



Tammy Logan—Manager

December 2012

ABOUT US

- Since 1908, the Renfrew & area Chamber of Commerce has been an active and progressive
- non-profit voluntary organization promoting the civic, commercial, industrial and tourist development progress of this great community.
- The Chamber is a catalyst and a volunteer organization where business and professional people work together for the common good.
- Year-round promotion of Renfrew and the area as a destination for tourist and business is a priority.



SPOTLIGHT ON...

SANTA

IS COMING TO THE INFORMATION CENTRE



- ◆ Treat bags for all the children
- ◆ Photo opportunity for Mom & Dad
- ◆ Share your Christmas wish list with Santa!
 - ◆ Food Bank donations
GREATLY appreciated

DATES:

Sat. Dec. 8th 1pm-3pm
Sat. Dec. 15th 11am-3pm
Sat. Dec. 22nd 11am-3pm

2013 CHAMBER MEMBERSHIPS



Membership has it's benefits...

- local networking events
- frequent newsletters keep you in the loop
- company profile on the Chamber website
- high visibility through advertising opportunities
- save money with reduced merchant fees and gasoline discounts
 - group insurance plan available for small businesses
- receive business referrals from the Chamber Office and Information Centre
- display your promotional materials at the Chamber Office and Information Centre

Full membership fees are subject to a \$25 discount if paid by December 31st, 2012

I made myself a snowball
As perfect as could be
I thought I'd keep it as a pet
And let it sleep with me
I made it some pajamas
And a pillow for its head
Then last night it ran away
But first — it wet the bed!

UPCOMING EVENTS

December 6th

Red Carpet Gala
Participating Merchants in downtown
Renfrew between 5 and 9pm

December 7th

RVH Tree of Lights
Ceremony at 6pm

Christmas Open House and Craft Sale at
Community Living 2-7pm

December 9th

The Renfrew Children/Youth Chorus
Presents "It's Christmas"
Our Lady of Fatima School 2:30pm

December 13th

Hot Turkey Luncheon
12 noon at the Wing, tickets \$12 at
Aikenheads or Home Support Office by
Dec 7th Music by Barry Martin &
Country Favorites

The T.S.A. Choir & Friends host
"Singing Through Christmas"
Trinity—St. Andrew's United Church 7pm



Janet's Tree



Carol's Tree

- ◆ Cards available at the Chamber of Commerce
- ◆ Scards/pack for \$15.00
- ◆ Proceeds to RVH Digital Mammography Unit
- ◆ Original artwork by Kathryn Bossy
- ◆ This project funded in part by Tubman Marketing



Jill's Tree



Laurie's Tree



Tree of Lights 2012
Friday, December 7
at 6 p.m.
Low Square,
Downtown Renfrew

Tim Hortons
2013 MASTERS



RENFREW
CURLING RINK

January 9-12, 2013

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Tea and Art



The Renfrew Tea Room and The Renfrew Art Guild invite you to a new Tea & Art experience. Throughout the month of December, weekdays from 2-4pm, take time to relax from the hustle and bustle of the Christmas season and enjoy a tea or coffee with scones and homemade jams, small deserts while viewing the work of local artisans. Proceeds will support the Senior Home Support for the Renfrew Area. Call 613-432-8205 for more information.



Grand Opening

Calabogie Adaptive Snowsports "Center of Excellence"

December 15, 2012, 2.30 – 4.30 pm

The Center of Excellence is a new facility at Calabogie Peaks Resort & Conference Center designed to accommodate disabled adults and children, many of whom participate in the Canadian Association for Disabled Skiing ("CADS") Sunday Ski Program, a 5 day Winter Sports Clinic for injured military veterans and Community Living Days for disabled adults in Renfrew County. Special features include two wheelchair ramps, a large washroom equipped with adult changing facilities and a 300 square foot basement storage space for skis, sit skis and other specialized adaptive equipment.

CADS is a national volunteer based organization that assists individuals with disabilities to lead richer and fuller lives through active participation in recreational and competitive snowsports. The CADS National Capital Division leads a program at Calabogie Peaks that teaches about 75 students and military personnel in various programs with over 65 volunteers <http://disabledskiing.ca/?s=national+capital+division>.

Calabogie Peaks Resort and Conference Centre, eastern Ontario's largest mountain resort, is a year round meeting, leisure and recreation destination www.calabogie.com.

Contact: Clay Dawdy, Calabogie Adaptive Snowsports Program Director
Canadian Association for Disabled Skiing – National Capital Division
613 752-1284 claydawdy@hotmail.com

*Calabogie Peaks Resort - 30 Barrett Chute Rd - Calabogie, ON - 1-800-669-4861- www.calabogie.com
Please do not reply to this email.*

FILL THE TRUCK FOR THE FOOD BANK

Renfrew Walmart - Saturday 12:00-3:00 pm Nov.17, 2012
 Eganville - community canvassing Sunday Nov.18, 2012
 Renfrew Metro - Saturday 12:00-2:00 pm on Nov. 24, 2012
 Renfrew Armories - Saturday 1:30-2:00 pm on Dec.1, 2012

Financial donations can be mailed to the Renfrew & District Food Bank at 115 Veterans Memorial Blvd., Renfrew, ON K7V 2R5

Food donations can be dropped off anytime at the Renfrew Fire Department located at 152 Plaunt Street South, Renfrew, ON.

Frozen food drop-offs can be coordinated by contacting the food bank at (613) 433-9216

For more information please contact Emily James at (647) 401-1444



FIRE!

SOCIAL MEDIA

Learn why social media is here to stay, why you need to embrace it, how to avoid some common mistakes, and how to make this powerful tool work for you.

- ⇒ Hands on Workshops
- ⇒ Facebook, Twitter and HootSuite
- ⇒ Google, YouTube, LinkedIn and more...

Contact Kelley Lemenchick
 Social Media Coordinator
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"Cram the Cruiser"

On Sunday Dec. 2 at Metro and No Frills in Renfrew. OPP will be collecting food and cash donations for the Renfrew Food Bank. Please give generously.

Hosted by the Renfrew OPP Auxiliary Unit

Financing remains a top challenge for Canadian manufacturers. In fact, according to the results of the *2012-13 CME Management Issues Survey*, one-quarter of companies say access to adequate funding has actually worsened over the past 12 months alone. Knowing where to look and what tools are available is essential to fuel business growth, and drive research and development efforts.

That's why Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME) has teamed up with The Funding Portal to provide its members with an online, one-window access point to all sources of government funding, as well as private sources of matching funds – representing roughly \$24 billion per year in grants, contributions, tax incentives and private financing opportunities. Members can also take advantage of the Portal's expert resources specifically adapted to the needs of Canadian manufacturers apply for and securing funding.

One-hour webinar on Thursday, December 6, from 1 - 2 p.m. EST, learn how you can benefit from this exciting new partnership. Teri Kirk, President and CEO of The Funding Portal, will be on-hand to answer your questions and explain what you need to know to tap into Canada's rich array of industrial support programs.

Registration is free for CME Members (<http://www.cme-mec.ca/?action=show&lid=E5ELR-JJPAC-EYBZZ&comaction=show&cid=IHVW-8CV6I-449J3>). Registration for non-CME members is \$25.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO YOU FROM THE CHAMBER