# 2022 Annual Meeting & Awards Ceremony Wednesday November 16, 2022 Pleasant Valley Country Club 7:15-9:30AM

## **Award & Nomination Descriptions**

## **CORNERSTONE AWARD**

The Cornerstone Award is presented to a Chamber member for accomplishments pertaining to one or more of four criteria established by the Chamber. They include:

- Expanding an existing business to provide additional employment opportunities in the Valley.
- Renovating an existing facility to enhance the aesthetic and economic values of the Valley.
- Developing a new product or starting a new business which calls attention to and contributes to the economic vitality of the Valley.
- And finally, building new facilities which enhance the aesthetic and economic values of the Valley.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD

The Economic Development Award is presented to a Chamber member who is chosen for accomplishments pertaining to one or more of the following four (4) criteria:

- Contributing exceptional volunteer effort to advance the goals and objectives of the Chamber's economic development agenda.
- Enhancing workforce development and training for both employers and employees, leading to the creation of additional jobs or retaining employment in the Blackstone Valley that would otherwise relocate.
- Attracting new businesses and working to retain current employers in the Blackstone Valley.
- Identifying new economic development opportunities, and making a significant contribution to efforts to attract and establish them in the Valley, consistent with the aesthetic and economic values of the Valley.

#### GERRY GAUDETTE EXTRA MILE AWARD

This award recognizes an individual from the public or private sector who has contributed significantly to an improved quality of life for the residents of the Blackstone Valley and to the economic vitality of the region.

#### **MILESTONE/ANNIVERSARIES**

If your organization is celebrating a milestone in terms of years in business (5, 10, 15, etc), please let us know. We will recognize you/your company during our Awards Ceremony

To nominate an individual or company for an award, please send an email with a description of who you are nominating, for what category, and why to Liz O'Neil at <a href="mailto:loneil@blackstonevalley.org">loneil@blackstonevalley.org</a>. In the subject line, please put 2022 AWARD NOMINEE. Be sure to include a phone number where you can be reached.