



HWLBA Award Program
Business of the Year and Member of The Year Awards
NOMINATIONS DUE BY September 30, 2026

Do you know a member or business that deserves to be recognized for their outstanding contributions? Now is the time to nominate them for our Member & Business of the Year Awards! Help us recognize the people and businesses that make a difference in our community. For every nomination submitted, you'll be entered for a chance to win a \$50 Visa Gift Card*. Board members are eligible to participate too. Take a moment to nominate someone deserving today!

You can nominate yourself or another business or individual for these awards. The Business of The Year Award and Volunteer of the Year Award will be recognized in person at our annual Harvest Dance held on Saturday, November 7, 2026 (winners will receive 2 complimentary tickets). Additionally, these winners will be recognized at the Laughs at the Lift Fundraiser (on the slide presentation) and in person at the Highland Founders Festival on May 15, 2027.

Specific Criteria for Business of the Year:

Nominee must have demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics:

- An active business within the Highland and White Lake community
- Member in good standing with the Highland White Lake Business Association
- Been in business for at least 3 years.
- Offers innovative products or services
- Provides exemplary customer service
- Encourages and provides professional development of staff

Specific Criteria for Member of the Year

Nominee must have demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics:

- Member in good standing with the Highland White Lake Business Association
- Been in business for at least 3 years.
- Dedication to the betterment of the Highland White Lake community of time and talents
- Long term volunteerism to the community
- Attendance at a variety of HWLBA activities (coffee's, luncheons, Laughs at the Lift fundraiser, and Mixer's)
- Voluntary leadership within the community including but not limited to HWLBA, the DDA, Highland or White Lake Township committees and programs



BUSINESS OF THE YEAR NOMINATION INFORMATION

Nominators Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Does the nominator know they have nominated: _____

Nominee Information (If nominating yourself leave this blank)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Description: Please provide specific examples of how the nominee meets the criteria (business accomplishments, growth to the local economy, other information). Up to 1,000 words max. Use separate sheet if necessary.

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MEMBER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION INFORMATION

Nominators Information

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Does the nominator know they have nominated:

Nominee Information (If nominating yourself leave this blank)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Description:

Please provide specific examples of how the nominee meets the criteria (community service, active with HWLBA, other information). Up to 1,000 words max. Use separate sheet if necessary.

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