

# Clareville Area Chamber of Commerce

# Getting Connected

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Terri-lynn Davis, Office Manager

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## OUR WEBSITE...

The Clareville Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes you to visit our website. It is a great source of community information and opportunities.

Our website continues to be an important resource in promoting Clareville area businesses, and we invite our members to forward any submissions to our office.

If you have not already done so, please check us out online at [www.clarevilleareachamber.net](http://www.clarevilleareachamber.net).

## 12th Anniversary Christmas Ornament

The Clareville Area Chamber of Commerce (CACC) continues to showcase a design of a local talented artist on the Newfoundland and Labrador Christmas Ornament. The fundraising project allows the CACC to be one of a few Chambers in the province to reach self-sufficiency. In our 12<sup>th</sup> year, the CACC is pleased to feature "Making Memories" designed by local, self-taught artist Dale Ryan. Dale's inspiration comes from everyday life and childhood memories of Newfoundland and Labrador. The pewter ornament is available in retail stores all over the province. Please call 1-866-466-5800 for a retail store near you.



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

Belanger Clarke Follett & McGettigan

Canadian Blood Services • Comfort & Class Boutique

Co-operators Insurance • Donnini's Pizza & Donairs

Eastlink • Exit Realty on the Rock

Karlande Design • Keyin College • Kildare Creative Cuisine

Metier & Associates Inc. • Penny's Discount Furniture

# 2010 CHAMBER NEWS

## The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce Third Annual Business Excellence Awards Banquet

The Third Annual Business Excellence Awards were hosted on February 24, 2010. The Chamber presented Something Special Gift Boutique & Flower Shop with the 2009 "Small Business of the Year Award", while the 2009



"Business of the Year Award" was presented to Newfoundland Power. The "Small Business of the Year Award" and the "Business of the Year



Award" are designed to recognize businesses from the local sector that demonstrate a continued passion for excellence and promote the advancement of responsible business leadership within our community.

The late Dr. Albert O'Mahony was honored as the Chamber's 2009 "Business Hall of Fame" inductee. Dr. O'Mahony was a family physician in private practice in Clarenville for 43 years. He was highly respected by his



peers and loved by his many patients.

During his long career he contributed significantly to the Clarenville area. He was highly involved in the community, serving as a town councilor for a term and as a Director of the Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce, of which he was a member throughout his entire career.

The "Business Hall of Fame" recognizes individuals from the Clarenville business community who have made or continue to make contributions, and have gone that "extra mile" to promote a positive economic environment and to enhance the economic climate of the Clarenville area.

## General Membership Dinner

The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce held a business dinner on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at the St. Jude Hotel. The dinner featured the Honorable Ross Wiseman, MHA for Trinity North and Minister of Business, as guest speaker. Minister Wiseman spoke on the Provincial Budget released on March 29, 2010.

## Chamber's Christmas Party

The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Party on December 9, 2009. The event was held at the St. Jude Hotel where over 90 guests attended and enjoyed a lovely dinner followed by entertainment from comedians Bob Keele and Paul Haywood of Yuk-Yuks.

## Student Work and Service Program (SWASP)

Edward Vey, a Business Administration (Accounting/Marketing) student of College of the North Atlantic is currently completing an eight week program with the Chamber. This program enables Edward to apply business knowledge acquired through his studies at the College.

## CACC Website

The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce has completely revised its website. This site now features

the Member Spotlight and Member Profile sections, which are great advertising tools. Other new sections include Chamber News, Upcoming Events, and a Bulletin Board which members can utilize by posting special promotions, events, and news. To post information on the Bulletin Board, contact Terri-lynn Davis at 466-5800 or by email at [info@clarenvilleareachamber.net](mailto:info@clarenvilleareachamber.net). We encourage everyone to check out the Chamber website at [www.clarenvilleareachamber.net](http://www.clarenvilleareachamber.net).

### Past Winners

#### Small Business Award

A&P Music / The Source (2007)

Therapy Works (2008)

#### Business Award

Clarenville Area Consumers Co-op (2007)  
St. Jude Hotel (2008)

#### Business Hall of Fame

Mr. Charles E. Sheppard (2007)

Mr. Bramwell Coish (2008)

All suggestions and comments are welcome.

## The Craft & Home Trade Show

The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft and Home Trade Show on September 24 & 25, 2010 at the newly



constructed Clarenville Events Centre. This year's show will host an exceptional assortment of exhibitors including artisans, crafters,

woodworkers, community organizations, and government agencies.

The show will also feature entertainment for all ages, Rotary live and silent auctions, 'Mad Dash for the Cash', and many other prizes. This year's Craft and Home Trade Show is being organized by Jeremy Smith and Sharon Shortall.



owners to contact the Chamber at 466-5800 for further information.

## Physician Recruitment Committee

The lack of family Physicians is an existing problem for residents of Clarenville and the surrounding communities. The social and economic success of any community depends on whether it has support services in place, such as the ability to acquire a family Physician. The Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce formed a Physician Recruitment Committee to address the issue surrounding the lack of Physicians in this area. The Chamber met with the Town of Clarenville, Eastern Health, local family Physicians and MUN Medical students to get a better understanding of why there is a lack of Physicians and how we can resolve that problem. As a result of this initiative, the Physician Recruitment Committee now has a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities with respect to recruiting Physicians. The Chamber is now working closely with all partners to develop a recruitment strategy for the Clarenville area.

Over the past several months, committee members have been meeting with Eastern Health and MUN Medical students to discuss recruitment opportunities. A brochure has been developed to outline the attributes the Clarenville area has to offer.



The Eastern Suppliers Development Alliance

is a partnership between Schooner Regional Development Corporation, Discovery Regional Development Board, Avalon Gateway Development Corporation, Burin Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce and Arnold's Cove Area Chamber of Commerce. The mandate of the ESDA is to enhance the ability of companies in these regions to competitively supply the oil and gas industry, specifically focusing on the Hebron Project. The ESDA hosted information sessions during the month of July 2010. We encourage business

## *Did you know?*

Members are eligible for

***Big group benefits for small business***

Chambers of Commerce  
Group Insurance Plan

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## Economic Development Committee

The Economic Development Committee is a partnership between The Town of Clarenville and the Clarenville Area Chamber of Commerce. The mandate of the Committee is to hire an Economic Development Officer for the Town of Clarenville, help create a brand around Clarenville, work to determine how the town does business, and ensure that Clarenville is business friendly.

## Committees

The Chamber is involved in many different aspects of business in the Clarendville area and serving as a committee member is a great way to stay informed. If you would like to get involved and share your expertise, please contact Terri-lynn Davis at 466-5800 or by e-mail at [info@clarendvilleareachamber.net](mailto:info@clarendvilleareachamber.net).

### **Public Relations/ Membership Committee**

Maisie Caines, Chairperson  
Brian Smith & Edgar Balsom

This committee promotes Chamber membership through General Membership Luncheons/Dinners, the Business Excellence Awards, and the annual Christmas Party.

### **Events Committee**

Todd Organ, Chairperson  
Adrian Power, Brian Smith, Chad Holloway,  
Greg Pittman, Jason Strickland,  
Maisie Caines & Stephanie Tilley

The Events Committee serves to ensure the continued success of the annual Craft & Home Trade Show.

### **Profit Committee**

Brian Smith, Chairperson  
Bonnie Goodyear, Jason Strickland, Keith Rodway,  
Leanne Avery & Paula Roberts

The Profit Committee's main focus is the development of a quality Christmas Ornament and the success of the annual Christmas Ornament Project.

### **Economic Development Advisory Committee**

Greg Pittman, Co-Chairperson  
Keith Rodway, Co-Chairperson  
Bob Hiscock, Brian Avery, Denis Sullivan,  
John Pickett, Lisa Browne, Nancy Robbins,  
Rod Nicholl & Todd Organ

This committee serves as the "Voice of Economic Development" responsible for the implementation of a sustainable economic strategy for the betterment of the Town of Clarendville.

### **Finance Committee**

Edgar Balsom, Chairperson  
Todd Organ & Brian Avery

The Finance Committee's purpose is to monitor all Chamber financial matters to ensure adherence with policies and procedures, act as financial advisor to the Board of Directors, and prepare the annual budget for approval.

### **Physician Recruitment Committee**

Brian Avery, Chairperson  
Edgar Balsom & Keith Rodway

This committee's purpose is to act in partnership with Eastern Health in an effort to coordinate the recruitment of physicians to the Clarendville area.