



2016 SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATION FORM

For Outstanding Contribution by a Small Business Person in 2016

Comments and supporting documentation may be included on supplemental pages, if necessary. You may reproduce this form as long as all required information is provided. **Required criteria are listed on the back of this form.**

***** Nomination Forms are due by 4:30PM on Friday, August 26, 2016 *****

Nominations may be submitted by mail:
Mason City Area Chamber of Commerce, 9 North Federal Ave., Mason City, IA 50401
by fax: (641) 423-5725 or by email: chamber@masoncityia.com

I WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE:

_____	_____	_____	_____
Candidate Name	Business Name	Phone	
_____	_____	_____	_____
Address	City	State	Zip

BUSINESS PHILOSOPHY

CONSTRUCTIVE ACHIEVEMENTS

OVERALL IMPACT ON COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY SERVICE PARTICIPATION

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

_____	_____	_____
Name	Phone	Email

NOMINATION CRITERIA

Nominees who best-fulfill the following criteria will be honored by the Mason City Chamber of Commerce and the Small Business Administration:

- ◆ A member of the Mason City Chamber of Commerce who is in good standing.
- ◆ Staying power: a substantiated history as an established business.
- ◆ Growth in number of employees: a benchmark to judge the impact of the business on the job market.
- ◆ Increase in sales and/or unit volume: an indication of continued growth.
- ◆ Innovativeness of product or service offered: illustrations of the creativity and imagination of the originator of the business and/or subsequent manager.
- ◆ Response to adversity: examples of problems faced by the business and the solutions taken in resolving them.
- ◆ Evidence of service to community-oriented projects through the use of his/her personal time or other resources.