



SWANA

Ohio Buckeye Chapter

Awards Program

September 16, 2020

Overview

The SWANA Ohio Buckeye
Chapter Annual Awards Program

16th Year.



James S. Bridges
Solid Waste
Professional of the
Year Award



Kevin M. Bonzo Solid
Waste Innovator
Award



Solid Waste Operator
Award



Young Professional
of the Year



Safety in Excellence
Award



Non-Member
Recognition



Dedicated Service Awards



Steven Tharp
Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne
Recycling District



James S. Bridges Solid Waste
Professional of the Year

“valuable services, exemplary contributions, and length/depth/breadth of continual contributions to the Chapter and the field of solid waste management”

Solid Waste Career Accomplishments

- Has worked across the State of Ohio in the solid waste industry
- Recently updated STW's HHW program, drop-off sites, and website for improved safety, communication, and efficiency
- Participates in numerous organizations, councils, and associations
- Great focus on safety and training in the district
- Truly cares about and supports the well-being and development of team members



*Beth Biggins-Ramer
& Amy Lyon-Galvin
Recycle Medina County*



Kevin M. Bonzo Solid Waste
Innovator Award

“unusually noteworthy achievements and/or highly significant contributions in his/her field of solid waste management that has resulted in an innovative solution to the management of solid waste”

- Transitioned District from reliance on mixed waste processing to source separated recycling
- Created numerous curbside and drop-off recycling programs for the first time in over 20 years
- Increased residential/commercial annual recycling from 43,525 tons to over 50,000 tons
- Decreased gate rate costs from \$61/ton to \$50/ton
- Created innovative commercial mixed waste processing facility to complement recycling programs
- Rebranded District and launched social media campaign
- Created new permanent HHW facility
- Created a permanent refrigerant-containing recycling program



Capitol Waste & Recycling Services

Solid Waste Operator Award

“an operator in the field of solid waste management who has demonstrated unusually noteworthy achievements and/or highly significant contributions to the solid waste management industry”

- Started 10 years ago and has grown from zero to thousands of customer
- Superior safety rating
- 17 Year driver tenure
- Provides commercial and industrial solid waste collection services for Central Ohio
- Provides roll-off container and tractor trailer rentals
- Provides compactor service and repair
- Offers scrap metal recycling
- Construction and demolition debris management
- High customer satisfaction and low turnover



Erin Oulton

GT Environmental, Inc.



Young Professional of the Year

“an individual in the solid waste industry aged 35 or younger who demonstrates passion for the environment, industry, and success; provides advice, ideas, and solutions; contributes to innovations, programs, and projects; and represents the next generation of SWANA”

Passionate and Hard Working to Improve Solid Waste Systems

- Consistently works hard to find new and better solutions to solid waste challenges
- Current board member of Association of Ohio Recyclers
- Has completed multiple solid waste plans, studies, and reports for solid waste districts and communities in Ohio and throughout the Midwest
- Recently assisted City of Cleveland Heights on routing study to improve efficiencies in program
- Dedicated to the environment, her relationships, and positive outcomes of her work



*Mike
Waddell*
Armada Waste Ohio



Excellence in Safety Award

“Implements or develops significant or innovative safety improvements, assists in the prevention of accidents, demonstrates passion for safety, and/or provides advice and solutions in a safe manner”

Dedication to Safety in and out of Solid Waste Field

- Safety and Compliance Manager for Armada Waste
- Manages safety, environmental compliance, DOT compliance for over 200 employees
- Led installation of cameras in cabs for reduced hazardous incidents
- Consistently improving housekeeping, operations, employee retention, and hiring/training practices
- Has volunteered as remote area medical technician, Wise County, VA Chamber of Commerce board member, Wise County Fairgrounds board member, and Masonic Lodges member



Scott Pence

*Miami County Solid Waste
Management District*



Excellence in Safety Award

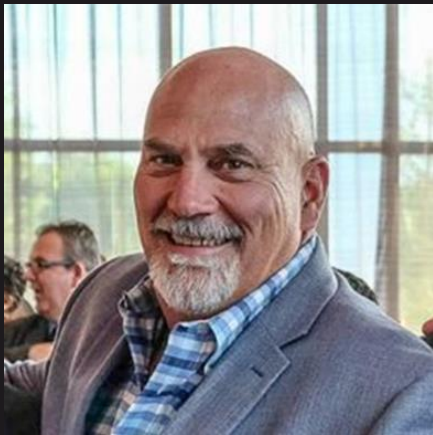
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Commitment to Safety Throughout Career

- Served Miami County residents and businesses for 27 years as transfer station Operations Manager
- Has worked in the solid waste field for 40 years
- Managed over 100,000 tons and 12 employees actively handling solid waste in 2019 with zero injuries reported
- Began and mandated participation in monthly onsite training program
- Genuinely cares about making sure staff gets home safely every day

Wendell Shelton

Armada Waste Ohio



Non-Member Recognition

“a solid waste professional, government agency, non-profit organization, or company who has demonstrated unusually noteworthy achievements and/or highly significant contributions to the management of solid waste in Ohio”

Dedication to and Development of Solid Waste Operations

- Worked his whole career in solid waste management
- Nationally recognized salesperson and Rookie of the Year from the beginning
- Had titles including Regional Sales Manager, Area VP, VP of the Year, Director of Operations
- Part of teams who started C&D Waste Services and Armada Waste Ohio
- Valued partner of TV show Home Makeover
- Managed operations as large as \$1.5B

Ohio Buckeye Chapter Service Awards

Service Awards

“Recognize Outgoing Ohio Buckeye Chapter Board Members and President ”

- James Profit – Outgoing President (2019-2020)
- Marcie Kress – Outgoing Board Member (2016-2020)
- Michael Puckett – Outgoing Board Member (2019-2020)



Thank You!

Keep an eye out for next year's
award nomination instructions in
January!



Increased
Professionalism



Environmental,
Economic, & Effective
Waste Mgmt. Systems



Cooperative
Atmosphere