



PORTLAND
Regional Chamber

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Annual Dinner & Community Leadership Awards Nominations

Leadership in the Private Sector

Nominees for the **Henri A. Benoit Award** must be residents of the greater Portland region who have made outstanding contributions to the greater Portland community through active leadership or individual efforts in civic or charitable activities. Recent recipients include William Ryan, Samuel A. Ladd III, Andrew (Mickey) Greene, Joseph F. Boulos and Brian Petrovek. **Henri A. Benoit**, a native of Westbrook, was Chairman of the Board of A.H. Benoit & Company, a clothing company founded by his father. Mr. Benoit organized Downtown Park and Shop, an effort to rejuvenate retail sales in Portland and was devoted to making Portland a better place to live and work through his business and civic leadership and philanthropy.

Leadership in the Public Sector

Nominees for the **Neal W. Allen Award** nominees must be either appointed or elected officials of state, county, regional or local government and have, through their public careers, made a significant contribution to the future of greater Portland. Preference will be given to projects or activities which are of a regional nature. Recent recipients include Richard Ingalls, Honorable Leigh I. Saufley, Jeffrey Jordan, Senator Susan M. Collins, and Jerre Bryant.

Neal W. Allen was born in Portland. The grandson of famed architect, John Calvin Stevens, Neal Allen was a longtime history professor and colonial law scholar. Before returning to Maine in 1981 and serving as president of the Maine Historical Society, Mr. Allen taught history at Union College in Schenectady, New York for 30 years.

Economic Development

Nominees for the **Robert R. Masterton Award** can be an individual, business, agency, organization, community or nonprofit corporation which has assisted in promoting or enhancing the overall climate of greater Portland. Recent recipients include Donald Perkins, Peter G. Vigue, The Maine Turnpike Authority, Paul "P.D." Merrill, posthumously, and Idexx Laboratories, Inc.

Robert R. Masterton served as president of Maine Savings Bank from 1970 to 1987 and was CEO of One Bancorp, and a key figure in the economic revival in Portland. Robert Masterton served as a trustee of the University of Maine, Westbrook College, and Maine Medical Center. He was chair of the building committee for the Portland Museum of Art and a director and VP of the Portland Community Chamber, and chair of the Chamber's Business Ethics division.

The Awards will be presented at our 156th Annual Dinner on September 16, 2010 at the Holiday Inn by the Bay. Please help the Chamber to identify men and women who deserve to be honored for extraordinary achievement in the public and private sectors. Nominees must be residents of the greater Portland region. Please mail your nomination(s) to Kerry Rasor, c/o Portland Regional Chamber, 60 Pearl St., Portland, ME 04101, or by Fax to 772.1179. The nomination deadline is Friday, March 26.

For more information, call Kerry Rasor at 772.2811, ext 235 or by e-mail at krasor@portlandregion.com. See reverse side for nomination form.

