Atchison's Dickason named to Chamber Hall of Fame

(KAIR)--The latest inductee into the Locally Atchison Chamber Hall of Fame has been selected, with induction ceremonies set for next month.

According to a release from Locally Atchison, Richard "Rich" Dickason has been named to become the 9th inductee into the Chamber Hall of Fame, with the near 30-year president of Exchange Bank to be inducted February 17.

Jim Rowland, Executive Director of Locally Atchison, in the release, calls Dickason "a most deserving inductee not just because of his work in Atchison through his roles at Exchange Bank but more for his commitment and love for the community of Atchison."

The release outlines Dickason's education and career, noting that he served as Exchange Bank President for 29 years, remaining its CEO until his 2023 retirement from the bank following 50-years of service. Current bank Chairman and President, Douglass Adair, in the release, said he can "think of no one more fitting to receive this prestigious honor," adding that "it is good to see [Dickason's] name [among] the greats from the Atchison business community," expecially that of Richard Bruggen, whom Adair calls one of Dickason's mentors.

The release cites what it calls Dickason's "love for Atchison," which it says is "evident in the many organizations he served and the charitable contributions he's made to the community," with the release noting Dickason's involvement with the Atchison Chamber of Commerce, Atchison Hospital Association, Atchison Family YMCA, Benedictine College, Mount St. Scholastica, Courtney Turner Trust Foundation, Knights of Columbus, American Legion and Atchison Catholic Elementary School.

Rick Berger, President and CEO of Berger Company, in the release, says Dickason's "dedication and business acumen over the years has greatly improved the economic and social climate" of Atchison, adding that the "prestigious honor is well deserved."

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