



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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What a great opening for our June 6, 2023, Avon Chamber of Commerce lunch meeting!! Chamber President Mike Carroll brought a beautiful coffee mug, fashioned by himself, from the clay deposits he had discovered at the Genesee River flats in Avon. We're encouraging him to create a whole new line of products from this special clay source.

Admiring his work were Chamber members Geri Brewer, Chamber vice-prez Steve Harrison, Bob Hunn, Dave Leven, Christine Quinlan, treasurer Marinda Rucinski, Bonnie Taylor-Davis, Paul Tilly, Rene Tilly-Lyness, Bob Westfall, Maureen Wheeler, Ann Younger, and your Chamber secretary Barbara Herman.

- Mike will be offered "Pottery Talk" at the Avon Free Library on June 12, with information on this clay source and on the "arrowhead" found on the grounds of his Studio Sales Gallery. "Arrowhead", because the object is possibly not an arrowhead, but the tip end of a spear or dart. The item's age has been professionally pegged at 1,600 years or (perhaps, as estimated by Rochester Museum & Science staffer) 5,000 years. Watch this space for updated information on this interesting find! Mike, also reported that Steve Harrison's new Penny Saver unit, Featured Media, resulted in a spike in the number of digital contacts to his site – good news – note this, all readers!

- Bob Hunn reports it's "business as usual" at Avon Floral World – good news, that – and glad that business allowed him to get to share lunch with us today.

- Geri Brewer reported for the Avon Preservation and Historical Society. The quilt to be offered as a raffle prize at Rotary Corn Fest time is completed. She is soliciting items for a summertime raffle. APHS recently updated the organization's by-laws. A group of children from Avon Central recently visited the museum – a great method to interest children in history at an early age. Recent acquisition at the museum included a Brownie uniform, helping to fill in information on scouting programs for girls. Finally, a tour of Avon Village Cemetery is planned for June 12; the earlier-planned tour was rained out.

- Bob Westfall reported on the progress of the reconstruction / remodeling of the Opera Block Building. Some discussion was held on the (New York State) mandate to remove the word "Braves" from Avon School teams and identifications.

- Rene reported on business for the Tilly Insurance agencies: doing well, and busy! A newly-hired employee will concentrate on Medicare coverage.

- Paul reported on office space available from Zion Church. Stop in at the Avon Office to get details from him. Also, a personal / community note: the Zion nursery school bunch recently toured the Tilly garden, which is perennially a location of interest!!

- Maureen reported on updates in the town of Perry: the downtown area has been re-done, and has established a Limited Liability Corporation. The promotion by the County Chamber of Commerce to enhance the visibility at "eclipse time", next April 8, included glasses for viewing. And the Tourism Office has issued its Spring Travel Guide. She notes it contains no paid advertising, helping to identify the publication as an actual travel guide. Maureen, also reporting on progress at the Library's major re-building project, expects the front area to be ready by Corn Fest time.

- Chris Quinlan reports the fence is in place at the Genesee Street pocket park. The project was constructed with assistance from Parks New York, a state agency. Hitching posts at Erie-Attica Trail sites will facilitate hikers' walks.

- Steve Harrison reported our Student Service Award recipient for 2023 is Katherine Krasinski – congratulations to her!! This award is presented annually in memory of Chuck McFadden. Her \$1000.00 award was to be presented at ACS Awards Banquet on June 7 by Adam McFadden. Katherine was selected as this year's winner by a committee of Chamber members, and was selected unanimously by the judges – a true winner!! And a well-executed essay earning a perfect score, covering her wide interest in and volunteer work at community sites and agencies.

- Our treasurer Marinda Rucinski reports that the Chamber's Checking Account and the Savings Account are both in good health. The Savings Account is the source of awards monies to the Student Service winner, and thanks go to all the community members who contribute to this account each year. Marinda also reports on the recent Triple Crown promo offered by the Community Bank, where she is manager.

- Ann Younger reports on entertainments at the Park Theater. Summertime will bring Thursday night movies, "Shrek" coming up soon, and "Jaws" on July 4. "Tribute" bands will be offered, including "Half Dead" – but you'd best check the theater website for dates and offerings.

- Dave Leven reports on Sports Medicine Concepts, the organization is very busy. They have 29 adjunct instructors across the U. S.; expect the staff to be working with Major League Baseball in 2024; and to be expanding to other sports in future. The April offering captioned, "Salute to First Responders", aimed at firefighters, brought 25 - 30 attendees.

- A "heads up" note to all: shortly we'll be asking for nominations for the Citizen of the Year award, which we'll present in October.

As Porky Pig used to say, "Th –th- that's all, folks" And we hope to see Chamber members meeting on Tuesday, JULY 11 -- note date change – for our July noon lunch meeting at Peppermint's Restaurant.

Meantime, happy 4th to all!!