



## Annual Community Awards *Nominating Ballot*

The Silverton Area Chamber of Commerce is pleased to host the **54th Annual First Citizen Banquet** in 2025. We are returning to the Mt. Angel Festhalle for our event on Saturday, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>. The event is a time to recognize citizens and businesses for their efforts in improving our community in 2024. Nomination forms must be completed and returned to the Chamber office no later than Friday, December 20th. The criteria for awards are explained on the other side of this form. Past winners are attached. Nominate someone today!

Categories (please check only one per form)

☐ First Citizen

☐ Distinguished Service

☐ Business of the Year

☐ Judy Schmidt Lifetime Achievement Award

☐ Club or Service Group of the Year

Name of Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Address \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

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Nominated By \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Yes, I am interested in making the presentation if my nominee is selected.

☐ No, I am not interested in making the presentation if my nominee is selected.

**On a separate page, identify and describe how the nominee is distinguished in the following areas:**

1. Community Service: Contributions of time, labor, talent and other resources freely given to the community.
2. Dedication and Commitment: Extraordinary involvement in serving others.
3. Leadership: Examples of influence that might encourage service from others.

**Document your nomination with as much information as possible.** Attached testimonial letters, commendations, newspaper clippings, and similar items are helpful in the selection process. The selection committee, made up of former winners, business and community leaders, will base their decisions on the information you provide.

# Nomination/Selection Criteria

## **First Citizen**

Awarded annually to a local individual (or individuals) for making a *broad* and substantial impact on our community.

## **Distinguished Service**

Awarded annually to a local individual (or individuals) for making an impact on our community in a *specific* area.

## **Business of the Year**

Awarded annually to a business, either retail or service oriented, for outstanding service to the community.

## **Judy Schmidt Lifetime Achievement Award**

Awarded annually to a local individual (or individuals) for sustained commitment to service in the community over an extended period of time.

## **Future First Citizen – Typically Nominated by School Advisors**

Age limit of 16-20 years old. Awarded annually to a local individual for peer leadership, community service, and participation in school clubs or organizations. Includes the Jack Berger Memorial Scholarship of \$300.

## **Club or Service Group of the Year –**

A group that has provided exceptional service to the community over the last year or years.

Return this ballot by December 20, 2024 to:  
Silverton Area Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 257 Silverton, OR 97381  
Or drop by in person to 426 S. Water Street in Silverton

**First Citizen**

1971 Lorna Steinberger  
 1972 Bob Marcum  
 1973 Willard Hayne  
 1974 Bob Borland  
 1975 Carl & Irene Hande  
 1976 Gordon Henjum  
 1977 Joe Davis  
 1978 John Sims  
 1979 John Middlemiss  
 1980 Gladys Clark  
 1981 Paul Almquist  
 1982 Dr. Wayne Grodrian  
 1983 Craig Clark  
 1984 Dave & Joyce Larson  
 1985 Harry Vetter  
 1986 Vernice Cole  
 1987 Dottie Souza  
 1988 Raymond Kaser  
 1989 Olaf Paulson  
 1990 Glada Greenfield  
 1991 Nick Robinson  
 1992 Stu Rasmussen  
 1993 Herman Goschie  
 1994 Bill Hanson  
 1995 Dr. Virgil Pettit  
 1996 Chuck White  
 1997 Orville Roth  
 1998 Loretta Opsahl  
 1999 Vince & Babs Till  
 2000 Mike Overfield  
 2001 Robert Edgerton  
 2002 Judy Schmidt  
 2003 Ken Hector  
 2004 Dr. Wayne Feller  
 2005 Darby Hector  
 2006 Ann Altman  
 2007 Jerry Steffen  
 2008 Don Kelley  
 2009 Denny & Genie Stoll  
 2010 Terry Thomas  
 2011 Beth Davisson  
 2012 Dixon Bledsoe  
 2013 Kyle Palmer  
 2014 Jane Jones  
 2015 Gus Fredrick  
 2016 Cindy Jones  
 2017 Andy Bellando  
 2018 Kevin and Stacy Palmer  
 2019 Becky Ludden  
 2020 Glen Damewood  
 2021 Hillary Dumatrescu  
 2022 Dana Smith  
 2023 Laura Wanker

**Retailer of the Year**

1987 Orville Roth  
 1988 Jean Wahlster  
 1989 Ernie Hento  
 1990 Cascade Farm Machinery  
 1991 Betty Twede

**Business of the Year**

1992 Blazer Industries  
 1993 Redman Homes  
 1994 Pfeifer Construction  
 1995 Silverton Hospital  
 1996 Cooley's Gardens  
 1997 Silverton Realty  
 1998 Leather & Lace  
 1999 Silver Creek Deli  
 2000 Roth's Family Market  
 2001 Silver Falls Bank  
 2002 Silver Creek Animal Clinic  
 2003 Silver Creek Gallery  
 2004 Silverton Ballet/Performing Arts Co  
 2005 Silver Grille  
 2006 Wooden Nickel/Mac's  
 2007 Stone Buddah/Purl District  
 2008 Fall Line - Jason Franz  
 2009 Silverton Fitness

**Business of the Year (continued)**

2010 Pomegranate  
 2011 Michael Kim, DDS  
 2012 Holland Collision Service  
 2013 Seven Brides Brewing  
 2014 Our Town/Mt. Angel Publishing  
 2015 The Oregon Garden  
 2016 Harcourts NW Oregon Realty  
 2017 Les Schwab  
 2018 Bledsoe-Santana Team Realty  
 2019 The Pill Box  
 2020 The Satern Agency Country Financial  
 2021 Silver Falls Brewery  
 2022 The Lucky Leaf  
 2023 Willamette Valley Bank

**Distinguished Service**

1980 Wyoma Jean Shoupp  
 1981 Glada Greenfield  
 1982 Jeff Brekas  
 1983 Christine Schwab  
 1984 Don Lowe  
 1985 Steve & Joni Goodwin  
 1986 Sandy Sanford  
 1987 LaVonne & John Haynie  
 1988 Clarence Taylor  
 1989 Scott Hess  
 1990 Keenan & Jan Foraker  
 1991 Mildred Thayer  
 1992 Harriet Day  
 1993 Richard Nelson  
 1994 Tonner Hays  
 1995 Judy Schmidt  
 1996 Patty & Dave Dunmire  
 1997 Tammi Cline Phillip DeBartolo  
 1998 Betty & Al Hollin  
 1999 Jean Corrigan  
 2000 Betty Lou & Harold Wellman  
 2001 Elmer Valkenaar  
 2002 Ruth Cock  
 2003 Evelyn Hynes  
 2004 Community Outreach Clinic  
 2005 Frank & Bernadette Mele  
 2006 Janette Olafson  
 2007 Doreen Kelly  
 2008 Laura Wanker/Helen Thomas  
 2009 Craig Roessler  
 2010 Bill Cummins  
 2011 Wed. Community Dinners  
 2012 Richard Carlson  
 2013 Kevin Griffin  
 2014 Marta Hazekamp  
 2015 Brad Brenden  
 2016 Norm English  
 2017 Sue Roessler  
 2018 Sarah White  
 2019 Erica Rumpca and Mindy Duerst  
 2020 Sarah DeSantis  
 2021 Josh & Paige Echo-Hawk  
 2022 Meg Feicht  
 2023 John Friedrich

**Judy Schmidt Lifetime Achievement**

1999 Dr. Olwyn Davies  
 2000 Fred and Nola Parkinson  
 2001 Quentin and Lois Estell  
 2002 Roth's Family Market  
 2003 Carolyn Berg

**Judy Schmidt Lifetime Achievement (Continued)**

2004 Joe Davis  
 2005 Don Dolan  
 2006 The Goschie Family  
 2007 Norma Jean Branstetter  
 2008 Dora Palmquist  
 2009 Steve Potter  
 2010 Antonia & Doug Jenkins  
 2011 Wes Oster  
 2012 Verlene Beard  
 2013 Rick Lewis  
 2014 Jim Brueckner  
 2015 Gayle Goschie  
 2016 Mason Branstetter  
 2017 Bob Holowati  
 2018 Elmer Valkenaar  
 2019 Bill and Sylvia Long  
 2020 Chuck White  
 2021 Otto Stadel  
 2022 Arlene Harris  
 2023 Debbie & Don Bennett/The Home Place Restaurant

**Junior First Citizen**

1976 Bill Gragg  
 1977 Dona Pfeifer  
 1978 Kathy Lamoreaux  
 1979 Nick Robinson  
 1980 Bob Evans  
 1981 Bob & Linda Nuttman  
 1984 Dian Forster  
 1985 Curt Almquist  
 1986 Dwaine Wisthoff  
 1987 Gus Frederick  
 1998 Cory Cline

**Future First Citizen**

2000 Terry Manning II and Katie Niemeyer  
 2001 Emily Yarbrough  
 2002 Kirsten Funrue  
 2003 Caitlin Sander  
 2004 Ashley Lively  
 2005 Kelsey Hupp  
 2006 Marie-Therese Senecal  
 2007 Elvi Cuellar  
 2008 Brianna Bledsoe  
 2009 Hallie Day  
 2010 J'Nyssa Baker  
 2011 Julian Canda  
 2012 Ross Martinson  
 2013 Macy Mulholland  
 2014 Valeria Vazquez-Trejo  
 2015 Kate Brazelton  
 2016 Megan Mannion  
 2017 Joseph Schmitz  
 2018 Alyssa Khieu  
 2019 Zahra DeShaw  
 2020 Charles Petrik  
 2021 Grace Hernandez  
 2022 Hannah Bashor  
 2023 Claire Kuenzi

**Outstanding Club or Service Group**

2020 We All Dine in Silverton  
 2021 Skate Park Phase II  
 2022 Legacy Health Auxiliary  
 2023 The Silverton Sidewalk Shindig