

THE CHAMBER VOICE

SEPTEMBER CHAMBER DINNER MEETING

Tuesday, September 20, 2016 Cascades Casino Coast Hotel & Convention Centre 20393 Fraser Highway



THE NEXT GENERATION Successful Successions

Ever think about what will happen when you retire?

The Greater Langley Chamber September Dinner Meeting will feature a "Successful Successions" panel with Daryl Kruger of On Line Collision Ltd., Dana Matheson of Matheson Ventures Ltd., and Marilyn Morgan of JD Farms Specialty Turkey Store. They'll discuss how they're continuing their family legacy while making their own mark in the business world.

Members: \$35.00 + GST / Non-Members: \$50.00 + GST

RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BEFORE 5:00 PM FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

Networking: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm (dinner) with presentations to follow.

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Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce Cancellation Policy: Event payment is due upon registration. No cancellations, refunds or credits after 12:00 pm on Monday, September 19, 2016.



<u>Sponsor of the Month</u> Changing Lives – One Hoofbeat at a Time

Pacific Riding for Developing Abilities (PRDA) in Langley is the largest therapeutic horseback riding facility of its kind in British Columbia. Hosting over 170 clients each week with a wide range of challenges, PRDA and their 18 therapy horses have been helping clients for over 43 years enjoy the benefits of recreational horseback riding as a primary or secondary form of therapy.

PRDA is a registered charity that receives no government funding.

Their clients have a variety of diagnoses, ranging from anywhere on the autism spectrum, down syndrome, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy and traumatic brain injury, to learning disabilities, cognitive delays, anxiety, cancer and mental health issues.

For those with a physical and/or cognitive disabilities, the benefits of riding a horse are great. These include improved muscle tone, increased strength, balance and coordination, development of gross and fine motor skills, and Improved walking gait for those with mobility challenges. In a 30 minute session on the back of a horse, the core muscles of the body go through 2000 different movements. What makes therapeutic riding so unique is that the movement of the horse mimics that of the human walk – the only difference being they have four legs and we have two. This means that for someone with mobility challenges, i.e. a child in a wheelchair, the sooner they can get on a horse the more they can benefit. Some of their youngest riders start out in a wheelchair and slowly but surely as their core gets stronger, their balance and coordination improve, they can get out of their wheelchair and into a walker, standing frame, canes and in some cases, walking independently.

Aside from the physical benefits, therapeutic horseback riding also has many psychological benefits such as increased self-esteem and confidence, respect for animals and others, decision-making, turn taking, colours, numbers, sequencing, the alphabet, we do it all! Then



there is the benefit that is immeasurable – the bond and connection with a horse. For a person with mobility challenges, a horses' legs become their own, offering them a freedom they may not otherwise experience. Riding a horse empowers people and leads them to other challenges and pursuits in the rest of their lives. PRDA has offered programs for children who witness abuse, people suffering from PTSD and anxiety, women with eating disorders, and anyone else who needs a little horse time. PRDA also hosts team-building workshops and sessions for any type of group. Some of their clients have included BDO, Deloitte, Southridge School, the Vancouver Canucks Administration Staff, and more. The benefits are endless!

PRDA offers volunteer opportunities too, both for ablebodied individuals, and those with disabilities. They are proud of what they do and visitors are always welcome so feel free to stop by and check them out!

For more information please visit www.prda.ca.



Please help us in welcoming the PICTURED: Elisa Hill, M.Sc., BCBA - Anderson Behavior Consulting, Antrim Investments Ltd, Beauty

Anumi investments Etd, Beauty Council Western Canada, Darcy Bailey & Associates Counselling, Foster Park Brokers Inc. - Langley, Kimz Angels, Langley Denture Clinic, Ming & Sing Chinese Express, Peak Security, Inc., PricewaterhouseCoopers, ServiceMaster Clean of Fraser Valley, Sun Life Financial Canada, Taya Docksteader Real Estate Agent, Thirsty Cheetah and Twin Maple Construction Ltd.

Welcome to the Langley Chamber! Please help us in welcoming the newest Langley Chamber Members:

NOT PICTURED: Darryl Plecas, Absolute Fabrication & Machining Ltd., Cris Leonard, Realtor, Emilio Finatti Sicilian Pizzeria Langley, KD Technical Services Inc., Langley Cheer & Athletics, Lindjberg Chimney and Masonry Services Inc., Team Rassak . Royal LePage, Riverside Heating & Plumbing, Roadrunner Junk Removal LLC, Save with Dave Heating and Cooling, Signal Hill Life Education Society and Willowbrook Flight Centre.







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THE VOICE OF BUSINESS SEPTEMBER 2016



President's Report **Board of Directors is amped** up for a very busy Fall season

"Life starts all over again when it gets crisp in the fall." - F. Scott Fitzgerald, The Great Gatsby

We are launching our new informational series: "Member Benefits 101". So you joined the Chamber, now how do you access the fantastic benefits? Come join us for a quick session that will provide you with all of the details. Our group benefits and discounts provide you with the opportunity to save the cost of your membership and more. Event details are set out on our website: www.langleychamber.com.

Join us for the next U40 Leaders of Tomorrow Monthly Mingle at Earls on Wednesday, September 14th at Earls Kitchen + Bar Langley. What is a U40 Monthly Mingle? The Monthly Mingles are hosted by the U40 Leaders of Tomorrow whose goal is to help motivate young and emerging professionals to come together to network, share ideas, and become leaders of the Langleys. Come and enjoy complimentary appetizers and a business card draw provided by our generous host.

This month, Vice-President Jack Nicholson, Executive Director Colleen Clark, and I will represent the Greater Langley Chamber of Commerce at the Canadian Chamber of Commerce Annual General Meeting in Regina, Saskatchewan. We will present a resolution for consideration by the delegates calling for changes to the credit card and debit card industry in Canada, focusing on greater transparency, disclosure, flexibility, and savings for merchants. If adopted, this resolution will form part of the Canadian Chamber of Commerce lobby to the Federal Government. We look forward to collaborating with boards of trade from across Canada in

the verdant heart of Rider Nation.



I am advised that Rider Nation has

We are in the process of finalizing arrangements for the

prestigious 20th Annual Business Excellence Awards Gala. Help us to help you recognize and celebrate outstanding businesses and businesspersons in the Langley Trade Area at our special event on Thursday, October 27th in the ballroom at the Cascades Casino Resort. This is a salient opportunity to show your appreciation to your customers, clients, suppliers, or business colleagues by nominating them for one of our coveted awards. This gourmet dinner and entertainment evening is held during October's Small Business Month, so it is an exceptional opportunity to engage your staff by inviting them to attend and help support our flourishing business community. For nomination, sponsorship, or ticket information please contact the Chamber Office at (604) 371-3770 and our staff will be happy to assist you.

Don't forget to attend our September Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, September 20th! This month, join us as we spotlight "The Next Generation: Successful Successions", featuring a fireside chat with prominent speakers from Langley businesses including, Dana Matheson of C&D Logistics Ltd., Marilyn Morgan of JD Farms Specialty Turkey, and Daryl Kruger of On Line Collision Ltd. Check out further details on our website at www.langleychamber.com.

Scott Johnston, President

Non-Profits SAVE with Langley Chamber Membership!



We're excited to announce Spark as our preferred partner for discounted non-profit and charity insurance. Spark aims to engage our communities with helpful educational resources combined with an honest, secure, and user-friendly insurance buying experience. The application takes less than 5 minutes to complete and no obligation quotes are free. All

MEMBER BENEFITS 101

So you're thinking of joining the Chamber or just joined and want to know how you access the fantastic benefits? Come join us for a quick session that will provide you with all of the details. Our Benefits provide you with the opportunity to "SAVE" the cost of your membership and more.



Group Insurance Plans, Visa/MC Discounts, Fuel Savings, Office Supplies, Discounts on Travel, Car Rentals, and Airport Parking. Who should attend? Owners, financial officers, bookkeepers, HR personnel and anyone that thinks they might like to save money for their business. This is a brand new program we are hoping that all members will take some time out to participate and get the most from your GLCC Membership.

SESSION DATES:

Monday, September 12 9:00 am to 9:30 am | Chamber Boardroom

Wednesday, September 14 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm | Chamber Boardroom

To register, please visit www.langleychamber.com or call the Chamber office at 604-371-3770.



All New Members who sign up before Tuesday, December 6, 2016 will be entered into a draw for a \$1500.00 voucher to be drawn at the December 20 Chamber Dinner Meeting. Already a Member? Refer someone and when they sign up you'll receive two entries into the draw! Contact the Langlev Chamber for more info at 604-371-3770 or info@langleychamber.com.



non-profits and charities are eligible. Discounted coverage available for our members includes

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- Cyber Liability
- Volunteer Injury
- Legal Expense
 - Host Liquor Liability Media & Broadcasting
 - Crime Liability
 - Content & Assets

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September 12 Member Benefits 101

September 14 Member Benefits 101

September 14 U40 Monthly Mingle

September 20 **Dinner Meeting: Successful Successions**

September 21

Lunch & Learn: Time is Money, We'll Save You Both

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October 20 Lunch & Learn: Social Media 101 How to Thrive Online

October 27

Save the Date! 20th Annual Celebration of Excellence Awards Gala

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