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**Masters Gallery Foods, Inc. Wins Sheboygan County Manufacturing of the Year Award**

Elkhart Lake, WI—The Chamber Champions Gala, held on February 20, 2018, was a time to celebrate the best of Sheboygan County. More than 650 attendees gathered to celebrate the accomplishments of the Chamber Champion award nominees with a rousing reception, excellent food and standing ovations at The Osthoff Resort.

Over 76 companies and organizations were nominated for various awards. Masters Gallery Foods was honored to receive the Manufacturer of the Year award. This did not come easy as they were against some other great businesses, including 3 Sheeps Brewing Company, American Orthodontics, Bemis Manufacturing Company, Kohler Co., Sargento Foods, The Blind Horse Restaurant & Winery and Wigwam Mills.

“This is a terrific honor for Masters Gallery Foods and testament to the great work we’ve all done as a company to grow our business and our profile within Sheboygan County. Our new Oostburg plant will be a true state-of-the-art manufacturing facility, one that will allow us to move confidently into the future. We couldn’t do it without everyone’s help and support, thank you!” -Jeff Gentine

The annual award process began in Fall when the Chamber put out a call for nominations from their members for their members. If nominations were not Chamber members or were self-nominated, they were disqualified. Nominees are then sent category-specific questionnaires. Chamber member representatives from a variety of fields are asked to be judges and personally go through the questions, score and tally the nominations individually. Judges then gather to review score sheets, percents are tabulated and the winner is determined (judges with affiliations to the nominees are unable to vote in those categories).

Since its founding in 1974, Masters Gallery Foods has grown to service many of the nation’s grocery chains, wholesalers, restaurants, and distributors with a full line of private label brand cheese and cheese related products. The Company also specializes in the procurement, aging, and distribution of bulk cheeses at a national level. For more information, visit the company’s website at

[www.mastersgalleryfoods.com](http://www.mastersgalleryfoods.com).