

ONTARIO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.

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Newsletter – March – April, 2016

New Tax Preparation Business Opens In Ontario

On February 12, 2016 the Ontario Chamber of Commerce welcomed it's newest business to the Ontario Business Improvement District (BID), by helping Lori Furguson cut the grand-opening ribbon for her tax preparation and planning office. The office is located in the rear of Furguson's Hair Care at 2005 Ridge Road, Suite F, Ontario. The four Furguson siblings, Lori, Deb, Kathy and Dave, now occupy the Furguson building, making it a family affair. Lori does tax preparation; Debora and Kathy are barbers, and Dave a hairdresser. Birthright of Ontario is also a tenant in the building.

Lori stated she has done tax returns for 20 years and has been building her private practice part-time for the past 10-12 years. She is now working on a full-time basis to develop her tax preparation business. She has a Masters of Science in Taxation (MST) and also is an Enrolled Agent (EA). She does all kinds of tax returns from personal, business, and exempt business.

Access to the newly renovated office is from the town parking lot on the north side of Ridge Road via the handicap access sidewalk (a/k/a the North Walkway) or from Ridge Road. Please feel free to contact her if you would like further information. Hours: Monday and Wednesday – 12 – 6 pm; Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 10 am – 5 pm; Saturday – 9 am – 1 pm. Other hours are available by appointment. Phone (585) 748-4363; fax (315) 905-4112; email: lfurguson1@rochester.rr.com.



Pictured L to R: Dave Furguson, Jim Switzer, Ontario Chamber; Lori Furguson; Ray Cedruly, Ontario Chamber; Sherry Verstraete, Ontario Chamber; and Debora Furguson-Leaty.

The ribbon cutting ceremony is a service provided by the Ontario Chamber of Commerce. If you would be interested in becoming part of our team to welcome new businesses to Ontario, please contact the chamber at (315) 524-5886 or email, dburolla@gmail.com.

Mama Lor's Café Celebrates 4 -Year Anniversary

Mama Lor's Café, owned by Lori Rosenzweig celebrated their 4 year anniversary on Feb. 20, 2016. The Ontario Chamber congratulates Lori and her staff on reaching this milestone!! Mama Lor's Café serves breakfast, lunch and dinner and is located at 1891 Ridge Rd., Webster, NY 14580. They have been chamber members since 2012. Hours: Mon – Wed – 6 am – 2 pm; Thurs – 6 am – 8 pm; Fri – 6 am – 9 pm; Sat – 6 am – 8 pm; Sun – 6 am – 2 pm. Phone: (585) 545-4895; email: info@mamalorscafe.com. For a menu go to www.mamalorscafe.com

Annual Ontario Ridge Road Rummage Run

When: Friday and Saturday, June 3 and 4, 9:00 am – 4:00. pm

Where: Along Ridge Road in the Town of Ontario (From County Line Road at the Webster border all the way to Fisher Road at the Williamson Border)
Sponsored by the Ontario Business Improvement District (B.I.D).

“Ontario’s Friends of Main Street”

Contact Matthew at 585-770-480

or MattMazura@aol.com

[or Facebook Ontario NY BID with any questions.](#)

Wayne County Business Council’s Annual Legislative Breakfast

Date: April 15, 2016

Place: Newark Garden Hotel
125 N. Main St., Newark, NY 14513

Topic: Upstate Revitalization Initiative

Time: 7:30 a.m. registration

8:00 a.m. welcome & breakfast

Cost: \$25.00 per person

Reservations can be made online at www.waynecountybusinesscouncil.com or call 315-597-4468.

Heritage Square Spring Barn Sale

Location: 7147 Ontario Center Rd., Ontario, NY – Heritage Square Museum

Dates: May 12, Thursday, 9 am-8 pm

May 13, Friday, 9 am-8 pm

May 14, Saturday, 9 am-12 Noon, \$3/bag

Donations for the sale are now being accepted. Please contact Ann Welker at (315) 524-9330.

Museum Opening Weekend: June 4 and June 5, from 1:30 pm to 4 pm.

National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day

Turn in your unused or expired medications for safe disposal. A collection site is at the NYS Police Station, 3957 NYS Route 104, Williamson, NY 14589. This is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (www.dea.gov)

Date: April 30, 2016 – Saturday

Time: 10 am – 2 pm

Ontario’s Businesses Make Rochester’s Top 100 List

Congratulations to the following businesses that made the 2015 Top 100 List in Rochester:

#11 – Sustainable Energy Developments

CEO: Kevin Schulte, 317 State Route 104

Phone: (585) 265-2384

Distributed renewable energy generation, including solar and wind projects.

Industry: Technology

Founded: 2002

#64 – Conifer Realty, LLC, 1000 University Ave.

CEO: Timothy D. Fournier

Phone: 585-324-0500

Property development management, construction and ownership of multi-family housing communities

Owner: Brown Square Village, Ontario, NY 14519

Industry: Service

Founded: 1975

#71 – OptiPro Systems, LLC

CEO: Michael Bechtold, 6368 Dean Pkwy

Phone: 585-265-0160

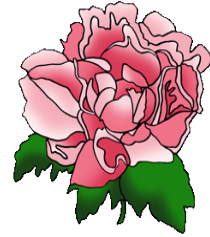
Manufacturer of CNC grinding, polishing, and metrology machines for the precision optics industry. Distributor of Mastercam software and Methods machine tools in New York State

Industry: Manufacturing

Founded: 1982

Pines of Peace 18th Annual Charity Luncheon & Auction

When: May 7th, 2016
Where: Heights Restaurant
7030 Bay View Drive
Sodus Point, NY



Registration & Silent Auction begins: 11:00
Lunch Served: Noon
Bidding Auction begins: 1:00

Meal Choices:

Chicken French in a sherry lemon sauce served over angel hair pasta with green beans

Harvest Salad with Chicken Breast, crisp romaine, apples, candied walnuts, dried cranberries, crumbled blue cheese, balsamic vinaigrette dressing

Vegetable Primavera served over angel hair pasta tossed with zucchini, summer squash, tomatoes, portabella mushrooms, broccoli and onions in garlic oil sauce

Cost: \$30

Call: (315) 524-2388 for information and/or tickets

All proceeds benefit Pines of Peace Comfort Care Home

Meyers-Ingraham American Legion Post #428 - Funding Request

The American Legion Post, located at 6180 Knickerbocker Rd. Ontario, NY is currently seeking funds to install a fire suppression system in their kitchen. The cost of the project is \$11,000. Funds are needed by July 1, 2016. This is a mandatory requirement to comply with the current State Fire Code, laws and regulations. Your donation is a **Tax Deductible contribution**. Questions about the project may be directed to Post Commander, Jerry Lamb, at 315-524-9542. Please make checks payable to American Legion Post #428 Special Project and mailed to: American Legion Post #428, Attn: Special Project, PO Box 428, Ontario, NY 14519.

Chamber Business Promotion Award Winner – 2016

Congratulations to Robin Harisis, Professional Organizer, 7353 Slocum Rd., Ontario, NY, as our 1st business quarter winner of 2016 for the Chamber's Business Promotion Award. The award is a random drawing held once every business quarter to win \$100. to advertise your business. To participate you must be a chamber member and submit your business card with "Business Promo" written on the back. **New business cards** should be submitted at the beginning of each calendar year and sent to: Ontario Chamber of Commerce, PO Box 100, Ontario, NY 14519. **Business cards are now being accepted for 2016.**

Coming Chamber Events – SAVE THE DATE

April 15th – 11:30 a.m. – Ribbon Cutting – East Side Traders, 1208 Rt. 104, Ontario

April 16th – 1 p.m. – Ribbon Cutting – Victor Furniture & Flooring, 1418 Rt. 104, Ontario

May 14th – Saturday – 9:30 a.m. – **Ontario Town Topics – Speaker, Town Supervisor, John Smith**, Casey Park, Adult Activity Room. Refreshments provided by the chamber.

RSVP to: dburolla@gmail.com by **May 7th**. *No Charge - Public Invited.*

June 20th – 5 – 7 p.m. **Business After Hours – Holiday Inn Express & Suites**, 860 Holt Rd., Webster, NY. Businesses please bring marketing materials. RSVP to dburolla@gmail.com by **June 13th**. Free program, but RSVP requested. A variety of refreshments and drinks will be provided free of charge from the Holiday Inn's list of caterers. Come and network!!

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

Sea to Sea Diving, Stephen Dunning, 4079 Main St., Williamson, NY 14589
McConnell Editorial Service, Charles McConnell, 5943 Walworth Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Ferguson's Hair Care, Debora Ferguson-Leaty, 2005 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY 14519
Ontario Foods, LLC, Save-a-Lot, Suzanne Schmitz, 1250 Rt. 104, Ontario, NY 14519
Osburn House Properties, Patrick Almy, 2841 Gildersleeve Rd., Walworth, NY 14568
Profetta Enterprise, Dana Profetta, Inc. 6362 Dean Parkway, Ontario, NY 14519-8970
Edward Jones Investments, Jon Wordingham, 6323 Knickerbocker Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Mama Lor's Café, Lori Rosenzweig, 1891 Ridge Rd., Webster, NY 14580
Jeffers Birnie, CPA, PC, Michael Jeffers, 6202 Slocum Road, Ontario, NY 14519
Murphy Funeral and Cremations Chapels, LLC, Wayne Brophy, 1961 Ridge Rd., Ontario, NY
Project Management & Engineering, Eric & Dawn Mehserle, 1088 Hillsboro Cove Cir., Webster, NY
Deidre's Hair Design, Deidre Reed, 1781 Ridge Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Room Service Professional Organizing, LLC Robin Harisis, 7353 Slocum Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Bene-Care Benefits Advocate Agency, LLC, Andy Postiglione, 1260 Creek St., Suite 100, Webster, NY
Kunzer Electric, Inc. Jeff Kunzer, 1006 Willits Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Empire Wrecking Co., Inc., The Steffen Family, 6372 Knickerbocker Rd., Ontario, NY 14519
Thomas Mizelle, 710 Lake View Knolls, Ontario, NY 14519
UNO Restaurants, LLC, 910 Holt Rd., Webster, NY 14580, Corinne Leone
C & D Automotive Service Center, Inc., Dean DeMarree, 994 Route 104, Ontario, New York 14519
Tobin Center LLC, David and Pam Tobin, PO Box 482, Ontario, NY 14519
Birthright of Ontario, 2003 Ridge Road, Ontario, NY 14519
Cavallaro-Neubauer Chevrolet, 3740 NYS Rt. 104, Williamson, NY 14589-0028

Welcome New Members to the Ontario Chamber!

Victor Furniture Inc. 1418 NYS Route 104, Ontario, NY 14519. Business phone: (315) 524-3567 website: www.victorfurnitureinc.com. Hours: Sunday & Monday – by appointment; Tues – 10 am – 7 pm.; Wed – 10 am – 5 pm; Thurs – 10 am – 7 pm; Fri – 10 am - 4 pm; Sat – 10 am – 2 p.m.

Quality, Elegance, Service. At Victor Furniture, we have a wide selection of luxury furniture options from renowned manufacturers. Our consultants can offer you expert advice on your interior design projects. We want to help you make your dream home not only a possibility, but a reality. Affordable, tasteful furniture is what we do. Come in to our showroom today to talk to one of our personal consultants!

Comfort Windows Co., Inc., 3624 John Glenn Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13209. Comfort Windows Co., Inc. is a home improvement provider including windows; doors; siding; bathroom and basement remodeling. A Rochester retail location is located at 1380 Scottsville Rd., Rochester, NY 14624. Business phone: (315) 457-0022; website: www.comfortwindows.com.

East Side Traders LLC, 1208 NYS Rt. 104, Ontario, NY 14519, owned and managed by Nick Affronti. BUY – SELL – TRADE – CONSIGN – PAWN. Phone: (315) 333-5819; website: www.eastsidetraders.com. We buy Gold, Silver, Coins, Antiques & Collectables. Eastside Traders is conveniently located on Route 104 in Ontario NY (Next to McDonalds). Whether you're in the market to pawn or sell or just looking for unique items, see us first!



Pictured, L to R: Julie, Ace and Joe

**Ontario Chamber of Commerce
March, 2016**

**Business of the Month
Empire Wrecking Co., Inc.
6372 Knickerbocker Rd.
Ontario, New York**

Julie DiLella, CFO of Empire Wrecking states that the direction of the company was set about 50 years ago by her grandfather Joseph, patriarch of the company, and his wife Betty, with a simple statement "I want to have dinner with my family every night". This statement ensured that the company would do most of its work in the Rochester area. In about 1963 urban renewal came to Rochester so there were great opportunities in the demolition business. The business passed from Joseph to his son Vincent (Jimmy) and his wife Gail and now is the third generation of ownership with their kids, Vince, Joe, Mike, and Julie at the helm. There is potential for the business to be passed along to a fourth generation.

Empire Wrecking moved from a Railroad Street site near the Rochester Public Market to 6372 Knickerbocker Road, near Railroad Avenue, Ontario about 9 years ago. Empire Wrecking also recycles salvageable items, offers roll-off container service, sells sand, gravel, decorative stone, and topsoil.

Because of the decision to stay local, Empire Wrecking will demolish anything, from a small garage to large buildings. Empire Wrecking is a bonded contractor on the emergency rotation list for the City of Rochester. If a building becomes unsafe because of a fire or collapse, and the City's authority determines that it must be taken down; a wrecking company is called to demolish the building. These calls can come any time of the day or night 365 days a year. Holidays are not exempt from these kinds of events. DiLella says that the City of Rochester is very organized when these emergency events occur.

Demolition has changed over the years. There has been a lot of progress with the equipment available. Because of good equipment work is done all winter. Asbestos removal and trucking has become a big part of the workload. Empire created its own asbestos removal company to make sure jobs are done on time. The summer months are busier and sometimes additional help is hired as needed. There are currently 15 employees at Empire. "It is very important for us to have a safe environment for our employees," stated Julie DiLella.

Empire Wrecking hours of operation are: Monday through Friday 8 to 5

Saturdays by appointment

Empire Wrecking can be reached by phone: 315-524-4099

fax: 315-524-4098

cell: 585-370-8275

Congratulations to Empire Wrecking Co., Inc. as Business of the Month for March. 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 chamber's website: www.ontarionychamber.org.



L to R: Zabrina, Helen, and Margaret

Ontario Chamber of Commerce
April, 2016
Business of the Month
Dollar General
1280 NYS Rt. 104
Ontario, NY 14519

Zabrina East is the store manager of the Ontario Dollar General. Dollar General came to Ontario in May of 2014 and has seen consistent increases in sales since they opened. Dollar General currently has four full-time and four part-time employees. At this time Dollar General is not hiring new employees, however Dollar General will always accept applications from people who are looking for work. Seven of the eight people that work at the Ontario Dollar General are from Wayne County. Dollar General is organized by district with seventeen stores in this district. The Ontario Dollar General is one of the larger stores in the area. There are well over five thousand items stocked in the store. All of the items in this store come from either the Pennsylvania or Ohio distribution centers. Food items come from outside vendors. There is even an opportunity to purchase Starbucks items.

Traffic in the store has developed a consistent pattern over the years, with Saturday and the beginning of the week being the busiest times. Dollar General offers \$5.00 off coupons every other week and weekly during the end of the year holidays.

Zabrina has been with Dollar General for eight years and is happy that there are opportunities for advancement for everyone, even up to the corporate level. Dollar General is a very big company and does a very good job of promoting from within current employees.

Dollar General hours of operation are:
Monday through Sunday 8:00 AM until 10:00 PM
Dollar General can be reached by phone: (315) 333-2487
<http://www.dollargeneral.com/home/index.jsp>

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