considerable amount of apprehension.</p>
<p>St. Lawrence College Employment Service Sharbot Lake Krista Scott 1099 Garrett St. P.O. Box 351 Sharbot Lake, ON K0H 2P0 613-545-3949 essl@sl.on.ca www.employmentservice.st.on.ca</p>	<p>We provide employment service assistance for employers and job seekers. Our centre is equipped with high speed technology, and enhanced resource supports including fax, photocopying and telephone use for job seekers. Our beautifully renovated and spacious centre is also used by partner agencies for meetings and training. St. Lawrence College Employment Service is funded in part by Employment Ontario.</p>

We Welcome Our Newest Members	
Shakti Kula Yoga Ellie McMillan / Amber Percival 1 Sherbrooke St. Unit 230 Perth, ON K7H 1A1 613-499-2128 info@shaktikulayoga.com www.shaktikulayoga.com	Perth's NEWEST Yoga Studio, Shakti Kula Yoga, is located in the historic and beautiful Old Brown Shoe Factory. They offer a full schedule of yoga classes, a retail space of Eco-conscious and locally made clothing and yoga accessories, and a newly renovated space to practice in. Join us for our Open House on Sunday, September 15 th , from 1-4pm for tea, treats and giveaways.

Valley Heartland, CFDC Implements New Program

As you may have already learned, Valley Heartland CFDC has implemented a Women Entrepreneurs in Lanark and North Leeds (WELL) program in June 2013. The new program involves the opportunity to become a mentor or mentee, attend networking events, hands-on workshops, and access to capital for **women entrepreneurs** in the Lanark and North Leeds area. One of the most impactful aspects of the program is pairing successful women entrepreneurs with emerging women entrepreneurs to help them overcome challenges or improve specific skills through mentoring and coaching.

A Perth Chapter is now being developed and the Chamber will have a representative sit on the Steering Committee of this new program. More information including a Launch date for the Perth Area will be announced shortly. The Chamber will also be sending a more detailed email about the program in the next couple of week. The Chamber is happy to participate on the Committee and to assist you with any questions you may have about the program.

For Your Information – Keeping you Updated

Mandatory Coverage in the Construction Industry

The Chamber was asked to deliver this message to any business that may be in the Construction Industry.

If you work in construction, the rules for mandatory WSIB coverage have changed. Do you run your own construction business? Big or small, with workers or without, you still need to know what's changed. [Find out what it means for you.](#)

A webpage www.needwsibcoverage.ca that contains information regarding mandatory coverage in the construction industry, online presentation and our contact information has been created.

There is a link embedded behind [Find out what it means for you \(above\)](#) that will take you directly to the website.

If you should have any questions you can contact Agnes Konopka, Manager, Employer Account Service – Bill 119. Her contact information is below.

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For Your Information – Keeping You Updated

Ontario Chamber of Commerce - RAPID POLICY UPDATE

CONSENSUS & CONTENTION: BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES ON ONTARIO'S PROPOSED WASTE REDUCTION ACT

The Government of Ontario is currently accepting submissions regarding its [proposed Waste Reduction Act](#). [Consensus and Contention](#) is the OCC's contribution to this process.

The goal of this submission is to identify points of consensus and contention among the province's business community regarding the proposed changes to the waste diversion system in Ontario.

This submission is based on extensive consultation. During this process, we spoke to many of your peers in the Ontario Chamber Network. We also consulted with numerous industry associations, retailers, producers, waste management firms, and energy-from-waste companies. We hosted two roundtables that included question and answer sessions with representatives from the Ministry of the Environment.



On some issues, consensus has been reached. On others, it has not.

Our extensive consultation process has demonstrated to us that the Ministry's work is far from complete. There are still several important issues that require more robust due diligence before a successful update to waste diversion in the province can be achieved.

Read [Consensus and Contention: Business Perspectives on Ontario's Proposed Waste Reduction Act](#).

Questions or comments? Contact [Liam McGuinty](#), Senior Policy Analyst.



At The Chamber

We had a wonderful day of golf on August 14th and were able to raise money to support the Chamber! Thank you again to everyone. I would like to congratulate the winning Team (Best Score) for the day. Congratulations to Team, Dyke & Murphy Professional Corporation. There were a number of other winners for the day as well. Congrats to everyone for making the day a success!



There was a man's nylon jacket that was left behind at the golf course. If you know of anyone that may have left it during our day of golf, please ask them to call the office.

I hope you will consider attending the "After 5" at THE MASONRY next week and also the Symposium on September 25th. Invites for both have gone out. Looking to October I am excited about our Volunteer / Non-Profit Seminar on October 3rd and of course our Annual Dinner on October 17th. September and October are certainly going to be busy.

I am also happy to be representing the Chamber on the Steering Committee of the WELL Program (Women Entrepreneurs in Lanark and North Leeds) implemented by Valley Heartland, CFDC. A launch date for the Perth & District area will be announced very shortly. I believe this is a great opportunity to support women in business. The Steering Committee is now accepting applications for women wishing to be mentored and for those wishing to be a mentor. A more detailed email will be sent out shortly about the program.

All the Best,

Pauline

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