



WILLIAMSON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

P.O. Box 907, Williamson, NY 14589

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NEWSLETTER

February, 2016

WELCOME BACK RENEWING MEMBERS!

Apple Crate - Nancy Jordan
 E.F. Ashley Insurance - Cynthia Baran
 Cavallaro-Neubauer Chevrolet - Joe Cavallaro
 Cole's Income Tax - Dan VanEnwyk
 Cornerstone Realty Associates - Luke Cino
 D&D Welding - Matt David
 Doug's Car Wash - Doug VanAcker
 Edward Jones, Ontario - Jon Wordingham
 Festival of Foods - Vince Pilato
 Fox Fruit Farm LLC - Jackie & Robert Fox
 G&G Farms, Inc. - Al Verbridge
 Good Old Days Country Shop - John & Barb O'Brien
 Gus's Family Restaurant - Gus Yannas
 Hamilton Street Ventures, Inc. - Randy Peck
 K.M. Davies Co., Inc. - Jim Verbridge
 Key Bank - Matthew Horvath
 King's Auto Service - Mike Orr
 Knataitis Construction LLC - Noah Knataitis
 Kuk Sool Won - Gary Evarts
 Lagoner Farms, Inc. - Mark Lagoner
 Lorraine Lewis - President, Williamson Chamber
 Mark's Pizzeria - Jason Goole
 Michael A. Herbert, DDS
 Orbaker's Drive-In - Bill & Jon O'Hara
 Orbaker's Fruit Farm, Inc. - Gary Orbaker
 Paige Equipment Sales & Service, Inc. - Bill Gates
 Photo Graphic Services - Al & Elisa Knataitis
 Pultneyville Grill - Tom Watson
 Raked South Garden B & B - Dottie & Perry Howland
 Reality Research - Judith C. Palmer
 Richard E. Chase, Attorney at Law
 Rolls-Royce - Tonia Smith
 Salmon Creek Media & Marketing - Laura Hatch
 Spencer Speedway II Corp - John White
 STOREMORE Self Storage - Randy Peck
 The Lettering Lounge - Todd Jacobs
 The Liquor Cabinet - Deb Roegiers
 The Original Candy Kitchen - Mary Anagnostopolos
 The Wash House - The Wash Boys, Inc., Tom McEwen
 Town Supervisor Anthony Verno
 Carol Verbridge - Nothnagle Realtors
 Jackie Walker - Secretary, Williamson Chamber
 Wayne County Fair - Union Ag. Society @ Palmyra
 Wilbert's U-Pull It - Eric Wibert
 Williamson Building Supply, LLC - Dick Mallory
 Williamson Conservation & Sports Club - Jeff Kunzer
 Williamson Flying Club - Robert Herloski
 Williamson Free Public Library - Kimberly Iraci
 Williamson Volunteer Ambulance Service
 Yai Yai's Ice Cream Shoppe - Kathy Yannas
 Young Funeral Home - A.J. Alvarado
 Young-Sommer Winery - Herm Young

WCofC MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2016

Meetings are held the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Williamson Town Hall Conference Room. ALL are welcome! Dates are as follows:

February 24	March 23	April 27
May 25	June 22	July 27
August 24	September 28	October 26
November 23	December - No meeting	

2016 WILLIAMSON CHAMBER OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

President - Lorraine Lewis - Retired Business Owner
Vice President - Town Supervisor Tony Verno
Secretary - Jackie Walker - Retired Business Owner
Treasurer - Temporarily held by Jackie Walker and Lorraine Lewis

Board of Directors

Cynthia Baran - E.F. Ashley Insurance
 Sarah Jacobs - The Lettering Lounge
 Dorothy Orr - King's Auto Services
 Elisa Knataitis - Photo Graphic Services

MEMBER ADVERTISING

Did you know that you can advertise on the Chamber facebook page and e-blast email if you have news about your company! The news may be of any kind such as:

Seeking Employees, New Product, Space for Lease
 Building for Sale, Accomplishment(s),
 Highlight of an Employee, Awards/Recognitions
 Received, Business Event

This is an opportunity for you to let other Chamber members and local residents know about your business!

This is another service that being a Chamber member gives to you! Just email the information and we will take it from there.

Please be advised that the Chamber reserves the right to review content and make sure it conforms to our mission and guidelines.

CHAMBER BUSINESS ENHANCEMENT AWARD

Purpose:

To help Chamber member businesses purchase needed items for their business.

1. The Business Enhancement Award winner will be selected by a random drawing twice a year, in March and September. The name will be drawn from a container that contains all business members in good standing for that year.
2. Drawings will be held at the regular Chamber meeting in March and September.
3. The amount to be awarded is \$100.00.
4. The Secretary will notify the winner and will maintain a record of the winner.
5. The business has one year from the date of notification to claim the prize money.
6. The type of item(s) purchased is the business choice, but must be business related. (Examples: Office supplies, advertising, software, web related costs, repair of equipment, etc.)
7. To claim the prize money, the business must submit a receipt of the purchase to the Chamber Treasurer for reimbursement.
8. The Chamber maintains the right to rescind the award if the purchase is considered to be non-business related. Business winner should check with Chamber officials before purchase if they are in doubt about whether the proposed purchase fits the Chamber Business Enhancement Award guidelines.
9. This policy will be reviewed annually by the Chamber Board of Directors and Officers before the March award is given.
10. Once a business has won the award that business is not eligible to participate for the next two calendar years.
11. When awarded, the Chamber will provide an announcement on the Chamber facebook page and through an e-blast to Chamber members.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JANUARY MEETING

Mail/Communications

- Thank you card from Divina McNaney for recognition certificate for her breast cancer run
- Note from Seneca County social worker thanking us for assistance in locating a burial plot.
- Request from a local grandmother for help with toys and food for Christmas. We achieved getting a private donation to help her out.
- Note about a positive experience with purchasing a GiftCheck for the holiday.

Financial Reports

Secretary Walker reviewed bank statements from Daily and GiftCheck KeyBank accounts plus Quickbook reports. Bank statements reconciled with Quickbooks reports. They were accepted and placed on file.

2016 budget drawn up by President Lewis was reviewed. A minor correction to be made and will accept at March meeting.

Membership

As of meeting date there were 45 renewed members.

Fundraising

At the next meeting we will discuss fundraising in more detail. Some ideas were offered during the discussion of the budget such as having sponsors for the awards dinner and events.

Community

Christmas Decorations

General discussion of the need to improve Christmas decorations in the town. Some of the decorations are old and have deteriorated. The BID has some funds and Supervisor Verno was asked to approach the Town Board if there are any funds available.

News to Share

Supervisor Verno indicated the town had received a grant to solarize Williamson and that a town meeting is scheduled at the high school. Notices will be sent to residents. The purpose of the meeting is to explain the project and give businesses and residents a chance to sign up for the program.

Next Meeting:

The next Chamber meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at the Town Hall Complex Conference Room at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

2016 "OF THE YEAR AWARDS"

Nominations are being accepted for:

**Citizen of the Year
Youth of the Year
Business of the Year
Organization of the Year**

Nomination forms are located on the Chamber website at

www.williamsonchamberofcommerce.com

or at the Williamson Post Office.

Please remit by Friday, March 18, 2016 for consideration.

COMMUNITY NEWS



INTERGENERATIONAL DANCE

Sponsored by Williamson Asset Team

Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, February 27th 8:00-11:00

Williamson High School Cafeteria

Open to all Senior Citizens and their grandchildren

If you would like to attend please RSVP to:

Rich Rozzi: rrozzi@williamsoncentral.org 589-9665

**Serving pancakes, sausage, bagels, muffins
milk, juice and coffee!**

FREE EVENT!

**Senior Citizens are welcome to bring their
grandchildren to make this a true Intergenerational
Dance!**

REMEMBER

RSVP by February 25th for this exciting event!

COMMUNITY NEWS (CON'T)

WCS LEARNING FAIR

On behalf of the Learning Fair Committee, I would like to invite you to participate in the annual Williamson Central School UPK-12 Learning Fair on Saturday, April 23. The community event will be held at the Middle School on Miller Street, 1-4:00 PM. We are looking for exhibitors/presentations/informational booths that highlight and showcase your business/organization for the students/parents and community members that attend our annual event.

If you are interested in participating in the upcoming spring event, or have any questions, please contact me. We look forward to your possible involvement this year.

Thank you,

Cathie Abdunnasir

WCS Learning Fair Coordinator

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TOWN OF WILLIAMSON

PUBLIC NOTICE

INFORMATIONAL MEETING

"SOLARIZE WILLIAMSON CAMPAIGN FOR COMMUNITY DISTRIBUTED GENERATION (CDG) "

The Town Board has scheduled an informational meeting on Thursday, February 25th, 2016 from 06:30 PM – 8:00 PM in the Williamson Middle School Auditorium for those who are interested in Sharing the Solar Power Generated at the Proposed large size CDG-Solar Farm at a remote site.

Please attend to learn more about solar and its benefits;

* Small to medium size energy users can now get cheaper power with no capital investment or solar installation site commitment on their part.

* Learn about the details about the program and how to participate

* What power purchase rates are possible with no change in your electrical service?

Come and meet with the Town Supervisor, Larsen Engineers and local businesses and establishments who wish to control their Energy Costs.

By Order of the Town Board

Dated: Feb 2, 2016

Marlene A. Gulick, Town Clerk