

**Kent Chamber of Commerce & Republic Services**  
**President's Gala & Business Leadership Awards 2016**  
**FEAST IN THE FOREST**  
**Business Leadership Awards**

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**Awards Nomination Submission**

The annual "Business Excellence Awards" recognize and applaud the exceptional leadership, innovation and entrepreneurial spirit that member companies and their employees embody and share with our organization and our community. Nomination alone for one of these awards brings prestige. Please join us in identifying those who deserve to be recognized by nominating a Kent Chamber member. Please complete all information requested and submit to the Chamber office no later than April 15, 2016.

**Please print the following information:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Nominee or Company Contact

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Company Name

**Select Award Nomination - Only one per nomination form**

- \_\_\_\_ **Educator of the Year** - Presented to an educator, school administrator or businessperson who has made significant impact to ensure a highly motivated and skilled workforce.
- \_\_\_\_ **Chamber Member of the Year** - The award honors a member whose infectious enthusiasm, vision and drive has caused more businesses and their employees to be engaged and supportive of the Kent Chamber.
- \_\_\_\_ **Legislator/Government Employee of the Year** - Awarded to an elected official or government employee who, through their actions and leadership, supported the business community's need for reasonable costs for rules of doing business.
- \_\_\_\_ **Citizen of the Year** - Awarded to a member that has contributed significant resources to the community improving the livability and quality of the community through personal or company leadership.
- \_\_\_\_ **Customer Service of the Year** - Presented to a member company that engages in exceptional customer service.
- \_\_\_\_ **Manufacturer of the Year** - Honoring the individuals and companies that bring uncompromising excellence to Kent manufacturing.
- \_\_\_\_ **New Business of the Year** - Awarded to a new business that has come to Kent. Must have opened doors in the last two years.
- \_\_\_\_ **Economic Engine of the Year** - Presented to a member company that caused new jobs to be sustained in the area or maintained a significant number of current jobs to insure a stable job force in our community.
- \_\_\_\_ **Business of the Year** - Presented to a member company that has engaged in civic and community leadership.
- \_\_\_\_ **Restaurant Provider of the Year** - (industry specialty category for 2016). Each year, the Kent Chamber will recognize industry specific businesses of the year. This will be awarded to a restaurant that has amazing food, great staff and exceptional community involvement.

**Please thoroughly describe how this person/company meets or exceeds the award criteria on the back of this nomination form.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nominators Name

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Daytime Phone

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Daytime E-mail

*Please submit to the Kent Chamber of Commerce by March 20th - dropping off at: 524 W. Meeker Street, Suite 1.  
Mail: P.O. Box 128 Kent, WA 98035 or Fax: (253) 854-8567 or E-mail: andreak@kentchamber.com*

**Take advantage of early ticket prices of \$75 before April 15th**  
**After April 15th tickets are \$85. Tables of 8 are \$750**

The President's Gala & Business Leadership Excellence Awards is the Kent Chamber's largest fundraiser. We appreciate this opportunity to honor the business community, create an event that everyone looks forward to and secure the funds needed for yearly operations of the Chamber. It is with your help and involvement that we continue to grow year after year not only in funding but in attendance. Last year over 400 people attended our Gala.