

2008



Business of the Year Awards

Business NH Magazine and the NH Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives invite you to enter the 2008 Business and Business Leader of the Year awards program. This is an opportunity for NH businesses to celebrate excellence in their companies and honor those who lead them. One business leader will be named. (Companies and leaders who won between 2001-2007 are not eligible to enter.)

Eight NH companies will be honored, one from each of these industry categories:

- Manufacturing/Technology
- Education/Nonprofit
- Retail/Wholesale
- Real Estate/Construction/Engineering
- Health Care
- Financial Services/Insurance
- Business Services
- Tourism/Hospitality

Answer each question in 1,000 words or less.

Submit 10 copies of background information documents and nomination forms.

Entries must be sent to:
NH Business of the Year Competition,
c/o Business NH Magazine
670 N. Commercial St.,
Suite 110
Manchester, NH 03101

Entries due Jan. 14, 2008

For more information, call (603) 626-6354

2008 NH BUSINESS OF THE YEAR ENTRY FORM

Company Name _____
Address _____ City/Zip _____
(Additional Facility Locations) _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____
Contact Person _____ Title _____
E-mail _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____
Executive Names _____ Titles _____

Number of years in business _____ within NH _____
Which industry segment are you entering? _____
Submitted by _____ Phone _____

To qualify, companies and organizations must be currently active in business in the state of NH. Please provide the following information on separate sheet(s):

1. A brief description of the company, its main business activities and its mission statement.
2. A summary of the company's community (civic) involvement. Highlight awards, offices and other special positions held by individuals or the company.
3. A summary of the company's contributions to its industry.
4. Public companies should submit a copy of their annual financial report. Private companies are asked to have their bank or accountant provide a general letter indicating financial health. It is also suggested that they include financial ratios and calculations, such as current ratio, sales volume, working capital, and equity.
5. Submit two letters of recommendation with this application: one from your local chamber executive and one from a recognized business leader in your community.

2008 NH BUSINESS LEADER OF THE YEAR ENTRY FORM

Name _____ Title _____
Company _____
Address _____
City _____ Zip _____
Number of years in business _____ within NH _____
E-mail _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____
Submitted by _____ Phone _____
E-mail _____
Telephone _____ Fax _____

To qualify, business leaders should have a long-standing tradition of significant contributions to their communities and industries.

1. A summary of the nominee's involvement with civic organizations, community service groups and fraternal societies. Include a list of offices held and awards of merit received at local, state, regional, or national levels.
2. A summary of the nominee's contributions to his/her company and company's industry. Include a list of honors and awards.
3. Explain what distinguishes the nominee from business/community peers?
4. What does the nominee view as the most pressing issue within his/her community, business and industry? What solutions does the nominee offer?
5. What is the nominee's vision for NH?
6. Provide two personal references. Include name, address, profession, and telephone number of references.