

## Newsletter: July 2025

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*Registration* **OPEN**

### Upcoming Meetups & Events

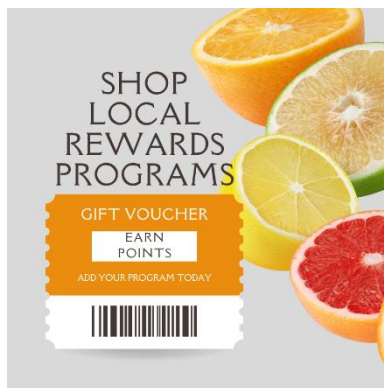
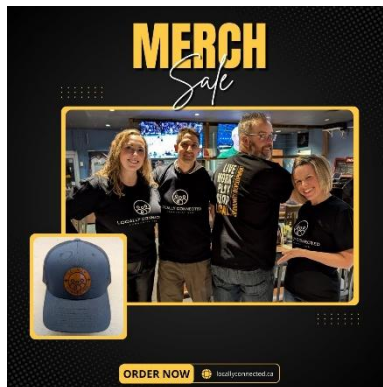
- **July 8:** Sleeman Breweries – Retail Store & Taproom (Guelph Chapter)
- **July 9:** Broken Rail Brewing (Stratford Area Chapter)
- **July 28:** St. Louis Bar & Grill (Eastbridge Chapter)
  - LCCHub and GLOW are teaming up at this Meetup for even more amazing networking!
- **August 13:** Lounge Six Parkway Sky Bar (Niagara Region Chapter)

### Feeding Connections: Thanks to Our Happy Hour Meetup Sponsors!

- **July 8:** Sleeman Breweries – Retail Store & Taproom – Guelph
  - *Wright Wealth (Guelph) Inc.*
- **July 9:** Broken Rail Brewing – St. Marys
  - *Wright Wealth (Guelph) Inc.*
- **July 28:** St. Louis Bar & Grill – Waterloo
  - *Hand & Stone Massage and Facial Spa – The Boardwalk*

- Zach DeJone, Commercial Mortgage Broker
- **August 13:** Lounge Six Parkway Sky Bar – St. Catharines
- Miss'es Clean

**Sponsor an upcoming meetup (\$200)** and help create an unforgettable experience! Your support not only enhances the event but also puts your business in the spotlight, connecting you with a diverse and engaged community. [Click here](#) for full sponsorship details.



## Now Live: The ConnectSWO Community Engagement App

On Canada Day, the Locally Connected Community Hub celebrated something truly local — the launch of its ConnectSWO community engagement app! This is your opportunity to discover local businesses, upcoming events, and exclusive community rewards. Add your business profile to the app and be discovered by thousands of potential customers throughout South and Southwestern Ontario.

- [Listen](#) to our launch podcast for a behind-the-scenes look of the ConnectSWO app.
- Download the ConnectSWO app for [Android](#) / [iOS](#).
- [Add](#) your business or personal profile.

## Important Update for Cambridge, Guelph, Woolwich, and Stratford Area Chapters

As Locally Connected Community Hub continues to grow, we're aligning our chapters for stronger community engagement. That means transitioning all Chapter Facebook Pages into Groups — so everyone can post, share, and connect more naturally.

- THIS IS YOUR FINAL CALL to join the new groups and stay connected! [Cambridge](#), [Guelph](#), [Woolwich](#), and [Stratford Area](#) pages are set up and active. The respective Facebook Pages will be deactivated on Friday, July 11, 2025.
- The [Eastbridge, Kitchener, and Waterloo](#) chapters have consolidated their Facebook groups, offering a centralized location to connect online.
- You're invited to expand your network, attend Meetups, and stay connected within our newest chapter, [Niagara Region Business Connections](#)!

Thanks for being part of this growing community. See you in the groups!

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## Online Resources

- [ConnectSWO](#) - Southwestern Ontario's largest and most freely accessible shop local business directory
- [Photo Gallery](#)
- [Meetup Feedback Form](#)
- [Community Outreach](#)
- [Milestones & Achievements](#)
- [Sponsors](#)
- [RSVP to your next Meetup](#)

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## New Members

### Eastbridge Chapter

- Carolyn Feeney
- Cheryl Thompson
- Jennifer Diehl
- Nishant Salvi

## **Kitchener-Waterloo Chapter**

- Andrea Ferguson - oneROOF Youth Services
- April Patterson - Financial Harmony
- April Schmidt
- Bianca Kgwarae - Bontle By B
- Bill Bishop
- Cindy Weiler
- Doreen Letson-Baker
- Harnoor Singh - Marketing Artistry
- Jamila Kyari - Jamila Kyari Co.
- Jelena Loncar-Vines
- Jenny MacIntyre
- Jessica Vandermeer - Vandermeer Osteopathy
- Julie Fulcher
- Kathy Stemmler
- Lori Strauss
- Naema Baskanderi
- Nicole Vaughan - Laptops & Lattes
- Pam Garbutt
- Pawan Panwar
- Rose Angela Habash
- Sachin Rikhe
- Sandra O'Connell - HOME Depot
- Sara Kuz
- Sharon Van Manen - Conscious Unapologetic Nitid Thoughts K.U.N,t
- Shelagh Ranalli
- Supriya A
- Thomas Russell

### **Cambridge Chapter**

- André Fleury - Wealth Confidence Coaching
- Arberor Mocka - MB & L Professional Painting
- Caroline DiCarlo - A Door to Morocco
- Jake Devine - Devine Construction Group
- Jason Waterfall - Little Mushroom Catering
- Laura Guitar - MB & L Professional Painting
- Mae Villatoro - Mae Villatoro Photography
- Mustafa Sherzaee
- Patricia Thomas
- Stacy Bergen - End to End Financial Services

### **Guelph Chapter**

- Dan Kaszuba - Workforce Planning Board
- Janet Straker - Ebb & Flow Creative
- Karen Gatto - Gatto Homes Inc
- Mahi Muraleedharan - Royal LePage Commercial
- Mimi Dhar
- Shawn Ellsworth - Ellsworth Media

### **Stratford Area Chapter**

- Bryan Beer - Transworld Business Advisors
- Gemmar Padin - Padin Eigenmacht CPA PC
- Jerry Arai - COBS Bread
- Sara Lisk - COBS Bread

## **Niagara Region Chapter**

- Chris Taylor - Taylor IT and Consulting
- Daniel Willis - Thorold Theatre
- Etienne Nel - The Cooperators
- Halina Epp - Eppcon Electrical Solutions
- Kara Renaud
- Kelly George
- Kelly Sauriol - Mission35 Mortgages
- Kim Bridgman
- Leanne Labiuk - You Can Paint Studio
- Mark Wood - The Forty Public House
- Michael Legall - Garden City Environmental
- Tim Housser - Pandapay
- Wanda Mcinnis - Wanda Mcinnis's Bookkeeping and Tax Services

## **Non-Chapter Specific**

- Carla Maciel
  - Carrie Bergen-Geisel
  - Faruk Bektic - Ctrl V
  - Ian Moorhouse - i2i Capital Management
  - Krista Gardner - 3S Business Solutions
  - Shweta Chaudhary - Home Depot
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## Annual Meetup Door Prize Sponsors

- ALL Corporate Print & Branding
- Andy's Custom Contracting
- Bailey's Local Foods
- bookmytherapy.ca
- Brentwood Custom Lasering
- Caudle's Catch Seafood
- Cellular Phoenix
- Chef On Call
- Classic Indian Restaurant
- Creekside Hearing
- Cross Heating & Air Conditioning
- Ctrl V - Cambridge
- Ctrl V - Guelph
- Ctrl V - Waterloo
- Dairy Queen Grill & Chill (King Street North)
- DT Shawarma (Bridge Street West)
- Eby Manor Golden Guernsey Dairy Market
- Enspire Dental Opportunities
- Expedia Cruises (Fairway Road South)
- Expedia Cruises (Waterloo)
- Freshco (University & Bridge)
- Garrett Peck Visuals
- HiWay Flowers
- irisHR
- Jackie Lauer, Leadership Consulting & Coaching
- KW Siskins
- Lavish Nails & Beauty Spa
- Les trois lys herbal clinic
- Levetto
- Like A Son Handyman Services
- Meal in a Jar
- Morty's Pub
- OUR Community Dollar
- Pennzoil 10 Minute Oil Change
- Pharmasave - Carriage Crossing Pharmacy
- Red Swan Pizza (Northfield Drive)
- Regal Nails Cambridge
- Renu Coaching
- ShineCo Cleaning
- St. Louis Bar & Grill
- Sugar Savvy Beauty Boutique
- The Poop Valet
- The Pickle Barrel (Conestoga Mall)
- Trevello
- Ultimate Vision Web & IT Solutions



- Gecko Websites
  - Grand River Tanning Salon
  - Greater Kitchener Waterloo Chamber of Commerce
  - Hand & Stone - Guelph
  - Hand & Stone - The Boardwalk
  - Ultra Plumbing & HVAC
  - Vasco Real Estate
  - Wally Parr Foods
  - Waterloo Bike Shop
  - YUMMY Burgers
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We look forward to seeing you at one of our many upcoming Meetups! [Click here](#) to confirm your spot (if you haven't already)!

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