

Chamber Announces 2009 First Quarter Awards

Ambassador of the Month - *The Chamber Ambassadors are a dedicated group of business volunteers that serve as the public relations arm for the chamber. Their involvement for 2008 included 86 ribbon cuttings throughout the year, along with regular attendance at monthly breakfast and Alive@5 events, mentoring new members and promoting the Chamber in every way. Each month a member of this group is honored at our monthly Business Breakfast of Champions.*

January: Darlene Araujo - Go Green Lawn Solutions

February: Bill Quisenberry - Innovative Opportunities Unlimited

March: Tom Lacaria - Allstate Workplace Division

Better Business of the Month – *The Melbourne Palm Bay Area Chamber of Commerce Better Business Council division each month honors a local business that emulates the standards and ethics set forth by the Council. The selected business is honored at the Business Breakfast of Champions and is eligible for the Better Business of the Year award.*

January: AAMCO Transmissions - In business locally for eleven years, they have been members in good standing of the Chamber and the BBC that entire time. Although they specialize in transmissions, their other services include brake repair, air conditioning, tune-ups, and general maintenance and repair. They are located at 705 E. Hibiscus just east of the Melbourne Auditorium. **Richard Hall**, owner, accepted the award.

February: Melbourne Square Mall - Regional shopping center serving Brevard for 26 years, retail outlets include Coach, Dick's Sporting Goods, Dillards, JCPenney, Macys, TooJay's Gourment Deli, and White House Black Market just to name a few... **John Campbell**, mall manager, accepted the award.

March: Williams Roofing – Member since 1982, Williams Roofing is family owned and operated and has served the Roofing needs of Brevard for 39 years. Their motto is: “**We’ve Got You Covered**” and that is proven by the variety of roofing services they provide which include shingles, metal, tile, built-up and maintenance of commercial, residential and industrial roofing. **David Williams**, owner, accepted the award.

Young Adult of the Month - *The Melbourne-Palm Bay Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors the prestigious Young Adult Award Program recognizing outstanding high school students in Brevard County. The Chamber committee reviews applications from area high schools in order to select a Young Adult of the Month. Each month, the selected student is honored with a plaque at the Business Breakfast of Champions hosted by the Chamber and sponsored by Florida Institute of Technology.*

January: Noel Arthur Turner, Satellite High School

February: Denver Hughes Barrows, Satellite High School

March: Katherine Ann Smith, Palm Bay High School