



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.

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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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Dare we say it? We're heading up to the springtime equinox and glad of it!! Our Chamber of Commerce March 7, 2023 luncheon meeting at Peppermints was chaired by Chamber President Mike Carroll. Joining him were Geri Brewer, Dave Leven, Dot McCandless, Christine Quinlan, Marinda Rucinski, Melissa Savino, Adam Stephens, Marcea Tetamore, Larry Tetamore, Ann Younger and your secretary Barbara Herman.

- Top on the list of news: Chamber vice-president Steve Harrison reports the Chamber website has now had a complete facelift. Check out: <https://www.avonny.org>.
- Larry and Marcea were ecstatic about their recently completed Celebrity Cruise to St. Maartens and other ports of call; they're gradually coming back to earth. Larry is concentrating on his Genesee Street photo gallery and looking forward to weddings (not his!) this summer-five booked as of meeting date. Marcea reports she is now an L.L.C. and happily anticipating servicing Livingston county communities with full real estate services. Also reporting as president of Livingston County Habitat for Humanity: the HFH affiliate needs family applicants. Spread the word among your contacts, although the application process may take some time, the end result will be a family with safe and healthy living space.
- Ann Younger reported for her Park Theatre: the first four shows this spring were full. A first-time schedule was a dinner-and-a-movie, the dinner sites were Village Restaurant/Avon Inn; Bob's Brother's Band on March 18; working on a slot for a Saturday yoga class; and the Avon Preservation & Historical Society has scheduled all its 2023 public presentations at the theatre: too many exciting events to report appropriately here, so please check the theatre website for dates and details.
- One exciting event to note: a fundraiser for Stone's Closet memorializing that youngster, offered by Partyman Catering, to replenish supplies for families in need.
- Melissa Savino reported for the Livingston County Chamber of Commerce: their monthly calendar is chock-full of information on all the towns' and villages' social and business events, highlighting our own Park Theatre dates, and the Chamber's annual Farm-Neighbor Dinner on March 24. This year's honoree is Edgewood Farms and the Phelps Family. The Chamber's After Hours get-together for networking is March 29 at Dublin Corners Farm Brewery at its Linwood location. For Melissa's The Cake Place, they'll participate in the annual Chocolate Ball in Rochester on April 29.
- Dave Leven reported for Sports Medicine Concepts, a "Salute to First Responders" on April 24 will be not only a class but an event, including fire departments and other fast-at-the-scene providers. Of note: participants at the County's Leadership Livingston program visited the Sports Medicine Concepts site and were totally impressed with its facility and its offerings.

- Marinda Rucinski reported for Community Bank's loan event in March, CD rates are much improved for consumers.
- Adam Stephens reported for the Business Network group. He offers Asuresoftware.com and also offers information on the Employee Tax Credit programs for small-to-medium businesses. Contact him at 563-8683 or any Thursday morning at their Peppermints breakfast meeting, 7:45 - 9:00 a.m.
- Chris Quinlan reported for the Avon Village Board and noted that the same crew which brought you the Annual Holiday Spectacular is working on the St. Patrick's event: should be tons of fun for all!
- Geri Brewer reported for the Avon Preservation & Historical Society with a full list of events. All programs – as noted above – are on Sundays at 2:00 p.m. at the Park Theatre:
 - March 19 (hope you were there) History of the Avon Fire Department presented by Richard Neth
 - April 2: History of the Wadsworths in Avon, presented by Corrin Strong
 - May 7: History of the Genesee Valley Hunt, presented by Linda Gibbs
 - September 17: History of the Underground Railroad through Avon, presented by Joy Lewis
 - October 22: History of Lookover Farm Stables, presented by Wendy Sisson
- Dot McCandless reported for the Avon Free Library as one of the "Friends of the Library" : the library is in desperate need of storage space, to store book donations until the annual sale – usually in August at the Rotary Cornfest time. 400 s.f. is the need. Why not stop in to the library, meet the new director, Grace. And thank the Lions' Club for sponsoring a Trivia night fundraiser for the library on March 25.
- At this time, we welcomed two representatives from Avon Central School: Christie DeWald, principal of the Primary School, and Christina Ecklund, Director of Academic Services, as we all work toward better community-school interaction. Also: "The Putnam County Spelling Bee" being staged this spring.
- Mike Carroll reports for Studio Sales Pottery; the next round of classes will begin in April. Stop in to visit and register for a class!
- A night to honor Bob Westfall for his twelve years service as president of the Preservation & Historical Society was March 23 at the Avon Inn. It's difficult to itemize his many contributions and devotion to the history of our town: thank you, many times, Bob.
- Finally, a brief note f.y.i. The St. Agnes School Foundation is announcing a first-time fundraiser "Night at the Races" (not a "Night at the Opera" – that's a different bunch). Full info by contacting a Board member, and all proceeds go to school scholarships.

Next lunch bunch gathering for Chamber members: 12 Noon at Peppermints, April 4th. This is YOUR invitation to share your business news, changes, plans, promotions. Join your friends and colleagues for lunch!!