



102 West Mahoning Street, Punxsutawney, PA 15767

2026 Business of the Year Award

Punxsutawney is home to many vibrant businesses that play an important role in the overall vitality of the Community by providing jobs, supporting civic and social causes, and significantly contributing to the local tax base.

To acknowledge the importance of these businesses and to recognize the owners' hard work, accomplishments, and dedication to their Community, the Chamber of Commerce annually selects a local business to receive the **Business of the Year Award**.

Nominees will be sought from Chamber members based on the criteria described in this document. **Nomination forms must be received at the Chamber by 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 30, 2026.** The winner will be selected by a committee comprised of Chamber Directors

The award will be presented at the **Chamber's Annual Award Event on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, at the Punxsutawney Country Club**. The recipient will also receive free Chamber Annual Membership.

Previous Business Award Recipients

2004 - Ragley's True Value Hardware
2005 - FEMCO Machine Company
2006 - Fezell's County Market
2007 - Fox's Pizza Den
2008 - BFG Manufacturing Services, Inc.
2009 - Miller Brothers Furniture
2010 - CRW Home Center, Inc.
2011 - Spirit Publishing Co.
2012 - Krise Bus
2013 - Fairlady and Company
2014 - Frank Roberts & Sons
2015 - Standard Pennant Company, Inc.
2016 - S & T
2017 - Punxsutawney Area Hospital
2018 - Proform Powdered Metals, Inc
2019 - Dunkel Roofing
2020- First Commonwealth Bank
2021- Lily's Bakery
2022-Shields Insurance
2023-Mahoning Valley Milling
2024-Paul Beatty Jewelers
2025-Burke & Sons

2026 Award Criteria

1. The nominee must be a member of good standing of the Punxsutawney Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc.
2. The nominee must have been in business under current ownership for a minimum of three (3) years.

Please send Nomination Form To

Punxsutawney Area Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

FAX to 814-938-4303, or

email to chamber@punxsutawney.com,

or drop off / mail to

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Deadline: September 30, 2026

Business Name

Owner(s) or Officers

Address _____

Phone _____

Years in Business _____

Number of Employees: Fulltime _____ Part-time _____

Type of business: Retail _____ Wholesale _____

Service _____ Manufacturing _____

Nominated By _____

Phone _____

The nominee has demonstrated two or more of the following achievements (*check all that apply*):

- ☐ A positive impact on the local employment market either by providing a consistent number of jobs or increasing the number of available jobs.
- ☐ Involvement in the business community through association with professional, business, and/or trade associations.
- ☐ Supported the Community using personal and/or business resources such as leadership of community initiatives, support of local community projects, and/or participation on community board/committees.
- ☐ Received recognition from peers for marketing and promotional achievements as demonstrated by awards and recognition by peers.

In addition, describe why you feel this business should be selected as the **2026 Business of the Year** (*use the back of this form or attach additional pages as needed*).
