

## SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER - 2017

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Summer may be winding down but things are heating up at your Chamber in September. Here are just some of the highlights of what's going on this month.

The 2017-18 Chamber Business Directory has been published and will be distributed in September. The Business Directory is one of the most valuable benefits of membership in the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce. Not only is the directory loaded with information about Genesee County but it offers a complete listing of all Chamber members and their contact information – all indexed both alphabetically and by type of business.

I know that the Genesee County Chamber Business Directory is the first publication I turn to when looking for information about Genesee County businesses and many of you have told me it is your first choice as well. I truly believe the marketing value of being listed in the Chamber Business Directory easily covers the cost of your entire Chamber membership dues.

Expect your copy of the 2017-18 Chamber Business Directory to arrive soon.

September also marks the return of the Chamber's Small Business Workshops after a summer hiatus and we are kicking off the fall season with a very timely and impactful workshop subject. The new New York State Paid Family Leave Act will affect just about every employer and employee in the business world, yet there are still many unknowns about the act. With the help of experts from Lawley Insurance, the Chamber will try to help clear up some of those unknowns.

More information regarding the New Paid Family Act Workshop is listed below in this newsletter.

Also in this newsletter you will find information on the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Decision Makers Ag Tour. This is one of my favorite days of the year. I am always amazed each year at what is going on in our county's number one industry – agriculture. This free half-day tour is open to the public and well worth the time.

I hope to see you at one of these Chamber events. Have a great September!

Sincerely,

*Tom Turnbull*

*President*