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Newsletter – July – August, 2017

Ontario NY Storage Units *Now Available*
6453 Furnace Road



Pictured above, L to R: Front row – John Smith, Ontario Supervisor; Norm Gerber; Vicki Martin, and J.R. Ruiz; Second Row – Tony Sclamo, Danielle Shaffer, Susan Gerber, Bruce Gerber, Beth Episco, Third Row – Tom Ide, John Graziose, and Brian Natale

ONTARIO, NY – On June 1, 2017 members of the Ontario Chamber of Commerce and Gerber family along with employees were on hand to assist Gerber Homes & Additions celebrate one of their newest business ventures with a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of the Ontario NY Storage Units. Bruce Gerber said, “There is still additional industrial acreage behind the storage units that could be developed with manufacturing facilities. We would rather develop it that way than building the complete 12 acres in storage units.” Gerber Homes has owned the property for many years. The property has an easement to the town for development of a walking trail that would connect with Casey Park. John Smith, Ontario Supervisor noted that things are moving to expand the trail.

The storage units consist of three different sizes and prices. Available is a 5 x 10 ft size for \$60/mo.; a 10 x 10 ft. size for \$70/mo.; and a 10 x 20 ft size for \$90/mo. At the present time 71 units are available; however the Ontario planning board has granted final approval for another 72 units. Pending town approval, outside storage may be a consideration for the future. The units are suitable for residential and business storage. John Graziose commented that the units can be used for vehicle storage but there is no electrical in the units. Seven to eight security cameras will be installed. If you are interested in renting a unit, please contact Susan at Gerber Homes & Additions at (315) 524-8392 or e-mail susan@gerberhomes.com. Website: www.ontarionystorage.com. (The ribbon cutting ceremony is a service provided by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce.)



Ontario NY Storage Units
Constructed by Gerber Homes & Additions
www.ontarionystorage.com

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term expires 2019
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term expires 2018
Joellen Simone - Nature’s Way
Floral and Garden - term expires
2017
Ray Cedruly, Community Liaison
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WELCOME BACK RENEWING CHAMBER MEMBERS!
Thank You For Being So Prompt With Your Dues
Your Continued Support Is Appreciated

Nature's Way Floral and Garden, Joellen Simone, 7284 Knickerbocker Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Deb's Lunchbox, Deb Bechtold, 1990 New Street, Ontario, NY 14519
Exelon Generation Ginna Nuclear Power Plant, Maria Hudson, 1503 Lake Road, Ontario, NY
Ontario Public Library, Board of Trustees, Sandra Hylen, Director, 1850 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY
Pugsley's Marine Inc., Carol & bob Cario, 310 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario, NY
Benchmark Hydraulics Technology LLC, Rich & Carol Bebernitz, 5708 Walworth Rd., Ontario, NY
Green Team 100, Robert & Leona Billett, 6318 Furnace Rd., Ontario
Cavallaro-Neubauer Chevrolet, Inc., 3740 NYS Rt. 104, Williamson, NY 14589
Town of Ontario, John Smith, Supervisor, 1850 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY
DPR Bookkeeping Services, Diane Romano, 5212 Lincoln Rd., Ontario, NY
Linc Management LLC Industrial Complex, George Leopard, 6325 Furnace Rd., Ontario, NY

Welcome New Member(s) to the Ontario Chamber!

Russell Cellular Verizon Store, Jeff Russell/Bryan Hayes, 6254 Furnace Road, Ontario, NY 14519.
Hours: Monday to Saturday 10 am to 8 pm; Sunday 12 Noon to 5 pm. Bryan Hayes is the store manager. Contact information: (585) 736-0194; email: ontario.ny.mgr@russellcellular.com
website: www.russellcellular.com.

Verizon Hosts Chamber Business After Hours



On July 27, 2017 Verizon hosted a chamber business after hours. Marcus Carter, District Manager, was on hand to explain some of the latest devices available. Marcus noted "It's not just phones anymore, there is so much more!" Marcus reviewed the google home device that is synced with your phone and reviewed a mobile hot spot-jet pack. Stop in and see what's new at the Verizon store in Ontario, 6254 Furnace Rd. Bryan Hayes, Store Mgr., email: ontario.ny.mgr@russellcellular.com or 585-736-0194. Ask about "home solutions."

Future Events Calendar

Aug. 12 – Veterans Sporting Firearms Fundraiser held at Ontario Rod and Gun Club, 2523 Trimble Rd., Ontario, 8 am – 7 pm. BBQ @ 4 pm until sold out. Contact Steve Verdi (585) 739-3195 or email: sportingfirearms@ontariorodandgun.com.

Aug. 13 – Heritage Square Museum, 7147 Ontario Ctr. Rd., Pioneer Family Life Day. \$1/per person 1:30 pm – 4 pm. www.heritagesquaremuseum.org.

Aug. 14 – Ontario Chamber Business After Hours held at Uno Pizzeria & Grill, 931 Holt Rd., Webster, NY @ 5:30 p.m. Come and meet other chamber members! Social networking opportunity!

Aug. 22 – Wayne County Career Carnival held at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Palmyra, NY. 10 am to 3 pm. For more information go to <http://wcpsf.com/career-carnival/> or contact Chris Edgar at email: lvwayne@rochester.rr.com.

Aug. 26 – Heritage Square Museum, 7147 Ontario Ctr. Rd., Trunk Sale & Chicken BBQ - 10 am – 4 pm

Sept. 21, - Ontario Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet held at The Ontario Country Club, 2101 Country Club Lane. Chamber members and public invited. Cost: \$30/per person. **Reservations due by Sept. 7th**. To print a reservation go to www.ontarionychamber.org, under "Latest News".

Ontario Chamber Congratulates 2017 Community Scholarship Winner

Timothy Scott Brower received the 2017 Ontario Chamber Community Service Scholarship at the June graduation ceremonies held at Wayne Central High School. The Scholarship is awarded to the graduate with the most hours of volunteer community service acquired during their high school years. Timothy volunteered 1,439 hours over the past four years with several local organizations all related to medical services. His senior project was a full scale DWI re-enactment staged at school for the Seniors and Juniors to attend. He worked extensively with the police, fire, and ambulance to stage the event.

His future plans include working in emergency medical services and completing EMT training. He resides with his Dad, Scott Brower at 1766 Kenyon Rd., Ontario, NY. Timothy will have his name inscribed on a plaque that is located in the Ontario Town Hall foyer and receive a \$200.00 check from the Chamber. The Chamber congratulates Timothy on his dedication to serving our community!

Intergrow Greenhouses Soon to be in Ontario *Good News For Tomato Lovers!*

On June 13, 2017 the Ontario Planning Board approved the application of Intergrow Greenhouses. The plan includes a 58 acre greenhouse and a 110,000 sq.ft. packing building with offices. The company is now located in Albion, NY and grows hydroponic tomatoes. A total of 122 acres located at the east end of Timothy Lane (off of Dean Parkway) will be purchased and combined into one parcel. When completed, Intergrow will employ 150. Construction is anticipated to begin later in 2017 with the first harvest planned for 2018. For more details about Intergrow go to www.intergrowgreenhouses.com. Locally, Intergrow tomatoes can now be purchased at Wegmans, Tops, Aldi's, and Walmart supermarkets.

Flood Recovery

Flood cleanup and home repair brochures are available at Ontario Town Hall, 1850 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY 14519. Some of the topics covered are: How to Avoid Getting Sick and Injured After a Flood; Mold and Your Home: What You Need to Know; and How to Safely Clean Up and Prevent Water Damage After a Flood. Brochures are available in the town hall lobby racks.

Ontario Chamber Annual Banquet to be Held on September 21st

The public and chamber members are invited to attend the Ontario Chamber of Commerce annual banquet on Sept. 21st at the Ontario Country Club, 2101 Country Club Lane, Ontario, NY. The following will be honored:

Wayne Masonic Lodge #416 of Ontario – 2017 Community Organization

Altra Rental & Supply – 2017 Business Improvement

Wilbert's Lakeside – 2017 Business of the Year

Lifetime Achievement Award – To be Announced at Banquet

Social hour starts at 6 pm. with a cash bar. Buffet dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Cost of dinner: \$30.00 per person. Deadline for reservations: September 7, 2017. For a reservation contact Cheryl Legg at email clegg@rochester.rr.com or call the chamber office at (315) 524-5886 or print a reservation form at www.ontarionychamber.org under "Latest News"



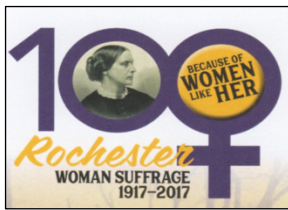
Pines of Peace Comfort Home – Most Needed Items

The following is a list of “most wanted items” for the Pines of Peace located at 2378 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY 14519. Please call (315) 524-2388 prior to dropping off a donation. Website: www.pinesofpeace.org. (Those items marked with * are priority items)

FOOD ITEMS: *coffee (regular and decaf); flaked coconut; semisweet chocolate chips; chopped walnuts; large bags of individually wrapped candy (especially chocolate); individually packaged snacks (variety packs of chips, crackers, etc.)

MISCELLANEOUS: *Stamps; *Baby Wipes; *Bird Seed

HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS: Paper towels; tissues; napkins; *disinfectant wipes – non bleach; *liquid dishwasher detergent; *liquid laundry detergent unscented HE only; *fabric sheets – unscented; spray stain remover – like Shout or Resolve; rinse agent for dishwasher (like Jet Dry); large and small lids and screw-on bands; Lysol disinfectant.



Winning the Vote in New York Exhibition 1917-2017

The Central Library of Rochester & Monroe County will host a major exhibition June 2 – October 14, 2017, that explores the role Rochester's women played in the women's rights and woman suffrage movements of the 19th and early 20th centuries. The exhibition will feature artifacts from many of Rochester's cultural and educational institutions, allowing us to tell a more complete story than any one institution could do alone.

Featured items include Susan B. Anthony's dress, Martha Matilda Harper's prototype for the original salon shampoo chair, a Bloomer costume, a variety of suffrage banners, pendants, and flyers, and so much more! Best of all, the exhibition will be free and open to the public! www.rocsuffrage.org. Location: 114 South Ave., Rochester, NY; Phone (585) 428-7300.

Wilbert's Lakeside Honored as Business of the Year for 2017



Congratulations to Wilbert's Lakeside as the Business of the Year for 2017.

They are located at 6333 Lakeside Rd., Ontario. The award is co-sponsored by the Ontario-Walworth Rotary Club and the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. Wilbert's was honored at a Rotary dinner on June 20, 2017.

Pictured above: Wilbert's Family Members; Ontario Chamber Members and Rotarians



**Ontario Chamber of Commerce
July, 2017**

**Business of the Month
Advance Auto Parts
1971 Route 104, Ontario, NY**

*Service is our Best Part!
Quite a statement from a company
that sells car parts!*

Chris Bushey, general manager of the Ontario Advance Auto Parts states that we are always looking for part time help. When asked what was the best thing about working at Advance Auto Parts, Bushey said "It is a very busy pace, for someone that likes to stay busy it is a good place to work." There are currently six fulltime and eight part-time people working in this store.

The Ontario store is one of 5,372 and has been here since 2014. Bushey says this business is very competitive and we are happy with the way things are functioning here. In Ontario, we offer clients more opportunities to purchase items by being open more of the day. The online part of the business allows clients to purchase parts and have them delivered to their home or dropped for pickup at the store.

Bushey says we have upwards of 250,000 items in this store. We sell all auto parts except tires. We sell all name brand items. We also have a large selection of tools for sale. Advance Auto Parts has a tool loan program for customers as well. The Advance Auto Parts Loaner Tool Program is easy: select the desired tool kit to borrow. Purchase the tool kit just like any other purchase you would make. You now have 90 days to use the tool. The tool program features such tools as torque wrenches, brake tools, and strut and spring tools to mention a few. The best way to see what is available is to look at the web page.

Advance Auto Parts will recycle your used oil, antifreeze and batteries.

Bushey is an ASE certified professional auto parts sales person. ASE is short for the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence. In addition to passing an ASE certification test, automotive technicians must have two years of on the job training or one year of on the job training and a two-year degree in an automotive field to qualify for certification. To remain ASE certified, professionals must retest every five years.

Advance Auto Parts is open every day except Christmas and Thanksgiving.

The hours of operation are Monday through Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Advance Auto Parts can be found on the web at:

<https://stores.advanceautoparts.com/ny/ontario/1971-state-route-104>

Congratulations to Advance Auto Parts as Business of the Month for July.

Ontario Chamber of Commerce is pleased to salute this Ontario Business as the **"Business of the Month."** The customized **"Business of the Month"** announcement sign is posted at their business. They are also featured in The Sun & Record with The Wayne County Mail and on the Ontario Chamber's website www.ontarionychamber.org



Pictured L to R: Scott Smith, Tyra Bushart, Mollie Dana, Skylar Smith, Margaret Stein, Nicole Stein, Kaitlyn Russell, Katherine Berikirsch

Ontario Chamber of Commerce
August, 2017
Business of the Month
Kona's Scoop Shop
6361 Knickerbocker Rd.
 (L.W. Emporium Complex)

Scott Smith states that he and his wife, Janet Smith, always wanted to own the classic mom and pop ice cream shop. Scott Smith said that "When this business became available we decided to take it on." The Smiths opened the shop under the new name of Kona's Scoop Shop on Memorial Day of 2016.

Kona's Scoop Shop features Gifford's hard ice cream and Turkey Hill soft ice cream. In addition to serving people, Kona's serves dog treats for man's best friend. Dog treats consist of two milk bones with ice cream in the middle. The folks at Kona's enjoy a challenge. The next time you are there have them create a milkshake, or sundae that you have dreamt up.

Smith says their goal is to become the place local residents come to buy ice cream after they have enjoyed events at Casey Park or in town. "We have a great location here. It is just a laid back space with picnic tables and an opportunity to relax for a while. We are just a little shop in a little town with all local residents serving our clients." Smith says he hopes Kona's Scoop Shop will become the place that becomes a gathering spot for generations of families.

The name Kona is the name of the Smith's dog which in turn is named after the Kona winds of Hawaii.

Smith says that Kona's Scoop Shop is part of a larger organization and that the business model for the overall organization is that all of the businesses are run by students. "Kona's Scoop Shop will always be perpetuated by the kids. It will never be about my wife and I being here. It will be about us supporting the kids. When Nicole Stein, the current manager moves on to her full time job, another student will step into the vacated managerial position."

Even though Kona's Scoop Shop is a mom and pop enterprise, they still have all of the latest and greatest methods for you to pay for your ice cream. Apple pay and a chip card reader are included.

When asked what was the best thing about working at Kona's Scoop Shop, Margaret Stein, sister of Nicole, said "I like working here because I like working in a place where everyone is excited to come and because everyone likes ice cream and everyone is smiling and excited."

Kona's hours of operation are Sunday - Thursday 4 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday 5 p.m. until 10 p.m.

Kona's can be reached by phone at: (585) 503-9781

on the web at: <https://www.konascoopshop.com/>

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