Centennial Business Awards
Nomination Form

The Centennial Business Awards Program honors local firms who have done business in Lake Forest or Lake Bluff for 100 years or more. (Name and/or ownership changes are fine and businesses who have undergone these transitions still qualify.) Nominations are accepted at any time. The awards are presented each spring at the History Center’s annual meeting.

Please fill out this nomination form and the attached questionnaire.

1. Applicant’s Name: _________________________________________________
   Mailing Address: __________________________________________________
   City and ZIP Code: _________________________________________________
   Telephone: ________________      E-mail address: ______________________

2. Business Names (over the years): _____________________________________
   _________________________________________________________________

3. Business Name to be placed on award: _________________________________

4. Please complete the attached questionnaire and attach other information that can be used to prepare a history of the centennial family. We may also conduct an interview with you and/or other employees.

5. We will need 5-10 photographs (more if you have them). Digital files are preferred but if need be we can scan originals at the History Center. We are also happy to provide a home to original photographs if you are looking for one.

Application Process

Submissions are accepted at any time during the year. Nominees must be a member of the History Center. (Business memberships are $100.) Questions? Contact Laurie Stein at 847-234-5253 or at lstein@lflbhistory.org.

Please return your nomination form, photos, and membership (if applicable) to:
   Laurie Stein, Curator | lstein@lflbhistory.org
   History Center of Lake Forest-Lake Bluff | 509 E. Deerpath | Lake Forest, IL 60045
1. Who were the first people to establish this business in Lake Forest or Lake Bluff? When did they open here and where did they come from? Where was it located? What is the business origin story?

2. Please list the names of each succeeding business owner (if known). Indicate the years of operation and where the business was located if it changed addresses. Let us know if there are others who have been involved with the business in the past who we should contact for information.
3. How has the business changed in focus over the years? How has it remained the same?

4. Please share additional information about your business' connection to Lake Forest and Lake Bluff: recognition received, events sponsored, organizations it is a part of, and any other community involvement.