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**THE
LEGACY AWARD**

OUTSTANDING CITIZEN



PAULDING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

NOMINATION PACKAGE

INTRODUCTION

Regardless of where you stand ideologically, we can all agree that year 2020 has changed our lives, businesses, and organizations. The Chamber Board of Directors has taken some time since then to evaluate several programs to reimagine how we accomplish the goals of educating, empowering, and engaging with our business community.

The awards committee, made up of board members had extensive discussions about the current awards, nomination process and options for improving how we recognize excellence in our community. The consensus of the group was that we should focus on individuals within our community that have gone above and beyond within their businesses. The established awards include the Young Professional of the Year, Business Leader of the Year, and the Paulding County Legacy Award. Details about each are below.

Young Professional of the Year: This award shall be presented to an individual (age 20-40) who is achieving a successful career and has made innovative contributions to their company/community. This individual has distinguished themselves as a future leader in the business/organization.

Business Leader of the Year: Replacing the Outstanding Business of the Year, the Business Leader of the Year will be presented to an individual that has excelled within a leadership role in a member business. This individual is innovative, motivating to employees and civically engaged. This recipient may have acquired a long-term record of service or may have made one outstanding contribution that made a major impact in their business, industry and/or community.

Paulding County Legacy Award: Replacing the Volunteer of the Year, the Legacy award recognizes an individual in our community that has given their time and talent to build a better tomorrow. This individual does not have to work at a member business.

The Chamber Awards Committee and Board of Directors know there are so many deserving individuals in our community that help our businesses remain successful. Since the onset of COVID-19 we have seen the resiliency of our business community and the boundless impact individuals in those businesses have on outcomes.

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

The Paulding Chamber of Commerce would like to recognize an outstanding citizen that has made a tangible positive impact on our community by presenting them with the "Legacy" award in 2022. Qualifications for nomination: Nominee must be a resident of Paulding County, have resided in the county for a period of at least two (2) years, and must have shown significant meritorious service to his/her community. Previous Citizen of the Year award winners are not eligible.

Name: _____ Age: _____ Years as county resident: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Work Status (circle one): Employed- Full Time Part Time Self Employed Retired

Employer (if retired, from where?): _____

How many years has (did) the nominee worked for the above? _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Please attached as many pages as necessary to answer the following questions in a narrative format. The selection committee will review nominees based on these 5 considerations.

1. **Brief Personal Description:** Include family life, history, etc.
2. **Civic Involvement:** Please list all civic organization you have been a part of (past or present): Please explain civic involvement over the last 5 years.
3. **Community & Cultural Involvement:** Community involvement is an important factor in the determination of the Legacy Award. Please include all community and cultural activities the nominee has been involved with in the last 5 years.
4. **Business & Professional Accomplishments:** Please explain the nominee's professional history and impact on local business environment.
5. **Other Community Contributions (not mentioned above):** Other contributions the review committee needs to take into consideration.

Deadline for nominations is **Friday, September 23, 2022**. An out-of-town selection committee will review the accomplishments of each applicant and determine who will be the Legacy Award recipient. The recipient of the Legacy Award will be announced during the Annual Chamber Banquet.

Please return nominations to: Paulding Chamber of Commerce
Legacy Award
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Paulding, OH 45879