

INDIANA'S DRIVING FORCES

We're delighted to celebrate our 36th Annual Awards Dinner this November and give much-deserved praise to those individuals and a county that consistently represent what makes Indiana great:



- Ogletree Deakins Business Leader of the Year: Jim Ryan, president and CEO of Old National Bank in Evansville. He notes, "The key to leadership is knowing that you can't do it all yourself. It's got to be a team. There are no individual successes; there are only team successes."
- NextEra Energy Resources Dynamic Leader of the Year: Dan Elsener, president of Marian University. He advises, "Do your best. Everybody gets one shot. We all have a first breath and a last in between. You get to choose what you're going to do with it. And I have a calling to education."
- Yamaha Community of the Year: Kosciusko County. Indiana Chamber President and CEO Vanessa Green Sinders says: "The area's vibrant ecosystem of public and private partnerships works together for the collective good and demonstrates inspiring servanthood leadership."
- Birch Bayh-Richard Lugar Government Leader of the Year: Dr. Katie Jenner, Indiana's Secretary of Education. She shares: "I think the potential for impact (is the best part of my job). That's what feeds me. What feeds me is making it better. The potential for impact in this space is immense."

We also honor Indiana Chamber Samuel C. Schlosser Volunteers of the Year, presented by Goelzer Investment Management: Bill Barrett, partner, Williams Barrett & Wilkowski, LLP (Greenwood); Aubrey Noltemeyer, senior partner, Kightlinger & Gray (Indianapolis); and Matthew Rust, associate vice president of student navigation/support, Indiana University (Bloomington). Their efforts on various projects this past year have helped propel our own activities.

Two more difference-makers get their due: inaugural Jackson Lewis Emerging Leader of the Year Jacob Perkins, regional education manager of Amatrol, for his work with cultivating the state's talent pipeline and Janmarie Connor, president and CEO of Connor Painting, as the women's Empower Award winner for all she does to lift up individuals and those in her community.

In addition, we highlight business news around the state that includes economic development, executive leadership, impactful companies and much more. And don't miss a Q&A with longtime political analyst Chris Stirewalt.

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