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Suzanne Andrews, CEO

QUINTE WEST CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUSINESS CONNECT

Serving Trenton, Frankford, Sidney and Murray Ward



President's Message

It is hard to believe that summer is almost over and kids are back to school already!

I have had a busy couple of months enjoying some of the fantastic summer activities in the Quinte region with my family and I hope everyone had some opportunities to get outside and enjoy it while it lasted. One of the highlights was the Chamber's Membership Appreciation BBQ, there was a great turn out and it was wonderful to see so many members enjoying themselves.

We have lots on the go in the upcoming months, starting with our Provincial Candidate Forum on September 11, our Get Connected at Dimitri's Pizzeria on September 19th and a Hospitality round table on September 23rd (something near and dear to my heart). In October we have all the Quinte Small Business Week Activities to look forward to including the annual Quinte Business Achievement Awards. These showcase all the fantastic talent we have in the Bay of Quinte region, so please go buy tickets before it sells out! Hard to believe that I am even mentioning it, but the Trenton Santa Clause Parade is November 24th.

In November we will be launching NEW branding for the Quinte West Chamber which I am excited to see! I know the team and others have been working very hard to refresh our look and I can't wait to share the final product.

I want to take a moment to thank each and every member for your continued support of our organization and our activities to serve and support the business community. I always enjoy speaking with you at our events and listening to how the chamber can help you.

Enjoy the fall season! Brent Parsons, Chamber President

Upcoming Events

SEPT 11, 4pm Provincial Candidates Business Forum via Zoom

SEPT 19, 5-7pm Get Connected Dimitri's Pizzeria, Frankford

SEPT 23, 9-11am Hospitality Round Table QW Chamber, Trenton

OCT 21, 11am Business Week Kick-Off Loyalist College, Belleville

OCT 21, 5-7pm Business Week Mingle Northumberland Fine Foods, Brighton

OCT 22, 9-11am Business Week Al Workshop Trent Port Marina, Trenton

OCT 22, 1-4pm Business Week Women's Event Trent Port Marina, Trenton

OCT 23, 5-7pm Business Week Mega Mingle Belleville

OCT 25, 5:30-10pm Business Achievement Awards National Airforce Museum, Trenton

NOV 6, 5-7pm Q4 Membership Meeting & New Brand Launch OPP Community Service Building

NOV 24

Trenton Santa Claus Parade Leaves Centennial Park 4:30pm

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Why a Brand Refresh for the QWCC?

Over twenty years ago the Quinte West Chamber of Commerce was created from the former Trenton and District Chamber when the City of Quinte West amalgamated. The black and gold logo has served us well but no longer reflects the organization we are today and the business community we represent. A brand refresh involves updating and refining our brand's visual identity, messaging, and overall presence, to better align with current trends and member expectations.

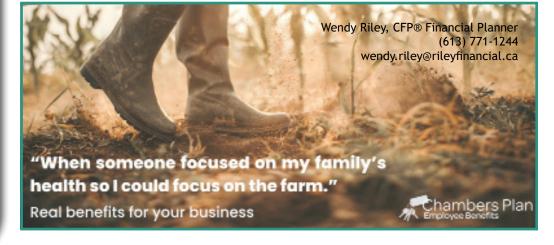
A brand refresh allows us to modernize our image, ensuring we remain attractive and relevant. This will involve updating our logo, color scheme, website and other visuals to better match our brand as a modern, inclusive, innovative organization. It will help us to realign our visual and verbal identity with our current mission, vision, and services, ensuring consistency across all touchpoints with our members and the community.

The Quinte West business community is changing with new businesses opening and some businesses closing. The growth in our community is bringing in new residents and businesses are evolving to meet new demands while continuing to serve their long-time customers. The Quinte West Chamber of Commerce is growing alongside our members and this brand refresh will let you know we are evolving and continuously improving to meet the needs of you, our members.

Our values, goals, and company culture, which are outlined in our current strategic plan are not reflected well in our current brand. This refresh ensures that the external perception of the Quinte West chamber aligns with our internal reality. This brand refresh is a strategic move to ensure we continue to be relevant and poised for growth in an ever-changing business landscape. We are extremely excited about these changes and can't wait to share them with you in November.

If you are interested in being part of our 2025 board of directors and help to implement our new branding, please look at the nomination form in this newsletter for details on how you can put your name forward for consideration by the nomination committee.

Suzanne Andrews, CEO





Celebrate Business Excellence

at the 28th annual Quinte Business Achievement Awards

October 25, 2024

National Air Force Museum of Canada

OUINTE Business Achievement

Join us for a dazzling night celebrating our local business community, where we will honour entrepreneurs, leaders, and innovators. Don't miss this evening of recognition and inspiration! Tickets are \$130 which includes a plated three course meal and awards program.

Visit www.qbaa.ca for ticket & event details

NOV 6, 2024

5-7PM







UP FOR DISCUSSION:

- BOARD NOMINATIONS
- NEW QWCC BRAND LAUNCH

COMMUNITY SERVICES BUILDING, 3 DIXON DRIVE, TRENTON (OPP DETATCHMENT)

Register at www.quintewestchamber.ca



Join us at Dimitri's Pizzeria & Restaurant to engage with your local business community, enjoy a cash bar, snacks, and door prizes!

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