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#### What's New?

**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Burlington Business Summit-Our Story, Our Burlington-** Join us for an exciting networking breakfast with keynote speaker Sam Baio CEO & President of West 49. This event is hosted by Team Burlington and will be held on Wednesday April 16, 2008 at 7:30 a.m. at the Burlington Convention Centre, 1120 Burloak Drive. Tickets are \$35 and includes breakfast and the keynote. Sponsored by Fibrewired, Throatthreads, Burlington Hotel Association & City of Burlington. Visit [www.bedc.ca](http://www.bedc.ca) to register. For further information contact 905 332-9415 or [gibbinsm@burlington.ca](mailto:gibbinsm@burlington.ca)

**Take "Time Out" Sport Enthusiasts!** - Join us for a free breakfast and an opportunity to network with individuals, businesses and organizations committed to sport development in our community. Featuring Burlington native John Williams, Toronto Argonauts Football Club, professional football player since 2002. Proud owner of a 2004 Grey Cup ring and the only father and son named on the Grey Cup. John will profile his career and the programs he is passionate about delivering in our community; Anti Bullying, Reading and Running, and the 7240 Project - Careers in Professional Sport. Tourism Burlington's new event funding program will be discussed, updates on the 40<sup>th</sup> Burlington International Games, local sport businesses highlighted, and upcoming sport events promoted. Please, take some "Time Out" and join us for the first of five networking breakfasts dedicated to sport and its many community partners. **Monday, February 4, 2008** from 7:30 - 9:00 am at the Hilton Garden Inn, 985 Syscon Road, Burlington, sponsored by the Burlington Hotel Association. [RSVP](#) by January 31<sup>st</sup>. Sponsored by [Tourism Burlington](#) and the Burlington Hotel Association in partnership with the [City of Burlington](#) and the [Burlington Sport Alliance](#)

**NEW Event Funding Program** -Tourism Burlington has developed event funding to provide financial assistance to events hosted in Burlington and/or its surrounding area. The maximum grant issued per event, per year is \$5,000, and total funds available for 2008 are \$50,000. Grants will be issued in two funding periods: **February 29<sup>th</sup>** deadline for events hosted between May 1 and October 31 and **September 30<sup>th</sup>** deadline for events hosted between November 1 and April 30/09. Funding for this tourism grant program is made possible through the Burlington Hotel Association (BHA), whose members voluntarily collect a Destination Marketing Fee on room rental rates. Tourism Burlington works with the BHA to implement marketing initiatives that enhance Burlington's profile as a tourist destination. See the [website](#) for further details.

## Partner News

**Proposed Burlington Performing Arts Centre design options on display**- On February 6, 2008 the city's Community and Corporate Services Committee will review and select a preferred design option for the Burlington Performing Arts Centre. Starting on Jan. 29 the design options being presented to committee will be available for the public to view on the city's [website](#) and will be on display in City Hall and at Tansley Woods Community Centre.

**Maple Syrup Festival** - This popular festival will be held at Bronte Creek Provincial Park from March 1 - 30 (weekends + March break AND Easter weekend), from 9:30 am - 3:00 pm. Bronte Creek is proud once again to be partnering with [Holiday Inn Burlington Hotel and Conference Centre](#). Visit the [website](#).

**Nominations Being Accepted for Tourism Awards** - The Tourism Awards honour outstanding achievement and contribution to the Tourism industry in Burlington. Nominations are being accepted until **February 18, 2008** and the awards will be presented on May 8, 2007 at the Chamber of Commerce Gala. To submit a nomination, complete the form and forward to Tourism Burlington. See [details](#).

**Welcome New Partners** - Become a partner with Tourism Burlington by completing and faxing a partner profile. It is free to any tourism business in Burlington. Call 905 634-5594 or visit our [website](#).

Adult Rookie League (ARL)	289-242-6339
Lezley's Chaps	905-333-4431
Four Forty Fitness for Women	905-639-1440
Mantra Restaurant	905-633-8422

## Industry Updates

**New FAQ on Canada.Travel**- There has never been a shortage of questions from travellers preparing to come to Canada. When you receive inquiries from out of country visitors, point them to the new FAQ section on Canada.travel. Clear and concise answers are there, to questions like: *What is the voltage of electricity supply in Canada? Do I need a passport or visa to enter Canada? Do I need to bring Canadian money with me to Canada or are US dollars acceptable?* The information will soon be available in different languages. Visit the [website](#).

## What's Happening?

- Feb 1-2, 7-10, 14-16: "Born Yesterday", [Theatre Burlington](#)
- Feb 1-2, 7-10, 14-16: "Music Hall", [Drury Lane Theatre](#)
- Every Sat, Feb 2-March 1: Discover Science Children's programme 11am-Noon [Discovery Landing](#)
- Feb 2: "Living With Landmines" photography exhibit - [Burlington Art Centre](#)
- Feb 2: Tales by a Winter Fire, 7pm-9pm, [Mountsberg Conservation Area](#)
- Feb 3: Lowville Winter Games, 12-4pm, [City of Burlington](#)
- Feb 3: Snowsnakes & Snowflakes, 10 am-4 pm, [Crawford Lake Conservation Area](#)
- Feb10: 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual WinterFest, 11am-3pm, [Royal Botanical Gardens](#)
- Until Feb 24: Glass Under Glass Exhibit, 10am-4pm, [Royal Botanical Gardens](#)

**Sport Events** - Put out the welcome mat for the athletes and families participating in these upcoming sports events:

- [2008 Pond Hockey in Paradise Tournament](#) - February 2, 2008
- Feb 8 - Feb 9- 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Sr. Burlington Challenge Invitational- Pearson and Nelson High Schools
- Feb 9-15<sup>th</sup> Annual Burlington Sno-Pitch Tournament - Bishop & Firkin
- Feb 9 Burlington Curling Club - Mixed Invitational Bonspiel - Burlington Curling Club
- Feb 9 -35<sup>th</sup> Annual KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS- Basketball Free Throw Championships- Notre Dame SS
- Feb 10 [VRPro](#) - Valentine Race (5k) - Cedar Springs Health Racquets and Sportsclub
- Feb 15-16 [Burlington Sport Alliance](#), Sports Marketplace -Mainway Community Centre Sybille Hamilton - 905-635-0634

Visit the [Burlington Events Calendar](#) for event information for visitors and residents at [www.burlington.ca](#). Free online listing for community events... **ADD YOURS NOW!**

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