

South Shuswap Chamber of Commerce

Newsletter ~ January 2016

Introducing Our Newest Chamber Members

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

Cedar Heights Community Centre
LT Plus
Munro's Sorrento Prescriptions

Shuswap Country Builders
Sorrento Pub
Wood Shop Millwork & Joinery

Annual General Meeting



The Annual General Meeting to wrap up our 2015 year will take place on Thursday January 28th, 2016 at 6:00 pm at Cedar Heights Centre, 2316 Lakeview Crescent, Blind Bay. Following the wine & cheese meet-and-greet, the meeting will begin at 6:30 pm.

Kyle Dearing and Robyn Cyr from the Economic Development Office will be in attendance. Kyle will share with the membership, the results of his surveys conducted to date with area businesses. There will also be an opportunity at the AGM to schedule a future business visit with Kyle.

If you are interested in joining the Board of Directors, we will have vacancies this year, due to President Brad Davies, Vice-President Tim Thompson and Director Gareth Seys retiring. If you are a member in good standing, having been a member for more than six (6) months, we'd certainly love to see your 'hat thrown into the ring'.

The AGM is another great networking opportunity for our membership. We have a very connected and committed group of business owners supporting our chamber and certainly we'd love to see you there to review the 2015 year.

Membership Dues for 2016

We had a few issues emailing invoices out of our previous accounting system so we now invoice out of Quickbooks. This has caused a slight delay in getting out invoices as we migrate over to a new system. You will see the 2016 invoices in your inbox in the next day or two. Feel free to bring a cheque to the AGM or to pay via e transfer to Karen in the chamber office. All directions, should you wish to pay via e transfer, appear on the bottom left hand corner of your invoice. We appreciate receiving your dues at your earliest convenience.

Get Involved !

Many of our Directors are working hard on different initiatives or serving on various committees to serve the community-at-large. Some of these initiatives and projects are set out below. If you wish to get involved in the planning for any of these projects, please do not hesitate to contact Karen at the Chamber Office 250.515.3276. We are always looking for our members' input and assistance:

- Chamber Golf Tournament June 10th, 2016 @ Talking Rock Golf Course
- Governance Review of Area C
- Economic Development Advisory Committee - Rep: Karen Brown
- Tourism Advisory Committee for the Shuswap ~ Rep: Mark Lane

Music in the Bay 2016 Corporate Sponsors Needed



The Arts Council for the South Shuswap presents the 2016 summer series, Music in the Bay. The inaugural series was highly successful and they are pleased to announce that the complimentary music concerts will continue on Centennial Field for the upcoming year.

At this time, they are looking for 16 sponsors to support this community initiative and are turning to the Chamber to solicit sponsors on a first-come first-served basis. A sponsorship of \$400 will see your business recognized as a major sponsor for this series. Your company name will appear on signage on Centennial Field for the entire summer, it will be recognized on social media, the ACSS website and also will also be included in an EZ Rock radio campaign through the summer, with your company's name being recognized on air as a proud supporter. For more information on how you can sponsor the series, please visit the Arts Council website: shuswaparts.com

Canada Student Works - Summer Employment Alternative

The application period for Canada Summer Jobs 2016 is now open. This initiative is of interest to small businesses and not-for-profit organizations, as it helps employers promote job opportunities through wage subsidies, strengthening local community services and supporting employability skill development for youth. Additional information on hiring a summer student and the application process can be found at: [Canada Summer Jobs WebEx information session](#)

Become a Member

Visit our website today www.southshuswapchamber.com for all the information you might need to become a member. There are many ways that you can join ~ either submit an online form through the website or download a registration package off the website or email Chamber Manager Karen Brown at manager@southshuswapchamber.com or call her at 250.515.0002

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