Oct. 17, 2022

To: Members of The Builders, a chapter of the AGC

Re: 15th Annual Builders Safety Excellence Awards program announcement

Background:

The late Mark Banden of Independence, Missouri was a consummate safety professional for38 years, serving in roles at Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and elsewhere throughout his career. In his role with OSHA, Mark worked as Industrial Hygienist, Senior Industrial Hygienist, Regional Safety and Health Manager for the Kansas City Office, District Office Director, Field Review Program Coordinator and Compliance Assistance Specialist.

The contributions of Mark Banden to the safety and industrial hygiene fields are numerous. Mark impacted thousands of lives over the course of his career through his training, outreach, and stakeholder engagement initiatives. Mark served on the Steering Committee for The Builders Safety Excellence Awards Program and was one of the original five judges for the annual awards program.

Mark’s imprint on the construction industry will be forever ingrained in the legacy he leaves behind. This award is a way for The Builders to express gratitude for all he did to make the construction industry a safer place to work.

The Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Award is to formally recognize individuals who exemplify outstanding safety and health leadership within his/her organization and the construction industry. One Safety Professional will be selected and be presented a crystal trophy for the Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Award. The Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Award Application must be submitted in addition to The Builders Safety Excellence Awards Program Application to be considered for the award but is not necessary to apply for the Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Award to be eligible for one of The Builders Safety Excellence Awards.

Nomination criteria and instructions:

1. Candidates can nominate themselves or can be nominated by a company representative.
2. Nominees must be employed by a member company of The Builders in good standing with the association.
3. For purposes of this award, a nominee's job of advancing safety and health for their company’s must be a major part of their job.
4. The nominee’s company cannot have an employee occupational-related fatality in within the current calendar year. The nominee is expected to withdraw his/her application if a fatality occurs after nomination is submitted.
5. Nominee’s employer must have a Days Away Restricted Transfer (DART) Rate, as determined by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), equal to or less than the average for its North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code for the last calendar year.
6. Eligible candidates may not have received this award within the past two years.
7. Complete the Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Application. (30 percent of judging score)
8. Include a narrative of why the nominee should deserve to win the award. Provide no more than (2) two pages; (12) twelve font, Times New Roman, with at least (1) one-inch margins. (50 percent of judging score). For example:
9. Candidate’s background and accomplishments and why he/she is deserving of this award.
10. Characteristics and/or accomplishments that set the nominee apart from others.
11. Include at least (1) one letter of recommendation. (20 percent of the judging score)
12. Application forms and attachments will be reviewed and scored by a third-party panel of five judges. Selection decisions are final.

Awards presentation:

Award winners will be notified by Friday, Feb. 24, 2023. Awards will be presented at The Builders Safety Excellence Award Breakfast on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at the Adams Pointe Conference Center, 1400 NE Coronado Drive, Blue Springs, Missouri 64014. The Grand Award, first place award winners and the Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year will be formally recognized in The Builders Modern Builder Magazine and on The Builders website at [www.thebuildersagc.com](https://thebuildersagc.com/).

Questions:

Please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone at 816.595.4158; or e-mail mmorrison@thebuildersagc.com if you need assistance.

Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Application

Application:

Directions: Please complete the following by typing or printing legibly.

General information

Nominee name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Title: Click or tap here to enter text.

Telephone: Click or tap here to enter text. Fax: Click or tap here to enter text.

E-mail: Click or tap here to enter text.

Employer name: Click or tap here to enter text.

Employer address: Click or tap here to enter text.

City: Click or tap here to enter text.

State: Click or tap here to enter text. Zip: Click or tap here to enter text.

Nominee’s employer’s Days Away, Restricted, Transfer (DART) Rate: Click or tap here to enter text. (Code may be found at [www.census.gov/naics](http://www.census.gov/naics/))

Employer’s NAICS Code: Click or tap here to enter text.

Name of person submitting nomination: Click or tap here to enter text.

Title: Click or tap here to enter text.

Phone: Click or tap here to enter text.

Email: Click or tap here to enter text.

Description of safety and health duties, including percentage of time devoted to safety and health duties: Click or tap here to enter text.

Educating, training and certifications completed/in process: Click or tap here to enter text.

Safety programs developed and implemented by nominee: Click or tap here to enter text.

List nominee’s contributions to safety and health in the construction industry: Click or tap here to enter text.

Nominee’s professional accomplishments in safety and health (i.e., publications, presentations, awards, etc.): Click or tap here to enter text.

Schedule and deadlines:

* **Friday, Feb. 17, 2023, 5:00 PM CST** – Submit completed applications, all required documents to **Morgan Morrison** at **mmorrison@thebuildersagc.com**.
* **Friday, Feb. 24, 2023** – The Builders will notify the Mark Banden Safety Professional of the Year Award Winner.
* **Friday, Feb. 24, 2023** – Last day to register for the Safety Excellence Awards Breakfast. Visit the MCSC event page at [**www.thebuildersagc.com**](http://www.thebuildersagc.com/) to register online.
* **Thursday, March 9, 2023** – The Builders Safety Excellence Awards Breakfast.