



**KEARNEY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
*Box 607 Kearney, Nebraska 68848*

## KEARNEY AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SMALL BUSINESS OF THE YEAR 2009

The Small Business of the Year award is intended to recognize the contributions of small businesses to the economic growth of the Kearney area. To be eligible for the Small Business of the Year Award, all applicants must meet the following criteria.

- Be a current member in good standing of the Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce for a minimum of two years.
- Have completed a minimum of three years in business
- Have a minimum of three (3) employees and a maximum of fifty (50) employees (full & part time)
- Show growth in sales, services and/or growth in number of individuals served and expanded programs and services
- Demonstrate a commitment to ethical business practices
- Demonstrate a commitment to employee support and development
- Demonstrate community involvement/leadership
- Demonstrate a commitment to utilizing resources in the Kearney area to help your business grow

The Small Business of the Year award is designed to recognize the important role small businesses play in our local economy. Through the award process, businesses are recognized for economic growth, creativity, community involvement and leadership. Nomination deadline is **5:00 p.m. October 30th, 2009.**



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**Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce  
Small Business of the Year 2009  
NOMINATION FORM**

All Chamber members are encouraged to nominate their own or another Chamber member business for the Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business of the Year Award. All businesses nominated will receive a letter of congratulations and will be asked to complete an application form. Applications will be verified and reviewed by the Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Council. Nominations for the Small Business of the Year Award will be accepted until **October 30th, 2009**. The winner of the Small Business of the Year Award will be announced at the 91st Annual Meeting of the Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce in 2010.

Nominee/Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_

Business name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Why did you choose to nominate this business for the Small Business of the Year Award?

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Please return nomination forms to:  
Kearney Area Chamber of Commerce  
Small Business Council  
P.O. Box 607, Kearney NE 68848-0607  
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