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## BUILDERS EXCHANGE OF CENTRAL OHIO MEMBERS DRIVE INDUSTRY AND ASSOCIATION SUCCESS

ach November, the Builders Exchange of Central Ohio compiles our association's annual report. It's not a list of financial statements and charts – even though the BX is a healthy, thriving association any way you measure it – this report is all about people.

You'll see names and faces, volunteer teachers, awards judges and school speakers. We call them ambassadors, trustees, task force members and directors.

Collectively, they are the sum of our association.

This magazine looks much like the BX office on any given day – brimming with many people who come together to help their industry. Exchange members reflect the entire spectrum of commercial construction in central Ohio, including architects and engineers, general and specialty contractors, equipment dealers and material suppliers, and business service providers like lawyers, bankers, insurance agents and accountants.

Each of these professions are represented among the more than 600 member firms of the Exchange. Within any member company, BX volunteers may include the CEO, HR director, administrative assistant, project manager, field superintendent,

craftsman and the safety director... or all of the above! BX programs are created to appeal to just about everyone.

Remarkably, the individuals sitting at the table often are competitors day to day in the industry. This association is truly "by the people, for the people."

This year, the focus to develop our industry's workforce remained strong and we doubled down on efforts to educate workers through coursework ranging from

"Managing from the Middle," "Construction Drawings 101" and business development updates from local owners.

The changing industry needs require the BX to respond. The key to that appeal is a century of member involvement. Whether the Exchange is creating a new education program, money-saving business service or a new networking group, our members are involved in planning it.

The programs we celebrate look different than they did 10 years ago – let alone 100 years ago! None of these activities could be possible without an enormous amount of volunteer time and talent. Therefore, this magazine honors the Builders Exchange's most valued component: its people.





Members of the 2023 BX Board of Directors are, front row, from left: John Harper (Speer Mechanical), Vice President Dan Geers (Jezerinac Geers & Associates, Inc.), Chris Converse (Converse Electric), Executive Director Mary Tebeau (BX) and Past President Greg Schmitt (Lincoln Construction, Inc.). Middle: Alison Marker (Marker, Inc.), Treasurer Jay Jacobsmeyer (Walsh Construction Group, LLC), President Eric Bull (Elford, Inc.) and Charlie Egbert (Turner Construction Co.). Back: Matt Greenwood (Construction Systems, Inc.), Matt McClellan (Miles-McClellan Construction Co., Inc.) and Jessica Anderson (Anderson Concrete Corporation).



### BX FOUNDATION AWARDS RECORD \$152K IN SCHOLARSHIPS; NEW SCHOLARSHIP CREATED

nce again, a new record total of scholarships was presented in 2023! In May, a total of \$152,000 in scholarships was awarded to 54 area high school seniors and current college students from the Builders Exchange Foundation. Due to the generosity of the local commercial construction industry, each year the Foundation has been able to expand its reach in the community. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization supporting professional development of current and future employees in the local construction industry.

In addition, a new one-time Named Fund scholarship was created in memory of Douglas J. Suter. Through contributions from his former clients and friends, the Suter Scholarship will be awarded next year to honor his legacy. Suter contributed countless hours to the industry through his involvement in the Safety Advisory Council and as an instructor over three decades.

Also this year, Staples contributed more than \$11,000 to the Foundation, which comes from a percentage of every dollar purchased by BX members through the endorsed Staples Business Advantage plan. Staples Soul, the corporate responsibility program for Staples Advantage, has contributed more than \$157,000 to the BX Scholarship Fund since inception.

These impacts help build our future workforce. Thanks to generous donations from central Ohio industry leaders, the Foundation can touch lives in the following areas:

- construction workforce development
- industry image enhancement
- employee education opportunities
- improved industry business practices

For more information about the Builders Exchange Foundation or creating a named scholarship fund, contact Mary Tebeau at 614.486.9521 x234 or mtebeau@bx.org.

#### - NAMED SCHOLARSHIPS -

- ► Cathy Blackford Scholarship
- ▶ Roger Allen Carper, Sr. Scholarship
- cHc Manufacturing Scholarship
- ▶ Columbus Coal & Lime Scholarship
- ▶ Construction Leadership Circle Scholarship
- James F. Dew Scholarship
- Gerald L. Daily Scholarship for Civil Engineering at The Ohio State University
- ▶ Thomas C. Fitzpatrick Award for Community Service and Leadership
- ▶ Igel Anniversary Scholarship
- ▶ Peter E. Korda Scholarship
- ▶ Ben W. Kramer Scholarship
- Liberty Scholarship
- Lincoln Construction Scholarship for Central Ohio Students in Construction Management
- ▶ Richard T. Lombardi Award by Turner Construction Co.
- Tyler Ludwig Leadership Award
- Samone Melson Scholarship by Marker, Inc.
- ▶ Mid-City Electric / Technologies Scholarship
- ▶ Miller Family Scholarship
- ▶ SME William L. Muter Scholarship
- Mock Family Scholarship
- ▶ O'Shaughnessy Women in Construction Scholarship
- Pruneau Family Scholarship
- Donald W. and David M. Righter Scholarship for Civil Engineering and Construction Management
- Setterlin Building Company Scholarship
- Samuel A. Shuman Scholarship for Mechanical Engineering and Construction Management
- Tarullo Family Scholarship
- Richard Wanner Scholarship





Members of the 2023 BX Foundation Trustees are, front row, from left: Eric Bull (Elford, Inc.), Denise Doczy-Delong (Singleton Construction, LLC), Brian Dew (Mid-City Electric / Technologies), Charles Loeb (Loeb Electric) and Immediate Past President Jim Smith (Elford, Inc.). Back: Executive Director Mary Tebeau (BX), Dan Geers (Jezerinac Geers & Associates, Inc.), Jerome Buckner (Buckner & Sons Masonry, LLC) and President Josh Corna (Continental Building Co.). Not pictured are Vice President Christian Robertson (Robertson Construction Services, Inc.) and Greg Schmitt (Lincoln Construction, Inc.).

### JOHN IGEL SELECTED AS 69<sup>TH</sup> RECIPIENT OF THE BX CORNERSTONE AWARD

ohn Igel, a past president of the BX Board of Directors, has been named the 2023 recipient of the Builders Exchange Cornerstone Award.

Igel, CEO of George J. Igel & Co., Inc., was selected based on his leadership contributions to the community, the industry and the Exchange. Considered to be the highest honor presented in the central Ohio construction industry, the Cornerstone Award has been given annually since 1954. John is the fourth member of his family to receive the award.

A BX member since the mid-80s, Igel served on the board of directors for 10 years, serving as president in 2014. He also served on the Builders Exchange Foundation board of directors from 2013 to 2015. His involvement at the Exchange includes participation as chair of the BX Cornerstone Review Committee and a champion for the BX Rising Leaders Institute. Igel also served for decades as an instructor for several BX education classes.

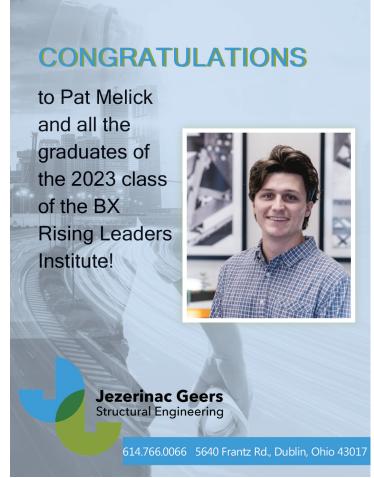


Outside his BX involvement, Igel has chaired or served in various capacities for several local charities and organizations including the Ohio Contractors Association, National Utility Contractors Association, Ohio Laborers Pension Fund, American Subcontractors Association, Association for Equipment Management Professionals, Family Business Center of Central Ohio and Columbus State Community College, Construction Management Advisory Board.

Igel was selected to receive the Cornerstone Award by the BX board of directors, based on an initial review by the BX Cornerstone Award Review Committee.

### Past Cornerstone Award Winners -

Ralph H. Anderson	1954	Marvin W. Ott	1989
J. Parker Garwick	1955	John (Jack) K. Brown	
M.R. Hausman	1956	All Past Award Recipients	1991
J.T. Edwards, Sr	1957	(In Honor of the BX Centennial Celeb	ration)
George J. Igel, Sr	1958	L. Jack Ruscilli	1992
F.O. Schoedinger		Thomas J. Fitzpatrick	1993
O.H. Seeger	1960	William P. Igel	1994
Robert W. Setterlin, Sr	1961	Mark S. Corna	1995
A.E. Binder	1962	Kurt N. Schmitt	1996
Lee H. Hinder	1963	George J. Igel, Jr	1997
Thomas C. Fitzpatrick	1964	Jeffrey L. Copeland	1998
Frank Lorenz		Edward M. Rainaldi	
Ralph Atkinson	1966	Terence J. O'Shaughnessy	2000
Arthur W. Hess	1967	Joseph F. Busch	2001
Norman J. Altman	1968	F. Randolph Sleeper	
Warren Cremean	1969	Donald B. Leach, Jr	
T.R. Walker	1970	Darrell D. Cook	2004
Carl E. Bentz	1971	Robert W. Setterlin, III	2005
R.W. Setterlin	1972	James F. Dew	2006
Fred C. Pagura	1973	Dave A. Edwards, Jr	2007
J.T. Edwards, Jr	1974	Daniel E. Lorenz	2008
W. Ray Mack	1975	Parr P. Peterson	2009
Paul C. Winters	1976	M.E. (Gene) Belew	2010
Robert H. Myers	1977	Richard (Rick) Lombardi	2011
Samuel A. Shuman		Charles D. Steitz	2012
Sherman R. Smoot	1979	James K. Rost	2013
John W. Gardner	1980	J.D. Flaherty	2014
Richard Bohl, Jr	1981	Michael D. Tarullo	2015
John W. Galbreath	1982	Catherine C. Blackford	2016
Richard F. Ziska	1983	James W. Smith	2017
Ralph Setterlin, Jr	1984	W. Mac Ware	.2018
Richard L. Tully	1985	Dennis Shuman	.2019
Ralph (Andy) Anderson	1986	Jim Hess	2020
Lewis R. Smoot, Sr	1987	Don Gregory	.2021
Robert L. Nichols		Katherine Gatterdam	.2022





### SHARE WHAT YOU KNOW — BECOME AN **OUTREACH VOLUNTEER**

ou can help make an impact on the future of construction by volunteering for the BX Outreach Program. The group was created to promote careers and provide industry resources to students, parents and educators throughout central Ohio.

During the school year, volunteers meet with thousands of students in hopes of encouraging them to become tomorow's industry colleagues. Share what you know by becoming a volunteer speaker! To learn more, contact Pam Austin at 614.486.9521 x233 or paustin@bx.org.

### HANK YOU 2022-2023 VOLUNTEERS!

- Austin Wesley Brown (Pepper Construction Company > Brian Lensink (Pepper Construction Company of of Ohio, LLC)
- Chad Campbell (Marker, Inc.)
- Jill Connor (The Superior Group)
- Bob Dawson (Retired)
- Chad Douglas (Turner Construction Co.)
- Jason Gordon (Dublin Building Systems)
- Gina Grimaldi (Turner Construction Co.)
- Debra Guilbert (Construction One, Inc.)
- Lance Heath (Metropolitan Holdings LLC)
- Erik Heinmiller (Turner Construction Co.)
- Vanessa Jester (Turner Construction Co.)
- Brad Kernan (Kernan Insurance Agency, Inc.)
- Susan Kish (The Superior Group)

- Ohio, LLC)
- Ryan Lidke (VanTrust Real Estate, LLC)
- Ryan Mackley (The Superior Group)
- Brian Maxwell (Dublin Building Systems)
- Curtis McKenzie (Brexton Construction LLC)
- Nick Minto (Danis Building Construction Co.)
- Mike Mitiska (Danis Building Construction Co.)
- Jake Myers (Turner Construction Co.)
- Mack Parks (The Pizzuti Companies)
- Allen Pierron (Metropolitan Holdings LLC)
- Andrea Pruneau (Barton Malow Builders)
- Quentin Pruneau (Barton Malow Builders)
- Jeannette Robinson (Paul Peterson Co.)

- Jake Roby (Marker, Inc.)
- Angy Russell (Mid-City Electric / Technologies)
- Tim Schacht (Marker, Inc.)
- Tamara Shackelford (Turner Construction Co.)
- Bob Shonkwiler (The Superior Group)
- Paige Sims (Brexton Construction, LLC)
- Adrienne Sraver (Barton Malow Builders)
- Phil Stafa (Turner Construction Co.)
- Jason Stumbo (Metropolitan Holdings LLC)
- Nijansshi Thakkar (Turner Construction Co.)
- ➤ Kevin Wanner (Turner Construction Co.)
- W. Mac Ware (Retired)
- Jordan Washington (The Superior Group)
- Doug Wright (Marker, Inc.)



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"Anderson Concrete has been a proud member of the Builders Exchange since 1930. Our company enjoys the educational and networking benefits provided by the BX. Personally, I have made many valuable connections through my participation and I strongly encourage others to get involved."



Jessica Anderson President (Anderson Concrete Corporation)

### OVER THE PAST YEAR, BX MEMBERS HAVE COLLECTIVELY **SAVED \$3,291,470**\*!

aximize the value of your membership with these exclusive, cost-saving benefits for *members only* through the BX-endorsed business service partners. Many firms using just a few of these programs find their savings far exceed their dues.

**Sedgwick** – Manage your company's bottom line by providing occupational health and safety consulting to help prevent workplace injuries and reduce workers' compensation costs.

#### Southern Ohio Chamber Alliance –

A health insurance program tailored to meet the needs of all large, mid-size and small employers.

**7-Eleven/Speedway** – BX members reduce fuel expenditures by participating in the group savings program.

### Pathways Financial Credit Union -

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**Staples** – More than an office supply store! Enjoy expanded services such as PPE, janitorial and office furniture.

MEP 401(k) Retirement Plan – Save time, reduce costs, increase efficiencies and limit liability while offering employees access to a 401(k) plan.

**IGS Energy** – Providing solutions to your traditional and green energy needs – through electricity and natural gas.

**Best Courier** – Efficient, effective delivery service – confidence in knowing your packages will arrive on time.

#### **Enterprise Fleet Management –**

Fleet management with built in flexibility of purchasing or leasing your vehicles.

**Sedgwick MCO** – Helping Ohio's injured workers get back to work safely and quickly for more than 20 years.

For more information about how you can maximize your membership, contact BX Membership Director Sean Cooper at 614.486.9521 x219 or scooper@bx.org.

\* Savings from 7/1/2022 - 6/30/2023.



### LOCAL TRADESPEOPLE AWARDED HIGHEST RECOGNITION WITH BX CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD



Front row, from left: Andrew Heigley (Jezerinac Geers & Associates, Inc.), Susan Gregory (Moody Nolan, Inc.), Matt McEnery (MAC Construction, Inc.), John Harper (Speer Mechanical), Andrea Pruneau (Barton Malow Builders), John Smolarski (SMBH, Inc.) and Dan Edwartoski (Korda/Nemeth Engineering, Inc.). Back: Michael Starkey (Construction Systems, Inc.), Mike Girouard (Marker, Inc.), Dirk Wilkins (Walsh Construction Group, LLC), Jonathan Wilch (MA Design) and Jeff Sparks (HAWA Incorporated). Not pictured, Jairo Alza (Turner Construction Co.) and Brent Foley (Triad).

ince 1964, the Builders Exchange Craftsmanship Awards program has recognized the importance of tradespeople for the quality work they provide to the local construction industry. The Exchange would like to thank those members who served as a 2023 Craftsmanship Award Judge. The contribution of time and expertise is greatly appreciated.

### THANK YOU JUDGES!

### 2023 CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD RECIPIENTS





#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Andre Adams, Nick Davis, George Derenburger,
Steve Driver and Chris Fooce
of Mid-City Electric / Technologies

#### THE WINNING WORK

Electrical installation at the Hilton Columbus Downtown

A high level of planning, coordination and expertise by the crew from Mid-City Electric / Technologies was necessary for the electrical installation at the Hilton Columbus Downtown.

Work at the new 28-story hotel consisted of AEP service, installation of a generator, switchgear and two utility transformers, fire alarm system for three different buildings and more than one million feet of wire to 463 guest rooms and suites. A full-size kitchen, three partial kitchens, roof top bar and several ballroom spaces were included in the scope of work. The crew installed more than 100 different light fixtures, including a 5,000-pound chandelier containing more than 500 components. The schedule and complexity of the project required a significant amount of coordination for workspace and materials. Prefabrication of lighting systems resulted in a quicker installation and reduction of worksite waste.

All five crew members belong to IBEW Local Union 683. This is the fifth crew award for Mid-City Electric / Technologies.

#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Robert Carter, David Downs, Wayne Morris, Brandon Richley (not pictured) and Jacob Vance of Farber Corporation

#### THE WINNING WORK

Air handling unit replacement at Riverside Methodist Hospital

The crew from Farber Corporation is responsible for the removal and replacement of the air handling unit at Riverside Methodist Hospital.

Operating with a high level of detail and communication, the crew provided their input and expertise from the start of the project. The demolition and reinstalment was completed within a two-month period. Due to limited workspace, an opening was cut in the roof for easy access. The new unit was nearly 100-square-feet larger and had to be fabricated by the crew to fit within the existing footprint. The crew refurbished and modified two previously abandoned air handlers to temporarily use for service while transitioning to the new system. The new unit provides service to several critical facility floors.

Carter, Downs and Richley are all members of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 189. Morris and Vance are members of Sheet Metal Workers Local 24. This is the second crew award for Farber Corporation.





#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Doug Deweese, Chuck Grover and George Hawkins of Martin Painting & Coating Co.

#### THE WINNING WORK

Interior painting at the North Market

he crew from Martin Painting & Coating Co. are responsible for the meticulous painting of the North Market.

Located in downtown Columbus, the 147-year-old public market's interior space was in need of repainting. The crew worked closely with the local health department, market staff and general contractor to ensure food safety protocols were followed. This included extensive planning for how the work area was set up and torn down each shift so that vendors could open for business the next day. A dry ice blasting method was used to remove the old paint and residue build up. Lifts and other special equipment were used to access the ceiling and to maneuver around restaurant stations. The team completed the project in three months.

This is the second crew award for Martin Painting & Coating Co.











#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Shawn Downs, Phillip Price, Andrew Pullin, Jason Rowley and Jeremy Whiteley of Mid-City Electric / Technologies

### THE WINNING WORK

**Electrical installation at KDC Groveport** 

etailed planning and coordination were key factors for the crew from Mid-City Electric / Technologies in the installation of the controls and processing power at KDC Groveport.

The crew completed work at the 569,000-square-foot industrial manufacturing facility in nine months. Despite limited access to electrical drawings, the team provided crucial input to the layout, design and execution of the very large and complex install. The schedule and size of equipment required a significant amount of coordination with other trades. Along with the installation of transformers, cable tray and various size amps, more than 32,000-square-foot of cable was used to feed hundreds of motors. Prefabrication was used to assist with the cable pulls, while control cabinets were designed and built in the field.

All five crew members belong to IBEW Local Union 683. This is the sixth crew award for Mid-City Electric / Technologies.





#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Randy Hoover, Don Miller, Joe Spak and Byron Weaver of DeFabCo, Inc.

### THE WINNING WORK

Painted stainless steel and granite monuments at The Ohio State University National Pan-Hellenic Council Plaza

The impressive skill and artistry of the crew from DeFabCo, Inc. can be seen on display at the OSU National Pan-Hellenic Council Plaza.

DeFabCo was tasked with fabricating nine stainless steel and granite monuments to commemorate the National Pan-Hellenic Council, a group of historically African American fraternities and sororities founded in 1930. The painted stainless steel and granite pieces were mined and shipped from China. Once the pieces were received, the crew hand engineered, welded and polished each side pod to prevent damage and maintain a consistent look. The 5-foot-tall monuments were fabricated in the shop, then transported to a painting facility before arriving on site to be set in place. A special transport base and lifting assembly were needed to carefully move the 1,000-lb. assemblies for installation.

This is the first crew award for DeFabCo, Inc.

#### THE CRAFTSMEN

Vince Borean, Lee Bouahom, Gavin Francis, Josh Kirk and Colton Thompson of Speer Mechanical

#### THE WINNING WORK

Chilled water replacement at Nationwide

The scheduling, fabrication design and installation of the chilled water replacement at Nationwide is the work of the crew from Speer Mechanical.

The first two months were spent devising a plan for the replacement of piping, which spanned from the lower concourse up to the 39th floor mechanical room. By access through a mail conveyor shaft, nearly 3,000-feet of pipe ranging in size from 18-inches to eight feet was installed in pieces from the bottom up. Due to its weight, the new material was cut into precise lengths to allow for custom shackles to individually lift each piece. Electric winches were installed on custom fabricated trolley rails, allowing the pipe to then be raised into position. The crew fabricated 80% of the material on site due to limited workspace. Final connections required a three-day tie in, with the crew split into separate work areas.

All five crew members belong to Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 189. This is the second crew award for Speer Mechanical.





### CRAFTSMANSHIP AWARD SPONSORS

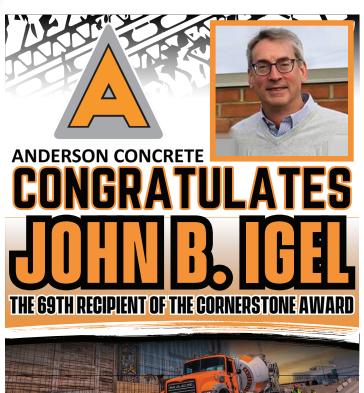


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### **BX PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

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nitiated in 1979, this honor is given to an individual who has volunteered countless hours behind the scenes to develop Exchange programs and impact the industry. While the award is presented to just one person, it represents and salutes the thousands of BX members who have donated their time and talents to the BX through the years.

The 2023 recipient, Cordell Walton, business development manager with Sedgwick, has been a member of the Exchange since 2013. Walton has been an active volunteer for the Safety, Education and Membership departments. He began his volunteer work



assisting and teaching OSHA

classes as a safety and risk control consultant. He has been an instructor for many workers' compensation and safety education seminars held at the Exchange. He is a past BX Young Professionals Committee member and serves on the Steering Committee for the Safety Council of Greater Columbus.

Walton regularly attends BX events including the Annual Meeting, Open House, Young Professional programs and events and BX Membership breakfast meetings. He is also a volunteer at the annual Ohio Construction Conference.

If you would like to become more actively involved in the industry, the BX offers members numerous opportunities to network and volunteer. Opportunities include serving on committees, judging safety and craftsmanship awards or speaking to students about careers in construction. For more information on getting involved, contact Pam Austin at 614.486.9521 x233 or paustin@bx.org.

### - Past President's Award Winners -

Bert Gallant 1979	Pat Shuster	2001
Wayne Kaser 1980	Joseph A. Igel	2002
Marvin Ames 1981	Wade F. Hungerford	2003
Chuck Wilson 1982	Ronald T. Erb	2004
Darrell Cook 1983	Mark Ludwig	2005
Ted McDonnell 1984	George Gillespie	2006
Jeff Copeland 1985	Doug Cooper	2007
Robert Tullett 1986	Rick Martine	2008
Charley Price 1987	Penny McFann	2009
Mark Shy1988	Mark Ogle	2010
Bob Dunham 1989	Eric Bull	2011
Jack Graf, Jr 1990	Domonic DeLuca	2012
Jerry Mason 1991	William W. Rhoads	2013
Jeff Donohew 1992	Adam Drexel	2014
Bruce Dew 1993	Kevin Birch	2015
Mac Ware 1994	Robert Dawson	.2016
Michael Tarullo 1995	Robert Biehl	2017
George A. VanNeil 1996	Joe Urquhart	.2018
Glen Rowe 1997	Parr Peterson	.2019
Craig Wanner 1998	Mike Madigan	.2020
John de Ruiter 1999	Hansel Rhee	.2021
Chris Bendinelli 2000	Adrienne Sraver	.2022



### **CONNECT WITH THE BX!**



### SAFETY EXCELLENCE AND INGENUITY RECOGNIZED WITH BX SAFETY AWARDS

ver the last two decades, the Builders Exchange has acknowledged more than 100 companies for their dedication to safety in the commercial construction industry. These recipients have continued to raise the bar within the safety community for awareness, training and performance. Congratulations to the 26 companies receiving this outstanding award this year.

### **THANK YOU JUDGES!**

The BX would like to thank the individuals who volunteered their time, energy and expertise to serve as a 2023 BX Safety Awards judge.



From left: Layne Wortman (Velocity Safety Advisors), Jen Evans (Safex, Inc.), Hope Matheny (HLM Safety & Environmental Services, LLC) and Greg Mather (Ohio BWC, Division of Safety & Hygiene).

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The **BX Safety Achievement Award** was created to recognize outstanding safety efforts and accomplishments through statistical data, OSHA history and jobsite performance. The Builders Exchange is proud to present this year's Achievement Award recipients.



From left: Corey Dimmerling and Brandon Double.

### **Anderson Concrete Corporation**

Ready-Mix Concrete

Safety Staff: Cory Dimmerling, safety director; Mark Belus,

safety manager

Average number of employees: 150 Year the company was founded: 1921

This is the 16th BX safety achievement award that Anderson Concrete has received.







From left: Brett Blankenship, Rich Mills, Mark Perkins, Tony Stetson and Tim Hovda.

### **Construction One, Inc.**

General Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Brett Blankenship, director of field operations; Tim Hovda and Tony Stetson, construction supervisors

Average number of employees: 80 Year the company was founded: 1980

This is the third BX safety achievement award that Construction One has

received





From left: Rusty McMillen, Molly Soliz, Alan Dove and Steve Porter.

### **Continental Building Co.**

General Contractor

Safety Staff: Matt Harbuck, director of safety

Average number of employees: 95 Year the company was founded: 1984

This is the 20th BX safety achievement award that Continental Building has received.





From left, front row: Brad Marcus, Laura Cameron, Mikki Weber and Marvin Bailey. Back: Eric Gaston, Shane Banzhof, Cameron Leonard and Alex Parsons.

### **Converse Electric**

Electrical Contractor

Safety Staff: Laura Cameron, safety director

Average number of employees: 63 Year the company was founded: 1960

This is the 10th BX safety achievement award that

Converse Electric has received.



### **Custom Air Conditioning / Air Force One**

**HVAC** Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Matt Scott, safety committee chair; McKenzie Cameron, safety committee administrator; Chad Grayson, Josh Reed, Chris Browning, Mike Tharp, Scott Gischel, Chris Gould, Steve Hammer and Corey Semo, safety committee members

Average number of employees: 130 Year the company was founded: 1976

This is the 15th BX safety achievement award that Custom Air has received.





From left, front row: Mike Tharp, Chris Browning, McKenzie Cameron, Matt Scott, Chad Grayson and Pat Halaiko. Back: Corey Semo, Chris Gould, Baron Bugala, Scott Gischel and Steve Hammer.

### Elford, Inc.

General Contractor / Construction Manager

Safety Staff: Scott Ritter, safety manager; Tim Hatcher, safety

engineer; Lee Beaudry, site safety coordinator

Average number of employees: 315 Year the company was founded: 1910

This is the 19th BX safety achievement award that

Elford has received.





From left: Lee Beaudry, Scott Ritter and Tim Hatcher.

### ESI, Inc.

Electrical Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Barry Smallwood, safety director; James Hirtzler, Columbus regional safety director; Dillon Isaac, Jeff Baker, Kevin Howard, Jason Fairbanks, Conor Maciejewski and Geo Frisini, safety manager

Average number of employees: 632 Year the company was founded: 1966

This is the second BX safety achievement award that ESI has received.





From left: James Hirtzler, Rob Brown, Brian Myers, Jeremiah Sautter and Dillon Isaac.





From left: Shane Mouser, Jill Price and Brandon Maynard.

### **EXXCEL Project Management, LLC**

General Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Jill Price, marketing specialist; Mike Cremeans, director of customer service; Alan Moore, SVP-treasurer

Average number of employees: 31 Year the company was founded: 1989

This is the seventh BX safety achievement award that **EXXCEL** has received.





The Igel Team.

### George J. Igel & Co., Inc.

Heavy Civil Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Mary Logan So, vice president of safety, HR & employee development; Ed Hammond, senior safety manager; Collins Cranmer and Dan Feeney, safety managers; Tony Ames, Josh Davis, Kent Forster and Jim Yorko, safety specialist II, Jimmy Brahmbhatt, Joshua Patitz, Kiefer Standley, Mark Trifelos and Derek White, safety specialist I

Average number of employees: 544 Year the company was founded: 1911

This is the 10th BX safety achievement award that Igel has received.





From left, front row: Chris Wolfe, Jon Anderson, Dave Cooper, Sofia Mattern, Reed Bonham, Joe Coleman and Joe Oakes. Back: E. Mullins, Mike Barnett, John Williams, TJ Paige, Scott Buchannan, Wes Toops, John Coleman and Tyler Howard.

### Kirk Williams Co., Inc. & Kirk Williams Piping & Plumbing Co.

HVAC, Piping & Plumbing Contractor

Safety Staff: Hank Castin, safety manager Average number of employees: 100 Year the company was founded: 1943

This is the sixth BX safety achievement award that

Kirk Williams Company has received and the seventh that Kirk Williams Piping & Plumbing has received.

Kirk Williams Company

### **Limbach Company, LLC**

Mechanical Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Keith Snead, AVP branch safety director; Fred Mayberry, safety manager; Jennifer Martin, safety coordinator; Fred Mayberry II, safety coordinator

Average number of employees: 225
Year the company was founded: 1901

This is the 15th BX safety achievement award that Limbach has received.





From left: Jason Ziegler, John Etheredge, Chad Schmidt, Cheyenne Sterling, Ken Newman, David Losoncy and Noura Amundi.

### Mark Schaffer Excavating & Trucking, Inc.

Sitework & Utility Contractor

Safety Staff: John Landrum, MSHA instructor; Greg Russell,

safety officer

Average number of employees: 75 Year the company was founded: 1977

This is the first BX safety achievement award that Mark Schaffer Excavating & Trucking has received.





From left: Jason Schaffer, Tim Knoll, John Landrum and Greg Russell.

### Marker, Inc.

General Contractor

Safety Staff: Colin McBride, CFO; Marie Nicol, safety manager;

Misty Fullenkamp, safety assistant

Average number of employees: 135 Year the company was founded: 1956

This is the second BX safety achievement award that

Marker has received.





From left: Cole Wilson, Jerry Pittman, Mark Carey, Alex Yoder and Tarren Cozad.





From left, front row: Jeff Rocks, Johnathan Cammarato, Keith Cevera and Hans Vermaaten. Back: Nick Maciejewski, John Braswell, Matt Burns and Paul Lawson.

### **Mid-City Electric / Technologies**

Electrical & Teledata Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Johnathan Cammarato, director of safety; Hans Vermaaten, Jeff Rocks and Keith Cevera, safety managers; Paul Lawson, risk management coordinator and lead mental health advocate, John Braswell, Matt Burns, Billy Morris, Nick Maciejewski and Maxon Maciejewski, safety consultants

Average number of employees: 525 Year the company was founded: 1960

This is the 20th BX safety achievement award that Mid-City has received.





From left: Jeff Martin, Bob Lehner, Robert Spencer, Jonathan Taylor, Mike Fink, Tyler Sanderson and Jim Sever.

### **PSC Crane & Rigging**

Crane & Rigging Contractor

Safety Staff: Jeff Martin, safety director; Thomas Thurston,

field safety specialist

Average number of employees: 199 Year the company was founded: 1933

This is the third BX safety achievement

award that PSC Crane & Rigging has received.





From left: Jason Adkins, Oscar Zarate, Brandon Cox, Eric Vandyck, Ed Bailey, Terrell Glenn, Logan Boylan, Ted Kleinschmidt and Noe Linares.

### Reitter Inc.

Exterior Finishing Contractor

Safety Staff: Jason Adkins, superintendent/safety director

Average number of employees: 45
Year the company was founded: 1915

This is the second BX safety achievement award that Reitter has received.



### Robertson Construction Services, Inc.

General Contractor

Safety Staff: Christian Robertson, president; Dean Locher,

VP; Christopher Ahn, safety coordinator Average number of employees: 180 Year the company was founded: 1997

This is the fourth BX safety achievement award that Robertson Construction has received.





From left: Christopher Ahn, Daniel Moore, Anthony Thorton, Sean Beverly and Matthew Niskanen.

### Sauer Group, LLC

Mechanical Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Web Swain, regional safety director; John Staten, regional safety coordinator; Adam McDaniel, site safety manager

Average number of employees: 350 Year the company was founded: 1876

This is the 17th BX safety achievement award that Sauer Group has received.





From left: Adam McDaniel, Web Swain and John Staten.

### **Setterlin Building Company**

General Contractor

Safety Staff: Julia Badamo, safety coordinator; Jeff Lane,

general superintendent

Average number of employees: 90 Year the company was founded: 1935

This is the 12th BX safety achievement award that

Setterlin has received.

**SETTERLIN** 



From left: Darren Coe and Julia Badamo.





Tony Creed

### **Settle-Muter Electric, Ltd.**

Electrical Contractor

Safety Staff: Tony Creed, safety director Average number of employees: 220 Year the company was founded: 1995

This is the 12th BX safety achievement award that Settle-Muter Electric has received.





From left: Brad Bishop and Mike Roberts.

### **Speer Mechanical**

Mechanical Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Brad Bishop, safety director; Mike Roberts, labor manager; Stu Cameron, sheet metal superintendent

Average number of employees: 200

Year the company was founded: 1927

This is the 18th BX safety achievement award that Speer Mechanical has received.





Front row, from left: Kim Dixon, Meg DeWerth, Sonya Atkins and Trea Umbaugh. Back: Paul Coxe, Tony Colosimo, Jeff Mullins, Stefen Shelley and Jace Bradford.

### **The Superior Group**

Electrical & Teledata Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Kim Dixon, national safety director; Stefen Shelley, tech. safety director; Meg DeWerth, worker's compensation manager; Jeff Mullins and Trea Umbaugh, safety manager; Tony Colosimo, Paul Coxe, Jace Bradford and Sonya Atkins, safety coordinators

Average number of employees: 794 Year the company was founded: 1994

This is the 19th BX safety achievement award that The Superior Group has received.



### **Trucco Construction Co., Inc.**

Site Construction Contractor

Safety Staff: Chris Glass, safety director Average number of employees: 160 Year the company was founded: 1990

This is the eighth BX safety achievement award that Trucco Construction has received.





From left: Chris Glass, Laren Benedict, Jon Sweeny, Michael Becker, Daniel Merryman, Dalton Welch, Ryan Sites and Matt Dowell.

### **Turner Construction Co.**

General Contractor / Construction Manager

**Safety Staff:** Brandon Herdman, business unit EHS director; Jake Levering, project EHS manager; Jessica Gutzwiller, project safety manager

Average number of employees: 400 Year the company was founded: 1902

This is the 21st BX safety achievement award

that Turner Construction

has received.



From left, front row: Morreese Downs, Jessica Gutzwiller and Zack Bearden. Middle: Jake Levering and Mark Alberti. Back: Corey Denham and Chris Piatt.

### **Valley Interior Systems, Inc**

Specialty Contractor

**Safety Staff:** Todd Blust, safety director central markets; Matt Reichardt, Columbus area safety; Jenna Mullet, site safety manager

Average number of employees: 1,000 Year the company was founded: 1981

This is the first BX safety achievement award that Valley has received.





From left, front row: Todd Blust, Jenna Mullet and Chris Sanders. Back: Jeremy Turi, Matt Reichardt and Justin Taulbee.



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Back: Josh Finberg (Marker, Inc.), Eric Gilliland (Speer Mechanical), Brady Whittekind (Genesis Building Systems), Paul Bryan (MIELKE Mechanical, Inc.), Patrick Melick (Jezerinac Geers & Associates, Inc.), Joshua Melrose (Lang Masonry & Restoration Contractors), Justin Wengerter (Key Blue Prints, Inc.), Joe Davis (Thompson Concrete, Ltd.), Bradly Malaska (Turner Construction Co.) and Ryan Noblit (Environmental Management, Inc.).





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