

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS**Age of Bronze**

Brett Davis
Newmarket, 905 -775-5581

Beretta Farms Inc.

Cynthia & Michael Beretta
King City 416-674-5609

Gotham Glassworks

Greg Locke
Schomberg 905-939-7147

Megraw Custom Carpentry

John Megraw
Schomberg 905-252-6441

CHAMBER EVENTS**Women in Business Luncheon**

"Canadian Living Magazine Demonstration"
Thursday, March 25, 2010
Cardinal Golf Club

Meet and Mingle

Date to be announced
The Scottish Nook and the White Room

LADIES' BUSINESS LUNCHEON

**Yoga Laughter
was a big hit!**

The February 2010 Ladies' Luncheon held at Daniel's of Nobleton was full of good fun, great food and lots of laughter. Our speaker, Jennifer Coxworthy of Richvale Saddlery in Schomberg, taught us how to "laugh out loud" using various techniques and lots of imagination! Jennifer explained how taking some time every day just to laugh is beneficial for the mind, spirit, soul and especially for the heart. Members and their guests enjoyed a flavoury Gumbo with chicken and sausage, followed by a scrumptious apple crumble dessert! Thank you to Daniel's of Nobleton for hosting us. Thank you to Jennifer for sharing her passion to laugh out loud, thank you to everyone who attended this event!

NEXT LUNCHEON??

**SEE LAST PAGE OF NEWSLETTER FOR
ALL THE AMAZING DETAILS!**

**REMINDER: 2010 FEES
DUE ON MARCH 31**

Don't risk losing your benefits and privileges as a KCC member. If you haven't paid this year's fees, you have until March 31 to do so. Contact us at info@kingchamber.ca or (905) 717-7199 for more information.

Thanks to all the members who have already renewed this year's memberships.

35% RESPOND TO MEMBER SURVEY

We thank the 81 members who responded to our recent chamber survey. This represents 35% of those solicited, a very good response rate for most surveys.

Your Board has been busy incorporating the feedback obtained into this year's plans and activities, so please stay tuned.

LOCAL UPDATES, NEWS AND EVENTS

YORK REGIONAL POLICE FINANCIAL CRIMES SEMINAR PUBLIC AWARENESS MEETING

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

This free seminar will be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., at the Town of Aurora Municipal Offices, in Council Chambers, located at 1 Municipal Drive in the Town of Aurora.

HARASSMENT AND VIOLENCE IN THE WORKPLACE

Bill 168 received Royal Assent on December 15, 2009.

The amendments to the Occupational Health and Safety Act will, therefore, come into force in six months, on June 15, 2010.

At that time, workplaces in Ontario where more than 5 workers are regularly employed will be required to have the necessary policies, programs, measures and procedures in place.

For more information

The Industrial Accident Prevention Association (IAPA) www.iapa.ca

~ Quote of the Month ~

In our hectic, fast-paced, consumer-driven society, it's common to feel overwhelmed, isolated and alone. Many are re-discovering the healing and empowering role that community can bring to our lives. The sense of belonging we feel when we make the time to take an active role in our communities can give us a deeper sense of meaning and purpose. ~ Robert Alan

YORK SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRE SPONSORING A TAX INFORMATION FORUM

Thursday, March 11, 2010

The Forum takes place at the **Sheraton Parkway Toronto North Hotel, 600 Highway 7 East, Richmond Hill, ON.**

It is a unique opportunity to:

- attend information seminars
- obtain valuable information on key tax and business programs
- learn about Ontario's taxes
- have your questions answered

Admission is free to the full day forum, including the seminars, but you must register. You can register on-line by going to www.ontario.ca and click on "Events".

Please note that registration is through the Ontario Ministry of Revenue and not through the York Small Business Enterprise Centre.

THE SUMMER COMPANY PROGRAM IS OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

Entrepreneurs between the ages of 15 and 29 years old can receive up to \$3,000 to launch their dream business.

Residents of York Region's six northern municipalities (Aurora, East Gwillimbury, Georgina, King, Newmarket, and Whitchurch-Stouffville) are invited to apply to the York Small Business Enterprise Centre www.yorksmallbusiness.ca

HST INFORMATION SEMINAR

YSBEC and York Region Tourism is partnering with the Canada Revenue Agency and BDO Canada LLP in presenting a

“HST Information Seminar”
Tuesday, March 30, 2010
9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Lebovic Centre for the Arts and Entertainment
Nineteen on the Park, 19 Civic Avenue, Stouffville,

Admission is free, but you must register. **Please note that registration is through the York Region Tourism and not through the York Small Business Enterprise Centre.**

KCC SEEKING MORE INPUT FROM MERCHANT MEMBERS

Recognizing the importance of our member merchants, that is, those either engaged in retail and/or operating from a store-front location, the KCC Board has created a Merchant Services Committee, whose goal is to assist such members in the various aspects of marketing, operating, and managing their business by way of initiatives, resources, and guidance.

To help the committee plan its activities, the KCC is appealing for more inputs from members that will complement the feedback received from 17 merchants in the recent survey. If you are a member merchant, we invite you to tell us:

- 1) What are the top two most challenging roadblocks faced by your business?
- 2) What can the KCC do to help you address these roadblocks?

Please e-mail your responses to info@kingchamber.ca.

All communications will be kept in strict confidence.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SURVEY WINNER!!



Anna Raeli of State Farm Insurance Agency in King City is the winner of the survey contest prize of a \$100 voucher which she may redeem at any member business! Congratulations!!

“GOING FOR THE GREEN” SEMINAR EVENT

Eureka Exchange
Date: March 20, 2010
Time: 9:20am - 5:20pm



The **Eureka Exchange** is a “virtual innovation centre geared to helping small business do better with less”. The Municipality of Meaford is very proud to announce the launch of an extraordinary event, the **Eureka Exchange**, coming on March 20, 2010. In following the Municipality’s commitment towards Economic Development the **Eureka Exchange** and www.goingforthegreen.net has chosen Meaford as the centre to begin a very important first step in bringing green innovation, investment, and productivity to small businesses operating in Canada and indeed worldwide.

This event brings together green innovations and businesses; a very important first step in the progression of economic growth for the 21st century. It also demonstrates that access to sharing these wonderful technologies is without borders. Speakers, business leaders, and innovators from around the world are to be broadcast in High Definition across the world wide web, creating a level of access for small business that is truly revolutionary for a small municipality.

WRITE YOUR SUCCESS STORY

We invite members to contribute an article from their own experience that would highlight a milestone, activity, or project worth sharing with members. We will assist you in producing your article by editing for clarity and conciseness.

The Board of Directors will have final approval on the selection of articles and on the actual content published.

Send your contributions to info@kingchamber.ca. Please understand that we cannot acknowledge or respond to all contributions received.

MEMBER ADVERTISING IN KING NEWS

¼ page Full Colour ~ One time Insertion ~ **\$25.00**

or

¼ page Full Colour ~ 1 year ~ **\$250.00**
(12 Consecutive Issues)



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WOMEN'S LUNCHEON

Guest Speaker: Canadian Living Magazine Test Kitchen

Fresh Spring Ideas from
The Canadian Living Test Kitchen

Canadian Living

Meet Christine Picheca,
Food Editor-at-Large of Canadian Living Magazine.

- Check out Canadian Living's fresh new look.
- Learn the secret of April issue's fantastic meringue topped lemon martini.
- Have an expert answer your culinary questions.
- Take away recipes, tips and more!



A self-confessed foodie and a butcher's daughter, Christine has cultivated a food and entertainment-focused lifestyle through natural inclination . . . and a little effort.

•• Thursday, March 25, 2010 12:00-2:00pm ••



CARDINAL GOLF COURSE

2740 Davis Drive W. (formerly Hwy #9) Kettleby, Ontario



\$30/members \$35/non-members

RSVP is required • T: 905.717.7199 • info@kingchamber.ca

Seating is limited