



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.*

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avonny.org

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Your Avon Chamber of Commerce met at Peppermints for lunch on Tuesday, August 2, 2022, and a fine lunch it was!! Joining Vice President Steve Harrison were Geri Brewer, Maureen Kingston, Chris Quinlan, Marinda Rucinski, Adam Stephens, Bonnie Taylor-Davis, Larry Tetamore, Marcea Tetamore, Paul Tilly, Rene Tilly-Lyness, Maureen Wheeler and your secretary Barbara Herman.

- Geri Brewer reported for the Avon Preservation & Historical Society: raffle tickets are available, \$1.00 or six for \$5.00. Due to the generosity of many Avon merchants, there are enough raffle basket fillings to fill three baskets!! drawings will be on September 9. Like so many others, APHS is excited to have the Rotary Corn Fest coming up soon, with a variety of gift-able items at their booth. And work is commencing soon on repairs to the venerable White Horse. In addition, a training program is being developed for APHS volunteers by curator Joan Reid, to enhance the information can offer to visitors to the museum.

- Adam Stephens reported for AsureSoftware.com. He will be offering information on employee retention tax credits.

- Marcea Tetamore reported for Rotary Club. Next week's much missed and now much welcomed Corn Fest is full steam ahead! Mike Ford is general chair, and many newer Rotarians are stepping up to fill needed support slots...thanks to all of them. And special thanks to the many local businesses who are corporate sponsors.

- Maureen Kingston reported on history-related events: she recently offered a session to new Avon Central School staffers with a tour of local historic sites. Recent dedications in honor of deceased Avonites were for long-time APHS volunteer Dwight Brown, and a bench at Case Park for Joe Tuchrello.

- Bonnie Taylor-Davis celebrated the dedication of Avon's gorgeous mural created by artist Ivan Roque, on the south side of the building housing Assemblywoman Marjorie Byrnes's office. It was a treat to watch the work as it progressed and to hear the artist's dreams and goals as he grows as a muralist, working around the country.

- Steve Harrison updated us on new projects in the area: 1) a grant application for planning is being processed for Pete Bruckel's location on Lakeville Road at Exit 9; 2) see the Chamber's full-page ad on page 59 of the CornFest program; 3) and our Citizen of the Year celebration will be on Saturday, November 5, at the Avon Inn. Nominations are welcome NOW! Both print and social media resources will encourage nominations.

- Chris Quinlan reported on Village accomplishments: the concrete is being poured today for the "pocket park" at the site of the former little white house on Genesee Street. And thanks to Mayor Tom Freeman for his work in bringing the horse carriage driving event to Avon.

- Treasurer Marinda Rucinski reported on the state of Chamber finances: both the Savings account and the checking account are "stable." Also, the Community Bank N.A. has two new part-time tellers receiving training.

- Rene Tilly-Lyness reported on a vocational scholarship being offered. Details are available from her.

- Maureen Wheeler reported for Livingston Economic Development: celebrating the nine villages-nine murals during July, and a comprehensive booklet describing each village and its mural and its artist. A one-day workshop is scheduled for October 3 on creating holiday destinations. This year's Holiday Spectacular is set for December 3. On another note, there is a possibility of an ice rink at the Downs. More info will be featured as it becomes available.

- Chris Quinlan mentioned a "National Night Out" planned for Genesee Street area. A sad note: the Rochester Police Department officer recently killed was an Avon School graduate, Officer Mazurowski.

- Add this item to the good news Marinda Rucinski shared: Community Bank N.A. is offering college student checking. And the bank has recently raised its CD rates and lowered its mortgage rates. Contact Marinda or stop in at the bank for details.



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- Larry Tetamore, photographer extraordinaire, captured some excellent photos at the Western New York Combined Carriage Association event at the Driving Park and Parade. His gallery/shop will be open on CornFest day, and all in-stock items will be 10% off. Current summer hours are Tuesdays 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. and other times by appointment.

- Be sure to grab the August 2022 edition of CITY magazine, and enjoy the splendid full-page feature on Ann Younger and her Park Theatre. Follow that with a visit to the theatre for a movie or live music performance -- watch the marquee for dates.

September is coming right up and we hope YOU will join your Avon Chamber friends for a Peppermints lunch at 12:00 on Tuesday, September 6, the very day after Labor Day!!

Avon Chamber of Commerce Now Accepting Nominations...



Annual Citizen of the Year Award

to be presented Saturday, November 5, 2022

Who can be nominated?

Someone who has generously given of their time and talent for the benefit of the Avon Community. Perhaps a person who has quietly contributed to your organization that you feel is deserving.

Who can nominate?

Any Avon resident or organization (civic groups, churches, private citizens). Simply write a letter explaining how your nominee has devoted his or her time and energy for Avon community service.

Send your nomination to: **Citizen of the Year**
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Nomination Deadline: Friday, September 30th