

# WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce

June 21, 2016



## Chamber Gala Featuring Lifetime Achievement Award



Chamber Gala featuring Lifetime Achievement Award is a celebration of the work of the Chamber and the excitement generated by our community with businesses working together to build a strong network.

At this year's event we are pleased to present the Lifetime Achievement Award to Peter K. Hrastovec, Partner at Shibley Righton LLP for his business and community contribution to Windsor-Essex.

**Date:** Friday, June 24, 2016

**Time:** 6:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.

**Location:** St. Clair College Centre for the Arts (201 Riverside Dr. W.)

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### Upcoming Events

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## Regional Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Matt Marchand

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Join Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce President & CEO Matt Marchand for a Chamber update at Rotary Club of Windsor St. Clair's Weekly Breakfast Meeting. Marchand will be discussing some of the current lobbying being undertaken (TPP, Single Sports Betting, ORPP and more) as well as the benefits of being a Chamber member in his presentation titled The Chamber: Leadership, Advocacy and Community.

**Date:** Thursday, June 23, 2016

**Time:** 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m

**Location:** Windsor Yacht Club (9000 Riverside Dr. E.)

For further information visit

[www.rotarywindsorstclair.com](http://www.rotarywindsorstclair.com).

## Windsor-Essex Tech Show Survey



We know technology plays big role in small and medium sized businesses and that's why we want to help you take advantage of the tools

available to make your life easier and your business more successful.

Please take a moment and tell us the top 4 tech areas that you feel your business would benefit from learning more on. This information will be used to build the agenda for the upcoming Windsor-Essex Tech Show scheduled for Tuesday, November 8th. Your feedback is greatly appreciated.

**[CLICK HERE TO TAKE THE SURVEY TODAY!](#)**

## CPP deal means Ontario scrapping pension plan proposal, Charles Sousa says

**WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce** "Ontario is doing the right thing by moving away from the ORPP in order to support a national solution," says Matt Marchand, President & CEO of the Windsor-Essex

## Federal Budget Tax Changes May Affect You and Your Business



The last Federal Budget contained a number of changes that will affect

business owners and professionals in the coming months. The tax rules for life insurance and annuities are changing on January 1, 2017. The new rules will especially impact corporately owned policies and capital dividend accounts.

No matter what insurance policies you or your corporation currently hold, it is important to review your coverage now to see if any changes need to be made before next year. Life insurance not only covers off the financial risks associated with end of life, but can also be used for tax sheltered accumulations; extracting funds from a holding company; cascading assets to future generations; and reducing the value of a corporation reducing potential tax exposure. The new rules coming into effect on January 1, 2017 will change many of these.

For more information about the new tax rules and how they could affect you: [Reap benefits of buying life insurance in 2016.](#)

In addition, the tax deferral benefit available in the corporate class (or switch class) mutual fund structure, used in many individually owned and corporately owned non-registered investment accounts, is being eliminated at the end of September this year.

If you would like more information, please contact: George DeFaria, B.A., CFP. Certified Financial Planner and Senior Financial Consultant, Investors Group at (519) 253-3553, ext. 203 or [George.defaria@investorsgroup.com](mailto:George.defaria@investorsgroup.com).

## Workforce WindsorEssex Quarterly Survey



Starting this month, Workforce WindsorEssex will be rolling out a survey on a quarterly basis to gather local labour market information and uncover the latest workforce trends. Following each survey, a bulletin will be released with anonymous, aggregated results from the survey.

## Small Business: Too Big to Ignore



The Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce (WERCC), in partnership with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) and the Ontario Chamber Network is

proud to be a part of the ambitious campaign, Small Business: Too Big To Ignore.

This campaign highlights the important contributions of small businesses to our economy and communities, and seeks to actively engage small businesses across the province in investigating the top barriers to small business growth - and identify solutions to overcome those challenges. To kick off this campaign the OCC has released the report, Top 3 Obstacles to Small Business Success.

For more information, please [click here](#).



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business, organization, or not-for-profit to be a PILLAR in our community? If so, let's talk to see if we are a potential match to advance your goals.

Please contact: Sherri Gowman, Director of Sales and Marketing, at [sgowman@windsor-essexchamber.org](mailto:sgowman@windsor-essexchamber.org).



## Member Exclusive Benefits

Part of your Chamber membership entitles you to receive the following benefits and programs.



Visit our [Membership Benefits page](#) to review how we assist our members in achieving their goals through our business programs. Special rates and offers exclusively for Chamber

members including:



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## DID YOU KNOW... We Can Help You With Employee Retention?

*Attention* Business Owners, Managers and Human Resource professionals: **ALL OF YOUR EMPLOYEES** are eligible to receive Chamber benefits (subject to individual approval). If you would like to receive more information to share with your employees (payroll stuffers, flyers for staff room etc.), please contact Caitlin Hildenbrand at [childenbrand@windsoressexchamber.org](mailto:childenbrand@windsoressexchamber.org).

## We Value Your Feedback!

[WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce](#) We are asking our members to take a few minutes and answer the satisfaction survey below. The feedback you provide will help us enhance the membership experience of our current and future Chamber members. Click the link [HERE](#) to share your valued opinion and enter your organization to win a Member Spotlight!

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