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WHAT HAS YOUR CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BEEN UP TO?

WATKINS GLEN, NY – The Watkins Glen Area Chamber of Commerce hit the ground running in 2017! With many exciting offerings throughout the year, we invite you to learn more about what we’ve been doing lately...

Chamber Connections Luncheons

The first Chamber Connections Luncheon was held on January 2, 2017 and there were 12 business in attendance, 8 current members and 4 potential members. Introductions around the rooms generated potential connections and future business prospects.

This is a new opportunity being offered by the Chamber in 2017. These luncheons not only offer a unique spin on networking, they also provide another avenue to teach fellow members and the Chamber staff more about your business! They are held on the first Monday of every month from 12-2pm. Chamber membership is not required to participate and the luncheons are free to attend, though you may opt-in to lunch for just \$5.

Harvest Schuyler Buyer-Farmer Speed Networking Event

This first-time event was a huge success! The Chamber’s Harvest Schuyler initiative strives to support the farm-to-table movement in Schuyler County by connecting local farmers and local restaurants, offering networking and educational opportunities, and showcasing local growers to local buyers. To that end, the Farmer and Buyer Speed Networking brought together local farmers and producers to meet local restaurants, bed and breakfast owners, and chefs. With 49 people in attendance representing 20 farmers and 20 buyers, great connections were made and attendee feedback was overwhelmingly positive! This event was carried out with the support of our partners at Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schuyler County, Schuyler County Farm Bureau, Food Bank of the Southern Tier, Groundswell Local Food and Farming, and the Harvest Schuyler Committee of the Watkins Glen Area Chamber of Commerce.

About the Watkins Glen Area Chamber of Commerce

The Watkins Glen Area Chamber of Commerce hosts a diverse membership of over 460 members representing businesses and organizations from throughout Schuyler County and beyond. For more information, visit www.watkinsglenchamber.com, give us a call at 607-535-4300, or stop by our office at 214 North Franklin Street in Watkins Glen. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn for the latest announcements and events.

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