



Ambassador of the Year: This award is awarded to a person who participates in the Chamber of Commerce Ambassador Program and exemplifies volunteerism, attends chamber functions; such as ribbon cuttings, networking events, business and organization of the month presentations, assists with membership retention, volunteers for chamber activities, is an active advocate for the organization and its members, and is willing to help with any initiatives that may come along. –

TRAE CUNNINGHAM: Copperas Cove Nursing & Rehabilitation

Jr. Ambassador of the Year: This award is awarded to a CCISD High School Junior or Senior who is a next generation leader for the community of Copperas Cove. This Jr. Ambassador has demonstrated a passion for the chamber initiatives and events, civic education, community service, youth leadership development, tourism, and entrepreneurship. This individual has worked very hard to exemplify all the characteristics defined by an Ambassador Board Member. –

CAMERON PETET

Small Business of the Year: This award is being presented to the small business (less than 25 employees) that has most demonstrated excellence in business practices, customer service, and community involvement. This business will be viewed as a respected corporate citizen, exhibit growth potential, and offer value to the community through either job creation or general positive image. – **SOGGIE DOGGIES**

Large Business of the Year: This award is being presented to the large business that has demonstrated excellence in providing quality products and services, employee benefits and professional development. This business is dedicated to its consumers, community involvement, creating career opportunities, and providing sustainable jobs in our community.

- **CCISD**

Non-Profit Organization of the Year: The Non-Profit of the Year Award is presented to an organization which has provided outstanding service to the Copperas Cove Community, demonstrated sound management practices and exceptional leadership. – **STAR GROUP VETERANS HELPING VETERANS**

Outstanding New Members: This award is being presented to the member/members who have made significant efforts throughout their first year to support the Chambers mission, get involved in the community, and provided substantial contributions to our initiatives and events. – **HEART OF TEXAS HOSPICE.... And.... HANK'S TIRE PRO & MUFFLERS**

Outstanding Community Partner (Jim French Award): The Community Partner Award is presented to individuals, businesses, or corporations in recognition of their community service and collaboration with the Copperas Cove Chamber of Commerce. We recognize these community partners for their commitment and accomplishments as both a chamber and community service partner. These recipients have demonstrated their dedication to supporting the chambers mission and operations with emphasis on improving the quality of life for the citizens of our community. They often donate their time, talent, products & services, and other precious resources as exemplified in the life of Mr. Jim French, who embodied all these characteristics. – **CHICK-FIL-A.... And.... SHWANA HEINZE: CACTUS LILLY**

Tourism Partner of the Year: This business or organization has demonstrated a superior ability to satisfy visitor's expectations through the service and/or products they provide during tourism events. This recipient is committed to supporting and promoting those tourism initiatives that markets the city Copperas Cove as a vibrant and thriving community to visit, live, work, and play! – **COPPERAS COVE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

Colleague of the Year (Mark Peterson Award): This award is designed to recognize a member who has demonstrated extraordinary service in the community by forgoing strong relationships and opportunities between the Chamber of Commerce, its members and community partners through volunteerism, program support, and other involvement. This recipient is committed to innovating chamber initiatives and events and provides whatever resources are needed to ensure the success of the chambers mission as exemplified in the life of Mark Peterson, who defined community involvement. – **SHARON TABOR: HOME PLACE FLOORS & REFRESH SALON & SPA**

Congratulations to all of the 2019-2020 Award Recipients, we are honored to recognize your service and valued contributions this evening; we can't thank you enough for your support, commitment, and dedication to the Copperas Cove Chamber of Commerce & Visitor Bureau and our community