

Notes from Avon Chamber of Commerce Meeting

M.A.P. – Mentoring Avon Professionals

Thursday, December 14, 2017

Attending Members: We had close to 20 members with Emmett Higley from Bearingstar attending for the first time.

Meet and Greet: For this meeting, we changed the format. We had a longer meet and greet with a complimentary breakfast provided by: Tim McCarthy, CPA/PFS & US Wealth Farmington Valley & New England Pasta Company. Everyone also quickly introduced themselves and their business.

Monthly Concept: We evaluated 2017. Everyone felt that M.A.P. has grown and evolved to a vital Chamber group during 2017. Our average size meeting is close to 20 and we have had very informative speakers and discussions. Margaret Shea McCarthy will continue as the facilitator.

We slightly tweaked the format of our meetings to add a Marketing Tip from the Membership Committee at the end of each meeting.

We also have instituted a sponsorship program for our meetings. Tim McCarthy's firms are willing to sponsor 4 and Peter Bakker 2 meetings. Speakers will also do the same for the meeting they host. Sponsorship is \$60 and cover the cost of the Continental Breakfast and the door prize.

Attached you will find a Proposed M.A.P. Calendar for 2018. There are still opportunities for speakers and sponsors. Please contact Margaret Shea McCarthy if you are interested.

Old/New Business

Old Business - No old business.

New business – Lisa Bohman spoke about up-coming Chamber events through the end of 2017. Lisa also announced that Katie Stevenson's firm, McCue Mortgage, will sponsor the V.I.B.E. group.

Next Meeting

Tim McCarthy from Tim McCarthy, CPA/PFS will sponsor and be the speaker. The topic to be discussed will be; “How Will the New Tax Code Effect Your Bottom Line.”

‘Nothing to panic about, but something to plan for.’

Door Prize: Congratulations to Emmett Higley who won a delicious product from the New England Pasta Co.

Thank you to Kim and Scott Morrison who hosts our meeting at New England Pasta Company.

Next M.A.P. Meeting

Where: New England Pasta Company, 300 West Main Street, Avon, CT

When: Thursday, January 11, 2018 - 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Thank you for your attendance, support and sharing.

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Additions, comments, and corrections to this report can be made by contacting Margaret Shea McCarthy at mmccarthy@timmccarthycpa.com or bringing it up at the next monthly meeting.