



# Avon Chamber of Commerce

Citizens & Business Working Together

The Economic Development Committee encourages industrial and commercial growth along with a commitment to our existing business and industry in Avon.

The Civic Committee is dedicated to community activities that enhance the quality of life in Avon.

## Let us

*develop the resources of our land, call forth its powers, build up its institutions, promote all its great interests, and see whether we also, in our day and generation, may not perform something worthy to be remembered.*

*Daniel Webster*

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Your Avon Chamber of Commerce, when we last met October 1 enjoyed a Peppermints-style lunch. Those in attendance were V.P. Steve Harrison, Geri Brewer, Roxi Clark, Village Mayor Rob Hayes, Dave Leven, Melissa Savino, Rev Tom Taylor, Marcea and Larry Tetamore, Paul Tilly, Bob Westfall, Maureen Wheeler and Ann Younger, with your secretary Barbara Herman. So glad to have ACS students Wesley Farley and Leann Masten and their ACS School Rep Amanda Schroeder with us this day!

- Dave Leven reported for Sports Medicine Concepts in East Avon: they're halfway through NBA training sessions and ready to begin the WNBA training programs.

- Maureen Wheeler reported for Livingston County Economic Development: they've been busy assisting in preparing a grant application for the Village under New York State's Downtown Revitalization Initiative program, hoping for a \$10 million grant. Business owners and tenants were encouraged to support the grant by completing the survey at [www.surveymonkey.com/AvonDRI](http://www.surveymonkey.com/AvonDRI).

- Marcea Tetamore announced scrapbooking classes she'll be offering right here at Peppermints, as well as card-creating classes. She introduced her "eye candy", Larry Tetamore, who welcomes folks to his gallery at 50 Genesee Street. Larry reported on an event at Valley Oak Event site, October 12 and 13, to benefit the Pluta Cancer Center.

- Amanda Schroeder is supervising the digital classes at ACS. There's a weekly morning show being produced by students (now numbering 22 in these classes). Our goal is to have ACS work on the Chamber's website and we're hopeful this is tops on their agenda!!

- Ann Younger reported on recent events at the Avon Park Theater, including a spirit tasting by the Democratic party and the Class 2004 reunion. Last year's football parties were "great fun", and November Saturdays are fully booked. You'll get better info and up-to-date schedules at [www.avonparktheater.com](http://www.avonparktheater.com). We'll all have a chance to experience the theater when we meet in November. Here's the plan: we'll order our lunches individually from "T's on Genesee" – that's 226 - 7940 – and pick them up and trot across the street to the theater for our Chamber meeting. Order before 11:00 a.m. on November 5, pick up by noon, and see you at the theater!!

- Paul Tilly reported on the state of insurance, as some carriers are leaving New York State, and staff are working to find appropriate alternates. Don't forget Zion Church's lasagna meal take-out fundraiser coming up soon.

- Geri Brewer reported for the Avon Preservation & Historical Society; the September 15 presentation on Wells Barns was a big hit. Pointsettias will soon be available – order from Geri between October 14 and November 17 for the holidays. The next program for public enjoyment will be November 29, with "Grandma Ruth" holding forth on the 3rd floor of the Opera Block Building. A.P.H.S. will again participate in the Holiday Spectacular with a \$10 calendar available for sale. She reported the Wesleyan Church building on Genesee Street has been refurbished inside.

- Roxi Clark reported for Chamber President Mike Carroll's Studio Sales Pottery. At this time, the ceremonial plate for the Citizen of the Year winner is being "baked" – it was presented to Dave LeFeber on October 5, a beautiful creation by Mike to honor Dave and his dedication to farming. The plate's time in the kiln was 24 hours, including the warm-up and cool-down times necessary. There is a wonderful supply of pottery for sale at the East Avon Gallery site, being increased for holiday sales. The shop and the class schedule have been impacted by supply-chain issues, as have many enterprises.

- Bob Westfall reported on the recent awarding of "2024 Excellence in Historic Preservation" to the Opera Block, as the entire project is now completed.

- Rob Hayes reported for the Village administration, and thanks to the Village team, all. The Village website will be re-launched November 1. A new grant has allowed signage at the Erie-Attica Trail. The 5-Arch Bridge project is ready to start. New light pole banners for village sites are going up, thanks to a grant through First Presbyterian Church. He reminded us that all are welcome to attend Village Board meetings. And bid goodbye to retiring postal delivery special guy Mike Heeler.

- Melissa Savino reported from Livingston County Chamber: 100 people are expected to attend the Athena Awards program on October 3, with the winner to be announced at that event. A Coffee Connection event was scheduled for October 15 at Catholic Charities location in Mt. Morris. A webinar on October 23 will get us in-the-know on AI. And wasn't Melissa pleased to be greeted at Highland Hospital's emergency entrance by someone announcing, "It's the Cake Lady"!!

- Tom Taylor spoke of First Presbyterian's new pastor, Michelle Allen – and so great to have him back with us at Chamber lunches!!

- **Don't forget: it's Tuesday, November 5 – Election Day – order your yummy lunch from T's on Genesee at 226-7940 by 11:00 am that day – pick it up by noon, and join the Chamber bunch at the Park Theater. Hope to see YOU there for an autumn update.**