

AWARD CRITERIA

The Chamber of Commerce presents awards at the Annual Membership Meeting, which will be held Tuesday, November 1, 2016, at the Wytheville Meeting Center. Please nominate a recipient based on the following criteria. Complete all of the requested information on each nominee regarding why they should receive the award. Nomination Form on reverse side. Deadline: September 9, 2016.

OUTSTANDING BUSINESS LEADERSHIP AWARD

Nominees must be an active leader in a for-profit enterprise; large or small business. The award will recognize an outstanding Chamber member with contributions to served area (Wythe and Bland Counties) including civic, public services, and community service.

Past recipients: Richard E. Phillippi, Jr.; William N. Gilmer, Jr.; Steven D. Irvin; Wayne and Ty Roop; Collin Peel; Steve Lester; Bill and Farron Smith; Bill and Jackie King; Dr. Gordon W. Jennings; Dale and Debbie Clark; Dr. Rebecca Beamer; Tommy Anders; Dr. Noah Malavolti; Dr. Amanda Brewer; Tim Walsh; Gary and Charlotte Naber; Tim Havens; Wythe County Community Hospital; Hannah's Attic – Vickie Smith

OUTSTANDING INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP AWARD

Nominees must be an active leader in a for-profit enterprise in the industrial sector. This award will recognize an outstanding Chamber member with contributions to served area (Wythe and Bland Counties) including civic, public services, and community service.

Past recipients: Dave Elmore; Joe Freeman; Larry Corvin; David Carpenter; Bob Fowlkes; Tom Hough; Peggy Sutphin; Michael and Ronald Musser; Tom Lovelace; Collin Peel; Gatorade; Pascor Atlantic; Duchess Dairy; ABB, Inc.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Nominees should be a resident of Wythe or Bland County who is active in community organizations and volunteers service to his or her neighbors. The recipient expends time and talent to help make our community a better place in which to live.

Past recipients: Hontas Austin; Mike Hall; Tasos Gogos; John and Shirley Sutherland; Sarah Dunn; Molly Thompson; Paul Looney; Nancy Tate; Mabeline & Elton Robinson; Dr. Walter Barton; Basil Gordon; Robert Kegley; Betty Munsey; Reece Johnson, Jr.; Wytheville Ladies Ruritan Club; Tommy Hundley; Dee Dee Hoosier; Randy & Myra Moler; Bill & Wilma Snyder; Debbie Walker

INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Nominees must be an innovative leader with outstanding contributions to the served area.

Past recipients: Joseph Hand; Frances Emerson; John Dale Melvin; Tom Hough; Cellell Dalton; Bill and Farron Smith; George Keck; Herb Grant; Mark Sechrest; Teresa King

COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD

Selection based on an individual or business that has made a significant, positive impact to the quality of life in the Wytheville-Wythe-Bland Chamber of Commerce service area.

Past recipients: Linda DiYorio; Dr. Robert Douglas Humphrey, Jr.; Jean Lester; Danny Gordon; Andy Kegley; Randy Newberry; Rodney Cassell; Don Spiller; Mike Hall; Farron Smith; Learn Today Lead Tomorrow; Charlie White; AGAPE Food Pantry; Community Food Kitchen; Wythe-Bland Foundation

AGRICULTURE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD & Farmer of the Year

Nominees must be from Bland or Wythe County; involved in agriculture and community.

Past recipients: Jim & John Huffard; Roger King; Melinda Belcher; Hill Dairy Farm, Inc.; Alfred & Dianna Stephens; Tom & Ruth Clark; Laymond Barger; Wythe County Farm Bureau Ladies Committee; Wythe County Agriculture Association; Phyl Snapp; Bland Farm Management Group; David Danner; Morehead Farms, LLC; Charles and Betty Dix; Ceres Alumni Association H.C. Groseclose Agriculture and FFA Museum; Wythe "Bucky" Sharitz; J.C. Kidd Farm; Dr. Larry Taylor and Dr. Sheryl Taylor; Blue Willow Angus Farm – George & Helen Keck

TOURISM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Nominees must be an active tourism leader in the industry and represent Bland or Wythe County. Should be a Chamber member.

Past recipients: Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre; Big Walker Lookout and Country Store; West Wind Farm Vineyard and Winery; Trinkle Mansion Bed and Breakfast; Beagle Ridge Herb Farm and Environmental Education Center; Edith Bolling Wilson Birthplace Foundation & Museum; Wolf Creek Indian Village & Museum

WYTHE-BLAND YOUNG PROFESSIONAL AWARD

Nominees should be from Bland or Wythe County; involved with the Young Professionals Group and readily volunteers. (Current Steering Committee Members exempt from nominations.) *Past recipients: Tina Brown; Todd Repass*

OUTSTANDING CHAMBER VOLUNTEER AWARD

Selection will be based on the nominee's outstanding contributions in a voluntary role to the Wytheville-Wythe-Bland Chamber of Commerce.

Past recipients: Dave Macpherson; Ron Kime; David Johnson; Betty Munsey; Robert Kegley; Jody Gibson; Danny Gordon; Amanda Dean; Leah Huffman-Chase; Ron Boone; Teresa King; Wythe-Bland Young Professionals; Brandi Jones

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

(Award established in 1979) Sponsored by Stanley King, Sr.

Nominee must be a resident of Bland or Wythe County; dedicated to fellow man; long lasting contributions to community service and/or projects; participation in commercial, community, civic or governmental activities for the betterment of the community over an extended period of time; personal and/or business success.

Past recipients: J. L. Reynolds; T. Barclay Allison; Paul Parsons; T. A. Turley; James A. Williams, Jr.; D. Woodrow Bird; Paul H. McDowell; Willy B. Crockett; N. Stanley King, Sr.; Raymond Fulton; Garnett Ager; Dr. W. Randolph Chitwood; Rev. Thomas Sproule; Judge R. William Arthur; Arthur M. Gates; Thomas E. Mallory, Sr.; Dr. John P. Baumgardner; Dr. Robert Douglas Humphrey, Jr.; Jeanette Hurt Clippard; Dr. Carl E. Stark; Robert Eley Johnson; John R. Crowgey; G. W. Catron; Martha DeBord; Archibald A. Campbell; D. Reed Counts, Sr.; Olin S. Armentrout; Ruth Anne Chitwood; Thomas A. Bralley, Jr.; Wythe B. Sharitz; Stephen A. Lester, Sr.; George T. Johnstone, Sr.; Edmund Pendleton; Jack King; Jack Hunley; Linda P. DiYorio; Charles Crockett; Rose M. Lester; Dr. Walter S. Barton



Awards Nomination Form

Please complete all the requested information on each nominee regarding why they should be selected to receive the award. List only one, nominee per form. Additional forms will be available at the Chamber office, or copies will be accepted. Please circle the appropriate AWARD for the nominee based on the criteria on the reverse side.

- OUTSTANDING BUSINESS LEADERSHIP AWARD*
- OUTSTANDING INDUSTRY LEADERSHIP AWARD*
- COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD*
- INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP AWARD*
- COMMUNITY IMPACT AWARD*
- AGRICULTURE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD*
- TOURISM ACHIEVEMENT AWARD*
- WYTHE-BLAND YOUNG PROFESSIONAL AWARD*
- OUTSTANDING CHAMBER VOLUNTEER AWARD*
- OUTSTANDING CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD*

Nominee: _____
(Please Print)

Address: _____

Please give a brief description of the person being nominated and list noteworthy contributions over the past five years.
(Attach additional information as needed.)

DEADLINE: September 9, 2016

RETURN TO: Wytheville-Wythe-Bland Chamber of Commerce
150 East Monroe St., Wytheville, VA 24382
FAX: 276.223.3412

SUBMITTED BY: _____

THANK YOU!