

New Chamber Facebook Page

The Chamber of Commerce now has a facebook page! Use this link to access it:

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Pontiac-Chamber-of-Commerce/335342283162346>

We encourage you to "like" our page and let us know if you have your own page for us to "like".

Ginger has created a facebook profile under the Chamber of Commerce name and already has 100 "friends"!

Ginger's goal is to stay in touch with as many businesses in the Pontiac, to tell others about what businesses are out there and what products they have.

We encourage all members to email Ginger your link to your website for her to post on the facebook page, and links to any youtube videos of your businesses as well. If you have a special event or something interesting that involves your business, please

Chamber Events

Salon Accès Emploi 2012

March 16, 2012

Sieur de Coulonge High School Fort-Coulonge

Organized in partnership with Emploi Quebec.

Business kiosks available

– contact Ginger at bizdev@pontiacchamberofcommerce.ca or

819-647-5775 for details.

More information to come.

Business Events

Monthly SADC Business Breakfast

First Wednesday of the month

7:30 am

SADC Office – Campbell's Bay

If you have a business or Pontiac event you would like advertised, please contact the chamber.

email it to her and she would be glad to let other people know.

Contact Ginger, the Chamber Business Development Coordinator, at: bizdev@pontiacchamberofcommerce.ca

Fuel Card Benefits

As a Chamber member, you can take advantage of lower fuel costs from three different companies.

Esso offers fuel savings of 3.5¢ per litre on fuel purchased with their fuel card.

Ultramar offers fuel savings of 2.5% on prepaid card purchases. Cards are available in denominations of \$20, \$50, \$100, \$500 or \$1000.

Shell Canada offers similar savings on fleet card purchases.

To obtain up to date information on these benefits, and information on how to apply for them, please see the Chamber web site or contact the Business Development Coordinator, Ginger Finan at 819-647-5775 or bizdev@pontiacchamberofcommerce.ca



Pontiac Tourism Development Program 2012

Campbell's Bay, January 4th 2012:

The Pontiac Local Development Centre (CLD) and the MRC Pontiac are proud to introduce their brand new program aimed at tourism operators in the Pontiac.

Armed with an annual budget of \$35,000, the Pontiac Tourism Development Program (PTDP) has for an objective to make the Pontiac 'a destination known for its tourism, its quality services and hospitality, and the diversity of its natural, historical and cultural resources' as defined in the MRC Pontiac's Strategic Plan : Vision Pontiac 2020.

Only private sector tourism operators are admissible for the program, and eligible expenses include immobilizations required for the development and enhancement of sites, equipment and infrastructure for tourism.

The maximum financial assistance for a project is \$10,000. Certain conditions apply. It is therefore imperative that all applicants read the Promoter's Guide which can be found on the Pontiac Portal (pontiacportal.qc.ca) or contact Bernhardt Beaudry at bbeaudry.cld@mrcpontiac.qc.ca or 819-648-5689 (135) to learn the specifics of the program.



Centre local de développement

Think Global ... Buy Local
Support Those Who Support You
Small Businesses Make Small Towns Work!
 Consider this when you're buying ...
As business operators, our actions shape our communities.

Online Business Directory

All businesses try to find the best, most cost effective way to advertise their products and services to the public or other business owners. The Pontiac Business Directory is one way to do this. Chamber members are listed in the online directory. The directory ranks very high on search engines when anyone is looking for products and services in the Pontiac region.

You can promote your business through a banner ad. There are statistics available for the number of times these ads are displayed. **This is powerful advertising exposure for a business.**

This directory was created to be updated by the businesses themselves so new information can be added to your listings at any time as your business changes and you offer new products or services.

If you would like information about the directory, please contact lynda@freshimage.ca. The online Help File is there to step you through the process. If you have not already claimed your business' listing, we can step you through the process.

Visit the directory at:
www.commercepontiac.ca

Think Global ...
Buy Local

Welcome to the Chamber!

Businesses who have joined the chamber since the last newsletter.

- 710 Excursions
- GELAM – Ginger Finan
- Gerard Labelle, CGA Inc.
- Hardy Plants
- House of Inspiring Flowers
- Hursty's Bar & Grill
- Ken Finan
- Spa Villa
- Shawville Automotive
- The Lighthouse Bookstore

Check the chamber web site for links to these businesses.

Support your local businesses!

News, article suggestions and letters to the editor are welcomed and encouraged. Content will be edited to fit the space available. We welcome press releases and news from our local business community.

Chamber Benefits

Being a member of the Pontiac Chamber of Commerce means that you are also affiliated with the Canadian Chamber of Commerce (CCC) — www.chamber.ca and the Quebec Chamber of Commerce (FCCQ) — www.fccq.ca. You and your business can take advantage of benefits listed on their web sites.



Group Insurance Benefits

Visit the new web site / view the video!
<http://www.chambers.ca>

Would Like to Join the Chamber?

Membership fee of \$100 entitles you to all chamber benefits. Membership valid from April 1st to March 31st.

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