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Mayor's Task Force on Community Safety, Security & Well-Being (Oshawa Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 1 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Webinar

We are all part of the solution. Oshawa Mayor Dan Carter has announced the formation of a Task Force that brings together the Durham Regional Police Services (DRPS), Greater Oshawa Chamber of Commerce and other local stakeholders to identify and propose opportunities to address community safety, security and well-being issues facing the city.

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How An Online Store Can Boost Your Business: Free Ontario Program (Digital Main Street)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 1 11:30 am - 12:30 pm

Address: Webinar

The goal of ShopHERE Powered By Google is to build and optimize online stores for small independent businesses and artists in just a matter of days. With ShopHERE, businesses get to expand their selling opportunities into the online market.

When I sign up with ShopHERE, what do I get?

- An e-commerce store customized with your information, theme, logo and branding
- Hands-on assistance setting up and launching your online store
- Additional training to support your online store including topics like digital marketing, shipping and inventory management
- Access to free tools to help support the successful launch of your online store

In this webinar you will get the answers to the top questions we've received about the ShopHERE program, including:

- Who is Digital Main Street?
- What is ShopHERE?
- What does it mean to sell online, and why should my business?
- Do I qualify for this program?
- What are the costs involved?
- Do you have any examples of completed websites?

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Tuesday, April 6, 2021

What's Brewing (Oshawa Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Address: Webinar

Coffee. Communicate. Connect.

25th Annual Golf Fore Grandview Kids Charity Golf Classic

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 9:00 am

Register now to participate in the 25th Annual Golf Fore Grandview Kids Charity Golf Classic on Thursday, August 19th, 2021 at Deer Creek Golf & Banquet Facility in Ajax. Your participation will help kids in Durham Region to live their best life. Register here: <https://www.grandviewkidsfoundation.ca/golfforegrandviewkids>

Planning and Economic Development Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 9:30 am

BACD Business Plan Masterclass

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: Webinar

Are you already in business and wanting to put together your business plan for growth or financing options? This hands on masterclass will take you through the steps of writing your business plan and financial projections.

eCommerce 101: What, why, and how. (Digital Main Street)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Webinar

More consumers than ever before are turning to online shopping for greater convenience, safety, and variety. In this webinar, the Toronto Digital Service Squad will teach you the basic steps to setting up an online store. We will cover everything from what you need to prepare before launching a store, to choosing an e-commerce platform, to providing excellent customer service online. You'll finish this session feeling excited about how e-commerce can help you reach new customers and expand into different markets.

What you will learn:

- What is e-commerce, why it's important and the benefits of selling online
- What platforms are available and how to pick the right one for you
- The basics of inventory management, choosing the right solution, and streamlining point-of-sale for both in-store and online
- Optimizing your website content, choosing the right themes, and the basics of search engine optimization (SEO)
- How to set up secure payments and various shipping options & costs
- Look at the basics of driving traffic to your store and boost sales through a variety of digital marketing channels
- How to provide excellent customer service throughout the e-commerce purchase funnel

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Tweak Your Networking for Online (Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Address: Webinar

Networking is a large part of your marketing plan. Luckily, there are more networking events now than ever -online.

This free one-hour primer by award-winning writer and PR professional Jenn Humphries shows you how to apply your networking skills online.

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Networking Before 5 (Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Webinar

At this networking event, attendees will enjoy a combination of informal and formal networking.

For our Networking Before 5 series, we will focus on business services. During our April event you will hear what the Town of Ajax has to offer business.

Some informal networking time will be provided before and after the formal networking to allow for some one-on-one conversation.

DHSBA: Your Virtual Trade Show

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 6 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

About

On the second Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m., we provide a trade show atmosphere at World Event Center!

DHSBA: Your Virtual Trade Show
You bring your Questions. We bring the Experts!

Each month you will meet experts in areas such as; home renovation, landscape, financial, coaching, nutrition, fitness, esthetics, law, catering... you name it! They just might be here!

Check the current Facebook Group to see who the sponsoring experts are this month!
Who will benefit most?

Consumers looking for advice and direction or maybe just to get a handle on who's who in the community!

Business owners looking to share your message whether your business model serves business to business or business to consumer

Community Connectors looking to serve clients, family, and friends by providing referrals for a wide range of products and services.

Everyone is welcome but registration is required.
www.dhsba.com

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Wednesday, April 7, 2021

Java Jolt (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 7 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Webinar

Twice a month, join members and non-members for a virtual coffee to discuss business-focused topics which will be posted in advance and members will have the opportunity to influence. For members, by members, this long-standing program continues its primary objective to support the business community and give them an opportunity to network and refer.

Works Committee Meeting

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Get the Most Out of Social Media as an Introvert (BACD)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 7 11:00 am - 12:30 pm

Address: Webinar

Being an introvert doesn't mean you won't be able to market your business effectively online. Instead, it means that you'll find a way of attracting and connecting with your customers/clients that's different from how an extrovert approaches those tasks. In this workshop you will learn: Social media techniques that feel natural for you; types of videos to create for your social media channels; personal content vs business content and marketing strategies you can focus on.

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Transit Executive Committee Meeting

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BACD Business Fundamentals: Business Planning

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 7 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: Webinar

In this session, you will work on a roadmap for your business. Presented by a BACD advisor we will work through each step with you, so you leave with an outline of plan you can implement.

Women and Work: COVID-19 And Beyond

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 7 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: Virtual

The COVID-19 pandemic has disproportionately impacted women in their work and home lives. Join us on Zoom for a fascinating panel discussion on women in the workplace, the impact of COVID-19, and how we can better support women in their careers. Our esteemed panel of experts will examine women's legal rights, diversity and inclusion in the workplace, how best to achieve work/life balance, and possible solutions on how to move towards gender equality.

Celina Caesar-Chavannes: Author, Business Consultant, Former MP
Winnie Shen, Associate Professor at York University
Muneeza Sheikh, Partner at LSCS Law

Click here to register: <http://ajaxlibrary.ca/?q=node/1737>

Thursday, April 8, 2021

Health and Social Services Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 9:30 am

BACD Start UP Session

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Webinar

This session covers the essential steps to starting a small business including registering a business name, licenses & permits, HST, business banking, insurance and hiring employees.

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Overcoming Fear: How to Take Control of Fear Instead of it Controlling You (BACD)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Webinar

Learn how to overcome fear in your life and move closer to becoming the best version of yourself! Get the most out of yourself, your co-workers, your employees, your family and your friends by choosing to not let fear rule over you any longer.

Powering your global expansion through content marketing (MaRS)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Address: Webinar

Learn tactics to optimize your content marketing strategy to support your global expansion with our expert entrepreneur and marketing panel.

Chamber on Tap (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 5:30 pm - 7:00 pm

Address: Webinar

Hop in to the next Chamber on Tap for a new kind of power networking! Join us on a new platform that offers one-to-one business support, referrals and the opportunity to practice your pitch!

SEO Fundamentals: Online Webinar (The Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Webinar

You have a website, but how do customers find it? You need to drive traffic to your website by making sure your business shows up on Google when customers search. This beginner workshop will teach you how to connect your business to customer searches on Google and how to optimize your website and digital presence for Google, without costing you money.

You'll learn:

- What Search Engine Optimization (SEO) is and how Google and other search engines work.
- How to successfully conduct keyword research so you can choose which keywords will attract the right website visitors.
- How to write website content with Google in mind, and how to leverage different types of content to generate the best search engine results.
- How listing and ranking websites can increase your SEO power.
- How to use social media and links from other websites to improve your Google ranking.
- How to measure your SEO efforts to see what's working and what's not.

Durham Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting

Date and Time: Thursday, April 8 7:00 pm

Friday, April 9, 2021

Coffee with... (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Friday, April 9 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Webinar

Swing by (virtually) and have a coffee with a CEO, entrepreneur or leader in our community! Bring your coffee and your questions. Unscripted and unapologetic, have a real conversation with a leader. No membership, no cost, no registration, no worries.

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Happy Garden Workshop Series

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Cactus Workshop

Date and Time: Saturday, April 10 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

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If you have special items you would like included in your cactus centerpiece please feel free to bring them along. Aftercare will also be discussed before you leave.

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Pretzel & Cheese Hammer

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Finding the ideal customers through market research (BACD)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 13 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Address: Virtual

Learn how to conduct market research and give your business a competitive edge, so you can boost your business growth. In this session, you will get an understanding of the importance of knowing who your customers are and what they really want.

DHSBA: Your Virtual Trade Show

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 13 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting

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Wednesday, April 14, 2021

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Menu

Peanut Butter & Jelly or Ham & Cheese Triangle Finger Sandwich

Pretty Princess Tea Cookie

Cucumber Slices & Dip

Juice Box

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 14 9:30 am

Maker Meet Up – Breaking Through Our Mental Barriers (BACD)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 14 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Virtual

In this session we want to help you breakthrough to the next level and get your mindset on board with your dreams. This event series is creative business types - makers and artists.

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Social Media Content: Strategy and Planning (The Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 14 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Webinar

Social media is a never satiated content beast - it's always hungry for more! It can be tough to keep up with social media content creation. But if you create and repurpose your content smartly, you can stay ahead of the curve

. Discover how in this workshop, where you'll learn the tricks of how to efficiently plan a month's worth of social media content in one sitting.

You'll learn:

- How to create a content plan that reaches your social media goals
- How to establish the best voice for each of your business's social media channels
- Tactics and ideas for repurposing content, so creating content doesn't become your full time job
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- How to build (and populate) an editorial calendar
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Java Jolt (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

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Address: Webinar

Twice a month, join members and non-members for a virtual coffee to discuss business-focused topics which will be posted in advance and members will have the opportunity to influence. For members, by members, this long-standing program continues its primary objective to support the business community and give them an opportunity to network and refer.

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Roaring 1920s Drive-Thru Tours

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Address: 2365 6th Concession Rd, Greenwood ON L0H 1H0

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Be My Guest: Cocktails with Kiki

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Address: Online event via Zoom

Kiki welcomes viewers to take a seat at her kitchen table for hot gossip and cocktails. During this iteration of Cocktails with Kiki, she will be sharing her secret recipe for success: markikis (dirty gin martini) and tarot cards, walking viewers through the basics of how to read the cards and the pleasures of brine. In this session, Kiki will read tarot cards for 2 interested participants who want to speculate upon their future with us in an open-form discussion.

Be My Guest brings together artists, writers, and curators who will speak about community, spirituality, and ethics through mediated engagements with food and drink pairings. Registrants will receive instructions for gathering the ingredients in order to prepare the recipes.

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Monday, April 19, 2021

Land Division Committee Virtual Meeting

Date and Time: Monday, April 19 9:00 am - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

What's Brewing (Oshawa Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 20 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Address: Webinar

Coffee. Communicate. Connect.

BACD Business Fundamentals: Marketing & Sales

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 20 9:30 am - 11:30 am

Address: Virtual

This session will help you create a marketing plan that targets your ideal customer and help you identify the marketing tactics and sales channels for your business.

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mNetworking (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 20 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: Webinar

Join us and the Town of Whitby for a virtual mNetworking session. Each event will focus on a different business theme presented by Town of Whitby staff. This month's topic is why invest in Whitby.

Ecommerce Options for Small Business: Online Webinar (The Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 20 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Webinar

It's never been easier for small businesses to dip their toes into the world of ecommerce. Discover the fundamentals of selling online in this webinar that's perfect for ecommerce beginners.

You'll learn:

- How to add ecommerce functionality to an existing website
- How to sell through a third-party marketplace
- How to build your whole website as an online store
- What your options are for payment gateways and fees
- How to integrate your online store to other digital systems like accounting and shipping

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BACD Business Plan Masterclass

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Address: Virtual

Are you already in business and wanting to put together your business plan for growth or financing options? This hands on masterclass will take you through the steps of writing your business plan and financial projections.

Artist Talk: Digging into Archives

Date and Time: Thursday, April 22 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Address: Online via Zoom

Join us on Zoom for an intimate discussion with artist, Hiba Abdallah, and archivist, Tamara Rayan. Moderated by curator, Sandy Saad-Smith the discussion will touch on some of the most compelling issues around the nature and meaning of the archive. Looking at the archive as a conceptual and physical space in which memories are preserved and history decided, the talk will explore questions around the ways in which we create, store, and circulate information.

Guest Archivist: Tamara Rayan

Tamara Rayan is a Palestinian settler, ARL/SAA Mosaic Fellow, and recent University of Toronto Masters of Information Studies graduate specializing in archives and records management. Anti-racist action and BIPOC representation within the archive has always been at the forefront of her archival work. She is the former co-chair of the UofT iSchool's Diversity Working Group and is a current Steering Committee Member of the Society of American Archivists - Archivists and Archives of Color Section. Her research interests are focused on the ways in which minority and marginalized groups document and preserve their cultural heritage in the face of social pressure, colonialism, assimilation, and political oppression.

Grow Your Brand on Instagram: Online Webinar (Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 22 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Webinar

This workshop is for those that have already dipped their toes into the world of Instagram, and are looking to grow their business's reach on the platform. We'll explore different ways businesses are strategically building their following on Instagram. We'll discuss strategies for account aesthetics, promotions, shopping and ecommerce, "swipe up" links, stories, highlights and more.

You'll learn:

- The key parts of Instagram (Grid, Stories, Highlights, Reels) and how to use each
- How to create (and maintain) your brand's aesthetic
- Tips for writing captions that deliver results
- How often you should post to maximize engagement with your followers
- How to properly use hashtags and location tags to increase the visibility of your posts
- How to use Instagram's reporting and analytics to learn what content is performing best

Friday, April 23, 2021

Breakfast with Mayor Adrian Foster

Date and Time: Friday, April 23 8:30 am

Address: Webinar

Please join Clarington Board of Trade as we have coffee and conversation with Mayor Adrian Foster

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Durham Nuclear Health Committee Meeting

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Saturday, April 24, 2021

Happy Garden Workshop Series

Date and Time: Saturday, April 24 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Address: 270 Simcoe Street N

The Happy Garden Workshop Series

The Durham Master Gardeners will lead these four workshops geared to those who want to become successful home gardeners. The workshops will cover a range of topics all designed to provide the home gardener with the confidence and skills to become happy gardeners. Each participant will receive a certificate of completion at the end of the 4 week series.

Workshop 1

Introduction to Soils and Starting Seeds ~ Saturday, March 27

The first half of the workshop will provide you with an introduction to the components of soil. We will teach you some quick tests and techniques that you can do at home to understand and improve your soil.

The second part of this workshop will focus on seeds – how to start your garden from seeds, what equipment you need, when to start seeds and how to get your seedlings ready for planting in the garden. The hands-on component of this workshop will have each participant prepare and plant trays of seedlings for planting in the spring.

Materials

You will be asked to bring a soil sample from your home garden to test during the workshop. All other materials will be supplied.

Workshop 2

Introduction to Growing Vegetable and Herbs ~ Saturday, April 10

This workshop will provide both the novice and the experienced home gardener with the knowledge and tools to make them successful home vegetable growers. We will talk about the various types of vegetables, ways they are classified, and how to grow them. We will then move on to the types of vegetable gardens, garden design and layout, siting and exposure, and selecting what vegetables to grow. We will have several hands-on activities for the participants to do in designing and planting a square-foot garden.

In the second part of this workshop, we will talk about growing culinary herbs. We will introduce you to the many types of herbs you can grow in your home garden and their growing requirements. We will also cover harvest

ing and preserving your herbs for future use.

Workshop 3

Container, Balcony and Small Space Gardening ~ Saturday, April 17

In this hands-on workshop, we will provide you with the basic knowledge to start growing plants in containers or small spaces. From soils and potting mixes, to choosing containers and plants for your balcony or terrace, we will provide you with the know-how to get started in container and small space gardening. We will have a hands-on activity to create salad bowl planters that can easily be started from seed.

Workshop 4

Introduction to Composting and Pollinators ~ Saturday, April 24

This workshop focuses on how easy it is to turn kitchen scraps and yard waste into rich, dark compost right in your own backyard. Learn the benefits of backyard composting; how to get started; and the ingredients you need to make it work. There will be a hands-on demonstration of a vermi-(worm)composter.

The second part of this workshop will talk about the importance of pollinators, why we need them, what the threats to pollinators are and what individual gardeners can do to support pollinators. We will also talk about the native plants that you can plant in your garden that will encourage pollinators to visit and take up residence. There will be a hands-on activity on how to build a mason bee nest.

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Spring Wreath Workshop

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We have a maximum number of 18 participants in this workshop 6 ft apart to keep you safe and comfortable.

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Tea & Talk from Home: The History of Oshawa's Theatre District

Date and Time: Sunday, April 25 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Address: 1450 Simcoe Street South, Lakeview Park

Join Lisa Terech as she explores the history and resurgence of the Regent Theatre and the popularity of Oshawa's own Marks family.

Oshawa's theatrical history dates back over a century when grand theatres lined the streets of downtown Oshawa. This is a one-hour virtual event via Zoom, on Sunday, April 25, 2021.

Tickets are available by donation, at [Eventbrite.ca](https://www.eventbrite.ca)

Monday, April 26, 2021

How to Map Out One Month of Social Media Content in 1 hour (BACD)

Date and Time: Monday, April 26 9:30 am - 11:00 am

Address: Virtual

As a small business owner, you already know that every piece of new content you create will require time, energy, and resources.

One of the keys to success on social media is creating a well-thought-out social media content calendar process. After all a successful social media strategy starts with a plan!

In this workshop you will learn:

- how to create a simple buyer persona
- about recent updates to various social media algorithm (Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn)
- how to come up with content buckets
- about tools you can use to create your content

Tuesday, April 27, 2021

mMornings (Whitby Chamber of Commerce)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 27 9:00 am - 10:30 am

Address: Webinar

Interested in learning how to deliver a memorable virtual presentation? Join us monthly for our mMornings series that provides our members with the opportunity to share their expertise with you.

9-1-1 Management Board Meeting

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Web Presence 101 - Ensuring Your Foundation Is Set (Digital Main Street)

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 27 10:00 am - 11:30 am

Address: Webinar

Your customers are on the web. Having a strategy for your online presence allows you to market your small business online so customers can easily find you. In this workshop hosted by the Toronto Digital Service Squad we'll discuss the importance of getting your business online and where to start with developing your online presence.

What you will learn:

- What is web presence and what platforms you can use to set up your website
- How to create a professionally-designed, responsive website for your business
- How to optimize website content to improve your search engine ranking (SEO)
- Setting up your Google My Business listing and other online directories
- Getting started with social media
- How email marketing can grow your business and encourage repeat customers
- Developing a cohesive brand voice online
- Engaging with customers virtually and building relationships on the web

Virtual BACD Biz Lunch

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 27 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Address: Virtual

Here is an opportunity for you to meet other business owners and to open new relationships - you never know what could transpire from those connections

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

Regional Council Meeting

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 9:30 am

BACD Start UP Session

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DigitalMarCon

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Address: Virtual

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How To Create Alternative Forms Of Revenue For Brick and Mortars Part 1 (BACD)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Address: Virtual

You will leave with a complete understanding of which revenue streams that will work for your business and a plan on how to get started.

The problem many business owners found themselves stuck with in 2020, was that their main stream of revenue either dried up or slowed to a trickle and their ability to pivot was either costly or daunting.

During this 2-day workshop, we'll explore 6 alternate forms of revenue and teach business owners how to decide which one to start with.

Supplier Information event

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm

Address: Virtual

This online event will include presentations to assist small businesses in learning more about the public procurement process and how to do business with various public agencies located in the region who are members of the Durham Purchasing Co-operative. Participants will also be provided an opportunity to ask questions of the participating local agencies.

How to Get Started With Online Courses (BACD)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Address: Virtual

During this session, Samantha will teach you the nuts and bolts of creating an online course – how to teach what you know in an online course, how to record, host and market your course and increase your revenue without working around the clock.

Maximizing Your Online Advertising & Digital Marketing Budget (The Ontario Digital Main Street Initiative)

Date and Time: Wednesday, April 28 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Address: Webinar

You don't need a big budget to get noticed on the web - you just need creativity! Savvy businesses are using bootstrap digital marketing techniques to amplify their message online. In this hands-on workshop, you'll learn the tricks and tools needed to market your business effectively on a shoestring budget. This webinar is presented in partnership with the Alliston BIA.

You'll learn:

- How to create a basic online marketing strategy and measurement plan that fits for your business size and goals.
- Why email marketing can be a powerful and cost-effective way to grow your business.
- How to get people to sign up for an email list while following best practices and the Canadian Anti-Spam Legislation (CASL).
- How to take advantage of influencer marketing, affiliate marketing and other ways to generate word-of-mouth.

- How to advertise cost-effectively through Google ads, Facebook ads and other ad networks.
- What free or low-cost graphic design tools to use to create eye-catching online ads.

Thursday, April 29, 2021

Workplace – Culture & Communication (Clarington Board of Trade and Office of Economic Development)

Date and Time: Thursday, April 29 8:30 am - 9:30 am

Address: Virtual

How you communicate with your team is critical. In these times of remote employees, we have to be intentional about how we manage when we can't always see what people are working on.

Join Richard Hedges, from The Alternative Board, as he helps us redefine our culture. Helping us to hire better, fire faster, as well as sharing tips on how to have a happier, more productive team.

DigitalMarCon

Date and Time: Thursday, April 29 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Address: Virtual

DigiMarCon At Home 2021 Digital Marketing Conference will be held Online from April 28th to 29th, 2021, available live stream and on-demand. It is the largest Digital Marketing Event in the World and will be attended by over 10,000 Digital Marketing Professionals.

Public Space

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Startup Grind: An Intimate Look at Female Entrepreneurship in Patriarchal Industries

Date and Time: Thursday, April 29 12:00 pm

Address: Virtual

Join Startup Grind as they present An Intimate Look at Female Entrepreneurship in Patriarchal Industries. Their diverse panel of female powerhouses — Judith Pineault, Peng-Sang Cau and Brooke Woboditsch will discuss their entrepreneurial journeys in patriarchal sectors, challenges faced by female entrepreneurs (then and now) and how we can do better moving forward.

BACD Business Fundamentals: Financials & Operations

Date and Time: Thursday, April 29 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Address: Virtual

Take better control of your business by understanding the accounting basics. We will also discuss why developing operational strategies can help you make more money.

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