

ONTARIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.

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Newsletter – November – December, 2019

Ontario's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony Dec. 4, 2019



Festivities begin at 5:45 p.m. with story telling with Miss Anne at the ambulance base on Furnace Rd. Other activities include an appearance of Rudolph, a scavenger hunt, cookie decorating, hot chocolate, pizza and more. Santa arrives on his sleigh around 7 pm with the tree lighting at 7:15 pm. For more information see page #2.

Holiday Craft Show – Thank You

Thank you to the Town of Ontario Parks & Recreation Dept. and staff for helping make the chamber's annual craft show held on Nov. 9th a success. Over 70 vendors were present to display a variety of their home-made crafts. A thank you to Cheryl Legg, Chamber Chairman, for coordinating this event.



Lake Ontario Wine Trail's Christmas Around the World

Dec. 7 & 8 | 11am-6pm
www.lakeontariowinetrail.com



VISIT WAYNE COUNTY'S COUNTRYSIDE THIS WINTER



Christmas Tree Growers

A visit to a farm during the holidays can now be enjoyed by the whole family. On selected farms throughout Wayne County the Welcome Mat is out with holiday spirit. Come, spend an hour or a day picking the perfect tree that will be the focus of your holiday festivity. Many farms have a full array of holiday decorations and gifts to enchant friends and family.

For a complete list of Wayne County Christmas Tree Growers please visit
www.waynecountytourism.com

CALL (800) 527-6510 FOR MORE INFO

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**Ontario Business Improvement District
Ontario Recreation Department
and Ontario Public Library**

ONTARIO'S ANNUAL HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING

5:45

**Wednesday
December 4th**

EVENT BEGINS AT THE AMBULANCE BASE
ON FURNACE ROAD



**Scavenger
Hunt**

**Ontario
Chamber of
Commerce's
Hot
Cocoa**



**Story with
Miss Anne**

**Cookie
Decorating
at
Cam's**



Pizza
Donated by
**Business
Improvement
District**



Music!

Special Guests



Rudolph



Select Chorus

DCT



Dancers



SANTA

ROAD CLOSURES AT 5:30

**TREE LIGHTING
ABOUT 7:15**

**f /LibontheRidge
for more information**

Little House Boutique – Chamber Winner of Business Promotion Award



Congratulations to Little House Boutique, 2019 Ridge Rd., Ontario, owned by Christina Barnum as our 3rd Quarter Business Promotion Award Winner. Christina has won \$100.00 to advertise Little House Boutique! The advertising can be in any form of marketing promotional items or material including pens, mugs, brochures, copying expenses, ads, etc. Little House Boutique can be contacted at (585) 269-0600 or Email: littlehouseboutique968@gmail.com.

The Business Promotion Award is a random drawing held by the chamber four times a year, once a business quarter. To participate you must be a chamber member and submit your business card to: Ontario Chamber, PO Box 100, Ontario, NY 14519 with Business Promo written on the back. The drawing is open to all chamber members and **new cards are accepted at the beginning of each calendar year as well as throughout the year. We are now accepting cards for 2020.**

Snow and Ice Removal Around Businesses

ATTENTION ALL TOWN OF ONTARIO BUSINESSES. The Ontario Building Department requests your full compliance with the NYS Property Maintenance Code during this winter season. NYS Building Code 1025.8 – access to public way International Fire Code 1031.3 -a means of egress shall be free from obstructions that would prevent its use, including the accumulation of snow and ice. Let's all work together this year and for years to come to provide our residents with easy and safe access to all of our businesses Town wide. Thank You.

Town of Ontario Building Department

Santa's Sleigh Schedule



Santa and his reindeer and elves will be visiting good little boys and girls throughout Ontario this holiday season. Check the schedule below for your neighborhood:

Monday, Dec. 2 – Bear Creek Drive

Wednesday, Dec. 4 – Orchard Grove & Brown Square and the Main Street Tree Lighting Ceremony

Thursday, Dec. 5 – Ontario on the Lake & Shoreline Blvd.

Monday, Dec. 9 – Evergreen and Parini Drive

Wednesday, Dec. 11 – Southbrook, Hopewell

Monday, Dec. 16 – Centennial Village

Wednesday, Dec. 18 – Stonehedge

****Donations will also be collected to support the Ontario Food Pantry. Please give your donations to Santa's elves as they pass through your neighborhood. ****

Small Business Saturday – November 30th



Don't forget to shop local to support your small businesses this holiday season!
Remember, shopping small can make a **BIG IMPACT!**



Did You Know?



Ontario has a local **hops growing farm**. It is Cobblestone Hop Yard located at 5736 Walworth Road and is owned by Cheryl Wygal. A variety of hops is grown on 8 acres. In August, 2019 the business was featured on T.V. channel 10's Small Business Spotlight with Brett Davidsen. To watch a video of the harvest (they grow about 20 feet tall), go to www.whec.com, News, Small Business Spotlight.

If you have a business you would like featured, you can email your recommendation to: spotlight@whec.com. Each featured business is televised on Wednesdays at 6 pm and 11 pm News.

R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant Celebrates 50 Years

A New York nuclear power plant is celebrating its fifth decade in carbon-free operation this month.

Owner Exelon Generation noted that the R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant generated its first reaction to produce electricity on Nov. 9, 1969. Ginna produces enough electricity to power about 500,000 homes and businesses, the parent company noted.

By utilizing nuclear instead of fossil fuels, the Ontario, New York power plant has avoided the release of more than two million tons of carbon dioxide annually, according to Exelon. It also avoids comparative annual output both nitrogen oxide and sulfur dioxide by more than 1,000 tons each.

"Nuclear energy remains a reliable source of zero-emissions energy, providing electricity 24 hours a day, seven days a week through all weather conditions," said R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant Site Vice President, Paul Swift. "Last year, New York's four nuclear units provided more than 40 percent of the state's emissions-free electricity while avoiding 16 million tons of carbon annually—that's equivalent to 3.3 million cars running the roads."

Ginna's single Westinghouse pressurized water reactor produces about 4,900 GWh in electricity in net electricity, according to reports. It also has two Babcock & Wilcox steam generators and is licensed through September 2029.

The plant's operation hasn't always been smooth. It had a small radioactive steam leak in the early 1980s.

The plant was officially commissioned in early 1970. It is named after early nuclear energy advocate Robert Emmett Ginna, onetime CEO of Rochester Gas & Electric.

Ginna Nuclear Power Plant is located on 426 acres along the south shores of Lake Ontario in Ontario, NY, about 20 miles northeast of Rochester and 53 miles southwest of Exelon's Nine Mile Point Nuclear Station.

(By Rod Walton is content director for Power Engineering and POWERGEN International. He can be reached at 918-831-9177 and rod.walton@clarionevents.com).

Thank you to the following businesses and residents who contributed door prizes for our annual chamber banquet held on Sept. 19, 2019. Your contribution helped bring our community together and made our evening an enjoyable event to remember!

Advanced Auto Parts	
Altra Rental & Supply	
American Legion	
Biscayne Auto Sales, LLC	
Brooks Factory Direct Trailers	
Burolla, Donna & Vincent	
C.P. Kelly Associates	
Cam's Pizzeria	
Core Fitness	
Cross Keys Automotive, Inc.	
Crown Electric Supply	
Deidre's Hair Design	
Drop & Go Dry Cleaning	
Dunkin' Donuts	
Eastside Traders	
Edward Jones	
Farmers Insurance	
Ferguson's Hair Care	
Fury Auto Accessories	
Gus's Family Restaurant	
Holiday Inn Express & Suites	
Integrated Health Center	
Jeffers & Birnie, CPA's	
Joe's Meat Market	
Konstantinou's Liquor Store	
Konstantinou's Restaurant	
Kuk Sool Won	
L.W. Emporium Co-Op	
Lakeside Diner	
LaMora Farms	

Legg, Cheryl & Roger	
Little House Boutique	
Lori Ferguson Tax Planning	
Mama Lor's Café	
McDonald's-Ontario	
Nature's Way Floral & Garden	
Ontario Country Club	
Pampered Paws	
Pines of Peace Comfort Care Home	
Precious Chinese Restaurant	
Preston's Home & Garden Center	
R.E. Ginna Nuclear Power Plant	
Ranger Design	
Ryndock Ralty, LLC	
Save-A-Lot	
Sue's Creature Comforts	
The Cutting Place	
The Feathered Nest	
Times of Wayne County	
Tops Supermarket	
Verstraete, Sherry	
Victor Furniture Inc.	
Wilbert's Lakeside	
WXXI	
Yesterday's Architectural Salvage & Gift Shop	



Display of door prizes at our banquet held on Sept. 19, 2019

Drop-In Respite Center Opens in Ontario

North Ontario United Methodist Church, 7200 Ontario Center Rd., will be operating a free **Respite Program** for community members caring for people with dementia. The church will operate a social drop-in center at the church on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 10 AM – 2 PM. Caregivers can bring their loved ones to the church for some supervised activities while the caregiver has some time for themselves. All participants should be able to get around on their own and take care of any personal needs (toileting, eating, medications, etc.). Volunteers are not medical personnel. The service is free and open to the community. More information can be obtained by calling 315-924-9505 or emailing noumc1@yahoo.com.

Ontario Chamber Offers Apology



The chamber apologizes to Jeanee Konstantinou and Susan Salvaggio. Jeanee's name was mistakenly listed in the above photo in our previous newsletter. The correct name is Susan Salvaggio, Pres. of Ontario-Walworth Rotary Club. Konstantinou's Restaurant Brick Oven Sports Bar is the 2019 Business of the Year, co-sponsored by the Ontario Chamber and the local Rotary Club. Pro Konstantinou was accepting the Business of the Year Award presented by Jim Switzer and Susan Salvaggio at the Ontario Chamber Annual Banquet on Sept. 19, 2019.

NYS Funding Is Available For Businesses To Make Improvements That Protect From High Water

Gov. Cuomo announced that private businesses on the lake shore interested in NYS REDI funding to help make improvements that protect from high water can now submit to the new ESD Lake Ontario Business Resiliency Program intake form at:

<https://esd.ny.gov/lake-ontario-business-resiliency-program>.

This program will provide \$30 million in grants of up to \$200,000 to eligible applicants who experienced direct physical flood-related damage due to the high-water levels from Lake Ontario and the St. Lawrence River in 2019. Eligible applicant types are expected to include small businesses, not-for-profit organizations, farms, homeowners' associations and owners of rental properties.

WELCOME BACK RENEWING CHAMBER MEMBERS!
Thank You For Being So Prompt With Your Dues
Your Continued Support Is Appreciated

DONNA BUROLLA, Pres. Ontario Chamber of Commerce, 722 Ontario Dr., Ontario, NY 14519
CORNERSTONE REALTY & ASSOCIATES, PO Box 405, Ontario, NY 14519
LAKESIDE ROOFING & SIDING MATERIALS, INC. Bradley Burns, 6296 Lakeside Rd., Ontario
SECOR LUMBER CO., INC., Brian Secor, Tops Plaza, 6260 Furnace Rd., Ontario
LYONS NATIONAL BANK, Jarrod Crawford, 6280 Furnace Rd., Ontario
CROWN ELECTRIC SUPPLY CO., INC., Matt Hanlon, 75 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario
PHOTON GEAR, INC. Billie Sue and Gary Blough, 245 Dean Parkway, Ontario
SUE'S HAIR TRENDS, Sue Yantch, 2015 Ridge Rd., Ontario
FURNACE MINI STORAGE, The Cedruly Family, 6405 Furnace Rd., Ontario
JOE'S MEAT MARKET & PAGLIUSO BROS., 6845 Slocum Rd., Ontario
BENE-CARE AGENCY, INC., 1260 Creek St., Webster, NY 14580
BROOKS' FACTORY DIRECT TRAILERS, Ray Brooks, 240 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario
HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, Kara Kane, 860 Holt Rd., Webster, NY 14580
CONNORS-HAAS ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS, INC., Brian Haas, 6337 Dean Parkway, Ontario

Welcome Package Materials Needed

If you would like your marketing materials distributed to newresidents in Ontario, please deliver 50-100 items to Edward Jones Investments, 6323 Knickerbocker Rd., Ontario, NY 14519, Attention: Aileen Hurlimann. Approximately 12 packages are delivered each month. This is an opportunity for you to reach new customers. Business cards are accepted.

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce Officers and Board of Directors wish all of its members a blessed Thanksgiving and a Christmas and New Year filled with peace with joy.

Travel, community, and tourism information is located in the display racks, sponsored by the Ontario Chamber, in the Ontario Town Hall and Library foyer, 1850 Ridge Rd., Ontario, NY

Officers: (terms expire in 2020)

Donna Burolla, President
(315) 524-8286
Sherry Verstraete, V.P.
(585) 820-8801
Jim Switzer, Treasurer
(585) 750-2277
Cheryl Legg, Secretary
(585) 315-0935

Board of Directors: (3 year terms)

Brian Natale, Farmers Insurance – term expires 2022
Sue Yantch, Sue's Hair Trends – term expires 2021
Joellen Simone - Nature's Way Floral and Garden -
term expires 2020
Tim Strickland, Community Liaison
(585) 370-1328

Ontario Chamber of Commerce Membership Information

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce is open to membership for all businesses and residents. You do not need to be a local business or resident to join. There is only one level of membership at \$50.00. Some of our business support projects include: Business of the Month; Ribbon Cutting Ceremony; Support for our Business Improvement District. Community projects include: Support for the Ontario Food Pantry; Christmas Tree Lighting Event; Scholarship given to a Wayne Central graduate; Distribution of Welcome Packages to new residents. For more information about additional projects please visit our website: www.ontarionychamber.org. Please consider joining us and becoming part of our team to support businesses and our community. Your membership would be welcomed!

Ontario Chamber of Commerce – Membership Application

Membership Dues: \$50.00 annually. Please make checks payable to Ontario Chamber of Commerce, and mail to PO Box 100, Ontario, NY 14519-0100

BUSINESS NAME: _____

NAME OF OWNER: _____

TYPE OF BUSINESS: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

(No. and Street)

(Post Office Box) (City, State, Zip)

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

(No. and Street)

(Post Office Box) (City, State, Zip)

HOME PHONE: _____

BUSINESS PHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

WEBSITE ADDRESS: _____

FAX NUMBER: _____

*PERMISSION TO ADD TO ONLINE BUSINESS DIRECTORY (circle one)

YES NO

*(We depend on members to provide updated information as it occurs.)

Delivery Tips

FedEx

Outdoor box

Advantage Auto Supply

2045 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario, NY

Phone (store) (315) 524-2691

Daily Pickup @5 pm

Monday thru Friday

None on weekends/holidays

Western Union

Dollar General, Ontario Plaza

1250 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario, NY

Send & Receive

Money/Messages

Walgreens – FedEx & Western Union

6296 Ontario Ctr. Rd., Ontario, NY

S.E. corner @ NYS Rt. 104

Phone (store) (315) 524-2511

UPS (United Parcel Service)

Secor Hardware (within store)

Tops Plaza, S.E. corner of NYS Rt. 104

and Furnace Rd., Ontario, NY

The service is available during regular store hours

Phone (store) (315) 524-4052

Mobile DMV at Webster Public Library

Mondays 10-3:30; except holidays

2020 Chamber Meetings

January (TBD)

February (TBD)

March 16th

April 20th

May 18th

June 15th

July 20th

August 17th

September 17th- *Annual Business*

Mtg./Banquet

September 21st

October 19th

November 16th

December – No Meeting

All chamber members are invited to attend as well as the general public. Meetings are held at the Ontario Town Hall, 1850 Ridge Road in the town board meeting room and begin at 3:30 p.m.