



Women of Excellence

Nomination Form 2019

AWARD CRITERIA

The Victor Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations to honor the passion, vision, and commitment of exemplary women who live, work, go to school, volunteer and/or contribute significantly to the Victor community. Three women will be chosen in three categories and celebrated at the Eighth Annual Victor Chamber Annual Women of Excellence Dinner to be held on Wednesday March 20, 2019.

The Victor Community is very proud of its Native American roots exemplified by Ganondagan, the Seneca historic site. To recognize this rich history, the Victor Chamber of Commerce is seeking nomination for women who demonstrate the qualities of "Jikohnsaseh" a founder of the Iroquois Confederacy.

Jikohnsaseh

Jikohnsaseh (Gi-GON-sah-seh) was instrumental in forming the Five Nations Confederacy which was founded on the message of peace, health and justice and one that pre-dated the American constitution by 750 years. She had great vision and wisdom. Above all, Jikohnsaseh had a passion for her people to share peace and equal rights for all women. She inspired women who became instrumental in building the Iroquois Nations or Haudenosaunee (HO-dee-no-sau-nee).

The Victor Chamber is soliciting nominations for women who possess the qualities of Jikohnsaseh and who have demonstrated significant achievements and have contributions. **Nominees must not have been nominated in the immediate prior year.** Please submit your nomination in one or more of the following categories for a woman who is in school, lives, works, or volunteers in Victor:

1. **The Student of Promise Award – Role Model**

This award celebrates a young woman age 15-25 who attends school or lives in Victor, is dedicated to education and reflects the characteristics of Jikohnsaseh while significantly contributing to the betterment of the Victor and surrounding communities. This student serves as a role model for other young women and will be able to demonstrate achievement in the areas of leadership, mentoring, activism, volunteerism and/or participation in community initiatives.

2. **The Lantern Award – Volunteerism/Lifetime Achievement**

This lifetime achievement award celebrates a woman who reflects the characteristics of Jikohnsaseh and has contributed significantly to the Victor community by volunteering and/or participating in community programs and initiatives. This woman serves as a role model for all women and demonstrates achievement in the areas of volunteerism, community activism, leadership and mentoring over an extended period of time.

3. **The Jikohnsaseh Woman of Excellence Award – Professional Achievement**

This award honors a woman who lives and/or works in Victor who embodies the characteristics of Jikohnsaseh and has reached a level of professional achievement that is impressive and/or has contributed significantly to her chosen career field. This woman serves as a professional role model for all women and demonstrates significant professional achievement, leadership and mentoring.



2019 Women of Excellence Nomination

Please mail the completed form to:

pat@victorchamber.com
Victor Chamber of Commerce
33 West Main Street
Victor, New York, 14564

Nominations are due January 15, 2019

Please contact Pat Abbott or Jodell Raymond at **585-742-1476** for more information or to purchase tables and/or individual tickets for the event. Please be sure to ask Jodell about sponsorship opportunities for your organization or business. Thank you for honoring the exemplary women of Victor!

NOMINATION

Your Name

Your Address

Your Email Address

Your Phone Number

Your Place of Employment or School

I WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE

_____ for the Victor Chamber of Commerce WOE Award.

Name

Choose One Please:

- The Student of Promise – Role Model** **The Lantern Award – Volunteerism/Lifetime Achievement**
 The Jikohnsaseh Women of Excellence – Professional Achievement

Nominee Name

Nominee Address

Nominee Email Address

Nominee Phone Number

Nominee Place of Employment or School

Parent or Legal Guardian for Student of Promise Nominees

Parent or Legal Guardian Contact Information, phone, email

Major Achievements of the nominee:

Please share your reasons for nominating this person:

Nominees will be contacted by email by the committee and asked to answer related questions, fill out a bio, and provide supporting documentation for the award.



November 27, 2018

We are seeking nominations from you...

The eighth annual "Women of Excellence Awards" will take place on Wednesday, March 20th, 2019. These awards, presented by the Victor Chamber of Commerce, honor the passion, vision, and commitment of exemplary women who live, work, go to school, volunteer and/or contribute significantly to the Victor community.

In partnership with Ganondagan, the Seneca historic site, three women who exemplify the characteristics of Jikohnsaseh, one of the most important historical figures in Iroquois history, will be each chosen in three categories- Youth of Promise, Lantern and Jikohnsaseh.

To recognize and show its pride in Victor's Native American roots, the Victor Chamber is seeking nominations from organizations such as yours for women who may possess the criteria outlined in each category. These women signify the commitment and integrity your organization has demonstrated to the Victor Community. Their leadership, volunteerism, and participation in community initiatives are a reflection of the organizations they represent, and therefore, a nomination from your organization also exemplifies the contributions your organization has made to the community as a whole.

Your nomination form is enclosed. Please feel free to make copies if you choose to nominate more than one person.

Nominations are due by January 15, 2019.

If you have questions you may call Pat Abbott, Administrative Assistant at 585.742.1476 or e-mail me at pat@victorchamber.com.

You can purchase tickets for the event on the chamber website: www.victorchamber.com .

We hope that you will look to the women in your organization who make a significant difference in our community and help us to recognize them as you join us at our upcoming "Women of Excellence Awards" in 2018.

Sincerely,

Jodell Raymond
Executive Director
Victor Chamber of Commerce