

Business Person of the Year:

This award recognizes an individual who has been employed by a Chamber member business. Each nominee will be judged on accomplishments during the past 12 months as they relate to one or more of the following criteria:

- ◆Employee Training
- ◆Business Achievement
- ◆Impact of Local Economy
- ◆Commitment to the Community
- ◆Product, Service and/or Technological Innovations
- ◆Manager and Employee Relations

Most Promising New Business:

This award recognizes a new business that has been in operation for no longer than 2 years. Each nominee will be judged on accomplishments as they relate to one or more of the following criteria:

- ◆New Product Growth
- ◆Innovative Marketing
- ◆Impact on the Local Economy
- ◆Success in filling a marketplace need in Columbia County

Small Company of the Year:

This award recognizes a for-profit or non-profit business that has been in operation for more than 2 years and employs less than 25 people. Each nominee will be judged on accomplishments during the past 12 months as they relate to one or more of the following criteria:

- ◆Customer Service
- ◆Community Support
- ◆Employment Growth
- ◆Industry Participation
- ◆Impact on Local Economy
- ◆Aesthetics of Business
- ◆Employer-Employee Relations
- ◆Industry Profitability & Growth

Large Company of the Year:

This award recognizes a for-profit or non-profit business that has been in operation for more than 2 years and employs 25 or more people. Each nominee will be judged on accomplishments during the past 12 months as they relate to one or more of the following criteria:

- ◆Customer Service
- ◆Community Support
- ◆Employment Growth
- ◆Industry Participation
- ◆Impact on Local Economy
- ◆Aesthetics of Business
- ◆Employer-Employee Relations
- ◆Industry Profitability & Growth

Community Service Award:

This award recognizes exceptional community service of a business in Columbia County. Each nominee will be judged on accomplishments as they relate to one or more of the following criteria:

- ◆Demonstration of Community Support
- ◆Impact on Local Economy
- ◆Employee Involvement in Community Activities

Business Person

Nominee: _____

Nominee Contact: _____

Nominee Phone: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name and business)

Most Promising New Business

Nominee: _____

Nominee Contact: _____

Nominee Phone: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name and business)

Small Company or Organization

Nominee: _____

Nominee Contact: _____

Nominee Phone: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name and business)

Large Company or Organization

Nominee: _____

Nominee Contact: _____

Nominee Phone: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name and business)

Community Service

Nominee: _____

Nominee Contact: _____

Nominee Phone: _____

Nominated by: _____
(Name and business)

Nominations are due by May 30, 2008. Recipients will be announced at the Chamber Excellence in Business Awards and Showcase on June 12, 2008 at Columbia-Greene Community College from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Contact the Chamber to reserve for the event at 518-828-4417.

The Chamber's Excellence in Business Committee will review all submissions and select a maximum of three final nominees in each category. The final nominees will be reviewed by the Chamber Board of Directors, who will vote to determine a recipient in each category. All Chamber members are eligible to be nominated for a Chamber Excellence in Business Award.