



## FALL 2023 MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Hello all. Time has flown! As has Summer! And here we are planning for the Fall and Christmas seasons!

We hope you've all had an enjoyable and profitable summer season, so as well as looking forward to the rest of 2023 within our newsletter, we will also reflect on recent events where the Chamber was involved.

Looking ahead first:

### **Bruce Mines and District Chamber of Commerce, Fall Meet & Greet, Tuesday October 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lighthouse Lounge, 7pm**

We will be holding our regular opportunity for both Members and local businesses to get together over refreshments and to build on networking opportunities. We are again inviting guest speakers to share their insights into their business, highlighting successes along with challenges and opportunities.

Lee Ann Blondeau from Employment Solutions will be one of our speakers, providing information on programs and services offered by Employment Solutions, including hiring and training dollars. Fred Edwards from North Shore Insurance Brokers will also be sharing his experiences.

Please bring your business card for an entry opportunity for the Business of the Month feature over the next 3 months, shared both on our social media and website. *Any Chamber members unable to attend on the evening, who wish to take part in this feature should email [membership@brucemineschamber.com](mailto:membership@brucemineschamber.com) and your details will be entered in your absence.*

### **Copper Country Christmas, Saturday November 18<sup>th</sup> 2023**

As per our recent email to members on the above, the Chamber has partnered with the Thessalon Economic Development Committee to hold Copper Country Christmas and Thessalon Moonlight Madness on the same day with the joint aim to bring more shoppers to our area.

A reminder that there is NO charge to participate in this event. You can have an open house at your business, special offers and/or treats as you wish. The Chamber will be producing a map with details of all participating businesses with both physical and digital advertising.

***If you are planning to take part in this event, please let us know, plus details of any 'specials or treats' you might plan to offer, and we will include you on the event map.***

Artisan tables are still available to rent, with all proceeds of table rental donated to the Bruce Mines and Area Foodbank.

### **Summer 2023 Chamber supported events**

#### **French Fry Booth**

A very special thanks go out to the organizers and volunteers of the French Fry Committee for a job well done this past summer season including:

- Cruisin' Car Show, Bruce Mines Marina (June)
- Desbarats Community Days, Desbarats, (July)
- Thessalon Family Days, Lakefront Park, Thessalon (August)
- Bruce Mines Fall Fair, Arena Grounds, Bruce Mines (September)

The famous French Fry trailers will take a well earned break until next year. **THANK YOU ALL!**

## **BMCOC sponsored Area Tourism Brochure**

The newly updated brochure is now in wide circulation, including a map of local points of interest for tourists.

Members can request further copies by contacting [membership@brucemineschamber.com](mailto:membership@brucemineschamber.com) and we will arrange supply.

## **AKTA Algoma Travel Guide**

We recently emailed all Chamber members with the opportunity to advertise in the 2024 AKTA brochure at a special member discounted rate.

We are delighted to say that we had a very positive response and all advertising 'squares' were quickly snapped up! Thank you to our members for their prompt replies on this opportunity!

The brochure is usually published around Q1 2024, and we will notify you when this is available.

## **Algoma Sno Plan map**

In partnership with the Town of Bruce Mines, the winter snow mobile trail maps will be produced again this year.

## **Chamber Member Business of the Month news article**

We launched this idea in June with the aim to spotlight our members. So far, we have provided an insight into:

Desbarats Auto Detail (June)

Exit Realty True North, Brittany Hodgkinson (July)

Copper Country Studio (August)

Penokean Hills Farms (September)

## **In summary**

We've had an active 2023 season coming out of extraordinary times for us all. We always welcome new members and ideas – so please, join the Chamber! Attend our socials! Help promote our local community! And please – volunteer! We could not achieve what we have, without YOU!

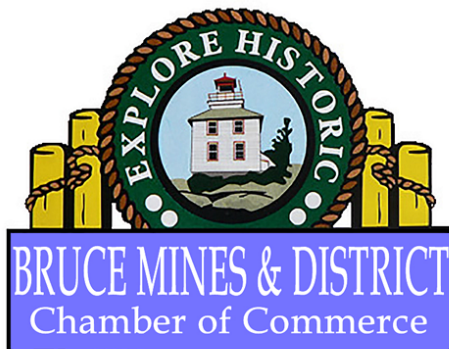
If you are interested in formally joining the Bruce Mines and District, please email the Chamber at [membership@brucemineschamber.com](mailto:membership@brucemineschamber.com) Or contact Shane Rock on 705-255-8657. Invoices will be provided if needed.

## **And finally.....**

Hope to see you all at the Meet and Greet, Lighthouse Lounge, Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October!

***The Board and Committee of the Bruce Mines and District Chamber of Commerce***

**[www.brucemineschamber.com](http://www.brucemineschamber.com)**



# FALL MEET AND GREET

7:00pm on Tuesday October 3  
at the Lighthouse Lounge

Guest speakers and refreshments provided

Open to both members and non-members.  
Get together with other businesses over refreshments  
and build on your networking opportunities.

Bring a business card and  
you could win a chance to  
become our featured  
Business of the Month

