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***CHAMPIONS OF SMALL BUSINESS***

This Otsego County Chamber Small Business Celebration has grown to become one of the region’s most important events, recognizing regional small businesses that have made a continual commitment to embracing and enhancing the workplace and community.

**Award Criteria:**

Breakthrough Award: This award is a celebration of innovation and entrepreneurial spirit and will be given to a business or individual in Otsego County that has shown new innovative, creativity, entrepreneurship and growth potential. A non-member business may be nominated by a current member of the Otsego County Chamber of Commerce.

**Small Business Award:**  This award is given to an Otsego County business that has made a sustained and substantial impact in the community. Please note that a small business is an employer of 50 (FTE) or less people and must be a current Otsego County Chamber of Commerce member.

Nomination forms may be emailed to: kathryn@otsegocc.com or mailed- PO Box 18, Oneonta NY 13820

**Nominations are due no later than Friday, November 12, by close of business.**

**Nominator Information**

Nominator Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominator Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominator Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

What is your connection to the nominee? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Which award are you nominating them for? \_\_\_\_\_\_**Breakthrough** **Award** \_\_\_\_\_\_**Small Business Award**

**Nominee Information**

Nominee Name:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Organization: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_City, State, Zip\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Phone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Nominee Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Website: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Past Small Business Honorees**

21st- Theresa’s Emporium

20th – Rustic Ridge Winery

19th – Directive

18th – Keller Williams Upstate NY Properties

17th – Wahl to Wahl Auto

16th – Barnyard Swing

15th – Lutz Feed Company

14th – Five Star Subaru of Oneonta

13th – Benson Agency Real Estate, LLC

12th – Gruver, Zweifel & Scott, LLP

11th – Hometown Oneonta/The Freeman’s Journal

10th – James Jordan Associates, Architects

 9th – The Shipping Room

 8th – Information Systems Division (ISD)

 7th – Eastman Associates, Inc.

 6th – H. W Naylor Company, Inc.

 5th – Gordon B. Roberts Agency

 4th – Cooperstown Bat Company

 3rd – Ultimate Broadcasting
 2nd – Sport Tech
 1st – Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard, Inc.

**Past Breakthrough Award Honorees**

15th- Pathfinder Produce & the Mobile Market

14th – ­­ Helios Care

13th – ­­ Otsego Reuse Center

12th – The Family Engagement Center at Springbrook

11th – Hartwick College

10th – Northern Eagle Pelletizing Co.

 9th – A.O. Fox Hospital

 8th – Brooks Bottle, LLC

 7th – Green Earth Health Food Market

 6th – Cleinman Performance Partners

 5th – The Green Toad Bookstore

 4th – Ioxus, Inc.

 3rd – Cooperstown Cookie Company

 2nd – GrafiQa (now known as Vibrant Creative)

 1st – T. S. Pink Corporation

**Please describe why you feel this nominee deserves to receive the award:**

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