

Updates, Member information, Events
May 13, 2016



The Voice of the Business Community.

From The
PRESIDENT'S DESK

The Chamber continues to be very busy as our new Board of Directors implements the strategies outlined at our Annual General Meeting.

Those Strategies are:

Becoming the Voice of Business:

We are meeting regularly with the Chambers and Boards of Trade in Cumberland County strengthening our partnerships and promoting businesses in the region.

Serving on the Colchester-Cumberland Tourism Committee which has been created to act as the bridge for regional marketing in our regions as a result of Central Nova Tourism Association being dissolved.

Added a Question of the Week button to our website for members to weigh on topics of concern and interest.

Will be visiting each business over the summer to reconnect & engage, regularly surveying our members to gain their input on issues facing our region.

Advocating Concerns to Government

Established quarterly meetings with representatives from the Town of Amherst, Municipality of Cumberland and the Offices of the MLA and MP. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 17th. Notes from previous meetings can be found on our website and we welcome you to submit items for discussion at these meeting to the Chamber office.

Opportunities for Business Connections:

We are restructuring our networking events and will be rolling out a new format very soon. We also will be holding joint networking events with our neighboring Chambers. We have a Quarterly Business Meeting on May 25th and I encourage members to attend.

Engaging Conversations:

We are working to bring Provincial and Federal Ministers to our area to speak to our members. Please look for an announcement with in the next few days regarding The Honourable Mark Furey: Minister of Business, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and the Minister responsible for Nova Scotia Business Incorporated. The Chamber had a booth at the Home & Leisure Show where we showcased our members businesses, services and products.

We thank our members for their continued support as we for forward together to make Amherst & Area a great place to live and do business.

Wayne Bishop, AACC President.



The Amherst & Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes the following new members.

Cumberland Energy Authority

Sheila Christie

Victoria Faire

Information regarding all our members is on the Chamber website

amherstchambers.ca

The Chamber is updating our website with a new look and layout. On the website you can find all the latest news on projects the Chamber is working on, meeting notes, member news, your benefit updates , the question of the week, a detailed event calendar of Chamber and community events and much more! Be sure to check it out. amherstchambers.ca

We extend congratulations to the following members.



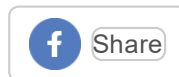
Damaris Spa and Wellness Centre on their 6th Anniversary
Colson Overhead Doors for receiving a Professional Distinction Award from Garex.

Lisa Emery on winning the Public

Speaking Contest
Don MacLean & Wang Li Yu on the
upcoming opening of Victoria Faire.



- May 17 Marine Renewable Energy Supplier Engagement Initiative @ Springhill Community Centre
- May 21 Annual Plant Sale @ the Cumberland Museum
- May 21 National Prescription Drug Drop Off Day
- May 24-May 28 Aboriginal Awareness Week
- May 24 Bill Casey MP is the guest speaker at the Cumberland Museum
- May 25 AACC Quarterly Business Meeting @6pm at Breakfast at Brittany's
- May 28 BBQ and Yard Sale at the Cumberland Museum



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