



City of Sarnia

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SUBJECT: Business After 5 – August 15th – Sarnia Chris Hadfield Airport Hangar 2

The City will be holding a Business After 5 event with the Chamber of Commerce on August 15, 2018 between 5:00pm and 7:00pm within Hangar 2. The event is open to Chamber members and invited guests and is a great opportunity to connect with other Chamber members in a casual atmosphere.

For one night only, get an inside look at airport operations and the general aviation aspects of travel, including a "Behind the Scenes" tour. Air Canada personnel will be on-site providing insider information on the world of commercial air travel.

The event will also assist with garnering Chamber member and general public input to a new strategic plan for the airport.

GIVEAWAY: Donated prizes include

- 2 Air Canada flight tickets anywhere Air Canada flies (Value up to \$8,000). ^{1, 2}
- Scenic Sightseeing tour for three (a \$220 value) ²
- Refined Fool gift baskets (a \$100 value) ²

¹Terms, conditions, and blackout days apply. ²Must submit an online survey and be present to win.

Consultation of Chamber members and the general public begin on August 1st through an online survey on www.smartsarnia.com (Sarnia Airport) webpage. Further public participation session will occur following the event.

Comments on the airport and those wishing to be involved in the upcoming airport master planning session can contact airportparticipation@sarnia.ca. A report summarizing the comments received will be prepared for future Council consideration

Suggested Quotes:

"Our airport is a key economic building block and connector to domestic and international market. We hope that you enjoy the behind the scene opportunity while networking with other businesses."

- **Shirley de Silva**, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Sarnia Lambton Chamber of Commerce

"The City is proud to feature the Sarnia Chris Hadfield Airport as the August Business After 5 venue. Our airport is a critical municipal asset that acts as a catalyst for local businesses to engage in worldwide markets. Your ideas on the future of the airport will inform Council's direction on an airport master plan."

- **Margaret Misek-Evans**, CAO, City of Sarnia

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