

*Celina-Mercer County Chamber of Commerce*  
**ANNUAL AWARD APPLICATION**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**I would like to nominate:**

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**AWARD**

\_\_\_\_\_ Citizen of the Year      \_\_\_\_\_ Achievement  
\_\_\_\_\_ Humanitarian            \_\_\_\_\_ Business

Other contacts for verification of criteria:

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City/Zip: _____	City/Zip: _____
Phone: _____	Phone: _____

On a **separate paper** please explain in detail why you have nominated this person or business for the award indicated. Along with this nominating sheet, award applications should be submitted by February 1, 2010 . Please be as complete as possible. Please type or print and fax to 419 586-8645 or email [info@celinamercer.com](mailto:info@celinamercer.com). (See award criteria below.)

**AWARD CRITERIA**

**Citizen of the Year**

The recipient should be a person well rounded in their commitments...family, church, community, and job. A person who thinks of others or the community and putting time and effort into making the lives of others better. The recipient should be a person well respected in the community. One looked up to get the job done, whatever it may be.

The recipient should be a person who, over many years, consistently has been involved with making good things happen in the community or in the lives of others. A caring person, one who puts others first. A team player but capable of getting others willingly involved.

The recipient has made a commitment to bettering the community on an on-going basis with no thought to personal gain. He/she should be a person of vision. Above all the "Citizen of the Year" should be a person who looks first at what they can do for others and the community.

A person with the philosophy of "service is the price you pay for the space you occupy in this world".

## Humanitarian Award

The recipient should be a benefactor of mankind, kind-hearted, compassionate, considerate, and unselfish. Generous with their time and talents to better the life of someone else. A person with a “good Samaritan” philosophy.

One who uses their own financial resources or has the resourcefulness to know where the assistance can be found and who has organized and implemented the process.

This person thinks of others before themselves. One who just sees that the job is done with no thought to personal gain. A truly caring, “giving person”.

The recipient can be a person with special skills and talents, who spends countless hours of personal time training others. One who stretches out into the community, beyond their own family and friends, using their talents for the benefit of others.

## Community Business Award

The recipient of the Business Award must have the ability to change and cultivate a positive image as the business scene changes. The award recipient must have a vision for the business and the persistence to take possession of that vision.

The recipient has earned a high level of respect within the business community and is considered to be a well-rounded business from the standpoint of financial performance, business responsibility, service to the community, and providing philanthropic support to the community.

The recipient business should have primarily relied upon their own resources or private sector resources. A business in which their employees contribute volunteer time to enhance the quality of life in the community. The recipient can be innovative in creating or expanding its business or job creation. The recipient should have made a significant contribution to the quality of life in Mercer County.

## Achievement Award

This recipient should be a person/group who has been a part of making the community grow and improve in some physical or discernible way. The recipient should be a person/group of vision.

The recipient should be a person/group who has, or is, actually making a contribution and accomplishing their dream for a better community.

This recipient should be a person/group who has provided, or is providing a “stepping stone” to the future. Building something of lasting value. A person/group who is building, or, who spends time instilling responsibility and positive character traits in others.