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AWARD NOMINATIONS CRITERIA & FORM

Do you know a local business or resident (volunteer or employee) that you think deserves recognition? Then let us know! Grand Bend & Area Chamber annually presents Business and Citizen awards at **Celebrate the Season** in November. To celebrate and recognize unique contributions there are two business and two citizen awards: Business of the Year, Entrepreneur of the Year, David Scatcherd Community Spirit Award and the Phyllis Statchuk Customer Service Excellence Award.

Awards are presented at the **Celebrate the Season Awards Dinner** – this year taking place on **Thursday, November 16, 2017 at Hessenland Country Inn**. Everyone welcome!

HOW TO NOMINATE

Email, mail, or drop off your nomination no later than **October 31, 2017**. Nominations can be made by anyone in the community. ***NEW FOR 2017 - business award nominees do not need to be Chamber members! Eligible businesses and entrepreneurs can be any Chamber Member or a Lambton Shores business.*** Nominees for the two citizen awards can be ANYONE from the community (resident or employee or volunteer)!

Complete the nomination form with as much information as you can. Why did you nominate this person or business? What do you think they did or provided that is deserving of recognition?

The Awards Committee may contact the nominator for clarification or additional information.

BUSINESS OF THE YEAR (COMPANY AWARD)

This award recognizes a company or organization for special accomplishments in one or more areas including: environmental consciousness, product research and development, marketing innovation, increased sales, business development/turnaround, employee relations and product service/quality. The business demonstrates good business ethics, excels in customer service and demonstrates good corporate citizenship. Past Recipients of this Award include:

- Grandpa Jimmy's Scottish Bakery (2008)
- Colonial / Gables (2009)
- Oakwood Inn, Spa & Golf Resort (2010)
- Drayton Festival/Huron Country Playhouse (2011)
- Medway Homes (2012)
- Grand Bend Motorplex (2013)
- Track21 Graphix (2014)
- Ellison Travel & Tours (2015)
- Hessenland County Inn (2016)

ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR (INDIVIDUAL AWARD):

This award recognizes an individual in the business community who best personifies hard work, dedication, initiative and innovation and creativity in operating their business. The recipient is recognized for displaying good business ethics, superior customer service and commitment to the local community. Past Recipients of this Award include:

- Shannon Ryan, Garden Gate Gifts & Florals (2008)
- Jen Gaukroger, Paddington's Pub (2009)
- Milford Purdy, Purdy's at the Bend (2010)
- LeeAnn Powers, Aunt Gussie's Country Dining (2011)
- Mary-Jo Schotroff-Snopko, Pine Dale Motor Inn (2012)
- Tina Sandre, Midori Sushi (2013)
- Jesse Kadlecik, Tri-County Tree Service (2014)
- Veronica Brennan, Grog's & MacPherson's restaurants (2015)
- Marcia Swain, Pinery Antique Flea Market (2016)

DAVID SCATCHERD COMMUNITY SPIRIT AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

This award is presented to a community member who goes beyond their usual role, who is community minded and known for their support, commitment and dedication to making the Grand Bend Area a more vibrant, prosperous and welcoming community. The recipient has a self-less way of making the community a priority and truly believes in community spirit. This award is open to all citizens that truly give back to the community.

The Chamber thanks David Scatcherd and the Scatcherd Family for extending the Scatcherd name to this award.

Past Recipients of this Award include:

- Jim Southcott (2012) - *inaugural*
- Lynda Hillman-Rapley (2013)
- Glen Baillie (2014)
- Erryn Sheppard (2015)
- Barry Richman (2016)

PHYLLIS STATCHUK CUSTOMER SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD (INDIVIDUAL)

Awarded to an individual working or volunteering for a business or organization who is known for their dedicated service over a period of years. The recipient's ability to discover and respond to customer needs in a friendly, genuine and personable way makes a difference to the customer and organization. This award recognizes the citizen who connects with people as a foundation for delivering excellent service.

The Chamber thanks Maurice Statchuk and the Statchuk Family for extending the Statchuk name to this award. Phyllis Statchuk was known for her wonderful sense of humour, commitment to volunteerism and community and for her 10-years of dedicated service with the Chamber of Commerce.
Past Recipients of this Award include:

- Fadhil Askar (2014) – *inaugural*
- Glen Baillie (2015)
- Margrit Breuer (2016)

Nomination Form
Deadline: October 31, 2017

Complete all sections of this form. We strongly encourage you to attach additional information as needed to let us know how great your nominee is!

WHO ARE YOU NOMINATING? _____

NOMINEE'S BUSINESS (if applicable)_____

NOMINEE'S TELEPHONE _____

AWARD CATEGORY: (please select one)

- ☐ Business of the Year
- ☐ Entrepreneur of the Year
- ☐ David Scatcherd Community Spirit Award
- ☐ Phyllis Statchuk Customer Service Excellence Award

WHY ARE YOU NOMINATING THIS BUSINESS OR PERSON: Provide as full an explanation as possible as to why you are nominating this individual or company. Additional information relating to the nominee's achievements is encouraged and can be attached to the nomination form.

SUBMITTED BY

Your Name: _____

Your Phone: _____ Your Email: _____

(we may follow-up with you if we have questions or need more info)

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