

WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce

September 15, 2015



26th Annual Business Excellence Awards Nominations Now Open



The Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that nominations for the 26th Annual Business Excellence Awards are now open until Friday, October 2, 2015.

Twelve awards will be presented and award winners will be announced on April 27, 2016 at the Business Excellence Awards. This year a new award category will be presented, Pillars of our Community. This award recognizes a registered not-for-profit organization, philanthropic organization, or person that has made an outstanding contribution to the social, cultural or economic well-being of the Greater Windsor-Essex Area. This nominee positively impacted the community, and demonstrated best business practices. In addition their business mission/objective/goals of the organization reflect a community need which has a clearly defined strategic plan.

Other Award Categories include: Small Company of the Year, Mid -Size Company of the Year, Large Company of the Year, International Business Award, New Business of the Year, Innovation Award, Professional of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, Young Professional of the Year, and Tourism & Hospitality Award. Also included in the awards ceremony are the recipients of the Believe Windsor Essex and ATHENA Award.

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

Upcoming Events

**September Lunch & Learn:
Exit & Succession Planning**
Wednesday, September 23, 2015
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Roseland Golf & Curling Club (455
Kennedy Dr. W.)
REGISTER ONLINE!

September After Business
Thursday, September 24, 2015
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
The Bull N Barrel (670 Ouellette
Ave.)
**CHAMBER MEMBERS REGISTER
ONLINE AND SAVE \$5!**

Federal Election Debate
Wednesday, September 30, 2015
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)
REGISTER ONLINE!

Accessing Global Talents
Friday, October 2, 2015
7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)
REGISTER ONLINE!

**Emerging Leaders- "All the
Wiser's"**
Monday, October 5, 2015
5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

September Lunch & Learn - "Exit & Succession Planning" at Roseland Golf and Curling Club



Your Membership Services committee brings you a panel of professionals and experienced advisors involved in the planning and execution of a business exit and

succession. Hear from **Bill Sivell**, Owner – Liberty Business Brokers of Ontario, **Aaron Marcotte**, Lawyer – Bartlet & Richardes LLP and **Greg Mosey**, Chartered Professional Accountant – Roth Mosey & Partners LLP as they share their ideas, tips and insight so you don't make the same mistakes others have.

This event will be a great opportunity for business owners looking to get more information on exit and succession planning and answers to the following questions:

- What are your options
- When and how to get started
- What is involved and what should you watch out for
- How can you help yourself

Get help from professionals to exit your business and maximize what you have built!

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2015

Time: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (Lunch, program and networking)

Location: Roseland Golf & Curling Club (455 Kennedy Dr. W.)

[CLICK HERE](#) to register online!

September After Business at The Bull & Barrel Urban Saloon: Networking Only!



Join us for a Patio Party at this fun downtown Windsor business (inside if it rains). Located in the heart of downtown, The Bull & Barrel is Windsor's Only Urban Saloon. It brings authentic country rock to a new level, has home style southern

J.P. Wiser's (Building 20) (2072 Riverside Dr.)

REGISTER ONLINE!

Architecture and Commerce: How Architecture is an Economic Driver

Wednesday, October 14, 2015

11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

SAVE THE DATE!

October After Business

Thursday, October 22, 2015

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Glos Associates Inc. (3535 North Service Rd. E.)

REGISTER ONLINE!

16th Annual ATHENA Scholarship Luncheon

Friday, October 23, 2015

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)

REGISTER ONLINE!

Holiday Party

Friday, December 11, 2015

6:00 p.m. - Midnight

Caesars Windsor (377 Riverside Dr. E.)

REGISTER ONLINE!

**Register for Events Online!
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smokehouse cooking, an enormous dance floor, a mechanical bull and live entertainment from the hottest artists in the region and beyond.

Enjoy complimentary appetizers, cash bar and bring your business cards for a chance to win a door prize.

The After Business events offer the perfect opportunity to showcase your products, meet new buyers, gain access to more markets and develop potential clients while enjoying a networking atmosphere with fellow Chamber members.

Meet Cordell Green, 95.9/92.7 Windsor Country's Morning Host.

Date: Thursday, September 24, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Bull & Barrel Urban Saloon (670 Ouellette Ave.)

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Chamber Members Save \$5 by Registering Online Until Tuesday, Sept. 22!

Federal Election Debate 2015

WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL Chamber of Commerce The debate will include the candidates from all three Windsor and Essex County ridings. Each riding will be assigned a 30 minute debate.

The moderator for the debates will be Craig Pearson, The Windsor Star.

Sponsored by UNIFOR and Media Street Productions

Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2015

Time: Lunch is 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Debates start sharp at 12:00 p.m.

Location: Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)

[Click here to register online today!](#)



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Accessing Global Talents

WINDSOR-ESSEX REGIONAL
Chamber of Commerce International Recruitment of
Skilled Workers Information

Session

Objective: To inform local employers about the new stream of skilled workers who want to live and work permanently In Ontario, including Ontario Express Entry: human capital priorities and francophone skilled-workers stream.

Date: Friday, October 2, 2015

Time: 7:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

Location: Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)

Register online today!

Emerging Leaders - "All the Wiser's"



The Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce Emerging Leaders invites you to:

Emerging Leaders - "All the Wiser's"

Date: Monday, October 5th 5:30pm-7:30pm

Time: 5:30pm – 6:45pm Networking 6:45pm-7:30pm

Optional Whisky Tasting

Location: J.P. Wiser's (Building 20) (2072 Riverside Dr.)

Join us for an evening of networking and conversation with local executives and business owners. Take this opportunity to interact with today's leaders and learn about their career success and challenges.

Please note: This event is not in the Hiram Walker Canadian Club building. The event is located in Building 20, please contact Jennifer, Paul or Vanessa at emergingleaderswindsor@gmail.com to confirm location as google maps shows the wrong building and location.

October After Business at Glos Associates Inc.



Glos Associates Inc.
ARCHITECTURAL • ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS

Join us as we celebrate

Small Business Week at Glos Associates, an innovative and award winning architectural and engineering firm who have designed multiple buildings in Essex County and beyond over the past 55 years.

Visit our mini-tradeshow exhibitors, enjoy complimentary appetizers, bring your business cards for a chance to win a door prize and to exchange with business associates, as you network in a relaxed atmosphere at the unique Glos Associates Office.

Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce After Business Networking Evenings Build Contacts, Build Business, Build Success.

Date: Thursday, October 22, 2015

Time: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Location: Glos Associates Inc. (3535 North Service Rd. E.)

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Chamber Members Save \$5 by Registering Online Until Tuesday, Oct. 20!

16th Annual ATHENA Scholarship Luncheon



The ATHENA Scholarship Fund (Windsor) and the ATHENA Committee of the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce present the 16th Annual ATHENA Scholarship Luncheon.

Date: Friday, October 23, 2015

Time: 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Location: Caboto Club (2175 Parent Ave.)

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Multiple Business Holiday Party 2015: We Do All The Work, You Have All The Fun!



The Holiday Party will give small and medium size companies an opportunity to celebrate with their staff and guests in a premier location at a moderate price. Guests

will enjoy cocktail hour, delicious served three course dinner, raffle table, photo booth, and entertainment to dance the night away.

Caesars Windsor will be providing a block of rooms at a discounted rate for our guests if you plan on staying the entire night.

Join us for a company Holiday Party to remember in the Augustus Ballrooms at Caesars Windsor. You do not have to be a Chamber Member to attend.

Date: Friday, December 11, 2015

Time: 6:00 p.m. - 11:59 p.m.

Location: Caesars Windsor, Augustus Ballroom (377 Riverside Dr. E.)

[Register online today!](#)

Ontario Chamber of Commerce Discussion with Prime Minister Stephen Harper: Time for Improved Infrastructure and Manufacturing Investments in Ontario



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The Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC), in partnership with over 10

local chambers, was pleased to host Prime Minister Stephen Harper for a discussion focused on the Ontario economy. The Prime Minister and OCC President and CEO Allan O'Dette engaged in an extensive conversation about the province's top economic priorities, in addition to the future of manufacturing and the need for long term infrastructure investment.

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

Members Corner Members Only Exclusive Benefits

Part of your Chamber membership entitles you to receive

the following benefits and programs.



GREAT NEWS – SAVE MORE ON CREDIT CARD PAYMENT PROCESSING!

First Data, our merchant services plan provider is now offering Chamber members exclusive lower rates on electronic payment processing – specifically Visa and Mastercard transactions.

In addition to these exciting new rates, First Data is offering members who switch before September 30th, a FREE terminal for 6 months! These select benefits will help you grow your business with significant savings on products tailored to suit your specific needs.

Now, it's easier than ever to sell more and save more – anytime, anywhere.

To receive a complimentary statement analysis and find out how you can save up to \$1000 a year with lowered rates, contact Patrick at Patrick.sandlak@firstdata.com.



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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Contact Sherri Dulcamaro, Director of Sales and Marketing: sdulcamaro@windsorchamber.org or Caitlin

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VOLUNTEER: 2015 Run for Heroes Half Marathon in Support of the Alzheimer Society



Make a Difference in your community and support a great cause. Take part, have fun, and volunteer!

Event to be held at the following time, date, and location:

Sunday, September 20, 2015
7:00 a.m. Libro Centre (3295 Meloche Rd, Amherstburg)

Volunteers must register by September 18. Register by going to <http://volunteerrunforheroes.eventbrite.ca> or calling Angela at (519) 974-2220 Ext. 237.

Member Spotlight



The Bone Joint Muscle Spine Walk-In Clinic was initially created to help alleviate wait times for the emergency rooms and to assist Employers with fast access to specialty care. Patients and Employers are looking for more treatment options ways to reduce time off work. "Having all these services available under one roof provides a seamless experience for patients and employers where they can get answers quickly," says

clinical director John Spirou, PT, Doctor of Physical Therapy.

The clinic is open Monday to Friday and is the creation of a group of medical visionaries with a goal of alleviating emergency room wait times and allow for patients to access high quality specialty care. Services are covered by OHIP and X-rays, ultrasound and advanced imaging are all available and parking is free.

The Bone Joint Muscle Spine Walk In clinic is also affiliated with Solaris Rehabilitation Centre that offers Employers Occupational Medicine, Ergonomics, Specialist Access, Disability management and case management.

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