



Recap of February 9th. Biz Club gathering



Just like the slogan says we enjoyed great food, great beer and lots of good cheer at the Monk last Monday ~ poutine, wings and cold beer ~ it doesn't get much better then that! Special thanks to the Staff at the Monk.



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Newcomers Deborah Robitaille and April Mantel kept the conversation interesting. Deborah and April both work for the Royal Bank and are both new to downtown Oshawa, fitting into our business community with much enthusiasm!

Rick Mitchell, new to the Biz Club, but a long time stakeholder in the downtown is an expert on poutine and loves to dance.....

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Carolyn Ouellette joined us as well ~ Carolyn owns and operates a printing business at 169 Simcoe St. S. and although she's not technically in our central business district, Carolyn tries to come out to events when she can. **Remember our Downtown Biz Club welcomes all businesses in the downtown and within the immediate vicinity of downtown to join them**, so feel free to extend an invitation to others!



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Although our group was small this time out, it was very lively and discussions moved from topic to topic rapidly. In between bites of the best wings I've had in a long time, I learned that April was from Smith Falls, recently relocated to Oshawa. I also learned that she is enjoying all our restaurants and retail stores ~ says she didn't know we had such a nice selection of businesses! *Hmmmm, maybe April's on to something there David.....*

Rick ordered a huge plate of poutine and then proceeded to tell us he was an expert on the dish, starting a debate between us that ran for at least 15 minutes. It was finally agreed that the best poutine could be found in Sturgeon Falls ~ something Deborah knew a little about since she lived there for awhile working for the Royal Bank, but mostly playing the spoons and step dancing! You can take the girl out of the country, but you can't take the country out of the girl ~ hee haw Deb.....*I love to play the spoons!* Can't step dance, but I'd love to learn how to clog!



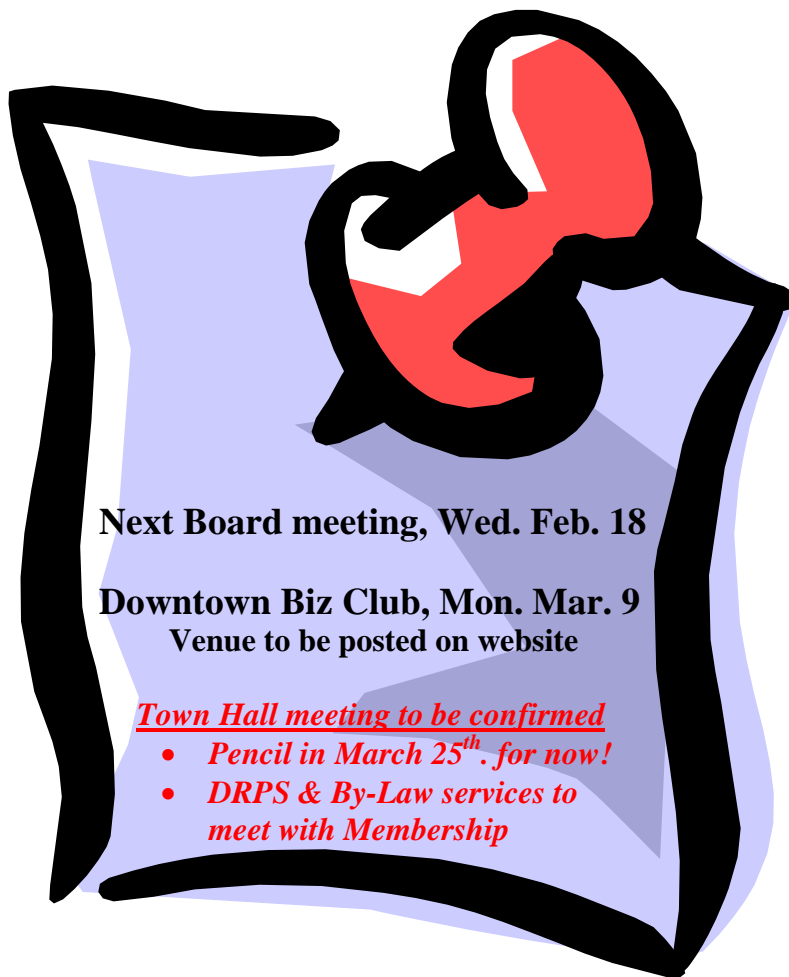
Deborah slipped back into her corporate hat for awhile and asked Rick all about the business he runs with his wife Michelle ~ turns out Michelle is the dancer and Rick is the office help.....and expert poutine advisor. Rick's currently learning ball room dancing and I think he said break dancing but we dropped that like a hot potato when we heard the words **Latin Jazz classes and Belly Dancing classes** were available at Rhythm Dynamix Dance.

Thanks to everyone that came out ~ it was good to see David Tuley join us again, and hope that as the weather improves we'll see more of you embrace the comradery that is building between business owners kicking back and relaxing a little ~ next months venue to be posted on the website.

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