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Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce Announces Winners of its Annual Awards *-Members to be celebrated at Awards Luncheon-*

April 19, 2016, Cayuga County, NY- The Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce the winners of the 2016 Chamber Awards. These Chamber of Commerce members are being recognized for their unique contributions to the economy and overall development of Cayuga County.

The Terri Bridenbecker Young Professional Award recognizes an individual, under the age of 40, who is pursuing excellence in their career. The winner is Jon Wilcox, Savannah Bank.

Small Business of the Year Award

In Business 2-5 Years - demonstrates entrepreneurship evidenced by diversification, creativity & imagination. The winner is CC's Tavern, John and Denise Hurd

In Business 6-14 years - demonstrates the ability to overcome adversities in the ever-changing business environment. The winner is Active Physical Therapy, Dr Dale Buchberger

In Business 15+ Years - demonstrates staying power with a commitment to community involvement. The winner is Central Building LLC, Thomas Minicucci

Business Leader Award

We honor businesses that continually invest in Cayuga County & have shown leadership by taking an active role in our community.

The winners are: Bluefield Manor (under 50 employees)
The Citizen / Cayuga Media (over 50 employees)

Non-Profit of the Year Award

Recognizes a non-profit organization that contributes to the success of our community by enhancing the quality of life or contributing to the economic base of Cayuga County.

The winner is Unity House of Cayuga County

Community Leadership Award, sponsored by Beardsley Architects + Engineers

This award recognizes a Leadership Cayuga alumnus for their participation in civic organizations and leadership roles in both their organization and in the community. This year Leadership Cayuga celebrates Michelle Barber, Five Star Bank.

The Chamber of Commerce congratulates these winners and invites all its valued members to the Annual Awards Luncheon, proudly sponsored by Five Star Bank, on Thursday, May 19 at 11:30am. The event will be held at The Springside Inn, 6141 West Lake Rd, Auburn, NY. Tickets are \$40.00 and can be purchased by calling the Chamber: (315) 252-7291, or emailing ktehan@cayugacountychamber.com no later than May 12.

The Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce is the empowering cornerstone for continued growth and support within the business community of Cayuga County. What began in 1908 as a trade business organization has evolved into a strong and active proponent of policies and activities at the local, county, and state levels that influence the prosperity, economic development, and social and cultural climate of our area.

The Chamber's mission is to advocate as the voice of the business community, provide value-added services to our members, and facilitate collaboration that supports economic development for the greater good of Cayuga County.

To these ends, the Chamber assists in developing better policies, ensures accountability in our community, and empowers our membership. Our benefits enable members to strengthen their businesses through marketing and publicity, education and training, cost-savings, and involvement in programs and events. Further, the Chamber connects like-minded organizations and resources, taking a collaborative approach to doing business throughout all of Cayuga County.

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