

Presenting the Academy Awards of Business Excellence ***Whitby Chamber of Commerce Announces Finalists***

Whitby, ONTARIO, October 20: To mark the 60th anniversary of the Peter Perry award and to recognize business excellence, the Whitby Chamber of Commerce announces the top three finalists in each of the six business award categories. The winner in each category will be announced in true award show fashion on November 19 at the Peter Perry and Business Achievement Award gala.

"We look forward to the Peter Perry and Business Achievement Awards each year but 2015 is very special as we are celebrating 60 years of the Peter Perry award," says Tracy Hanson, CEO of the Whitby Chamber.

A record number of nominations were received and the selection committee determined the top three finalists in each of the six business achievement award categories. The winning award recipients will be announced on November 19 at the Peter Perry and Business Achievement Award gala evening.

The top three finalists are:

Business Achievement Award 1-15 Employees:

- Barnes Memorial Funeral Home
- Complete Packaging Systems Inc.
- Digital Ink Technologies Inc.
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Business Achievement Award 16-49 Employees:

- Hardiman Mount & Associates
- Real Tech Inc.
- Roughley Insurance Brokers Ltd.

Business Achievement Award 50+ Employees:

- Canadian Mental Health Association, Durham
- Stoncor Group Canada
- Whitby Public Library

Todd Skinner Young Entrepreneur of the Year:

- Michael Finigan – Pursuit Training
- James Hobbs – The Tap & Tankard
- Shawn Walsh – Step by Step Professional DJ & MC Services

New Business of the Year:

- Nerd Block
- 1847 Wine & Beer Bistro
- Hands in Demand Therapeutic Massage Company

Business Person of the Year:

- Brad Campkin – Campkin’s RV Centre
- Matt Cardwell – Royal Oak, Whitby Shores
- Connie Heron – Connie’s Brooklin Village Shoppe

“It’s very exciting to hold a true award show,” comments Andrea Kennedy, Board President. “We congratulate all the nominees and finalists and look forward to opening the envelopes at the 60th anniversary of the Peter Perry and Business Achievement awards gala.”

Event details:

60th Peter Perry & Business Achievement Awards

Date: November 19, 2015

Time: 6:00 pm

Place: Deer Creek Banquet Facility

To register please call 905-668-4506 or visit www.whitbychamber.org.

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About the Whitby Chamber of Commerce: The Whitby Chamber of Commerce is the largest network of business and professional organizations in Whitby and one of the largest in Durham Region. Providing leadership, learning and connection to organizations of all sizes, the Chamber builds partnerships and supports all stakeholders in their respective pursuit of success.

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