

Chamber Chatter

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PLEASE FILL OUT

Members receive Rural Dividend funds

Under the BC Rural Dividend Program, the Government of British Columbia is providing \$978,082 for seven projects in the Peace region.

- #ChamberMember *The Boreal Centre for Conservation Enterprise* is being awarded \$9,922 to establish a Peace Country eco-living learning network.

The project will expand small-scale food protection by hiring an outreach co-ordinator and seasonal workers to lead workshops, activities and harvesting demonstrations.

- Also, #ChamberMember *The Tansi Friendship Centre Society* in Chetwynd is being awarded \$79,800 for its Training to Employment Program. The project will hire a co-ordinator to oversee

the program, which offers specific training for people facing economic hardship and includes women-to-work and safety-ticket training.

- #ChamberMember *Twin Sisters Native Plants Nursery* is being awarded \$100,000 to develop a detailed site plan and civil design and engineering documents to expand the nursery at Moberly Lake. The project will create jobs and increase revenue for the West Moberly and Saulteau First Nations.

- #ChamberMember *West Moberly First Nations* is being awarded \$99,150 to develop an on-reserve housing strategy. The project will include evaluating on- and off-reserve housing demand, a financial analysis, as well as a needs assessment to guide decisions about future capital housing projects and economic development opportunities.



The objective of the Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce is to promote and improve trade and commerce, as well as the economic, civic, and social welfare of Chetwynd and the surrounding area.



CHETWYND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

POWER LUNCH

Keynote speaker:
Ramona Materi, President
Ingenia Consulting

Topic:
The Northeast Regional Labour Market Strategy

May 28, 2019 Noon-1pm
Pomeroy Inn & Suites

Member pricing \$20
Guests \$25
RSVP by May 24 at 4 pm
Call/text 250-788-3345
Email: manager@chetwyndchamber.ca

NORTHERN LIGHTS COLLEGE



DID YOU KNOW?



Membership to your local Chamber includes entrance to ongoing networking events. Attend community meetings, receive newsletters, and gain access to community and leadership development events. Building community connections is a great addition to your marketing strategy that will help you grow your business.



MINERALS NORTH BANQUET

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

MAY 23, 2019
CHETWYND & DISTRICT REC CENTRE

TICKETS \$50.00

DOORS OPEN 6:30PM	DINNER 7:00PM	ENTERTAINMENT 7:30PM
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ENTERTAINMENT BY:
FIRED UP DUELING PIANOS

5 STAR DJ SERVICES
CLOSES OUT THE EVENING!

TICKETS PURCHASED AT:
The District of Chetwynd
5408 Hospital Road, Chetwynd, BC

BANQUET LOCATION:
Chetwynd & District Rec Centre
4552 North Access Road, Chetwynd, BC



There are only 100 tickets available to the public! Dinner and Duelling Pianos - a Double D evening of entertainment! Tickets are available at the District of Chetwynd but get them NOW before they sell out!

SHOP LOCAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Now that things have quieted down for a day or two I'm happy to post the estimated amount spent at participating merchants from our 21 Days of Christmas promotion in December!

Remember...this is only receipts entered from the 16 participating stores from December 1 to 21, 2018. (This amount does not include non-participating stores or receipts that did not get entered into the drop bags.)

What an incredible amount! Thank you all for supporting and shopping local!

#LiveLoveSupportShopLocal #21DaysXmas #ChetwyndBC



21 days of
CHRISTMAS

2018 RECEIPT TOTAL

It's taken a while but after several months of counting receipts and adding up totals the 2018 total for receipts is **MORE THAN \$250,000** spent at participating businesses!

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2019 Second Annual Bursting with Brilliance

Women empowering women

Join us for a full day
 of ideas, and
 inspiration.

MAY 4th, 2019
 9:30 to 5:00pm
 Pomeroy Inn & Suites
 Chetwynd

**Thank you to our
 amazing sponsors!**

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 Chetwynd Public Library
 250-788-2559

Welcome New Members!

The Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce would like to our newest #Chamber-Member, The Propshop - Unisex Barbershop! Located in the old New Image spot in downtown Chetwynd next to Lonestar Sports (also a #Chamber-Member), this salon has been completed revamped, redone and redecorated! The Prop Shop offers is Men's & Ladies unisex barbershop/hair salon. Owner Angela Fehr and her amazing staff also offer tanning, hot shaves, fades, colours and cuts. And of course, walk-ins are WELCOME! The Prop Shop is open until 8 pm! Head on over to the Facebook Page to like, share and keep up on all of the Prop Shop's specials! #newmembers #LiveLoveSupportLocal #strongwomenentrepreneurs

Shop Local
 Feel Good



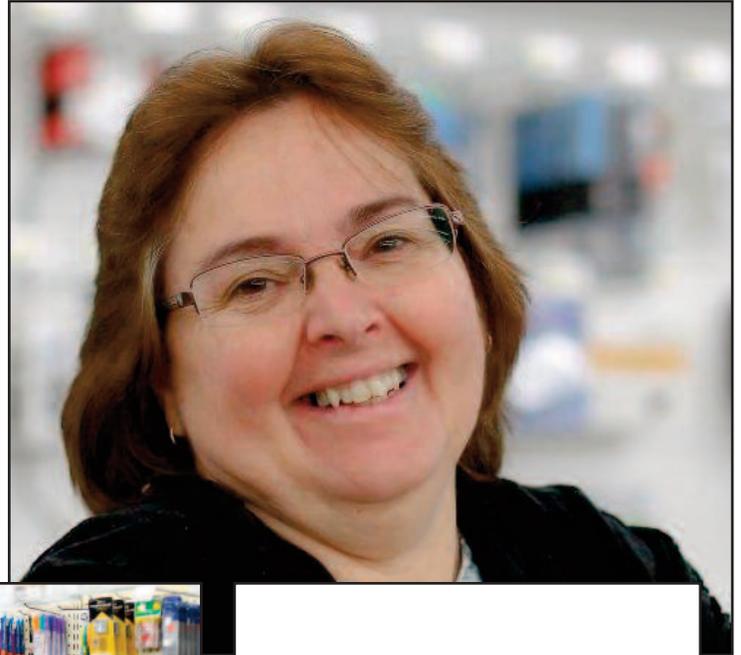
If you would like 2019 business directories for you or your business, contact the Chamber today and we'll deliver them to your door! manager@chetwyndchamber.ca or 250-788-3345.

Featured  LOVECHETWYND.COM Business

The Pencil Box

The Pencil Box is Chetwynd's comprehensive office supplies store, also with an extensive selection of arts and crafts supplies. Inside, customers will find everything needed to run a business and stock an office from basics like paper and writing instruments to health and safety items and apparel, cleaning/janitorial supplies, break room supplies and safety work wear (coveralls, shirts, jackets and reflective gear).

In addition to office and business supplies, The Pencil Box also offers a wide range of essential business services. Supplement your own office with professional printing, laminating, faxing and photocopying. The Pencil Box can also tackle all of your printing challenges and needs, giving you and your printed media fresh appeal and strong advertising power.



Main: 250-788-3422
4753 51 St
Chetwynd, BC V0C 1J0
Hours
Monday to Friday
8:30 am - 5:30 pm



This is a great opportunity for all small locally owned and non-franchise businesses, including artisans, crafters and musicians. If you have found it overwhelming to try to produce professional and polished advertising campaigns, and having a personalized professional website for your product is something you wanted but don't have the resources to maintain...Love Chetwynd is for you!

Northern Development Initiative Trust has heavily invested in this project to help build small businesses in Northern BC. All sign up costs go directly back to supporting the local advertising campaign and are only used to support the Love Chetwynd project.

Log onto www.lovechetwynd.com for more information!

Regulatory Reform: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly

"A promise made is a debt unpaid."

– Robert W. Service

Following March's federal budget, Finance Minister Bill Morneau defended Canada's corporate tax regime and cited regulatory issues as a priority for dealing with Canada's competitiveness problems. The Minister was halfright. While there is no credible defence for our hopelessly outdated tax system, he was correct that Canada's regulatory systems have put Canada at a competitive disadvantage. As we outlined in a report a few months ago, Canada absolutely needs a comprehensive review of our uncompetitive, cumbersome and inefficient tax system. Given the Minister's post-budget assertion, it is an opportune time to take a quick walk through the good, the bad and the ugly of federal efforts to address Canada's regulatory competitiveness problem.

The good: In its November 2018 Fall Economic Statement, the federal government proposed an ambitious regulatory reform agenda, largely based off our recommendations in our May 2018 report, *Death by 130,000 Cuts: Improving Canada's Regulatory Competitiveness*.

The bad: Budget 2019 had little to no progress to report on fulfilling those Fall Economic Statement commitments.

The good: Both the Fall Economic Statement and the Budget stated the federal government will consider legislative changes to make regulatory efficiency and economic growth a perma-

nent part of regulator mandates. This is a key recommendation of ours and is one of the most important changes needed in the federal regulatory environment. Many regulators are currently not giving appropriate consideration to economic growth and competitiveness impacts in their decision making because they are not required to.

The bad: There is very little time left in the parliamentary calendar before the federal election for the government to actually introduce and pass new legislation.

The good: The Budget introduced the concept of 'regulatory roadmaps' and provided \$220 million in funding for three regulators (the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Health Canada and Transport Canada) to make their regulatory systems more user friendly, to use novel or experimental regulatory approaches and facilitate greater regulatory cooperation and less duplication.

The bad: If the activities listed as part of these 'roadmaps' sound like something all regulators should already be doing, it is because they should be. While the roadmap process will lead to regulatory improvements in these areas, businesses are looking for more than three regulators being given \$200 million in funding to do the work they are already supposed to be doing, according to the government's own regulatory management policies.

The ugly: The job of leading federal regulatory

reform falls to the President of Treasury Board, and the federal government started in 2019 by shuffling three different Ministers in and out of the role in three months (apparently it's all Scott Brison's fault). No, it is not Scott Brison's fault. In fact, we owe him thanks for proposing the federal government's regulatory reform agenda. However, the instability at Treasury Board raises serious questions about the department and the federal government's ability to live up to its regulatory commitments.

What should Canadian businesses take from all this?

The good is that the federal government recognizes the regulatory problems confronting Canadian companies and has made a series of promises to start resolving them.

The bad is that most of these promises have not been fulfilled. Canada's regulatory problems continue to be a serious problem for our economy, and there is little time left before this fall's federal election to make substantive progress.

The hopeful is that all political parties put systemic regulatory reform at the center of their election platforms. This will position the federal government to start working with the business community on the first day after the federal election to continue working to eliminate these systemic, incessant, self-imposed barriers to economic growth.

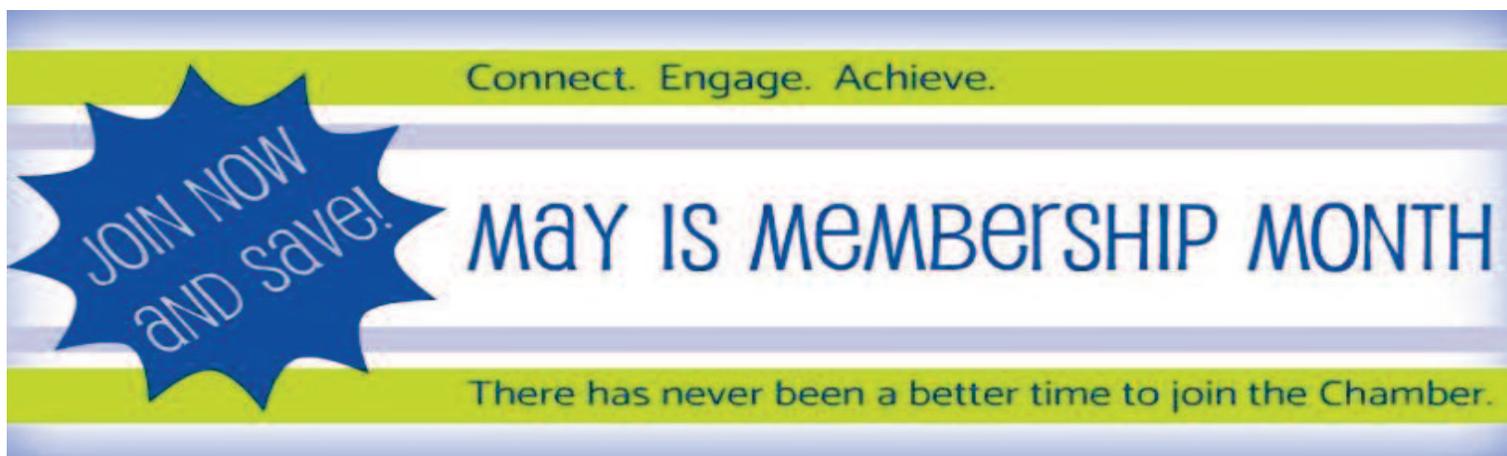
Read more of our recommendations to address Canada's regulatory woes at RegulateSmarter.ca

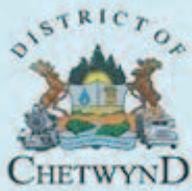


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MAY IS MEMBERSHIP MONTH

There has never been a better time to join the Chamber.





District of Chetwynd's **57th**

&

Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce's **60th**



Anniversary

2019 Event

Shop Local Shopping Spree valued at **\$570**

Draw Date July 1, 2019 @
Canada Day Celebrations

Pine Tree Books ★ Jacies Tattoo ★ Cardinal Telecom ★ Liana's Hair Design & Spa ★ Ragan's Barbershop ★ Rosco Styles ★ The Pencil Box
Chetwynd Veterinary Clinic ★ Pineapple Esthetics ★ 7-Eleven Stores ★ Chetwynd Chevron ★ Kal-Tire ★ Red Lion Tavern ★ Little Prairie Store
Oralyne's Hair Studio ★ Inner Sage Therapies ★ Mama G Country Kitchen ★ Pharmasave ★ Tirecraft ★ Valley Pure Water/Valley Pure Brewing
Home Hardware Building Centre ★ Johnson's Industrial ★ The Dragon Palace ★ Tim Hortons ★ The Rex Theatre ★ FB Asian Store & Meat Products
Hello Beautiful Casey's Hair & Esthetics ★ Chetwynd Glass ★ Pay Les Welding ★ Market & Food Trucks ★ AB Crafts ★ Shooks Performance
Sworstone Tattoos ★ Bj's Furniture & Feed ★ All West Glass ★ Chetwynd Visitor Centre ★ Gear-O-Rama ★ The Prop Shop Unisex Barbershop
The Herby Hippy Chick ★ Lonestar Sporting Goods ★ The Stagecoach Restaurant ★ TLC Community Thrift Store ★ IRC Catshack ★ A&W
Co-op Cardlock Chetwynd ★ The Riverhouse Restaurant ★ Tip2Too Esthetics ★ Alost Signs & Graphics ★ Nettie's Nail Salon & Craft Store
Jackalynn Hair Care ★ New Tokyo Sushi ★ Subway ★ Chetwynd Petroleums ★ Fields Dollar Depot ★ Scrap Basket Patchwork & Sewing
Joe's Pizza Stone ★ Your Dollar Store with More ★ Ruperts Seafood ★ Domino's ★ Trend Sessions Apparel ★ The Rustic Door Paint Studio
Northern Oasis Car Wash ★ Northern Industrial Sales ★ Link's Pub & Grill ★ Share the Sugar ★ CoffeeTalk Express ★ The Red Apple
Rein-In Tack ★ Crazy Beanz Bistro ★ Love is in the Hair ★ Giftopia ★ Chetwynd IGA ★ Laurie's Esthetics & Spa ★ Murray's Liquor Express

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9am July 1, 2019

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For more information or to get more cards contact the Visitor Centre at 250-788-1943,
the Chamber of Commerce at 250-788-3445 or the District of Chetwynd at 250-401-4100



The District of Chetwynd is gathering data to project the possible Social Economic impact of closures in the Forest or Mining Sector and could include no access to the land base for recreation - CHETWYND & AREA OPERATIONS

Please see attached survey to collect data for possible social economic impacts for Chetwynd and Area businesses, contractors and recreational operations. Please take the time to fill in the questions and return on or before May 17, 2019. We will compile the information and present to the organizations working on our behalf to ensure we have current, accurate data on what could be impacted due to the possible closures resulting from the Caribou protection plan and partnership agreement.

Thank you for taking the time to assist us with the collection of information. Thank you to our partners the PRRD and Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce for your support.



Please return ON or BEFORE Friday, May 17th, 2019. Email: d-chet@gochetwynd.com or Fax: 250-401-4101 or drop off at the District Office M-F 8:00am – 4:30pm, 5400 Hospital Road, Chetwynd, BC.

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Company Name	
Description	
Address	
Contact Information:	
Current FTE	
Current PTE	
Total	
Occupancy from Recreation or Tourism	
Revenue from Forest and Mining Sector	
Workforce impacts to your existing business or result IF one of the current mills or mine were impacted or closed due to Caribou and/or loss of Fiber supply	
Visitor or Transit Population that could be lost	
Additional Information	



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Chamber Perks & Benefits

For more information on any of these perks please contact Chetwynd Chamber of Commerce at 250-788-3345
(remember...your Chamber membership is like a gym membership --- you have to use it to see results!)

 **Spark Insurance*** is offering members significant discounts on non-profit insurance packages & has created an efficient online application process that takes less than 5 minutes; saving your non-profit & charity organizations time & money. Spark Insurance offer nine types of nonprofit insurance in one package.

 BC Chamber members receive discounts off the posted pump price for gasoline, diesel & retail purchases with the **Shell** Triton Card.

 For a small monthly fee, **LegalShield** drops high hourly rates to offer legal plans that get you 24/7 access to advice & counsel on an unlimited number of personal legal issues from lawyers with an average of 19 years of experience. From wills & estate planning to small business protection & identify theft, LegalShield is a one-stop shop for legal counsel & services. BC Chamber members get an exclusive discount on the monthly fee, making legal solutions for your personal & business needs that much more affordable.

 **The Chamber Learning Network™** offers online training to members businesses at discounted rates. There are currently 4,000 different courses & over 1,000 instructional videos online.

 **Riipen** supports its customers to deliver & manage authentic work related experiences, talent engagement & industry validated skills for top emerging talent at scale. Riipen's cloud-based platform connects three distinct audiences —students, educators, & employers through real-world projects (known as experiential learning or micro-experiences).

 **First Data.** First Data Canada has been selected by The Canadian Chamber of Commerce as their new payment processing partner. First Data, a leader in the electronic payment processing industry, offers merchant services discounts to Chamber members. For more information visit: www.chambermerchantservices.ca

 Kubera has replaced VersaPay as the preferred processing provider for BC Chamber of Commerce Members!

 Chamber members can now receive **hotel & car rental discounts** in Canada & around the world for unlimited business & leisure travel. Hotel savings may be as much as 50%, & average 10 to 20% below market rates. Savings on car rentals may exceed 35%, with over 1200 car rental suppliers at over 30,000 locations across 175 countries around the world.

 **Staples Advantage** is the world's largest business-to-business supplier of office essentials, print solutions, promotional products & office furniture solutions. Businesses know the

challenges they face; Staples Advantage works with companies to build a specialty program that meets their demands. BC Chamber members can access the Staples Advantage discount program, which provides savings on office essentials, print solutions & more. *(NOTE: Chetwynd Chamber Member The Pencil Box in Chetwynd will match any Staples price...just ask!)*

 Over 25,000 businesses purchase group benefits from the **Chambers Plan**. Comprehensive benefit packages apply to home-based businesses & small business firms - with no industry restrictions. For-profit businesses with three people & up are eligible for guaranteed coverage. Flexible group plans are also available for larger firms with up to 35 employees. All plans start with employee life insurance. Your Chambers Plan advisor can help you select the right options for building as comprehensive a plan as you wish to meet your exact needs & fit your budget. Benefit options include life, health, dental & travel care insurance, vision care, short & long-term disability, business overhead benefits & many others. Guaranteed renewable contract.

 Canada's only national airport parking company, **Park'N Fly** offers BC Chamber Members exclusive, lower than web rates which can be used for both leisure & business travel. BC Chamber Members that travel frequently can register online to expedite their service & receive the discount automatically every time they park with us, additional services are included with rewards program.

 **Petro Canada** offers Chamber members 2.0 cents per litre off all grades of gasoline & diesel. 5% discount on all parts & labour at Centigard Car Care Centres. 5% discount on vehicle propane. Individually numbered credit card for each vehicle.

 Sign up for **Constant Contact** through your Chamber of Commerce & get a discount of up to 25% - even if you're already a Constant Contact customer www.constantcontact.com

 Drive Audience Engagement at your Events. **Pigeonhole Live** is the Simplest Interactive Q&A Platform for Events, Seminars & Workshops. Industry players & key stakeholders gather at your event to share & learn. With Pigeonhole Live, speakers can now effectively engage with your audience & move conversations forward.

 **Mills** is one of the largest Printing & Business supplies providers in BC since 1949. Mills offers our members local representation, personalized service & special pricing packages for all their printing & promotional needs.

 **Jelly Academy.** Be armed with the skills to effectively engage & interact on various social media platforms & gain the knowledge & receive support to achieve several Google Certificates including Ad words Fundamentals, Search Advertising, Display Advertising & Google Analytics.

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 **Payworks** Chamber of Commerce Affinity Program Not just a service provider - your business partner. Canadian-owned Payworks provides comprehensive, innovative & integrated web-based Payroll, HR & Employee Time Management solutions to businesses across Canada. Their integrated online solutions increase payroll accuracy & reduce costly errors. They are easy to use, & like all Payworks solutions, they are backed by unparalleled client support. Payworks goal is to help you run your payroll as quickly & easily as possible, while maintaining the highest levels of accuracy, reliability, & service. This is how we work.

 **Hotline to HR** offers chambers, & their members, the opportunity to deliver up-to-date current information in human resources by providing unlimited & convenient access to HR assistance 24/7. This program extends to Chamber members & is offered on a subscription basis. interested? Contact the Chetwynd Chamber.

 The BC Chamber of Commerce & **Imperial Oil** are please to offer the Esso Business Card Program to all members. Delivered through Esso, this program saves a member business 3.5 cents per liter off the posted pump price at any ESSO-branded service station in Canada. You can also collect valuable Aeroplan miles on your purchases. Stop by our office & pick up an application form.



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UNBC Workshop set for June 7 in Chetwynd

The UNBC Cumulative Impacts Research Consortium (CIRC) will be hosting a series of presentations to report on the findings from a three-year research project to gain a more holistic understanding of how resource development operations both positively and negatively influence rural and remote areas of northern BC.

Through this project, CIRC has piloted a suite of cumulative impact assessment tools and

processes integrating environmental, community, and health values to support local and regional monitoring activities and associated decision-making processes.

These presentations are free and open to the public. A light meal will be provided, with most of the presentations scheduled over the noon hour. Community venues are to be confirmed, but you can save the date for the following times and locations:

Fort Nelson: June 3, 2019, 12-1 pm

Fort St. John: June 4, 2019, 12-1 pm

Dawson Creek: June 5, 2019, 12-1 pm

Tumbler Ridge: June 5, 2019, 6-7 pm

Hudson's Hope: June 6, 2019, 12-1 pm

Chetwynd: June 7, 2019, 12-1 pm

Vanderhoof: June 11, 2019, 12-1 pm

More information including a workshop agenda will be shared closer to the date of these events.

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