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CONTRACTOR SAFETY AWARDS BANQUET

JULY 14, 2023 - Sulphur, Louisiana – The Safety Council of Southwest Louisiana’s annual Contractor Safety Performance Awards Banquet took place on Thursday, July 13th, 2023, at the West-Cal Arena and Events Center. This celebration recognizes the industry’s dedication to cultivating and achieving a strong safety culture among contractors and the industry they support.

The Performance Awards are hosted in collaboration by the Southwest Louisiana Construction User’s Council (SLCUC), Lake Area Industry Alliance (LAIA), and the Safety Council of Southwest Louisiana (SCSWLA).

The Keynote Speaker for the event was retired astronaut and USAF officer/pilot Mike Mullane. Mike joined NASA as one of the original space shuttle astronauts, flying three missions. He shared the human drama of space flight while highlighting the value of teamwork and individual responsibility in team safety. Dr. Wade Rousse, from McNeese State University, also presented at the event, providing a brief overview of the state of the LNG industry in our area, and their planned LNG facility.

Contractors considered for this award have challenged themselves to reach higher safety standards by instilling industry best practices. A rigorous grading method outlined by OSHA standards along with documented enforcement of safety regulations make up a point system by which the nominees are scored.

Awards are categorized by man hours worked and the type of work done. The *Best-in-Class Awards* are reserved for those companies that obtained the highest scores in each category, meeting minimum point requirements. Categories and awards presented at the banquet were as follows:

Specialty - Category I (5,000 – 75,000 man-hours):

- Best in Class: S&S Sprinkler
- Gold: Total Safety
- Silver: Burrow Global Services

Specialty - Category II (75,001 – 500,000 man-hours):

- Best in Class: Energy Rental Solutions- CAT
- Gold: Tray Tec, Inc.
- Silver: Howell Industries
- Silver: R&H Quality Refractory
- Silver: 24 HR. Safety
- Bronze: Pro Waste, LLC

Specialty - Category III (Over 500,000 man-hours):

- Best in Class: Triad Electric & Controls
- Gold: Excel Modular

- Silver: SWAT- Specialty Welding and Turnaround
- Silver: Alliance Industrial Group, LLC

General - Category I:

- Silver: Garrison Industrial

General - Category II:

- Best in Class: Austin Industrial (LKO)
- Gold: Austin Industrial (LYB108)
- Bronze: Catamaran Industrial Services, Inc.

General - Category III:

- Best in Class: Brock Services
- Gold: Specialized Industrial Maintenance – SIM
- Gold: Universal Plant Services, Inc.
- Gold: Turner Industries, LLC
- Silver: Industrial Specialist, LLC
- Silver: Brown & Root
- Silver: Apache

Technical Contractor - Category I:

- Silver: LRC Wireless

Winner of the Excellence Award, recognizing continuous improvement with the largest improvement year over year, was **Turner Industries, LLC**.

We would like to thank our sponsors, speakers, staff, and everyone who attended the event. Additional award winners who were not present will be notified by Safety Council staff. For more information or details about the event please email info@scswla.org.



Photo: Title Sponsor & Best In Class Award Winner, Energy Rental Systems – CAT, receiving their award from Sarita Scheufens, CEO of SCSWLA, and Jim Rock, Executive Director, LAIA.

About Safety Council of Southwest Louisiana (SCSWLA): Safety Council of Southwest Louisiana is a non-profit organization dedicated to cost-effective services for the Southwest Louisiana region and business sector. Serving SWLA since 1955, the Safety Council is expanding operations to meet employers' needs for a more skilled and adaptable workforce. From site-specific plant safety orientations and employee onboarding services, the SCSWLA is committed to meeting the safety and training needs of our members and the community we serve.

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