

# NORTH BAY & DISTRICT Chamber of Commerce



February 3, 2016  
Chamber News  
Update

## Business After Hours 2016

Mark your calendar!

February 18, 2016

4:30 pm to 7:00 pm



107 Shirreff Avenue



March 31, 2016

4:30 pm to 7:00 pm



BreezeMaxWeb™

&



340 Main Street West  
North Bay, ON



*Please visit the  
[Events Calendar](#)  
for more events  
throughout the year*

**Advocacy  
Connections  
Growth  
& Value**



ontario  
chamber of  
commerce

## 2016 PRE-BUDGET SURVEY

DEADLINE EXTENDED: WHAT SHOULD  
BE IN THE NEXT PROVINCIAL BUDGET?

### WHAT SHOULD BE IN THE NEXT PROVINCIAL BUDGET? TELL US AND YOU COULD WIN ONE OF TWO \$500.00 GIFT CARDS

Take the Ontario Chamber of Commerce's latest survey to help shape Ontario's 2016 Budget and add your voice to Canada's most credible survey of business opinion. What are the critical issues impacting your bottom line? Can you afford the proposed Ontario Retirement Pension Plan? How is your business being affected by Ontario's skills gap?

By taking a moment to complete this short survey, you will be entered into a draw to win one of two \$500 gift cards to Cara Restaurants (Milestones, Harvey's, Kelsey's, Montana's, Swiss Chalet, Biermarkt, Casey's, Prime Pubs, and East Side Mario's).

CLICK HERE TO TAKE THE SURVEY: <https://ci.legerweb.com/wix/p4410478.aspx>

*Please note that this survey closes on February 8th, 2016 at 5pm (EST) and that only the prize winner will be contacted.*



The Labour Market Group

**January 2016 Edition**  
of the Labour Market Group's  
Labour Focus publication

For English [CLICK HERE](#)

En français [CLIQUEZ ICI](#)

And the December 2015 Job Vacancy Report - [CLICK HERE](#)

**ONTARIO'S #1**  
**HEALTH CARE BENEFITS**  
**UP TO 50 EMPLOYEES**



Chambers of Commerce  
Group Insurance Plan®

**REQUEST A QUOTE**



Add  
@nbdcc

to your  
“tweet” and  
we will  
“re-tweet” to  
all of our  
followers.

Join us for the conclusion of

## THE EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP SERIES FOR A DIVERSE WORKFORCE

FREE

Registration 9:45 a.m. | Lunch 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Morning Session 10:00-12:00 p.m. | Afternoon Session 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Join us for one or both of our sessions. Either way, eat lunch with us!

Join us in the morning to cover Express Entry and the opportunities it provides and hear speakers from A. Welsh Immigration Consulting Services and Professions North/Nord. After lunch, Strang Intercultural Solutions will lead participants in 'Optimizing Intercultural Relations in the Workplace'.

**FEBRUARY 10**

BEST WESTERN, NORTH BAY



### FREE LUNCH SESSION

Register by Feb.8  
KaitMorris@nbdmc.ca  
705-495-8931



Employers....send us your current employment opportunities and we will post them on the **North Bay and District Ontario Jobs** - facebook page. [CLICK HERE](#) to send us your information.



## LUNCH & LEARN

### Keys to Successful Business Management

presented by RBC

Wednesday, February 24 2016  
12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.



#### Information Session Includes:

- Developing a business plan and a plan to generate revenue
- Cash flow forecasting and management - how to prevent cash flow crises
- Getting the right financing (short term and long term)
- Personal taxes, business taxes and investment planning

*All Lunch & Learn sessions are held at North Bay City Hall*

200 McIntyre Street East  
6th floor Boardroom

Please register in advance by contacting  
The Business Centre

E: [hannah.conroy@thebusinesscentre-nps.com](mailto:hannah.conroy@thebusinesscentre-nps.com)  
T: 705-474-0400 ext.2443

*Sessions are "brown bag" style, please bring your own lunch.*



**Shop Local! Support your colleagues in business.**



[www.nbdcc.ca](http://www.nbdcc.ca)

#### GROUP AUTO AND HOME INSURANCE

economical SELECT | your group advantage\*



## One call could put YOU in the DRIVER'S SEAT!

Discover the savings you may get on quality auto and home insurance and be entered for a chance to WIN one of six new vehicles or a \$100 gas card.



Prizes may not be exactly as shown.

Call for a quote.

705-472-5950  
[kennedyinsurance.ca](http://kennedyinsurance.ca)

North Bay  
Chamber of  
Commerce



Visit [selectsweepstakes.com](http://selectsweepstakes.com) for more details.

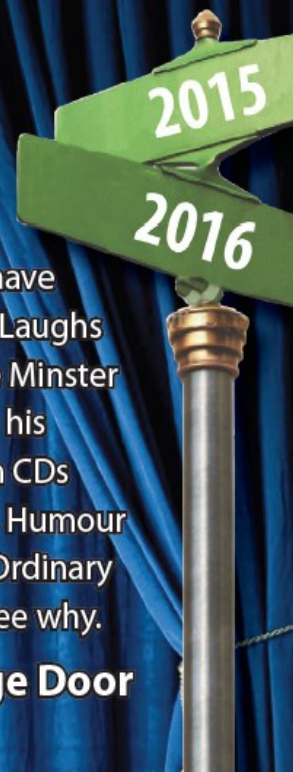
The Economical brand includes the following property and casualty insurance companies: Economical Mutual Insurance Company, Perth Insurance Company, Waterloo Insurance Company, The Mississquoi Insurance Company, Federation Insurance Company of Canada. Economical Select® is underwritten by Waterloo Insurance Company. Due to government insurance plans, Economical Select does not offer auto insurance in British Columbia, Saskatchewan or Manitoba. Economical Select does not offer insurance in Newfoundland and Labrador, Northwest Territories, Nunavut or Yukon. The agreement between Economical Select and your group sponsor may be terminated in accordance with its terms. Upon such termination, Economical Select will continue to provide the program to existing policyholders until their respective renewal dates. No purchase required. Contest begins April 1, 2015 at 12:01 a.m. ET and closes March 31, 2016 at 11:59 p.m. ET (earlier closing dates for some prizes). Open to Eligible Group members who are legal residents of Canada over the age of majority in their province/territory of residence at entry. Limit 1 entry and 1 grand prize per person. For the Sponsor's privacy policy see: [economicalinsurance.com/privacy](http://economicalinsurance.com/privacy). For full rules visit: [selectsweepstakes.com/rules](http://selectsweepstakes.com/rules). ©2015 Economical Insurance. All rights reserved. All intellectual property, including but not limited to Economical® and related trademarks, names and logos are the property of Economical Mutual Insurance Company and/or its subsidiaries and/or affiliates and are registered and/or used in Canada.



"Side-splitting. Their music is a work of art, blending with their comedy skits and energy – a delight."



George Bowser and Rick Blue have been writing and performing music and comedy since 1978. They have appeared frequently at the Just for Laughs comedy festival. Former Prime Minister Paul Martin claims they are his "favourite band" and with CDs entitled Pull My Finger, Humour for Boomers and No Ordinary Dummies, you can see why.



# Bowser and Blue

Thursday, February 18 · 7:30 PM

Regular \$35 Stage Door \$30

Some content in this performance may seem offensive to some patrons. Please be advised.



For Tickets: 705-474-4747  
www.capitolcentre.org



**Barbara Stegemann**

Top Game Changer  
CBC's Dragons' Den |  
CEO and Founder, The  
7 Virtues

**March 8th, 2016**  
Clarion Resort  
North Bay

**Igniting Profitability - Supporting Business Growth - Inspiring Change**

www.paro.ca  
www.thebusinesscentre-nps.com  
info@paro.ca

@parocentrenorth  
@BusinessCtr\_NPS

parocentre  
The-Business-Centre-Nipissing-  
Parry-Sound-Inc

enterprising women  
International Women's Day

Inspirational Keynote Dinner with Barbara Stegemann and Local Keynote Lunch

Engaging Workshops

Enterprising Women Dinner and Awards

Unique Tradeshow

Networking opportunities

Silent Auction and "Pay it Forward" Fundraiser

Nominate and register at [www.paro.ca](http://www.paro.ca)  
or [www.enterprisingwomen.ca](http://www.enterprisingwomen.ca)

Do you know a successful enterprising woman? It's time to recognize her efforts, nominate today!!!

**CALLING INNOVATIVE SMEs**

Do you have a passion to inspire youth entrepreneurship and innovation?

**IION-YEPP is a 16-week (May-August) funded internship placement that provides you with a qualified worker**

**gain grow market enhance expand explore commercialize develop venture innovate**

**CONTACT US TODAY!**  
Call 705-474-7600 ext. 5660  
or email [emily@iion.ca](mailto:emily@iion.ca)

Funding is available for these areas:  
Nipissing / Temiskaming,  
West Nipissing  
or Parry Sound / Muskoka districts

Program Funded by



@discoverynorthbay

FOURTH ANNUAL  
Winter Reception

MUSEUM FUNDRAISER

WINE & CHEESE

Thursday ♦ February 25 ♦ 2016

4:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Canadian Pacific Gallery

Discovery North Bay Museum  
100 Ferguson Street, North Bay

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT  
FEATURING TWILIGHT

\$100 per ticket

Eligible for a charitable tax receipt

Send us your upcoming  
events, so we can post them  
on the Calendar of Events!

Or to view the calendar, [CLICK HERE!](#)



[www.nbdcc.ca](http://www.nbdcc.ca)

**CAPITOL CENTRE**  
YOUR HOME FOR ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

**YOU'RE INVITED!**

**LUNCH & LAUGHS FREE WORKSHOP!**  
**WITH COMEDIAN GEORGE BOWSER OF**  
**BOWSER & BLUE**



**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 12 - 1 PM**  
**CAPITOL CENTRE 2ND FLOOR**

Pack a lunch & head to the Capitol Centre for an hour of laughter & learning with host George Bowser, of Bowser & Blue. Known for his zany, often political, musical comedy, you will have the chance to put Bowser in the hot seat and ask him the tough, comedic questions.

After you have learned from the best, step up to the microphone and share some jokes or musical comedy of your own.

Whether you are a comedian, a jokester, or wish to learn a thing or two about comedy, cure your cold-weather blues with a lunch hour laugh-in that will have you cracking up!

*\*May contain mature content\**

150 Main Street East  
North Bay, Ontario  
705-474-4747  
[www.capitolcentre.org](http://www.capitolcentre.org)



**FUND & MANAGE INNOVATION**

Grants for innovating, training, exporting & hiring!

Scientific Research & Experimental Development Tax Incentive Program  
(SR&ED) - get your fair share!  
Update, protect & maximize your claim!

Innovation Management & Ideation session - Identify your hidden profit!

LET RDP HELP YOU FIND THE INNOVATION DOLLARS YOU NEED!

**Presented by RDP**

RDP Associates Inc.

[www.rdpassociates.com](http://www.rdpassociates.com)

**Wednesday, February 17th, 2016**

**4:30 - 7:00 p.m.**



**Please RSVP to Innovation Initiatives Ontario North:**  
**Emily@iion.ca**

**705-474-7600 ext. 5660**

**Tickets \$20 (includes dinner - receipts will be provided)**

**Brought to you by:**

**iion** Innovation Initiatives  
Ontario North

**ONIE**  
Ontario Network of Entrepreneurs






**INVITATION**

**Le mentorat pour entrepreneurs**  
Pour aller plus loin, plus rapidement !

Désirez-vous faire partie d'un réseau structuré et professionnel pour les entrepreneurs? Êtes-vous prêt à supporter et à accompagner des entrepreneurs locaux pour contribuer à leur réussite et les faire bénéficier de votre expérience? Souhaitez-vous participer à des sessions de développement professionnel et d'échanges avec vos pairs? Si vous êtes intéressé, le programme de mentorat du Réseau M de RDÉE Ontario est fait pour vous!

**Mentoring for entrepreneurs**  
Going further, faster!

Do you want to be part of a structured mentorship network for entrepreneurs? Do you want to support and accompany local entrepreneurs towards success thanks to your experiences? Do you want to benefit from professional development opportunities and peer learning? If so, becoming a Réseau M mentor is the program for you!

**SESSION DE FORMATION POUR ÊTRE MENTOR**  
Session en anglais avec formateur bilingue

**MENTOR TRAINING SESSION**  
English session with bilingual trainer

**MERCREDI 10 FÉVRIER 2016**  
**WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2016**

DE 7 h 30 À 11 h 30 | 7:30 am – 11:30 am  
Déjeuner inclus | Breakfast buffet included  
AU | AT : Best Western 700 Lakeshore Drive, North Bay, ON

Pour réserver votre place, veuillez communiquer avec [rbeauparlant@rdee-ont.ca](mailto:rbeauparlant@rdee-ont.ca)  
To RSVP please email [rbeauparlant@rdee-ont.ca](mailto:rbeauparlant@rdee-ont.ca)

Nos partenaires | Our partners



 **Government of Canada** **Gouvernement du Canada**

**ATTENTION EMPLOYERS...LOOKING FOR HELP THIS SUMMER? WHY NOT HIRE A STUDENT?**

**WAGE SUBSIDIES ARE AVAILABLE...APPLY TO CANADA SUMMER JOBS!**

The 2016 Canada Summer Jobs application period for employers is from January 4 to **February 26, 2016**.

Canada Summer Jobs provides wage subsidies for not-for-profit organizations, public sector employers and small businesses with 50 or fewer full-time employees to create summer jobs for students between the ages of 15 and 30.

Private and public sector employers are eligible to receive funding for up to 50% of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage while non-for-profit employers are eligible to receive funding for up to 100% of the provincial or territorial minimum hourly wage.

The application form as well as the applicant guide are currently available on the [Service Canada website](http://ServiceCanada.gc.ca). You can submit your application online, by mail or in person at any Service Canada Centre.

We have also recorded an information session available on the Web. You can access the [Canada Summer Jobs WebEx information session](http://CanadaSummerJobsWebEx.gc.ca) at all times.

**For more information:**

Click: [www.servicecanada.gc.ca/CSJ](http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/CSJ)

Call: 1-866-945-7342

Visit : a Service Canada Centre

**Save the Date**



Mark your calendar for this year's North Bay and Area Community Foundation Annual Dinner. The dinner will be held on **Friday, May 6th at the Clarion Resort Pinewood Park.**

Contact Kate by email at [kate.merritt@nbacf.ca](mailto:kate.merritt@nbacf.ca) or call 705-495-3737 to reserve your tickets, or table, today!

**Kiwanis Winter Triathlon**

**February 13<sup>th</sup> @ Nipissing University**  
**Begins at 11:00AM**

**Events: 5KM Run, 2KM Snow Shoe, 6.6KM Ski**

***New Event Added - 10 KM Fat Bike Race***