

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

It has been two years since I first joined the Port Sydney/Utterson & Area Chamber of Commerce as a Director, and at that point our meetings were held, through the generosity of Charlie and Jean Carter, at Pine Lodge around one of their dining room tables, and our Manager worked out of her home. Now, two years later, and due to the generosity of Lynne and Ted Winterfield of RE/MAX New Lifestyles, Inc. the Chamber now has a functional permanent office, located on Muskoka Road #10 in Port Sydney, which offers us a visual presence within the community. There has been a large amount of growth over the past two years, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank our past President, Dave Cayley, for the hard work and dedication that he brought to the Chamber over the past few years

Having just completed a successful 51st Winter Carnival event our visibility within the communities has been raised and it is my hope that with our current board members, and new members, that we continue to grow and to provide promotion for our members and for our profile within the community to grow. Our Manager, Nancy Ewing, has greatly helped to make the office a very efficient, well run centre, and I have been very greatly impressed by her hard work and by the professionalism that she brings to The Chamber.

This coming year we will continue to work and grow and will also continue the tradition of our Canada Day Celebrations, Winter Carnival, Business After Hours, regularly updating the web site, sending out our newsletter and consistent recruiting of new members, and many other promotional indicatives for our members

I look forward to working with the businesses of Port Sydney, Utterson and Area over the next year, I know we will be move in a positive and forward direction

Thank-you
Gord Haig
President