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*1999 Business Achievement
Awards*



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About the Finalists

HOME-BASED BUSINESS AWARD

This award is given to recognize the growing importance of home-based business and is granted to a business that has distinguished itself in the business community.

CADD PRO SERVICES

Cadd-Pro was started in 1990 by Susan Hale and Ken Hodgson to do drawing conversions to Auto-Cad. Over the years, the business has added hardware solutions, database programming, software training, vinyl lettering and sign making to service both its international and local clients.

DIANE'S COIFFURE

Diane's Coiffure was opened in 1970 by Diane Watts. During this time, Diane has trained sixteen women, many of whom have gone on to open their own businesses. Diane goes to people's homes if they are ill or disabled and also helps people at Sidbrook look and feel better about themselves.

BIRD & PARTRIDGE

Bird and Partridge are a husband and wife lawyer team whose unofficial motto is "Let our family help your family". Through a less formal setting, they provide very personalized attention to their clients. Both Martin and Wendy are very active in the community and with First Night activities.

YOUNG BUSINESS PERSON AWARD

This award is given to recognize and encourage entrepreneurship of our young men and women by honoring a business managed by an owner 30 years old or younger.

GOOD VIBRATIONS D.J. & KARAOKE

Chris Pelletier started his business in 1996. Chris is a member of the on-line disc jockey association and has his own internet site. In order to stay in the forefront of music and entertainment technology, Chris upgrades his software and hardware on a constant basis.

CHEM-ECOL LTD.

Chem-Ecol was started 25 years ago in response to the oil shortage and escalating cost of industrial lubricants. The company takes industrial oils, restores them to meet new specifications and returns them to the original customer. Over 4 million litres of oil are processed each year.

NEW BUSINESS AWARD

This award is given to recognize the entrepreneurship of those who have started a new business in any sector within the past three years.

GENERAL NUTRITION PHARMACY

James and Susie Jin started their business in August, 1998. Specializing in herbs and phytonutrients, GNP offers a variety of unique services including Diabetes care, affiliation with the University of Toronto Faculty of Pharmacy for training pharmacy students and a Blisterpack system which dispenses medications separating doses on a day and time basis.

WEB HOME IMPROVEMENTS

Web Home Improvements was started by Bruce Ward in April, 1998. Geared towards the senior and retiree market, WEB specializes in renovating and creating homes that are accessible to the physically challenged.

HARBOURLIGHT DELIGHTS

Jean Michel and Gerry Elsen started Harbourlight Delights in March of 1998. With Ice Cream having a short season, Jean and Gerry expanded the operation by alternating the interior and exterior of the shop into a Christmas Shop from October onwards to tie in with Christmas Magic in the park.

SERVICE AWARD

This award is given to recognize the importance of service businesses to our economy and is granted to a business that has distinguished itself in providing services.

EAGLE.CA

Eagle.ca was founded in March of 1995 and is now the oldest and largest Interest Service Provider in Northumberland County. Starting with just one full time and one part time employee, eagle.ca now employs six full time and two part time employees as well as numerous sub-contractors. Eagle.ca is now the single largest purchaser of telecommunications resources in Cobourg.

LEBLANC & HAYNES ENTERPRISES

Al LeBlanc and Bob Haynes began their partnership in 1987 developing Maplewood Estates. Over the years, they have completed Maplewood Estates, Oxford Court condominiums and are currently developing Parkview Hills, a 200 home residential community adjacent to the new St. Mary's School.

CLARKE MUSIC CENTRE

Clarke Music Centre was started by Ken and Ann Clarke in 1989 as a retail outlet for musical instruments. As client demands changed, the Clarkes shifted the emphasis from retail to teaching, sound system set up and repairs. They currently have 18 teachers and approximately 300 students.

STEWART, MITCHELL & MACKLIN

The Law Firm of Stewart, Mitchell & Macklin has been in business for more than a half a century. They have been actively involved in providing seminars on various aspects of law, initiated Law Day in which free legal advice is given to the public and support the United Way through the very successful "Will Week" campaign.

RETAIL AWARD

This award is given to recognize the importance of retail business to our economy and is granted to a business that has distinguished itself in the retail market.

LYNDEN GALLERY

Lynden Gallery was started 8 years ago by Gary and Judy McWilliams. Today, Lynden Gallery employs over 12 people in two retail stores and has the largest custom framing factory in the area. A leader in Northumberland Mall's "Quality of Service Program", Lynden is consistently in the top percentage of sales per square foot.

COBOURG HOME HARDWARE

Dave Butchart purchased Cobourg Lumber in 1979 and changed the company from a building supply outlet to a hardware outlet. Recognizing the limitations of their space and parking, they have distinguished themselves by offering excellent customer service by friendly, high-performing staff.

PARTY LINES

Eric & Charlene Truelove started Party Lines in 1990, a store that sold primarily balloons. Today, Party Lines is a party store, costume rental, party rental, gift shop and full floral store. They pride themselves on being innovative and original. In fact, once a week they knock on three random doors and offer free flowers.

MANUFACTURING AWARD

This award is given to recognize the importance of manufacturing in our local economy.

KRAFT CANADA INC.

Kraft Canada began its operations in Cobourg in June, 1919 and is Cobourg's oldest manufacturer. Over the years, the plant has developed a number of new products and has been a leading food manufacturing company in the development and application of computer-controlled processes and packaging lines.

CASCO IMPREGNATED PAPERS

Casco Impregnated Papers established its Cobourg operation in 1988 to manufacture decorative films used primarily in the furniture industry for the surface treatment of particleboard and plywood. In its ten years of operation, the facility has undergone several expansions in space and in staff. They were one of the first companies in Canada to become registered to the ISO 14001 standard for environmental management systems.

FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT AWARD

This award is given to recognize business or building owners who make improvements that create a favourable impression on residents and visitors to Cobourg and improve the climate for new business investment

Rick Lovekin - Old Library Condominiums - 18 Chapel Street

David Cable - 25 King Street East

Joseph Sherman - 92 King Street West

Honourable Mention

Dave Nugent - Canyon Mountain Company - 90 King St. West

Tony Pulla - Choice of Service Premier Realty Ltd. - 10 King St. West

John Lloyd - Breakers Estate Ltd. - 94 Green Street