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 5:30pm
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- Work in Muskoka muskokajobboard.ca
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Health Coverage

Including vision care, prescription drugs, travel insurance, paramedical services, and more.



Disability and Critical Illness Coverage

If an employee gets in an accident or can no longer work due to a disability or illness, they'll be covered.



Life Insurance

To give employees peace of mind, provide financial support to beneficiaries in the event of a death.



Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Supporting employees through life's challenges so they can live and work productively.



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- Fill up with Synergy Fuel™, engineered for better gas mileage," at over 2,000 Esso and Mobil stations across Canada.
- Get on the road to rewards with the PC Optimum[™] program.**
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BRACEBRIDGE CHAMBER OF COMMMERCE

2025

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING





JAN 29, 2025

5:30 - 7:30 PM Muskoka Collective 16 Dominon St. BRACEBRIDGE www.bracebridgechamber.com

7 Date: Wednesday, January 29, 2025

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Muskoka Collective, 16 Dominion St., Bracebridge

Can't Make it? Send us your proxy vote

by downloading this form and emailing it to Chamber@bracebridgechamber.com

Attending the AGM is important for members to exercise their voting rights, stay informed about the organization's progress, and contribute to key decisions. It's an opportunity to ensure leadership remains transparent, network with others, and voice ideas or concerns. A strong turnout ensures the organization remains transparent, credible, and aligned with its members' needs.

Refreshments and snacks provided. We look forward to seeing you there!











Presented by MAWER Investment Management, in partnership with the Bracebridge Chamber and Muskoka Lakes Chamber, this is your invitation to take a break from the hustle and join us at the Bracebridge Barrelhouse for a night of relaxed networking, delicious bites, and refreshing drinks.

📆 When: Tuesday, February 6, 2025 at 5PM

Where: Bracebridge Barrelhouse

What Makes This Night Super:

嗬 Drinks and good vibes in a relaxed, welcoming atmosphere

Taste a selection of tapas-style foods, oysters and beer pairings

Making connections with other business professionals in

Muskoka

Plus: Bring your business cards for a chance to score in our business card draw featuring two incredible gift baskets.











Muskoka Cruises
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Bigwin Island Golf Club
Muskoka Steamships

Touchstone Resort on Lake Muskoka

Bracebridge RONA

Muskoka Algonquin Healthcare

True North Log Homes

Muskoka Window and Door Centre

Are You Hiring?

Members can post listings at: bracebridgechamber.com









As part of the Bracebridge 150 Community Celebration, on June 7 and 8, 2025 at the JD Lang Activity Park (Bracebridge Fairgrounds). There is the "Meet Your Community Showcase" which will feature local businesses and organizations, artisans and historical displays. More details can be found in the links below;

- Exhibitor/Vendor/Artisan Information
- Community Picnic Food Vendors/Food Trucks/Refreshment Carts
- Historical displays

We have had some registration, but we are hoping to have more Bracebridge focused businesses, food trucks and vendors sign up.



4th Annual MILES PHILIP HAMMOND Memorial Fundraiser







BUSINESS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

DID YOU KNOW?

THE ORILLIA SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL (OSMH) IS MUSKOKA'S CLOSEST PAEDIATRIC CARE CENTRE, PAEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY SITE, AND NEONATAL CARE FACILITY.

YOUR IMPACT

- Our event has raised over \$75,000 for OSMH in our first three years, with over 100 guests in attendance last year
- OSMH has been running at 100% capacity for the last two years
- OSMH has the oldest hospital infrastructure in the region, with some areas over 100 years old
- In 2023-2024, 1,062 babies were born at the hospital, many of whom are residents of Muskoka
- The paediatric oncology clinic (cancer treatment) had 630 children visit in the 2023-2024 fiscal year
- The paediatric inpatient unit admits 600-750 children annually for various illnesses

"Being a part of this annual fundraiser has been a highlight for us. We couldn't ask to take part in an event for a more worthy cause." -

Matt Conklin, Conklin's Construction, Annual Donor



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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

ITEM	INVESTMENT	INCLUDES
CATERING Sponsor	2 LEFT! \$4,000	opportunity to have a company representative speak at the event large logo behind food tables for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowledgements 4 Tickets to the Event (\$500 Value)
VENUE Sponsor	\$ 1,500	opportunity to have a company representative speak at the event large logo behind band for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowlegements
PRESENTING Sponsor	\$ 1,200	opportunity to have a company representative speak at the event large logo behind band for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowlegement
COCKTAIL HOUR SPONSOR	\$ 1,000	sponsors a FREE welcome cocktail for each guest large logo behind bar for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowledgement
RAFFLE SPONSOR	\$ 750	covers the cost of one raffle basket to be live raffled during the event logo behind raffle table for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowledgement
EMCEE Sponsor	\$500 \$500	covers emcee services & hotel stay logo behind band/stage for duration of event emcee acknowledgment during event social media acknowlegement
COMMUNITY SPONSOR	\$250	small logo on social media thank you logo on entrance display







INTAKE TWO DEADLINE: JANUARY 30, 2025

- *Tradeshow attendance/exhibiting
- *Branding & promotional materials *Sales/marketing plans
- *Prototype/software development *Product testing/trials
- *IP research & protection *Market research *Business strategies *Feasibility studies

*Training & certifications

*Equipment/software to prototype or improve productivity

GRANTS OF UP TO \$10,000

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE VISIT WWW.IION.CA/SFEP

- Tradeshow attendance/exhibiting (not previously attended) and associated travel costs
- ****Design/development of branding and select promotional materials (video, print, audio)**
- Market Research
- Sales/marketing plans
- **Report** Label design

SFEP can also support product development and productivity enhancement projects.

To learn more check it out on their new website! www.iion.ca/sfep



Are you committed to the growth and success of Bracebridge businesses? The Bracebridge Chamber of Commerce is on the lookout for dynamic individuals to join our Board of Directors.



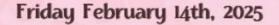
- 🧩 Bracebridge Business Awards Gala 30th (Pearl) Anniversary 🐎
- 📅 Date: April 3, 2024
- T Location: Muskoka Lumber Community Centre, Leon's Auditorium, Bracebridge

This year, we're celebrating two incredible milestones—30th Annual Bracebridge Business Awards Gala, our Pearl Anniversary — and Bracebridge's 150th anniversary!

The Pearls symbolize wisdom, resilience, and the beauty that emerges through growth over time. These qualities perfectly reflect our community and its businesses as we honor their contributions to Bracebridge's legacy and future.





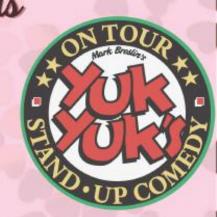


Celebrate Valentines Day With Love & Laughs



at the Yule Lodge

HEADLINER







Jeff McEnery



Patrick Haye

Laurie Elliott

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00 PM

DINNER STARTS AT 6:30 PM SHOW STARTS AT 8:00 PM

Cost: \$185.95 per couple or \$95 per individual, plus applicable taxes and gratuity. Ticket includes dinner and show, cash bar available.

For reservations, please call 705-645-2512 Ext 108 or email events@santasvillage.ca



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FOR WINNING THE 2025 CANADIAN CHOICE AWARD IN MASSAGE THERAPY FOR BRACEBRIDGE, FOR THE SECOND YEAR IN A ROW!

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO VOTED TO SUPPORT THIS AWESOME LOCAL BUSINESS!



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FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH FEBURARY 4TH, MARCH 4TH, APRIL 1ST, MAY 6TH 6:00-7:00PM



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CALL for VOLUNTEERS



Each volunteer receives FREE access to the day's events, a fast pass to skip the tube run line, along with a warm & comfy toque. The expectation is that each person works for a minimum of one, 3 hour shift. However, if you volunteer for more than one, 3 hour shift, you will also be provided with a hot meal.

We are looking for volunteers in the following areas:

- Ticket Sales
- Tube Run Attendants
- Parking Attendants
- Mascot/Entertainer
- Carnival Game Attendants
- Set Up/Tear Down Crew

Choice Accommodator



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