



A buck pole in front of the original chamber of commerce building gave hunters a place to display their trophies annually.

Names change, but goals go on



Gathering around what appears to be a gigantic mushroom for the chamber of commerce's First National Mushroom Hunt and

Fry are several unidentified hunters and chamber executive secretary Harry Collins (fifth from the right).

When it was first organized in 1940, it was called the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce.

From time to time over the past 50 years, however, the name has changed, although the purpose of

the organization — to promote business and tourism — has remained unchanged.

Letterheads for the chamber have read Otsego County Chamber of Commerce, then

later, Gaylord Area Chamber of Commerce.

Today's name, the Gaylord / Otsego County Chamber of Commerce, is all encompassing, noted current chamber executive director Bill Wishart.

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