Chamber OnLine

News from the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce

Message from the President

Welcome to the first edition of the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce's new online newsletter! This newsletter is designed to keep you up to date on the many exciting initiatives that are happening every month at your Chamber. Each month your chamber newsletter will be delivered to your inbox in a quick-read format that will allow you keep abreast of Chamber happenings without investing a lot of your valuable time. Let us know if there are other key employees that you would like to receive this e-newsletter and we would be glad to add them to our mailing list.

And there really is a lot going on at your Chamber! This month we will be hosting our Annual Awards Night, which will be held on Saturday, February 22nd at The Clarion Hotel. The Awards Night honors outstanding 2013 businesses and individuals in the community and is always the business social event of the year. This year's awards recipients include: Retail Business of the Year – Adam Miller Toy & Bicycle; Service Business of the Year – Alex's Place; Agricultural Business of the Year – Bonduelle USA, Inc.; Special Recognition of the Year - Bergen Business and Civic Association; Geneseeans of the Year – Laurie Mastin and Timothy Michael Adams; and the Wolcott "Jay" Humphrey III Excellence in Community Leadership Award – Mary Pat Hancock. Tickets are still available for Awards Night. Call Kelly Bermingham at the Chamber (585-343-7440) for more information.

The Awards Night has been moved up from the spring to help accommodate the Chamber's newest signature event, the 1st Annual Genesee County Chamber of Commerce Home Show. After a one-year absence, the Chamber is taking over running the Home Show from the Batavia Area Jaycees, who did an outstanding job running Home Shows for many years in Genesee County. This year's Home Show will be held at the Falleti Ice Rink on Evans St. in Batavia Friday-Sunday, March 28-30. Our Home Show committee has been planning for months to make this a first-class show that will help participating businesses show their offerings the many potential customers who will attend the show. Nearly 60 vendor booths have already been committed to, but there are still some prime locations available. For more information on vendor booth rentals, contact Kelly Bermingham at 585-343-7440 or kbermingham@geneseeny.com.

2014 promises to be a good year for business in Genesee County. You can almost feel the upswing in business and consumer confidence. Please be assured that your Genesee County Chamber of Commerce is committed to doing everything we can to create an environment for business success for our members. Don't hesitate to contact us if there is any way we can help.

Tom Turnbull
President