

Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## 2024 Business of the Year

**Seaway Veterinary Clinic & Thrifty's** were both named the Township of Elizabethtown-Kitley 2024 Business of the Year at Township's Business Breakfast held Friday, October 25th, 2024 at the Brockville Country Club, located in the Township at 1548 County Rd 2.

Danae O'Neill of Seaway Veterinary Clinic and Lacey Lalonde, Bethany Gamble, and Grace Neal of Thrifty's accepted the award from Mayor Brant Burrow and MPP Steve Clark. The Business of the Year Award honours businesses that have demonstrated excellence in their field, longevity, innovation and involvement in their community.

Four businesses were nominated this year:

- Blackscape Supply
- Chit-Chat Convenience
- Seaway Veterinary Clinic
- Thrifty's

In acknowledgement of the accomplishments of the nominees, the Committee presented each in attendance with a certificate recognizing their excellence.

The event featured guest speaker Steve Duff, Chief Economist Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Agri-business.

The Business of the Year award was created in 1994 to recognize the contribution of local businesses. This event marked the 29<sup>th</sup> Business of the Year event and the 1st breakfast hosted by the Township and Economic Development Committee.

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Left to Right: Danae O'Neill Seaway Veterinary Clinic, Nominee Bethany Gamble, Grace Neal, and Lacey Lalonde Thrifty's, Nominee Allison and Sheldon Black Blackscape Supply, and Nominee Jean-Eric and Kristine Gibeau Chit-Chat Convenience



Left to Right: Mayor Brant Burrow, Winner Danae O'Neill of Seaway Veterinary Clinic, and MPP Steve Clark



Left to Right: Mayor Brant Burrow, Winners Grace Neal, Lacey Lalonde, and Bethany Gamble of Thrifty's, and MPP Steve Clark



Left to Right: Guest Speaker Steve Duff and Mayor Brant Burrow



Danea O'Neill of Seaway Veterinary Clinic speaks after receiving award



Lacey Lalonde of Thrifty's speaks after receiving award

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