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Welcome New Members

K Squared Plumbing



Serving communities across Colchester, Pictou, Antigonish, and Guysborough counties, K Squared Plumbing is a licensed, insured, and bondable plumbing company offering residential and commercial plumbing installation, service, and maintenance. Their expertise includes everything from drain inspections and clearing to backflow prevention and well pump installation and troubleshooting. With 24/7 emergency service and a commitment to clear communication, thorough work, and treating every customer's needs with care, K Squared Plumbing is helping keep our communities flowing ... literally!

Earth-First Horticultural Services



Owned and operated by Darcy Paris-Sauvé, winner of the Environmental Impact Award for 2025, Earth-First brings more than a decade of horticultural experience and a genuine passion for helping customers bring their outdoor spaces to life. Based in Pictou Landing First Nation, the company offers a range of horticultural and landscaping services, from garden care and cleanups to tree work, walkways, hardscaping, and more.

At the heart of Earth-First is a love for the landscape, and for seeing customers' ideas and dreams come to fruition. Their work helps create beautiful, welcoming outdoor spaces while contributing to the character and vibrancy of our communities.



Welcome New Members

Titan Security & Investigation



Locally owned, and Nova Scotia based, Titan Security has been providing professional security and support services across the province since 2016. Their people-first approach is built around creating safe, secure environments while working closely with clients to find tailored solutions to their unique needs.

Titan offers a broad range of services, including uniformed security, event security, mobile patrol, concierge attendants, VIP security, loss prevention, and specialized healthcare services. Their team is committed to providing professional, transparent and solution-focused service, whether supporting a business, event, or helping organizations meet their staffing and security needs.



Radiant Health Solutions Inc.

Located right here in New Glasgow, Radiant Health Solutions is a nurse-practitioner-led clinic founded by Cheryl Lyons. They focus on medical aesthetics, wellness, and personalized care. The team brings together clinical expertise and a holistic approach, helping clients feel confident, informed and comfortable throughout their individual health and aesthetic journeys.

Radiant offers a range of services including cosmetic injectables and fillers, clinical facials, advanced skin and

body treatments, hair restoration, skincare and select nurse practitioner health services. Their approach is centred on tailored treatment plans and natural-looking results that enhance each individual client's features rather than taking a one-size-fits-all approach.

Radiant Health Solutions is committed to creating a welcoming environment where clients can prioritize themselves, explore their options, and make informed decisions about their care.

Honouring Indigenous History, Building a Shared Future



September 30th marked the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. A day to honour Survivors, remember the children who never came home, and recognize the enduring strength and resilience of Indigenous communities.

As we move into October, and Indigenous History Month here in Nova Scotia, we are reminded that learning and reconciliation are not limited to a single day. They are ongoing commitments to understanding the histories, cultures, experiences, and contributions of Indigenous peoples and to building stronger relationships within our communities.

Here in Pictou County, we are fortunate to live alongside and share community with Pictou Landing First Nation. We as a Chamber recognize the importance of listening, learning, and supporting Indigenous-led initiatives, and to creating meaningful opportunities for connection and collaboration.

As a business community, we each have a role to play in moving reconciliation forward. Not only through reflection, but through the relationships we build and the actions we take.

Together, we thrive. Together, we can build a future rooted in respect and shared community.

A New Chapter for Auto Trim & Signs



There's something exciting about seeing a local business enter a new chapter, and the opening of a new storefront is certainly worth celebrating.

The Pictou County Chamber of Commerce was pleased to join Auto Trim & Signs for the grand opening of its new storefront on Stellarton road in New Glasgow last month. The new location marks an exciting step forward for a company with more than three decades of experience helping businesses and organizations bring their brands to life.

From exterior and interior signage to vehicle graphics and wraps, digital displays, large format printing and custom design, Auto Trim & Signs offers a full range of solutions to help businesses get noticed. Their work is produced locally in Nova Scotia, with services extending from concept and design through to fabrication and installation.

The business is now also proudly part of the Trinity family, a partnership that brings together two Atlantic Canadian companies with a shared focus on quality, innovation, and continued growth.



What makes this milestone particularly meaningful in our community is the network of local connections behind it. Trinity has been a valued supporter of our Chamber events, while Auto Trim & Signs has also partnered with fellow Chamber member New Brooklyn Media. These connections are a great reminder of the ways in which local businesses can support one another, collaborate and create opportunities that extend beyond their own organizations.

As Auto Trim & Signs settles into their new location, we're excited to see the possibilities ahead and the continued impact of local businesses investing in their people, their partnerships, and our region.



50 Years of Building, Growing and Giving Back

Fifty years is more than a business milestone, it's a reflection of the people, relationships, and community which make that journey possible.

This year, MacGregors Industrial Group is celebrating their 50th year in business, and the Pictou County Chamber was pleased to join them at their recent open house. We had the opportunity to tour their growing operation, and see first hand the scale and capabilities that have developed from the company's beginnings as a local machining and repair operation.

Today, MacGregors is a multi-discipline manufacturing, supply, and service business serving clients across Atlantic Canada and beyond. Their capabilities span machining, fabrication, field services, prefabricated buildings, and industrial sales.



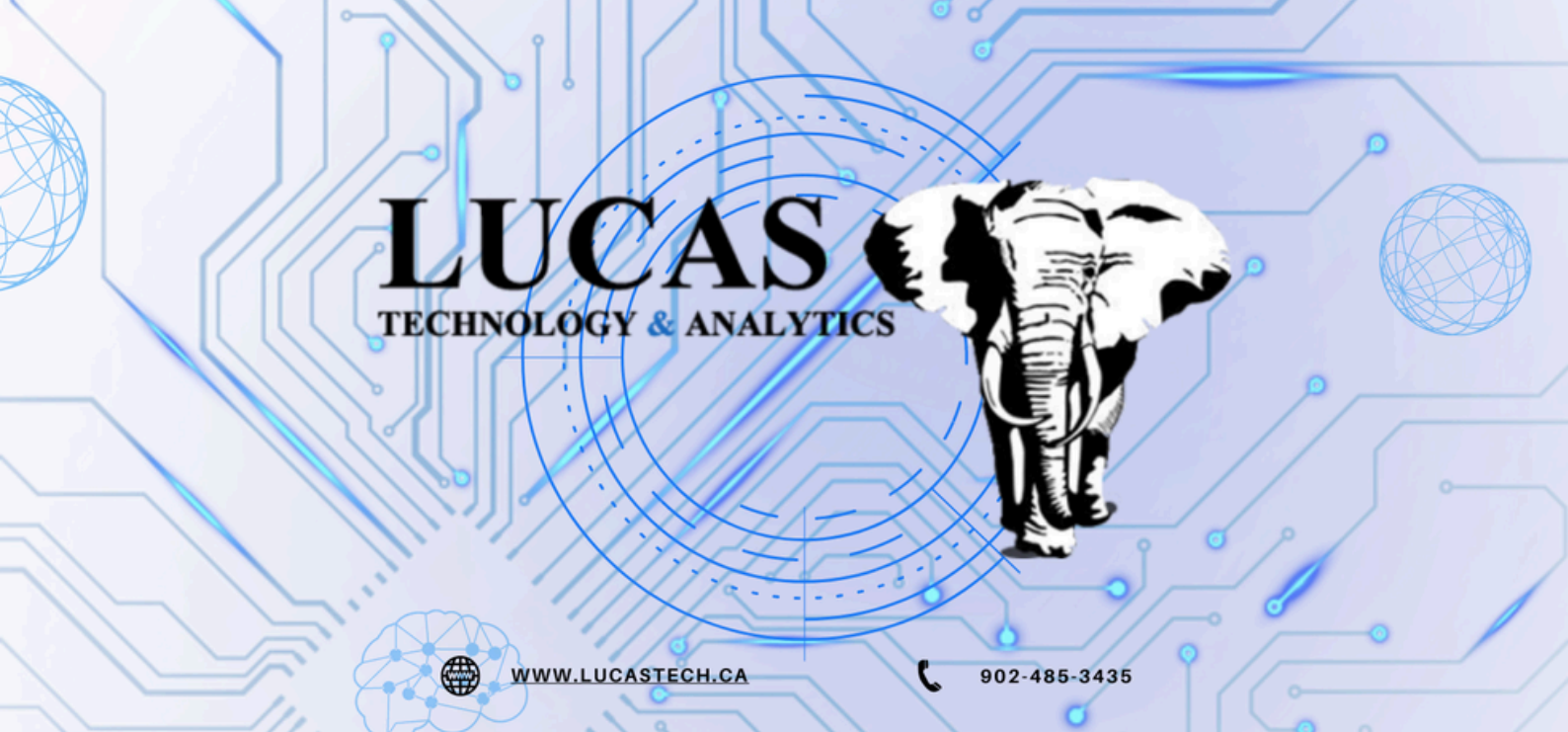
Growth at MacGregors isn't just measured in facilities, equipment, or services. As a family-owned and operated business which is now led by the third generation, the company continues to place a strong emphasis on its people and on giving back to the communities that have supported it along the way. MacGregors supports local initiatives through sponsorships, donations, mentorship, career development, and in-kind contributions, while encouraging its team to be involved in the communities where they live and work.

That commitment is reflected in the leadership of Nick MacGregor, whose involvement extends beyond the business into organizations and initiatives focused on strengthening Pictou County.

As MacGregors looks ahead to its next 50 years, its story is a reminder of what can happen when a local business continues to invest in its people, its capabilities, and in the community around it.

Huge congratulations to MacGregors Industrial Group on 50 years of building, growing, and giving back!





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Celebrating 30 Years of Lucas Technology & Analytics

For three decades, Lucas Technology & Analytics has been helping businesses and organizations across Pictou County and Nova Scotia to navigate an ever-changing world of Technology.

From computer repair and networking to website development, custom software, managed IT services, and data analytics, Lucas Tech has continued to evolve alongside the needs of the businesses it serves. Today, the company provides technology solutions designed to help organizations work more efficiently, protect their information, and make the most of the tools available to them.

Based in Pictou, Lucas Technology & Analytics is a great example of the expertise, innovation, and entrepreneurial spirit that exists within our local business community. For 30 years, the team has not only kept pace with technological change, but has helped local businesses and organizations do the same.

The Pictou County Chamber of Commerce is proud to celebrate this milestone and recognize Lucas Technology & Analytics for three decades of service, innovation, and contribution to our regional business community.

Congratulations to Lucas Technology & Analytics on 30 years, and to the next chapter of making IT happen!



Register Now



OCTOBER 22ND 2026

PICTOU COUNTY WELLNESS CENTRE

DOORS OPEN 8:00 AM

2756 WESTVILLE RD, WESTVILLE
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Join the Pictou County Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, October 22 at the Pictou County Wellness Centre for a full day designed to help local businesses explore their next steps, find the right supports, and make valuable connections.

The morning will focus on planning for growth and your business's next chapter, with insights from Patterson Law, Doane Grant Thornton, IG Wealth Management and RBC Group Advantage on business growth and succession, preparing for a sale or family transfer, employee financial wellness, and building wealth inside and outside your business.

Women-owned businesses can also take part in the Corporate Roundtable, hosted by the Centre for Women in Business in partnership with the Chamber and IGNITE Atlantic. Connect with corporate representatives, including representatives from the province of Nova Scotia, Sobeys, St Barbara, MacGregors, and WearWell Garments, learn about procurement and supplier requirements, and explore opportunities to grow your business.

The afternoon features Spark Tank, a fun, informal reverse-pitch opportunity to discover the organizations, resources and supports available to help your business thrive. This session will be followed by networking with mentors from IGNITE Atlantic's Rural Mentor Network.

08:00-08:45AM **Registration**

09:00-09:30AM **Doane Grant Thornton**

09:30-10:00AM **Patterson Law LLP**

10:00-10:30AM **RBC Group Advantage**

10:30-11:00AM **IG Wealth**

11:00-11:45AM **Panel**

10:00-12:00 **WIBC Procurement Roundtable:**

Ignite Atlantic & the Pictou County Chamber

Introduce your business and explore new opportunities with corporate procurement.

12:00-12:45PM **Break**

01:00-02:30PM **Spark Tank with Ignite Atlantic followed by networking**

Whether you're growing your business, planning its future, looking for support, or simply ready to make new connections, BizFest is an opportunity to learn, connect and spark your next big move.



Thursday, October 22, 2026



Pictou County Wellness Centre



Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

Registration is now live — reserve your spot today!



To register, use the QR code above, or visit the events page on our website: pictoucountychamber.com

After Hours

After the September Buzz of getting kids back to school, finding your routine, and bracing for the cold months ahead, join us for a relaxing afternoon with Watervale Springs Retreat on October 15th from 4-6pm.

Light refreshments and marshmallow roasting mixed with the serene environment make this a must attend fall event. Come for the atmosphere, stay for the connections. We can't wait to see you there!

Register using the QR code or RSVP by visiting our events page: pictoucountychamber.com




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The Chamber Cafe
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&
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Friday October 30th 2026
From 8:30- 11:30 AM

352 E River Rd. New Glasgow, NS



Chamber Cafe

We're putting a fun spin on our usual Chamber Cafe this month!

Join us on October 30th, the day before Halloween, for a spookily business friendly coffee chat between 8:30-11:30am.

Costumes are optional, a sweet tooth is necessary. Come stop in and tell us what has been keeping you up at night, or just grab some early treats!


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2026 BUSINESS ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

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GILLIS**

Olympic Sailor

NOVEMBER 5TH, 2026 | DECOSTE CENTRE, PICTOU

Tickets are Now on Sale for the 2026 Business Achievement Awards

Join the Pictou County Chamber of Commerce on November 5th, 2026, at the deCoste Performing Arts Centre for an evening of celebration for the businesses, entrepreneurs, and community leaders who continue to make Pictou County the thriving community we call home.

This year's Business Achievement Awards will bring our business community together for an evening of recognition for the resilience of our region, exemplified through the special guest speaker, who is not only a local athlete but has represented Nova Scotia on the Olympic stage; Madeline Gillis.

Guests will enjoy an elegant dinner catered by Pictou County's own Tilly's Kitchen. For information on the menu and dietary options, go to our website and purchase your ticket today!

With a captivating speaker, a delicious meal, and an opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of our business community, this is an evening sure to leave you inspired.

Tickets are now on sale through the events page on our website: pictoucountychamber.com

Reserve your seat and join us as we celebrate the people and businesses helping our community thrive.



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visiting pictoucountychamber.com





2026 EMPLOYER FORUM

PLUS MINI JOB FAIR OPPORTUNITY

Tuesday, October 27th, 2026

Summer Street, 72 Park St., New Glasgow, NS

Workforce Development is a Community Effort

Today's workforce challenges require a community-wide approach. Learn about the programs, partnerships, and resources available to help attract, develop, and retain talent in Pictou County.

Connect with fellow employers, service providers, and community partners as we explore practical solutions for workforce success.

Join us and discover what's possible when we work together.

Forum attendees also have the opportunity to reserve an exhibitor table at the Mini Job Fair and connect directly with job seekers from across the region.

Agenda:

- **8:00am** Doors Open / Check-in & Networking
- **8:30am** Continental Breakfast
- **9:00am-11:00am** Employer Forum
- **11:30am-1:30pm** Mini Job Fair (Open to the public)

Register here →



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