



June 2010

# UTCA NEWSLETTER



Dave Smith is pictured at his election as president.

## UTCA Announces Its 2011 Casa de Campo Seminar

Earlier this month, the association announced that its 2011 Executive Seminar will be at the Casa de Campo Resort in the Dominican Republic during January 15-22, 2011. The resort recently completed a multi-million dollar refurbishing and is recognized as the most exclusive and complete facility in the Caribbean.

Casa de Campo includes all types of watersports, fishing, kayaking, horseback riding, skeet shooting, tennis and golf. The resort includes a number of unique venues including Altos de Chavon which is a 16th century replica of a Mediterranean village that includes boutique shops, art galleries and restaurants. Casa de Campo also includes a marina and yacht club and an exceptional Spa and Fitness Center. Space is limited for this seminar so members are urged to reserve space as soon as possible.

## UTCA Convention Exhibit Space Nearly Sold Out

The exhibit at UTCA's upcoming convention, scheduled during September 23-26, 2010, is nearly sold out. As of the time of the Newsletter publication only five spaces were still available for use. Anyone interested in reserving space should contact UTCA as soon as possible.

## UTCA Elects Officers and Directors - Presents Scholarships & NJDOT Construction Program

The June Membership meeting attracted a large crowd and included the election of association officers and directors for the 2010-2011 period, presentation of four Annual UTCA scholarships and Rick Hammer, NJDOT assistant commissioner.

Hammer presented a power point computer program that identified the Department's 2011 capital construction program which will approximate \$700 million in construction for the year beginning July 1, 2010.

The breakdown is about \$550 million for capital construction and \$150 million for maintenance bid construction.

Dave Smith, of Mount Construction, was elected president of the association at the meeting, while Darrell Harms of IEW was elected senior vice president. Their terms in office begin in September following the UTCA Annual Convention. Andrew Berenato of M.L. Ruberton Construction Co. was elected to serve as a new member of the Board of Directors.

Michael D'Annunzio, chairman of the UTCA Scholarship Committee, introduced the 2010 scholarship recipients during the meeting.



# UTCA: INDUSTRY NEWS

## UTCA Golf Outing Another Great Success

Approximately 210 people participated in the Annual UTCA Scholarship Golf Outing and were treated to a day that included marvelous weather and a great program. The outing raised about \$30,000 for the Scholarship Fund and event chairman Ed Ciel, the committee and Mike DeVito are commended for their effort.

Next year's outing will return to Eagle Oaks, and the tentative date is June 6, 2011.

## Environmental Trust 2010 Project List Available

The final list of wastewater, drinking water and related environmental construction projects, financed by the New Jersey Environmental Infrastructure Trust, is available from the UTCA office and website. This year's annual program lists approximately \$816 million in potential projects.

Experience has shown that a number of projects don't meet the final deadline for financing. It is expected that about \$625 million in projects will be approved later this year. Members will be updated on project status.

### New Member Applicants

<i>Lighton Industries</i> Lakewood Contractor	<i>Pfeifer Construction</i> Camden Subcontractor
<i>Rocon Contracting</i> Brielle Subcontractor	<i>Alpine Painting &amp; Sandblasting</i> Paterson Subcontractor
<i>Gibbons P.C.</i> Newark Associate	<i>Kitchens By Torrone</i> Englishtown Associate
<i>Berkely Surety Group</i> Morristown Associate	

## August Magazine To Feature J.H. Reid General Contractor & J.M. Ahle Company

The August Issue of the Utility and Transportation Contractor will feature J.H. Reid General Contractor and J.M. Ahle Co. J.H. Reid is celebrating 50 years in construction, while J.M. Ahle Co. has completed 30 years in business. Additional copies of the August Issue of the publication will be printed and distributed at the September convention in Atlantic City.



Anyone interested in placing a congratulatory message in the August Issue of the publication should contact Helene Nasdeo at the UTCA office as soon as possible.

## Brad Jorrey New President At AGC of New Jersey

Brad Jorrey of J.Fletcher Creamer & Son was elected president of the AGC of New Jersey at the organization's recent convention. During the convention program Mike McKenna was chosen as the association's Member Of The Year.

## Foley Rents To Carry Atlas Copco Compressors & Tools

Earlier this month Atlas Copco announced that Foley Rents has joined the firm's extensive network of construction equipment dealers. Foley Rents will be the exclusive dealer for Atlas Copco's line of compressors, featuring CAT engines in the 185 to 375 range.

## 2009 Precipitation Reports Now Available

The New Jersey Precipitation Reports for July-December 2009, as well as the first six months of 2009, are now available from the association office and website. This material is often utilized by association members dealing with requests for time extensions due to rain or snow.

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## Tom Hardell Selected As New UTCA Board Member

Tom Hardell of George Harms Construction Company was recently selected by the UTCA Board of Directors to fill a vacant position on the association's Board. Hardell is a veteran of New Jersey's heavy highway construction industry and has served with association committees for several years. He begins his service with the Board of Directors at the August meeting.

**UTCA ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
**September 23-26, 2010**  
**Tropicana - Atlantic City**

## Nicholas Pesta Is Recipient Of The William Feather Scholarship

Nicholas Pesta a recent graduate of Somerville High School who excelled at all levels, is the recipient of the \$12,000 2010 William Feather Memorial Award. The recipient will attend the University of Pennsylvania where he will major in Engineering.

Nicholas is the son of Ken Pesta who is employed by JESCO which is an Associate Member of UTCA.



Nicholas Pesta is pictured with Frank Criscola, Jr. at the association's June Membership meeting.

## Timothy P. Lurie Awarded The CME Certification

Timothy P. Lurie, PE, PP, CME, partner at DW Smith Associates was recently awarded the CME Certificate by the NJ Society of Municipal Engineers (NJSME). The certificate designates Lurie as a Certified Municipal Engineer and is awarded to licensed professional engineers upon the successful completion of the NJ Municipal Engineering Institute program.

## UTCA Awards Three Engineering And Construction Scholarships

In addition to the William Feather Memorial Scholarship awarded earlier this month, the association also awarded three \$3,000 scholarships for students entering their final year of college or graduate school. The awards were presented during the June Membership meeting to:

Margaret Cervino Scholarship -  
Latoya Telesford  
Samuel Luciano Scholarship -  
Adam Tokarski  
Jerome Frommer Scholarship -  
Onofrio Leone

## Bendlin Incorporated Now A Woman Business Enterprise

Bendlin Incorporated, a supplier of pumping station and treatment plant equipment, is now a certified Woman Business Enterprise (WBE). The firm is owned and operated by Barbara A. Bendlin and is a member of UTCA.

## Eugene Johnson Remembered For His Construction Endeavors

Eugene Johnson, who operated several construction companies in New Jersey over 40 years, died in an accident last month while in retirement in Rising Fawn, Georgia. While in business in New Jersey, Johnson operated Johnson Industries, SBA Hydraulics and Johnson Rents and was recognized as a unique character. He was also especially generous.

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# ***UTCA: Upcoming Events***

## **UTCA Convention To Feature Chris Gardner Of “Pursuit of Happiness” Fame**

Chris Gardner, portrayed by Will Smith in the movie “Pursuit of Happiness”, will be the featured speaker at the Friday Luncheon on September 24th at UTCA’s Annual Convention. Gardner overcame a time in his life where he was homeless with a young son to become a successful stock broker and business entrepreneur.

The Announcement regarding UTCA’s Annual Convention will be distributed in the near future.

## **Sage Scholarship Program Available For Member Firms**

Participation in UTCA’s SAGE Tuition Reward College Scholarship program continues to grow. This benefit for employees of association member firms provides one year of free tuition at approximately 270 private colleges and universities across the country. The program is available at no cost to the firm or the employee.

Representatives of UTCA are available to meet with association members to explain how the SAGE Scholarship program operates. Anyone interested in the program should complete the attached Response Form and return it to the UTCA office.

## **PAC Auction Party At Annual Convention**

UTCA’s PAC Auction Party is scheduled for September 24th which is the Friday evening at the annual convention. Association members continue to donate auction items for this year’s program which always attracts a large crowd. Our goal this year is to exceed last year’s level of \$49,000.00.



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# SAGE Scholarship Response Form

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Our firm is interested in learning more about the UTCA/SAGE Scholarship Awards program that is available, at no cost, to our company and employees. I understand that our company employees, including union personnel, can participate in the program.

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Contact For This Program

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