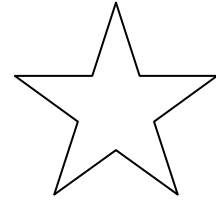


**2011 BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD  
Nomination Form**



*Nominations are Confidential. Self nominations are encouraged.*

The *Business of the Year Award* was created to salute local businesses that have shown growth and other characteristics that enhance Shawano Country's economic health and quality of life. Any individual manufacturing, retail or service business operating for 2+ years in Shawano or Menominee Counties is eligible for the award. The award will be presented at the Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet on January 26, 2011. A business may nominate itself or may be nominated by another member of the community. Nomination forms are due on or before December 7, 2011.

Please answer the following questions. Use separate sheets of paper where necessary and attach to this form. You are encouraged to provide as much information as possible. A thorough application allows us to favorably consider your nomination. If you nominate a business other than your own and you are not able to respond to all of the questions, please complete those you can.

**BUSINESS INFORMATION**

Name of Company/Business:

Mailing Address:

Physical Address:

City & Zip:

Telephone:

President or CEO:

Date Business Started:

Number of years the business has been located in Shawano or Menominee County:

Type of Business/Service/Products:

Total number of employees:                      full-time:                      part-time:

**COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT**

1. Identify ways in which the business has encouraged or supported our community:

***ECONOMIC ENHANCEMENT***

1. Every business has unique measures of growth. Please tell us about the company's growth. (This could include % change in sales, assets, profitability, employee base, etc.)

2. Tell us about services enhanced, processes/equipment patented, new equipment purchases; creation/retention of jobs; job training and growth; facilities improvement or expansion, or other actions which have been significant to business:

3. Explain the company's commitment to employees:

4. What is the company's primary key to success?

5. Please consider the following categories, select the single most important issue and discuss. Or select "other" and explain how this issue affects your company.

- Quality of workforce
- Securing adequate capital
- Finding new markets
- Government regulations
- Managing/sustaining growth
- Technological change
- Securing raw material
- Other

6. What is the most significant issue facing the company? Why?

***OTHER***

Include supporting materials you would like us to consider. (Company brochures, photos, news articles, etc. Attachments encouraged!)

Nomination submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

***Submit to:  
Shawano Country Chamber of Commerce  
P.O. Box 38  
Shawano, WI 54166  
On or before December 7, 2011***