

SALUTE TO CONSTRUCTION

BUILDING COMMUNITIES CAREERS LIVES

Salute Council Planning 25th Annual Celebration

The first “Salute to Construction” in 1985 was one of twelve monthly salutes to various industries organized by the Chamber of Commerce. In subsequent years, representatives of the industry assumed responsibility for the annual celebration ourselves. To recognize the Chamber’s influence, the **Kickoff Mixer and Proclamation Ceremony** will be held at the Chamber on Tuesday, October 27, featuring VIPs, hearty hors d’oeuvres and a cash bar.

\$2500 in Scholarships to celebrate 25 years will be presented by the Salute Council at the Banquet on November 5. Five \$500 awards will be made to individuals who have been displaced or adversely affected by the economic downturn and are going to school for education or training in a construction-related field. Call the SCA Office (862-1313) for applications. The deadline to apply is **September 30**.

Career Days: During the two-week period from October 27 through November 7, teams of speakers will visit area schools to talk about careers in construction. **Be sure to fill out the volunteer form included in this issue to participate in this extremely important activity.**

The **Photo Contest Entry Form** is also included. You may again submit your photos online – see #5 and #6 on entry form. The deadline for submissions is **October 1**. The winning photos will be included in the *Springfield Business Journal’s* “Salute Supplement.” \$400 in cash prizes will be awarded and all entries will be on display at the Salute Banquet. The rules are self-explanatory but if you have any questions, please call **883-6044 or 862-1313**.

The nomination forms for the **Project of the Year Award** and **Developer of the Year Award** are again included. The Project of the Year Award recognizes a single project, including the Owner, GC/CM and Design Team. The dollar size of the project is less important than the unique attributes of the project under consideration. This will allow smaller projects to be recognized as well as large ones. The “Developer of the Year” Award will continue to be awarded to an individual or entity whose project or projects have significant impact on the community in both dollars and development. These awards come from the entire Association, so please share your ideas with us. The deadline is **October 9**, but there’s no reason to wait.

The Entry and Nomination forms are also available by clicking “Downloads” at www.salutetoconstruction.org or call us at 862-1313 and we’ll fax them to you.

The **Salute Banquet** will be Thursday, November 5 at the Clarion Hotel, where these awards and others will be announced. **Jim Anderson and Doug Jackson** will be MC’s for this year’s celebration. **Please call 862-1313 if you know of ANY awards or honors which should be recognized at the Banquet.**

Table Sponsors will be able to decorate a table at the Banquet for a donation of \$75. We will add “Best Represents Salute’s 25th Anniversary” to “Floral” and “Creative/Imaginative” as categories for the judging. Bragging Rights will be awarded.

General Contractors: encourage your Architects to prepare nominations now for the AIA’s “**Craftsman**” and “**Superintendent of the Year**” awards to be presented at the Salute Banquet on November 6. For information about these AIA awards, contact **Aaron King** at Integrity Design (**569-8954**) aking.integrity-d@earthlink.net.