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158 Members Strong!

 **HELP US REACH OUR GOALS!**

- 200 MEMBERS BY DECEMBER 31, 2018
- ADVOCATE TO LOWER BUSINESS TAXES
- UNIFY THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY
- MARKET WEST PRINCE AS A WHOLE
- BUILD EXCITEMENT IN OUR REGION
- RAISE AWARENESS IN COMMUNITY
- PROMOTE BUSINESS SUCCESS
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Toastmasters Speechcraft Course

The West Prince Chamber of Commerce is offering Speechcraft: 6 session course starting May 1 in public speaking, communication and listening skills. The introduction of this course is to help people become better communicators, and better leaders! Leaders must not only accomplish, they must communicate! Toastmasters helps people become better communicators and better leaders!

Enrollment is limited to ten people and we have ten signed up. If you are interested in taking this course or becoming part of a Toastmasters group

Toastmasters has a new exciting Pathways program to follow and community learners can take different approaches to find their path to leadership.



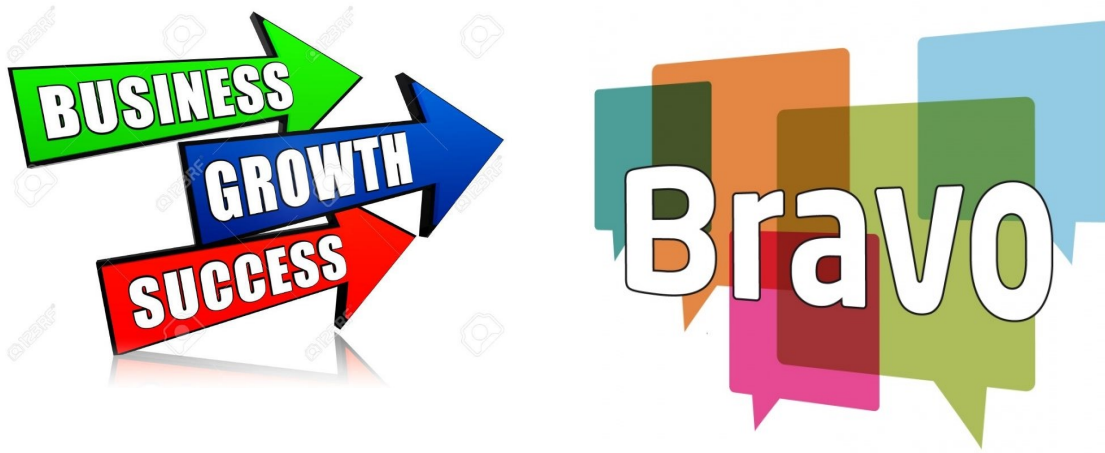
Strategic Planning Begins for the Chamber

I would like to thank and acknowledge Chamber member David Gamble of Breakthrough Business for doing a fantastic job with the Board at our Strategic Planning Session last Thursday night. The West Prince Chamber of Commerce is very fortunate to have professional business members services such as David. I don't think we give enough credit due to all the talented people we have in West Prince. Let's not sell ourselves short and promote business success in our region and continue to support one another.

The strategic session proved very valuable for me and helped align the board of directors in what Chamber is suppose to do! Top three goals that were identified will be the focus of the West Prince Chamber:

1. Increase and build our membership base to ensure a stronger voice to lobby government. This will help us financially in order to be a self-sustaining organization without financial assistance to ensure our staff position.
2. Market & Educate Business Community on West Prince Chamber of Commerce
3. Develop Strategies for Marketing West Prince as a whole region

Many actions and activities were also developed for each of these goals and a great start to defining the Chamber's mission statement.



Watch for the Chamber Strategic Planning Questionnaire on our website soon!
Your input is valuable!



Welcome New Members:

Joey & Lisa Carragher of JC Handyman Sales & Services & Sidewalk Grill
- Congratulations on your new business venture - the pizza is great!

Kathryn Curtis of Alberton Hotels & O'Leary Village Hotel and
Margaret Stewart Sweet of Sweet Mediation Services.

**Next Chamber Mixers! Networking is vital to great business success!. It's NOT just who you know, it's WHO knows you!
Networking can be powerful!**



Upcoming Events & Networking Opportunities! Join us!

Thursday, May 17 from 4:00- 6:00 pm After Hours Business Mixer at Judy's CN Caboose Cafe. Judy Morrissey -Richard of M.J's Bakery in Tignish. Jessica Field, HR Specialist of the Alberton Rural Action Center, will join us and facilitate some fun, interactive exercises to explore your communication style.

Wednesday, May 23 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm @ Mill River Resort Information Session/Chamber Mixer with Finance Minister Health MacDonald. Have questions regarding the 2018 Provincial Budget? 2018 Provincial Budget discussion!

Thursday, May 31 from 4:00 - 6:00 pm After Hours Business Mixer at Bideford Marine Centre Tour with Stephen Palmer. Bideford Shellfish

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