



OUTSTANDING SMALL BUSINESS
Nomination Form

Nominee

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Year Established: _____ Number of Full-Time Employees: _____

Nominator

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

About the Nominee:

On a separate sheet, describe the nominee, listing how he/she meets the award criteria.

Supporting Documents:

Please contact 1-2 individuals to supply supporting documentation to accompany your nomination form. Support documents can take the form of letters, emails, news articles, etc.

Submission:

Return completed nominations by April 30th
Lisa Dobbins, Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce
515 N. Washington Ave., 3rd Floor, Saginaw, MI 48607
or by email to lisa@saginawchamber.org

Nominations received after the due date will be considered for the following year.



100 South Hamilton Street in Historic Old Town Saginaw, Michigan
Reservations: 989.797.8325

Paul A. Barrera, Sr.

Past Business History:

Retail Menswear Sales & Wholesale Menswear Mfg. Rep (1964-1973)
Founder and Co-Owner - Fortress Nightclub & Discotheque (1973-1980)
Founder and Owner - Creative Cabinets Design Center (1980-1999)
Founder and Co-Owner - Nine's Fire House Pub & Grill (1996-2008)

Current Business History:

Founder and Co-Owner with Pamela Higgs-Barrera
Jake's Old City Grill, Inc.
Opened June 2006-Present 18 Employees
100 South Hamilton Street in Historic Old Town Saginaw, MI 48602
Phone: 989.797.8325 Cell:989.737.9782 Email: paul@jakesforsteaks.com

Community Involvement:

Member Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce (25 years)
Past Member of Board of Directors Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce (6 years)
Past Member of Chamber of Commerce Small Business Advisory Council (5 years)
Past Member of Board of Directors Saginaw County Minority Business Development Center (4 years)
Member Board of Directors & Past President of the Old Town Saginaw Association (16 years)
Past Member of Board of Directors - Saginaw Art Museum (7 years)
Co-Founder & Project Chairman of "The Bunny Statues", An Arts Fundraiser (18 years)
Co-Founder & Project Chairman of the Annual Old Town Saginaw Easter Egg Hunt (15 years)
Co-Founder & Past President of The Mid-Michigan Hispanic Business Association (12 years)

Supported Affiliations:

Old Town Saginaw Association
Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce
Saginaw Future, Inc.
Saginaw Art Museum
Saginaw Area Fireworks
Saginaw Bay Symphony Orchestra
Positive Results Downtown Association
Great Lakes Bay Visitors & Convention Bureau
Saginaw Community Foundation Temple Theater
Saginaw Choral Society Pit & Balcony Community Theater
Saginaw Community Enrichment Commission Saginaw Children's Zoo
Saginaw Japanese Cultural Center National and Michigan Restaurant Associations

SHAPERS SALON & DAY SPA
685 NORTH CENTER ROAD
SAGINAW, MI 48638
Telephone: (989)793-3771

March 29, 2022

Lisa Dobbins
Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce
515 N. Washington Avenue, 3rd Floor
Saginaw, MI 48607

Re: Nomination for the Saginaw Chamber Leadership Awards
Outstanding Small Business Award

Dear Lisa,

I would like to nominate Paul A. Barrera, Sr. for this year's Outstanding Small Business Award.

I have known Paul for over 30 years; I met him when we were members of what is now the Great Lakes Bay Hispanic Business Association. At that time, Paul was co-founder and president of the Mid-Michigan Hispanic Business Association. He helped form that small group of Hispanic business owners, dedicated to the commitment and involvement of Saginaw's Latino leaders in serving our community. That group has evolved into what is now the Great Lakes Bay Regional Hispanic Business Association.

I feel that Paul meets the criteria for the Outstanding Small Business Award; attached is Paul's business and community involvement history. He is founder and co-owner of Jake's Old City Grill. He and his wife, Pamela Higgs-Barrera, opened the restaurant in 2006 in Old Town Saginaw, currently employing 18 employees.

Thank you for considering Paul for this prestigious award.

Sincerely,


Silvia Ortega
Owner,
Shapers Salon & Day Spa