



## Newsletter ~ March 2017

### Introducing Our Newest Chamber Members

Please welcome our newest members to the South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce, **Leach Homes** and **Newsclapes Landscaping**. For a full listing of all Chamber members, please visit the Directory of Members on our website.

### Chamber Installs New Board at February 23<sup>rd</sup> AGM

The South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce held its Annual General Meeting and Member Wine & Cheese on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Over two dozen members attended the wine and cheese social and sat to listen to Area C Director Paul Demenok bring the membership up-to-date on certain electoral area issues. After taking care of approving the year-end financials, nominations were taken and three new Directors were elected to the Board for the next two years.

The incoming Board of Directors is as follows: **DAVE BRICE** Pacific West Home Inspections, **CAL COSH** Cal Cosh Appraisals, **ROBYN CYR** Economic Development Officer Area C, **LYNN EWART** Sotheby's Realty, **DUSTIN HARASYM** Sorrento Tirecraft, **MARK LANE** Dreamcycle Museum, **BRAD LONG** Launch Construction, **STEVE McLEAN** Shuswap Country Builders, **CRAIG RUSSENHOLT** Finz Resort, **TRUDY TRIGG** LT Plus, **KAREN WALTERS** Rustic Wedding & **JORDIE WIENS** Blind Bay Car Wash. Welcome to the new members of the Board and many thanks to outgoing Directors **Brian Sheehan** of Sorrento Building Centre and **Brad McKee** of Tidbits.



Lorraine Seys from Shuswap Marina & Linda Drabsch From Lindy's Boutique, Steve Wills from Cedar Heights



and Craig Russenholt from FINZ Resort all networking at AGM. Sunnybrae and Recline Ridge Wineries served up their wine while guests enjoyed the charcuterie board of goodies before getting down to Chamber AGM business.

## MLA Greg Kylo Hosted by the Chamber March 3<sup>rd</sup>

The South Shuswap Chamber is pleased to host MLA Greg Kylo at Cedar Heights Community Centre on Friday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 pm. MLA Kylo will discuss the recently released provincial budget and take questions from those in attendance. RSVP if you'd like to attend by email: [manager@southshuswapchamber.com](mailto:manager@southshuswapchamber.com)



## Chamber to Host All Candidates Meeting April 27<sup>th</sup>

The South Shuswap Chamber, in collaboration with the Sorrento Memorial Hall, will host an All Candidates Meeting for the upcoming provincial election. **This public meeting will be held on Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup> at Sorrento Hall starting at 6:30 pm.** Mark your calendars!

## Annual Tourism Kick Off Breakfast April 28<sup>th</sup>



The annual Tourism Kick Off Breakfast for area tourism operators and business owners will be held on **Friday April 28<sup>th</sup> at Cedar Heights Centre.** Event will take place from **8:30 to 10:30 am.** This collaboration between the South Shuswap Chamber and Shuswap Tourism will focus on readying our business community for 2017 visitors to the region.

The Kick Off Breakfast and networking session is complimentary to attend and includes breakfast however an RSVP is requested in order to plan properly for the event. **Call Karen at 250.515.0002 to reserve seats.**

## Chamber Board Meets with MLA Greg Kylo To Discuss Area Issues

In February, the South Shuswap Chamber Board met with MLA Greg Kylo & Area C Director Paul Demenok for a two-hour meeting to discuss such important area issues as the Highway 1 corridor between Sorrento and Tappen, the lack of commercial land and concerns regarding the Agricultural Land Reserve. The membership will be kept apprised of any developments coming out of MLA Kylo's or Director Demenok's office as a result of that meeting.



L-R (back) Mark Lane, MLA Greg Kylo, Jordie Wiens, Brad Long

L-R (front) Karen Brown GM, Karen Walters, Lynn Ewart & CSRD Area C Director Paul Demenok

## Area C Governance Public Open Houses Coming !

On February 16<sup>th</sup>, Carlin Hall was packed to the rafters with area residents who attended the area's governance committee meeting. Allan Neilson of Nielson Welch, Consultants, gave an overview on the services currently offered by the CSRD and questions and answers were taken from the public gallery and committee members in attendance. **Watch for a series of public open houses and meetings taking place during the months of April & May.**

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