

Augusta Township Announces Business Of the Year 2011

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Augusta Township Economic Development and Tourism committee have selected their 2011 recipient of Business of the Year. The purpose of the award is to honour and bring profile to the many businesses that reside in Augusta Township. Last year Finucan's General Store and Supply was awarded the honour. Businesses were nominated and evaluated on longevity, history, innovation and community involvement.

The winner:

Selleck Mechanical Inc. located on County Road 15 just south of Stone's Corners and has been in business for 11 years. Currently they employ 12, however their business can grow to as many as 30 when the work volume permits. Their business is a welding and fabricating shop specializing in Boiler repair, power piping and process piping. In 2007 an increase in business caused a much larger shop to be built on County Road 15. Selleck Mechanical is very much a family run business with Harry and his wife Lori working shoulder to shoulder everyday and their sons Brandon and Colton in the field. They are known as best in class when it comes to welding and fabrication quality. They only employ certified tradesmen ensuring customers receive quality work and excellent value. Described as very good corporate citizens Selleck Mechanical donates time, material and monetary donations to local charities especially children in need.

Other nominees were:

Dewar's Inn on the River is a full service bed and breakfast and motel that operates on the beautiful St. Lawrence River just west of Prescott. The Inn has been owned by Paul and Pat Dewar since 1986. The Inn includes 6 cottages, 18 motel rooms and 1 apartment. All units are spotless and well maintained and many are full efficiency. Dewar's Inn prides itself in the fact there are no hidden charges, all extra's are complimentary. Dewar's support The Shakespeare Theatre and are members of the Prescott and Brockville Chamber of Commerce. They strongly believe in shopping and eating locally and encourage their guests to do the same.

Irvine Memorial Chapel and Reception Centre at Roselawn; The Irvine Family are well respected providers of funeral services. They have been serving families in Leeds and Grenville since 1973 in Brockville and 1999 they purchased Roselawn Memorial Gardens. In 2002 they built a crematorium and in 2009 they built a spacious tribute centre. This contemporary, spacious building allows families to hold visitation, ceremony, reception, interment and/or cremation at one address. It is also available for families who may be utilizing other area cemeteries. This is the only facility of its kind in our region, offering cremation while incorporating the crematorium within one building. This minimizes delays and provides tremendous peace of mind for a family, knowing their loved one never leaves their care when cremation is requested. Irvine Memorial Chapel and Reception Centre at Roselawn is owned by Barbara Irvine.

Nuisance Wildlife Control Inc. Nuisance Wildlife Control Inc's principal goal is to achieve complete customer satisfaction through practical, efficient, effective and humane methods of eliminating wildlife issues experienced by a customer. In business since 1997 Darcy Alkerton has established a reputation as an expert in this field. He is a sought after educator and speaker in the area of wildlife control. The company employs 19 people across Ontario and is looking to expand into the US. Representing Nuisance Wildlife Control

Vacuum Thermal Forming is located in Roebuck has been in business for 15 years. They manufacture custom plastic products through the process of vacuum thermal forming and prototype development. Clients include Canarm, Vortex Air Systems, Til-Tek Antennae and Health Craft. VTF is owned by Oliver Crate who is a member of the Business Fair Subcommittee and is a sponsor for Queen's University BAJA SAE and also supports Queensway Hospital of Eastern Ontario.

P.F. Donnelly Const'n Ltd. is located on Hwy 2 and has been in business for more than 3 years. It employs 4 full time people and 10 to 20 seasonal. The business activity is custom built homes and is known as a professional innovative and accommodating builder.

Steve Polite Sand and Gravel has been in business for over 30 years. Purchased in 1988 by Steve and Ann Marie from Steve's father the business employs 12 long term full time employees including sons Dustin and Kenny and Wes who works part-time. The business activities are, road building, excavations, land clearing and construction projects. Steve donates his time to support the Roebuck Community Centre, he coaches fastball and minor hockey. The business supports many local charities including Grenville Fish and Game Club, Ducks Unlimited and Spencerville Fair. Steve and his family have contributed both financially and in kind to the success of the Roebuck Recreation committee.

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Above is the Augusta Township 2011 Business of the Year. Below is a picture of all Nominees.

