



Putting the Power back in your Community

Electricity demand in Ontario is at an all-time high. The summer of 2006 saw the peak demand in Ontario reach a record 27,005 megawatts (MW). As the demand grows, so does the pressure on the existing generation and transmission infrastructure resulting in the need for additional resources. In this period of transition, Demand Response (DR) is quickly emerging as an effective and flexible strategy that can address power supply constraints at both the local and provincial scale.

DR allows users of electricity to be compensated for reducing electricity demand at times when the system capacity is reaching its limits and during periods when wholesale electricity prices are very high. Participating companies are playing an active role in enhancing the reliability of the electricity system, while offering an environmentally-friendly alternative to increased generation. In return, participating companies are compensated through financial incentives and other economic benefits.

Last summer, Rodan Energy & Metering Solutions Inc. launched their enerShift York DR program to address reliability concerns in York Region. Rodan is working with businesses in Whitchurch-Stouffville to identify ways through which they can maximize the benefit to their community while minimizing the impact on their operations. For more information contact Caroline Lofthouse of Rodan Energy at (905) 625-9900 x248 or visit www.enershift.com.

Wage Subsidy for Businesses Hiring Summer Students

The Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs is now accepting applications for the 2007 Rural Summer Jobs Service program that provides a \$2.00 wage subsidy to employers who hire students. For program details and applications refer to the 2007 Rural Summer Jobs Service Employer Application/Contract found located at www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/rural/rsj/rsj_index.htm

Employers must complete, sign and submit the application form by **May 31st, 2007**.

The Ontario government provides a \$2 per hour student wage subsidy to rural employers who create summer employment opportunities for students.

Eligible students are between the ages of 14 – 24 years and must be planning to return to school in the fall, eligible to work in Canada and not related to the employer. The students must be paid at least minimum wage of \$8.00 per hour (\$7.50 under 18 years of age). Students are hired for up to a 16-week period, an average of 35 hrs per week to a maximum of 48 hours.

Approval for funding of subsidized positions will be confirmed with employers by mail following the deadline of May 31st, 2007.

RESPECT - I will treat myself and other with consideration, high regard and dignity.

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Go Sales and Tourist Information

Mon-Fri 7:30-5:00
Sat 7:30-4:00

Welcome New Members

Shoeless Joe's

Mike Dimoski
5892 Main Street
Stouffville, ON L4A 2S8
Tel: 905-640-4282
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Restaurant

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7 Marks Court
Ajax, ON L1T 3N3
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Ideal Tile & Carpet

Pat Weston
6212 Main Street
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Crossroads Restaurant

Steve & Melissa Fitzpatrick
6211 Main Street
Stouffville, ON L4A 2S5
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Restaurant

COMING EVENTS
MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Thursday April 19th – AGM Meeting – 6:00pm
6:45 pm Meet & Greet - Dinner 7:30 pm
Annual Chamber Business Awards & Dinner
Meadowbrook Golf & Country Club
11939 Warden Ave, Gormley, ON
Members \$75.00, Potential Members \$85.00**

**Tuesday April 24th – 8:00 am
Networking Breakfast – Sponsored by
Edward Jones Investments – John Paulino
6212 Main Street # 102, Stouffville, ON
Members \$10.00, Potential Members \$15.00**

**Thursday May 17th 2007
Chamber Annual Golf Tournament
Sleepy Hollow Golf & Country Club
13242 Tenth Line, Stouffville, ON
Entry Fee: \$160.00 Dinner Only \$ 50.00
Hole Sponsorship \$99.00
\$20.00 Qualifies you for the Players Passport**

Registration & Advance Payment Required

Call: 905-642-4227