Finger Lakes Chamber Hosts Mixer at Boys & Girls Club of Geneva's 30th Anniversary

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Photo by Naturally Chic Photograph. Guests at the FLX Chamber August BAH. Featured in the center holding sign, L to R: Miranda Odell, Chamber President, Stephanie Hessler, Executive Director, Susan Tolleson, Business Manager/Event Planner, & Stephanie Annear, Grants Manager

The Finger Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce held its August Business After Hours Networking Mixer on Aug. 12 at the Boys & Girls Club of Geneva, which is celebrating its 30th anniversary. The event took place at 160 Carter Road, offering Chamber members an outdoor gathering under the recently dedicated Mark & Belinda Venuti Pavilion behind the Geneva Community Center.

Despite rain, members networked and received guided tours of the Geneva Community Center from Stephanie Annear, the Club's Grants Manager. Refreshments were provided by local businesses.

The Boys & Girls Club of Geneva first opened on Goodman Street in 1996, founded by local leaders and Hobart College alumni. It expanded to open the Geneva Community Center on Carter Road in 2009. Now in its 30th year, the organization supports regional programs including fighting food insecurity with Foodlink and nurturing early childhood development through Toddler Time and the First 1000 Days initiative.

Stephanie Hessler, Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club, discussed the organization's achievements over its first 30 years and its vision for the next 30. Miranda Odell, President of the Finger Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, highlighted the importance of working with and uplifting community organizations, and thanked the Boys & Girls Club for its community contributions and involvement with Chamber programming.

The FLX Chamber's next Business After Hours Mixer will be held on Oct. 14 at Finger Lakes Power Systems, located at 3333 Skyline Drive in Penn Yan. The Chamber's Annual Membership Harvest Celebration is scheduled for Sept. 24 at Climbing Bines in Penn Yan. Business After Hours events are held on the second Wednesday of each month from 4-6 p.m., unless otherwise noted, and are open to the public. The cost to attend is $10 for members and $20 for non-members, unless a BAH Season Pass has been purchased. For reservations or more information, individuals can email info@flxchamber.com or call 315-789-1776.

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