

Clareville Area Chamber of Commerce

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Clareville Area Chamber of
Commerce is pleased to welcome
our most recent members:

Pizza Delight

Alpine Dev. Alliance Corp

McGrath's Trucking

C-Gas Management Inc

Business Excellence Awards

**Winner of Business of Year
The Wave Hotel & Fitness
Centre**

**Winner of the Small Business
of the Year
Quantum Studio Designs**

**Winner of the Community
Cares Award
Mr. Edward Vincent**

Business Excellence Awards Winners

Congratulations are extended to Corwin Mills on his Induction into the Business Hall of Fame.

Corwin graduated Clareville High School in 1962 and attended Memorial University from 1962 – 1967. He was enrolled in a five year program joint BA in Economics and Bachelor of Commerce, and was registered in 1967. Corwin worked at the Department of Trade and Commerce in Ottawa from May 1967 to September 1968.

Corwin attended Law School at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver and graduated with a LL.B. in May, 1971 at which time he articulated in St. John's from May, 1971 to April, 1972 and in April, 1972 he was admitted to the Newfoundland Bar.

In April 1972 Corwin started the firm now known as Corwin Mills Law Office, based in St. John's at first, with a branch office in Clareville. In September, 1974 the firm was relocated to Clareville. The firm started with one lawyer and one employee in 1972 and today the firm is known as Mills, Pittman & Twyne Law Office with seven lawyers and 16 employees.

From September 1982 – June 1983, he took a leave of absence and attended full time university at Cardiff, Wales and studied Marine Law at which time he obtained a Masters in Marine Law Degree. In May, 1988 Corwin was appointed a Q.C. (Queen's Council)

Corwin has been very active within the community and has been on many Boards and Committees. To name a few:

- Member of the Clareville Area Chamber of Commerce since 1972.
- A Charter member of the Rotary Club of Clareville.
- Chair of the Board of the former Eastern Community College and after that a Board Member for a number of years of the College of the North Atlantic.
- Member of the Clareville Nordic Ski Club
- Chair of the Alpine Development Alliance Corporation.

2014 NL Christmas Ornament Project



The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce (CACC) continues to showcase a design of the local talented artist on the Newfoundland and Labrador Christmas ornament.

This fundraising project allows the CACC to be one of a few Chambers in the Province to reach self-sufficiency. In our 16th year now, the CACC is pleased to showcase the talent of Newfoundland artist Reilly Fitzgerald on the 2014 Newfoundland and Labrador Christmas Ornament. The central “action” of the painting involves clearing the ice and preparing to play. This is what the title,

“Getting Ready” means. It is about the work that needs to be done before we play, and this painting pays tribute, not only to those who participate in the sports, but to all those who help organize such events. The pewter ornament will be available in retail stores across the province by mid-June. Please contact the Chamber Office at 1-866-466-5800 or info@clarenvilleareachamber.net for a retail store near you.



Member's Spotlight

CBDC Eastern Initiatives has supported job creation and small business development in the region for more than 20 years. The CBDC delivers financial, advisory and technical services to new, existing and expanding businesses, organizations, individuals and social enterprises. The not-for-profit corporation is overseen by an eight-member volunteer Board of Directors and is managed by a staff of four.

There are 15 Community Business Development Corporations (CBDC) located throughout Newfoundland and Labrador with each office serving a specific geographical area. CBDC Eastern Initiatives serves a population of approximately 32,000 people covering 94 communities. This includes the Bonavista Peninsula, Random Island and the Arnold's Cove - Clarenville - Port Blandford areas.

During the past 22 years, the Corporation has proven itself to be an effective means of providing technical and financial support to the residents, businesses, and organizations located in our district. In addition to the core services, the Corporation administers the Self-Employment Benefit Program, the Youth in Business Loan Program and the Youth Ventures Program. CBDC Eastern Initiatives presently has \$4.8M invested in 90 businesses throughout the region.

The CBDC is fortunate to be based in a region with a strong and vibrant economy. To learn more about the products and services available to existing businesses and aspiring entrepreneurs, please contact us at 709-466-1170 or drop by our office at 76A Manitoba Drive, Clarenville (The Stanley Premises) to speak to a staff member.

Upcoming General Membership Luncheons/Dinner Meetings

Jason Crawford, Resort Manager, White Hills Resort will be the Chamber's Guest Speaker at the May 14th Luncheon.

Beth Johnstone, NLCSA Safety Training & COR Program, will be the Chamber's Guest Speaker at the June 10th, Luncheon.