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**MYFM-CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MUSIC BY THE RIVER  
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NAPANEE BUSINESS CENTRE**

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**MAY BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**



The Chamber's May Business After Hours was hosted by the Napanee & District Community Foundation. Executive Director Dave Remington (pictured above at left) spoke about the goals of the organization and the many projects it has been able to support over the years (The Chamber was pleased to receive a grant for its Springside Falls Nature Trail signage project from the NDCF at their June AGM). Pictured above with Dave from left to right are Rennie Hutzler, NDCF

**JUNE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS**



June's Business After Hours was hosted by Spindletree Gardens in Tamworth. Pictured above are Spindletree owner, Susan Meisner; Ingrid Tiffe, Frayed Around The Edges; Holly Fox, Frayed Around The Edges and Jack Green, Century 21 and Chamber board member. Pictured below from left to right are Michelle Mather, Aztext Press; Linda Hicks, Manager Hampton Inn and Debbie Lucas, Hampton Inn.



President, Diane Patterson, Admin Assistant; Cathy Palmer, Director and Brad Way, Marlin Financial and Chamber Vice-President.

Pictured here at right is Chris Martin-Paul, NDCF committee member and Christine Peets, Caption Communications.



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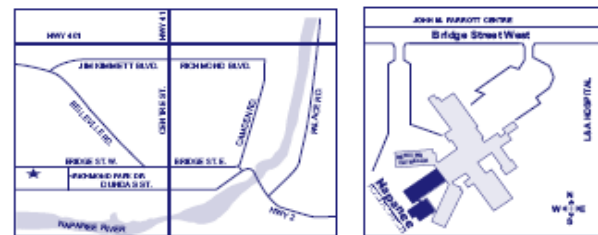
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**JUNE BUSINESS AFTER HOURS CONT'D.....**



Spindletree owner Tom Brown is pictured explaining the restoration of a Victorian era well cover that was rescued from a farmer's field and installed as a new feature at the attraction this year.

Congratulations to Hennie Venus of the L&A OSPCA on winning two free passes to Spindletree Gardens.

**CHAMBER SPEAKS AT NAPANEE ROTARY**



Chamber Manager Kathy Medd, pictured here with Rotary member Jim McCutcheon was invited to speak at the Napanee Rotary Club in July. The invite was a good opportunity to help build awareness of the Chamber of Commerce and its work.

**MUSIC BY THE RIVER 2010**



The Chamber is once again pleased to partner with myFM in presenting Music by the River. Pictured above is local band Saturday Night Glad Rags with Chamber Summer Intern Olivia Mills.

**BAY OF QUINTE TOURIST COUNCIL REPORT**



The Bay of Quinte Tourist Council has approved new Hwy 401 signage which will replace the existing signs. It will better serve the area by highlighting communities that make up Bay of Quinte.

**PRESS RELEASE  
 BQTC LAUNCHES MAJOR MARKETING PROJECT**

Bay of Quinte is being included in over \$430,000 in marketing starting in mid-August and continuing into the fall.

As it continues its partnerships and moves forward with strategies to increase tourism in the Quinte Region, particularly for extending tourism to the Fall season, the Bay of Quinte Tourist Council is launching its own \$30,000 marketing campaign in the Ottawa area, and is included in the transitional Regional Tourism Organization's marketing campaign called Closer Than You Think for Ottawa and Quebec worth over \$400,000.

"I've set a regional goal of attracting over 3,000 visitors which would result in over \$2.5 million injected into our local economies in restaurant, shopping, hotel, tours and packages", states Bay of Quinte Tourist Council President Ryan Williams.

"To get there, we have outlined 3 main packages and tours available through [www.bayofquintecountry.com](http://www.bayofquintecountry.com) that drive overnight stays to our region and are unique to Ontario and Quinte." The 3 packages are an Anglers Adventure Package, Quinte Golf Packages, and Prince Edward County Wine and Culinary Tours.

"We know what makes us a great place to live, work, and play, but a great place to visit means we need more activities for people to do once they are here. For instance, we know that we are the #1 rated Walleye Fishing destination in Canada, and finally we have Charter Tours packaged through Bay of Quinte that allow groups to fish and enjoy that experience. The same goes for golfing and wine tours. We already are booking groups of 20-40 from out of town to golf regularly. That makes us a golf destination. We are going to expand that."

Ryan Williams, President  
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**OCC • APPRENTICESHIP TRAINING TAX CREDIT**

Businesses are reminded about the provincial government's enriched Apprenticeship Training Tax Credit and the Co-operative Education Tax Credit, both of which address the OCC's mandate to making these credits more cost-effective and accessible to small and medium businesses.

The credit was recently enriched, so that now 45% of expenses related to apprenticeships (up from 30%) can be claimed by small businesses, and now 30% (up from 15%) in the case of registered co-op placements.

Businesses with payrolls of \$400,000 or less are considered 'small businesses' for the purpose of the credits. The percentage a business is entitled to decreases gradually as the size of the business increases, and is capped at 35% for apprenticeships and 25% for co-ops for businesses with payrolls over \$600,000.

The tax credit can be claimed by both incorporated and unincorporated businesses. Eligible corporations claim the Apprenticeship Training Tax Credit on [Schedule T2SCH552](#) of their T2 Corporation Income Tax Return, and claim the Co-operative Education Tax Credit on [Schedule T2SCH550](#) of their T2 Corporation Income Tax Return. Eligible employers operating unincorporated businesses claim both credits on Form ON479, "Ontario Credits" included in their personal income tax return.

Increasing the profile of apprenticeship training in the province continues to be a top priority for the OCC. Enabling greater participation in apprenticeship programs is a much-needed step towards addressing Ontario's growing skilled trade shortage to create more opportunities for Ontario's skilled workforce and facilitate Ontario's transition to the new economy.

For more information please contact Kelly Pritchard, Policy Analyst, at 416-482-5222, ext. 246 or [kellypritchard@occ.on.ca](mailto:kellypritchard@occ.on.ca).

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To register contact Matthew at 1.866.884.6737 and mention you are a member of the Napanee & District Chamber of Commerce. Visa, MC or Amex are acceptable FOP. All sales are final. Tickets are transferable. Please add \$5 service charge per transaction. More info at [http://www.powerwithin.com/pdf/Ottawa\\_102910MC.pdf](http://www.powerwithin.com/pdf/Ottawa_102910MC.pdf).