

Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce

2025 Beacon Awards

Leonard "Buddy" Burton Outstanding Business Person Nomination Ballot

GUIDELINES

Nominee must be a resident of Chincoteague Island for at least 5 years and/or employed by a Chincoteague business for at least 5 years.

Nominee has consistently demonstrated excellence in professional and community leadership and exhibits the highest of moral and ethical standards.

Nominee has made, or is making, significant contributions to the welfare of the community through involvement and participation.

Nominee has given freely of their time and energy for community betterment.

The nominee's contribution can be civic, social, educational, charitable or business related.

In order not to duplicate awardees, a list of previous winners is provided at the end of this ballot.

NOMINATION Nomination is based on the following accomplishments: (use additional pages if necessary)

SUMBISSION

Winners will be chosen by a designated committee on merit and not by the number of submissions received.

Completed ballot must be signed and received by April 1, 2025 at director@chincoteaguechamber.com or Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce, 6733 Maddox Boulevard, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336. Questions? Contact Joanne Moore, Executive Director, by email or call 757-336-6161.

PAST AWARD WINNERS LEONARD "BUDDY" BURTON OUTSTANDING BUSINESS PERSON AWARD

James Bott - 1990 Bill Jones - 1991 Nancy Conklin – 1992 Gary Mason – 1993 Kelly Conklin - 1994 Donald Leonard - 1995 Mike McGee - 1996 Wesley McDonald - 1997 Jean Clark - 1998 S. Scott Chesson - 1999 Diane Watson - 2000 Bobby Parks - 2001 Wanda J. Thornton - 2002 Chris Bott - 2003 Kevin Krome & Steve Potts - 2004 George Katsetos - 2005 Russell & Martha Everett - 2006

Michael T. Tolbert – 2007

Ted Lewis - 2012
Suzanne Taylor - 2013
Richard T. Conklin, Sr. - 2014
Tom Derrickson - 2015
Tommy & Donna Mason - 2016
Robert 'Bobby' Conner - 2017
Ritchie & Denise Conklin - 2018
Jeannie Rose - 2019
Sue Johnson - 2020
Bryan Rush - 2021
Rick Watson - 2022
John H. 'Jack' Tarr – 2023
Nicole Miller - 2024