

LAKE GUNTERSVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

presents

The Inaugural

SMALL BUSINESS AWARDS

Luncheon



CELEBRATING SUCCESS IN GUNTERSVILLE

AWARD DIVISIONS INCLUDE

Small Business of the Year & Young Professional of the Year

Nominees in both divisions will be judged in the following four categories:

- Community Involvement
- Chamber Participation
- Business Success
- Overall Deservedness

Small Business of the Year

Nominations must include:

- Name of Business
- Contact Person
- Office and Mobile Phone Numbers
- Mailing and Street Address
- Company Website
- Social Media currently being used by business.

Also include the Name of the Person Submitting the Nomination, Office and Mobile Phone Numbers, and Email.

Additionally, include each of the four broad category headings listed below in your 5-pages or less, double-spaced, singled-sided nomination narrative/submission:

- 1. Leadership and community support:** Discuss how the nominated business is a leader in the business community and supports the local community.
- 2. Chamber involvement:** Discuss how the nominated business participates in and has a leadership role in the Lake Guntersville Chamber of Commerce.
- 3. Business success:** Discuss the customer growth and focus, industry awards, program initiatives or other reasons for the success of the nominated small business.
- 4. Overall deservedness:** Discuss why the business should be named the Small Business of the Year.

Young Professional of the Year

Nominations must include:

- Name of Young Professional (YP)
- Company Name
- Office and Mobile Phone Numbers
- Mailing and Street Address
- Email Address
- Website
- Social Media currently being used by YP.

Also include the Name of the Person Submitting the Nomination, Office and Mobile Phone Numbers, and Email.

Additionally, include each of the four broad category headings listed below in your 5-pages or less, double-spaced, singled-sided nomination narrative/submission:

- 1. Leadership and community support:** Discuss how the nominated YP is a leader in the business community and supports the local community.
- 2. Chamber involvement:** Discuss how the nominated YP participates in and has a leadership role in the Lake Guntersville Chamber of Commerce.
- 3. Business success:** Discuss how the YP has contributed to the growth and progress of their chosen career field.
- 4. Overall deservedness:** Discuss why the YP should be named Guntersville's Young Professional of the Year.

The recipient of the Lake Guntersville Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year award will be submitted to compete with businesses from all over the State of Alabama for the **ALABAMA SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR** award presented by **THE PARTNERSHIP OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ASSOCIATION OF ALABAMA AND THE BUSINESS COUNCIL OF ALABAMA** in December 2017. The Alabama Small Business of the Year winner will be entered to participate in the **US CHAMBER OF COMMERCE'S DREAM BIG SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR AWARD**.

**Submissions for the 2017 awards are due by 4:30 p.m. on DECEMBER 1, 2016
to the Chamber office or to gcc@lakeguntersville.org.**

Awards will be presented at the Small Business Awards Luncheon in February 2017.