

## **The Builders' Association Honors Contractors for Safety Excellence**

Kansas City, Missouri — Contractor members of The Builders' Association were honored for their commitment to making the construction workplace safer for all employees at The Builders' Association Safety Excellence Awards Program on October 21, 2008. The program was sponsored by The Builders' Association, Missouri Division of Labor Standards, Kansas Department of Labor, and OSHA Kansas City Area Office.

Jim Garner, Secretary, Kansas Department of Labor, stated, "We are proud to be a partner in this safety awards program with The Builders' Association, the State of Missouri, and OSHA. Safety pays. It reduces the number of people injured, reduces workers' compensation costs, and increases productivity. Safety excellence takes the commitment of management and the involvement of workers who are part of a culture of safety."

Charles Adkins, CIH, OSHA Regional Administrator, Region VII, congratulated the honorees and commented, "I encourage everyone to work with their neighbors and their competitors to promote safety and health in the workplace. We want everyone to come to work tomorrow the same way they came today."

### **The winners are listed below:**

#### **Grand Award for All Divisions:**

JE Dunn Construction Company

#### **Safety Professional of the Year:**

Charles Paulson, CSP, Safety Director, Midwest Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

#### **General Contractor Division:**

Over 1 Million Work Hours:

1st Place: JE Dunn Construction Company

700,001 to 1 Million Work Hours:

1st Place: Clarkson Construction Company

2nd Place: Walton Construction Company, LLC

3rd Place: River City Construction, LLC

100,001 to 300,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: Turner Construction Company

2nd Place: Taylor Kelly, LLC

3rd Place: SIRCAL Contracting, Inc.

Under 100,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: The Weitz Company

2nd Place: Coleman Industrial Construction, Inc.

3rd Place: Professional Contractors & Engineers, Inc.

#### **Subcontractor Division:**

Over 1 Million Work Hours:

1st Place: P1 Group, Inc.

300,001 to 700,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: Faith Technologies, Inc.

2nd Place: Midwest Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

100,001 to 300,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: The Fagan Company

2nd Place: Design Mechanical, Inc.

3rd Place: Performance Contracting, Inc.

Under 100,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: W.C. Wiedenmann & Son, Inc.

2nd Place: Lexington Plumbing & Heating Co., Inc.

3rd Place: Desco Coatings, Inc.

**Material Dealers/Suppliers Division:**

100,001-300,000 Work Hours:

1st Place: JE Dunn Logistics, Inc.

The Safety Excellence Awards Program was held in the Hutton Conference Center at the Association's Education and Training Center in North Kansas City, Missouri.

The Judges included: Mark Banden, Compliance Assistance Specialist, Kansas City Area Office, OSHA; Pat Flynn, EDS, Professor, Technology Management, Pittsburg State University; Herb Holmberg, Senior Safety Consultant, Kansas Department of Labor; Daniel Stark, CIH, Assistant Director, Division of Labor Standards, Missouri Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; and Lawrence L. Wilkes, Professor, Safety Sciences, University of Central Missouri.

The Builders' Association delivers safety training to over 4,500 employees annually. The Association has over 1,000 general contractor, subcontractor, and supplier/service provider members in the commercial, industrial and municipal utility construction industry employing over 35,000 people.

Office locations include its Education and Training Center (a 100,000 square foot apprenticeship and management training center in North Kansas City, Missouri); an administrative office and plan room in Kansas City, Missouri; and offices, plan rooms, and training facilities in Columbia, Jefferson City, and Springfield.

Michael J. Hayes is 2008 Chairman of The Builders' Association. Don Greenwell is President. Phil Shoemaker is the Safety & Health Services Director. The Builders' Association was established in 1887.

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