



HARDIN COUNTY

Chamber & Business Alliance

Business of the Year-Hensel Ready Mix

9925 Co Rd 265, Kenton, OH 43326

Hensel Ready Mix has served as a three-generation business in Hardin County for over 50 years. They currently have five locations and have poured concrete for some of Hardin Counties most recent developments including the Kenton Elementary School, Ridgemont Schools, International Paper expansion, Heritage Cooperative Fuel Complex, and OhioHealth Hardin Memorial Hospital expansion. They also participated in pouring for Television's Extreme Home Makeover, and had the first front discharge conveyor truck in the United States.

Small Business of the Year-WKTN Radio-95.3

112 North Detroit Street, Kenton, Ohio 43326

Located in Kenton for over 56 years, WKTN Radio has been working to recreate themselves with content, energy, and a dynamic team. WKTN Radio-95.3 prides itself on being involved in the community through radio broadcast, reporting news as it happens, and partnering in various community events.

Citizen of the Year-Roger Crowe

14064 Township Road 135, Kenton Ohio 43326

Roger Crowe is a native born Hardin County resident serving the community in the law enforcement field since 1976. He has held several leadership positions throughout Hardin County including currently serving as Fiscal Officer for the Grove Cemetery Association and Fiscal Officer for Buck Township, and as a Hardin County Commissioner sitting as chairman since 2018. He was a co-founder of Hardin County Safety School and he retired from the City of Kenton as a Captain of the Kenton Fire Department. He has been very active with the Elks #157 and helps several positions including the Exulted Ruler. He has also served as President of the Ohio Elks Association from 2013-2014. His more recent community project could be seen all spring and summer lining the street of Kenton with the Veteran's Banner Project celebrating our community's military veterans. With this project, he hoped to sell 42 banners, but the community supported the project by purchasing 240 banners.

Community Service Award-Mitzi Crawford

2818 State Route 67, Belle Center Ohio 43310

Mitzi Crawford is receiving the Community Service Award for her work to develop the Women's Boutique and Common Grounds Haircuts as an extension of outreach for the Abundant Life Church. Mitzi started Common Grounds Haircuts to give residents of Hardin County a place to receive a free professional haircut to help meet the needs of building relationships and confidence in those individuals. She also worked to develop the Woman's Boutique where women can come into the boutique and receive free clothing for their daily needs. Her hope was to create a place for women to come together and make friends.



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Women LEAD Professional Excellence Award-Jen McMurray

12324 Pamela Drive, Kenton Ohio 43326

Jen McMurray is receiving the Women LEAD Professional Excellence Award for her outstanding accomplishments in the medical field as a Physicians Assistant and her faithful dedication to community service. In 2015, Jen was awarded as one of the top 50 Physicians Assistants in her field of 115,000 for her passion for delivering high quality health care, promoting wellness, and saving and changing lives. Jen started her career at the Kenton Community Health Center where she went above and beyond to serve her patients on every level. In 2015, Jen spoke at the Ohio Association of Community Health Centers Conference to promote and educate other clinicians and administrators about the impact PA's can have in enabling great access to care. In 2018, Jen participated and graduated from Hardin Leadership and also became the President of Table One. She was also influential in the establishment of the Table One Community Garden serving residents of Kenton.

Young Professional Leadership Award, Brian Sprang

200 East Forest Road, Kenton Ohio 43326

Brian Sprang has been selected to receive the Young Professional Leadership Award due to his outstanding professional and community service accomplishments. Brian has served in many capacities as a leader as the Chairman of the YMCA Pool Project raising over \$200,000 to renovate the swimming pool. He has served as the Chairman of the Board for the Hardin County Chamber & Business Alliance, Hardin County YMCA Volunteer of the Year. Professionally, Brian participated in a Roundtable event in the Department of Treasury in Washington D.C. on Risk Mitigation, Focusing on Disaster Recovery, and Business Continuity. He was published in CU Answers Network for his achievement in IT related innovations for the credit union and for completing IT professional training.

Ambassador of the Year-Julie Jordan

403 North High Street, Kenton, Ohio 43326

Julie Jordan has participated in the Hardin County Ambassadors since 2017. She is an active volunteer contributing to all of the events at the Hardin County Chamber & Business Alliance. She is always the first to respond and ask for a job or role to help the organization. She has been an active member of Women LEAD since 2017 and volunteers in any capacity to support their events. Julie always is kind and helpful ready to do anything she can to help make the Alliance a success.