

Greater Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce
OFFICIAL NOMINATION FORM for
2019 Excellence in Business Awards
Thursday March 21, 2019, 6:30pm, Cross Creek Country Club



AWARD CATEGORIES: (Please choose only one)

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| ---- 2018 Small Business of the Year | ---- 2018 Outstanding Public Service Award |
| ---- 2018 Business Longevity Award | ---- 2018 Ambassador of the Year |
| ---- 2018 Administrative Professional of the Year | ---- 2018 Excellence in Tourism Award |
| ---- 2018 Duke Energy Citizenship & Service Award | ---- 2018 Agri-Business of the Year Award |
| ---- 2018 Business & Education Partner Award (NEW) | (All Award Criteria on Page 2) |

(NOMINEE) Name of Business/Individual: _____

Nominee Address: _____
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Owner/Operator: (business awards only) _____ Title _____

Company Website: _____ Type of Business: _____

Number of Employees: Full time _____ Part Time _____ Number of Years in Business: _____

(NOMINATOR) Person or Organization Making Nomination: _____

Address: _____
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

WRITTEN PORTION OF NOMINATION:

On a separate sheet of paper, in 100 words or less state why the nominee should be selected for the respective award.

CRITERIA FOR ALL BUSINESS NOMINATIONS:

1. NOMINEES may be a member or non-member of the Chamber
2. Business must have been operating for at least two (2) years (unless noted otherwise).
3. Nomination must be submitted on an official nomination form. Electronic submissions are preferred
4. Electronically-submitted nominations must be received by 5:00 pm on Friday, March 1, 2019.
5. Mailed nominations must be postmarked on or before Friday, March 1, 2019.
6. There are no restrictions on who can nominate a business or individual.
7. If nominating more than one (1) business or individual, a separate form for each must be submitted.

DEADLINE FOR AWARD NOMINATIONS: Friday, March 1, 2019, 5pm

EMAIL TO: randy@mtairyncchamber.org, Subject line: "Awards" Please scan all forms as a single PDF file and attach to the email.

MAIL TO: Greater Mount Airy Chamber of Commerce Awards, PO Box 913, Mount Airy, NC 27030

NOTE: Electronic files preferred for nominations.

QUESTIONS: Can be directed to Chamber President/CEO Randy Collins at the email above.

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CRITERIA FOR SPECIFIC AWARDS

(Note the types of awards include: Business, Individual, and Non-Profit)

Small Business of the Year (An award to a business)

Nominee must have less than 100 employees. Nominee should be rooted in community service; employee relations; environmental stewardship; innovation; creativity; and entrepreneurship.

Business Longevity Award (An award to a business)

Nominee must have been a pillar of the business community for at least 20 years, and is vested in continuing to be part of the business community in the future. Nominee must have operated as an ethical business providing quality goods and/or services. Nominee business should have made a positive impact on the community, supporting local efforts such as education, civic, and charitable causes. Include a brief history of the company with photos and other supporting documentation as appropriate.

Duke Energy Citizenship and Service Award (An award to a non-profit)

This award is a tribute to a non-profit organization that positively impacts the community through skilled use of time, talents, and compassion. Recipients of the award help foster a culture of citizenship and service, acting as a catalyst for others to become involved in civic and social activities.

Outstanding Public Service Award (An award to a specific individual)

This award honors a city, county, or state employee; volunteer; elected official; or citizen whose outstanding public service has far exceeded the normal call of duty.

Ambassador of the Year (An award to a specific individual)

This award honors a member of the Chamber Ambassador's League for his/her outstanding service and commitment.

Excellence in Tourism Award (An award to a business)

This award is presented to a business that supports the tourism industry of the region every day; acts as an ambassador and cheerleader for tourism promotion; and displays leadership and integrity, while delivering first class customer service.

Administrative Professional of the Year (An award to an individual)

This award is presented to a person who works in an organization in an administrative capacity. They have many talents including professionalism, organization, integrity, team player, honesty and a strong work ethic. This person may not hold a management title but is considered a critical part of the organization's daily operations. (This award was previously presented at the Administrative Professionals Lunch from 2004 to 2014. That luncheon event is no longer held.)

Agri-Business of the Year Award (An award to a business)

This award is presented to a business involved in agriculture on some level in Surry County, Mount Airy, Pilot Mountain, Dobson or Elkin. This enterprise could include farming, dairy, equine, poultry, produce, nurseries, vineyards, farm equipment, supplies or other related areas. This business should display a high level of integrity, professionalism and expertise.

Business & Education Partner Award (NEW) (An award to a business)

This award will be presented to a business who has partnered with a local school system in our community. This partnership could involve speakers, mentors, internships, apprenticeships, building projects, sports programs support, special events, grants or other programs. The business should demonstrate the ability to work with the school to benefit the schools, teachers and the community.

REMINDERS to the NOMINATORS:

1. The awards committee reserves the right NOT to present an award, based on nominations received.
2. The submission of a nomination does not guarantee that the nominee will be recognized.
3. Please make sure to read over the award criteria before submitting your nominee.
4. Note that there are three types of awards: Business, Individual, and Non-profit.
5. Make sure that all information requested is provided.
6. Award winners will be kept secret until the awards event; however, if your nominee is selected, the Chamber may contact you to help ensure attendance.
7. Any nomination sent to the Chamber will be confirmed via email.

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