



Eberly Farm & The Print Source 2009 Small Businesses of the Year

Eberly Farm and The Print Source were named the 2009 Small Businesses of the Year Wednesday at the fifth annual Small Business Awards luncheon. Eberly Farm represents small businesses with one to 25 full-time employees and The Print Source represents small businesses with 26 to 100 full-time employees.

Founded in 1962 by Merl & Dixie Eberly, Eberly Farm is a private conference, wedding and events venue in northwest Wichita. The farm continues to be operated by the Eberly family, led by Sam & Judy Eberly, their son Chad and his wife, Susan.

Known for an inviting country atmosphere and great home cooked food, Eberly Farm prides itself on event flexibility, attentive service and casual style.

Key to the farm's success is instilling in their young employees a sense of pride in their work. For many employees, working at Eberly Farm is their first job. Employees are taught to look for solutions, ask questions, dress appropriately, be responsible for their schedules, multi-task and make thoughtful decisions.

Over the years Eberly Farm has continued to meet challenges and to reinvent itself. Their core values of recognizing new opportunities, perseverance, hard work, and education, made Eberly Farm the perfect choice for Small Business of the Year.

The Print Source, founded in 1947, is a family owned and operated, full service printing and graphics company, led by President, Stu Lungwitz.

The business continues to see strong sales and maintains a true commitment to employee relations. This commitment shows in their average employee tenure of 6.7 years, compared to an industry standard of 4 years.

Keeping up with fast changing technology is the key to their ability to offer a large variety of products and services. The Print Source's 103,000 square foot facility in west Wichita provides space for a wide variety of services including business printing, screen printing and digital graphics with large format capabilities, blow molding and plastic container decorating, roll labels and decals and vehicle graphics.

The ability to offer multiple services, while maintaining continuous improvement and a high level of customer service is why The Print Source was named the Chamber's 2009 Small Business of the Year.