



The Wayne County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) honors four local small businesses this year during National Small Business Week (May 5th-11th, 2019).

On Thursday, May 9th 2019 a small team of elected officials and staff from the Wayne County IDA travelled across the County to recognize four small businesses for milestone anniversaries.

New York State Senator Pamela Helming and New York State Assemblyman Brian Manktelow along with Wayne County Chairman of the Board of Supervisors joined Wayne County IDA Staff and the Regional Director of the Small Business Administration, Virginia Smith who says “The US Small Business Administration is happy to celebrate National Small Business Week with four incredible Wayne County businesses. Small businesses are the backbone and heartbeat of the American economy and we are blessed in the Finger Lakes area to be surrounded by flourishing, successful small businesses.”

For more than 50 years, the President of the United States has issued a proclamation announcing National Small Business Week, which recognizes the critical contributions of America’s entrepreneurs and small business owners.

More than half of Americans either own or work for a small business, and they create about two out of every three new jobs in the U.S. each year.

As part of National Small Business Week, the U.S. Small Business Administration takes the opportunity to highlight the impact of outstanding entrepreneurs, small business owners, and others from all 50 states and U.S. territories. Every day, they’re working to grow small businesses, create 21st century jobs, drive innovation, and increase America’s global competitiveness.

The Wayne County IDA and the contingent honored four small business, nominated based on anniversaries they are celebrating in 2019. Mason Farms of Williamson, NY has been in business for over 200 year, Micro-Tech Machine in Newark, NY is celebrating 35 years this year. Thomas Electronics of Clyde and LaGasse Works in Lyons almost double that with 70 years and 65 year respectively.

Brian Pincelli, Executive Director of the Wayne County IDA said “Small businesses are the life-blood of the economy. We are proud of the work they do and their commitment to Wayne County.”