

# APRIL 15, 2011 Moles Student's Day

As we all know from our construction experience, it is easier to repeat a construction process done previously, but much more difficult to start from scratch on a new process in a new location. This is what the Moles Education Committee faced as it planned for its 2011 Student's Day.

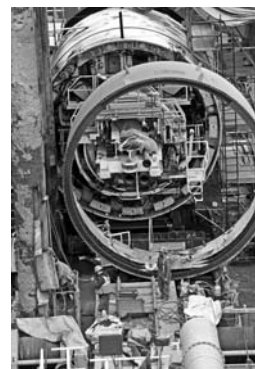
For the previous five years, Student's Day was held at the World Trade Center and adjacent construction sites. Our assembly location was high up in 7 WTC, overlooking the construction and there was a plethora of construction work to see, always an exciting experience for those attending. With the foundation work now substantially complete, it was not feasible to return to the WTC site, so the Education Committee had to explore other locations.

Having Student's Day at The No. 7 Line Extension on Manhattan's West Side was explored and very desirable, but there was no assembly location available. The East Side Access project in Sunnyside, Queens was another desirable location, but finding an assembly location was a problem there, also. However, Education Committee member, Bob O'Neill of Silverite Construction Company, scouted the area and found that the School Construction Authority's headquarters was within a reasonable walking distance; he had a contact there; and we were welcomed, as the saying goes *with welcome arms*.

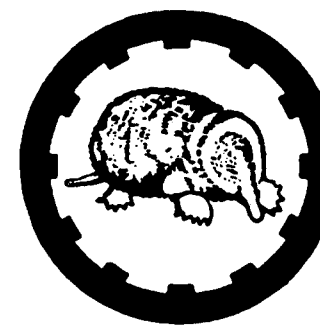
Another Education Committee member, Steve Price, Project Director of the Granite/Traylor/Frontier Kemper JV, secured the complete cooperation and support of the MTA Capital Construction, and with that we *were off and running*.

A total 355 students and faculty attended, representing 20 colleges and universities. All of the metropolitan area schools were represented as well as many, like the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, the U.S. Military Academy, University of Connecticut, RPI and Bucknell, who traveled a long distance to attend.

It was a day which will be long remembered by the students. Probably the highlight of the site inspection was seeing the 2 TBMs mobilized and ready to commence tunneling. Each student left with a hard hat and an additional souvenir to commemorate a day that will forever be cherished.



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## STEPHEN J. BARLOW ELECTED PRESIDENT of THE MOLES

STEPHEN J. BARLOW, Chief Operating Officer of J.F. WHITE Contracting Company, has been elected to serve as President of The Moles for the year 2011/2012. He will receive the gavel from retiring President, Kirk R. Samuelson, at the Annual Business Meeting and Dinner to be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2011, at The New York Hilton Hotel.

Other officers elected are: First Vice President, ARTHUR B. CORWIN, Moretrench American Corporation; Second Vice President, JOSEPH F. MALANDRO, E. E. Cruz & Co., Inc.; Treasurer, DAVID M. CACOILO, Mueser Rutledge Consulting Engineers; Secretary, EUGENE F. KELLEY, Granite Construction Northeast, Inc.; and Sergeant-at-Arms, LYLE SMITH, Schiavone Construction Company.

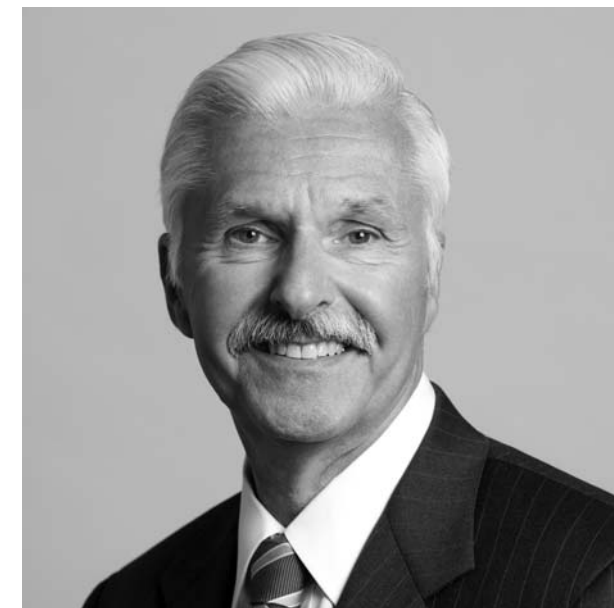
Trustees elected for three-year terms are: WESLEY BERMEL, Judlau Contractors, Inc.; JOHN L. KOLAYA, Yonkers Contracting Co., Inc.; ANTHONY J. MAZZO, Urban Foundation Engineers; and MICHAEL T. TRAYLOR, Traylor Bros., Inc.

STEPHEN J. BARLOW was born on February 21, 1949, in Clinton, Massachusetts. He attended Medway High School and graduated in 1967 in a class of 65. He attended Worcester Polytechnic Institute, where his family had a long history of attendance, including two uncles, a cousin, and a great uncle, who was the school's youngest graduate at 18 years of age. Steve worked evenings after school in a materials lab and worked summers as a field engineer on the Massachusetts Medical Center, a \$200 million dollar project, in 1970. Steve graduated from WPI in 1971, and started work for Northeastern Construction Company of Framingham, Massachusetts, as a field engineer and advanced to Superintendent, Project Manager and ultimately to Vice President and Chief Estimator.

In 1982, Steve joined J.F. White Contracting Company as a Superintendent on the Patriot Stadium Renovations, a fast track design build project for the New England Patriots. Steve rapidly advanced to Project Manager of the \$58 Million Dollar South Station MBTA train yard and station project in 1984. In 1988, Steve advanced to Project Manager/Estimator, overseeing the \$56 Million Post Office Square, a design build, seven-level underground parking garage. At the time this project was the deepest foundation project in Boston, with slurry walls and top down construction and was completed 6 months early and within budget.

Steve's next assignment, in 1992, took him to Deer Island in Boston Harbor, a \$3.5 Billion Dollar Program, encompassing the construction of a new sewage treatment plant. Steve was the onsite Project Manager for the Joint Venture of JF White/ PKF, which held for four concurrent projects totaling \$470 Million, including the second largest pump station in the country; a mixed fuel power plant; a liquid oxygen plant; and a double stacked clarifier.

In 1996, upon completion of the work on Deer Island, and the retirement of the esteemed Philip Bonanno, Steve was promoted to Chief Operating Officer of J.F. White. In 1997, he assumed the additional responsibilities of Project Director for Amtrak's Northeast Corridor Foundations, a \$120 Mil. foundations project, running 160 miles from New Haven to Boston for the electrification of the railway.



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From 1999 to 2004, Steve oversaw J.F. White's work on Boston's Central Artery Project. The company was involved in seven projects, totaling \$1.5 Billion. Some of the projects were Joint Ventures and included Skanska, Perini and Interbeton as partners.

Upon Steve's assumption of duties as Chief Operating Officer of J.F. White in 1996, he has worked to broaden the company's capabilities and geographic footprint, developing Electrical and Mechanical Departments, and expansion into Western Massachusetts, Connecticut and New York. He also formed a Specialty Diving Group, performing work throughout the U.S., Canada and Mexico.

In 2008, Steve also assumed the responsibilities of onsite Project Director for the Joint Venture of Skanska / J.F. White / ECCO III for the construction of the NYCDEP CAT/DEL 210 G \$1.2 Billion Ultra Violet Water Treatment Plant, in Valhalla, NY, the largest in the world by a factor of 11.

J.F. White is a family owned, Boston based construction company, with a yearly volume of approximately \$300 Million.

Steve has served as Chairman of the Construction Industries of Massachusetts and in 2010, was recognized as *Engineer of the Year* by the American Society of Civil Engineers Lower Hudson Valley Chapter.

Steve lives in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, with his wife of 33 years, Cyndee. Their daughter, LeeAnn, and her husband, Paul, have two children, Allison and Patrick. Their son, Joshua, is an attorney for Nixon Peabody and their son, Zachary, is in the Commercial Department for SEW Construction.

## 18 Elected To Moles Membership

Congratulations and welcome to our new Moles members, elected to membership at the April 5th Executive Committee's meeting.

Kenneth W. Aldridge  
Aldridge Electric, Inc.  
Richard M. Crockford  
Nicholson Construction Company  
John M. Dionisio  
AECOM  
Eric D. Eisold  
Bradshaw Construction Co.  
Robert G. Kent  
Doka USA, Ltd.  
Joel Lewin  
Hinckley, Allen & Snyder, LLP  
Scott S. Lynn  
Atkinson Construction  
Richard D. McGrath  
Yonkers Contracting Company  
Robert F. McTavish  
Granite Construction Company  
A. Ross Myers  
American Infrastructure  
Robert A. Nichols  
Skanska USA Civil, Inc.  
Terry P. Poole  
Flatiron Construction Corp.  
John E. Roe, Jr.  
City Underwriting Agency  
Mark A. Rosen  
McElroy, Deutsch, et al  
Joseph A. Sopko  
Moretrench American Corp.  
Robert Taikina  
John P. Picone, Inc.  
Michael Viggiano  
Skanska USA Civil, Inc.  
David S. Zachry  
Zachry Construction Corporation

Biographies of the new members will appear in the July issue of *Holing Through*.

**THE MOLES WEBSITE**  
[www.themoles.info](http://www.themoles.info)

## THE MOLES SCHOLARSHIP FUND

During the year 2010, \$423,750.00 was contributed to The Moles Scholarship Fund. Major contributors included the following:

The Moles	\$150,000.00
With Dues	29,000.00
The Lane Const.	30,000.00*
Traylor Bros.	30,000.00
Yonkers	25,000.00
J.F. White	25,000.00*
Conti	20,000.00*
D'Annunzio	20,000.00*
Silverite	20,000.00*
Kiewit	10,000.00*
N.E. Remsco	10,000.00**
Barletta	10,000.00**
Urban Found.	10,000.00**
Judlau	7,500.00*

\* Part of \$100,000.00 Pledge  
\*\* Part of \$50,000.00 Pledge

The value of the Moles Scholarship Fund, as of December 31, 2010, was \$4,247,000.00.

Based on the average value of the Scholarship Fund over the past three years, the Scholarship Advisory Committee, at its April 5th meeting, recommended that \$175,500.00 be distributed in the upcoming academic year in scholarship grants: 17 grants of \$9,000.00 each to the non-scholarship schools participating in our Education Committee programs; a \$2,500.00 grant to Cooper Union; a \$10,000.00 President's Scholarship; and a \$10,000.00 grant in honor of the Moles Past Executive Secretary, Arline F. Gallagher. The Gallagher grant will rotate each year through the 17 participating scholarship schools.

Thanks to all who have contributed to The Moles Scholarship Fund. Others, who have not contributed to date, are urged to consider participating in this most worthy endeavor of The Moles.

## A RECORD TURNOUT AT 2011 AWARD DINNER MAYOR BLOOMBERG PRINCIPAL SPEAKER SHEA AND ALGER HONORED

The prominence and prestige of The Moles continues to rise as evidenced by the record attendance of 1975 at the 2011 Award Dinner. **PETER O. SHEA, SR.** of J.F. Shea, Co., Inc., was honored with the Non Member Award for Outstanding Achievement in Construction and **ROBERT E. ALGER**, of The Lane Construction Corporation, was honored with the Member Award. New York City Mayor, **MICHAEL R. BLOOMBERG**, was the Principal Speaker. The Mayor commented very favorably about the The Moles at his subsequent weekly press conference and ENR Editor-in-Chief, Jan Tuchman, devoted her weekly column in the February 7, 2011, issue of ENR, to the Moles Dinner and Mayor Bloomberg's address.



Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg



President Samuelson



Award Chairman Malandro



Presenter James Marquardt with Award Recipient Shea



Presenter Rich Weeks with Award Recipient Alger



Peter Shea with Martin Herrenknecht



The Alger Family

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 40-YEAR MEMBERS

No communication from **CHAUNCEY E. BURTCH** for quite some time. A C.E. graduate of Cornell University, he spent his entire 40-year career with Dravo Corporation, retiring in 1986, and is residing now in Hilton Head, SC.

For an update on Moles Executive Director, **GERARD J. CARTY**, see page 5 of this issue of Holing Through.

**ANTHONY DE BIASE**, our oldest Moles member at 97, retired from the Port Authority of NY & NJ as Marine Terminals Construction Engineer. In March 1972, and soon after retirement, he relocated from Long Island to Newburgh, NY, where he was closer to his daughter, his only offspring, and her family and where he and his spouse enjoyed seeing their grandchildren grow up. For some years, he was a construction arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association. He and his wife did a lot of traveling to: Europe, Hawaii, Bermuda; four cruises to the Caribbean; one to Alaska; plus many stateside destinations. Also, they spent about 22 winters in Florida at their condo in Stuart, Florida. When his daughter and family relocated to North Carolina, Anthony and his wife followed. Sadly, his wife became ill a few years ago and ultimately required the care of a nursing home. They have 11 great grandchildren in various locations in the Eastern U.S.

Shortly after graduating from Manhattan College with his C.E. degree, **ARTHUR J. FOX, JR.**, joined Engineering News Record, where he subsequently served for 24 years as Editor-in-Chief, retiring in 1988. He then went on to a 13-year career as Managing Director of Construction Industry President's Forum. Besides being an active and supportive member of the Moles, being selected to present the Moles Non Member Awards in 1985, to Ken Roe of Burns & Roe and in 1994, to Les McCraw of the Flour Corporation, he was also an active member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, serving as President of ASCE in 1976. Upon being honored with a Golden Beaver award in 1988, he said *I'm 17 years a Mole, 64 years a Fox and now a Beaver*. Art was the driving force in establishing The Moles Scholarship at Manhattan College, which currently has a principal of over \$100,000.00. He is widowed for the second time, after two happy marriages of 45 and 15 years, and lives in a seniors' independent living facility in Potomac, MD. Having visited 75 countries and 48 states, he continues to travel and enjoyed a recent cruise (his seventh) seeing the Panama Canal. Art is expected to be present at the May 4th Business Meeting and Dinner to personally accept his 40 year certificate.

A 1961 graduate of the University of Notre Dame and a son of Lou Perini, **ALBERT J. PERINI**, has spent his career on the west coast and currently resides in San Rafael, California.

No word from **FREDERICK L. SAGER** in many years. When he became a member of The Moles in 1971, he was a Project Manager on tunnel projects for McLean Grove & Company. He continues to reside in the Chicago area.

A C.E graduate of Cornell University, the bulk of **DONALD E. UNBEKANT**'s early career was with Cayuga Construction Company, where he worked on a variety of heavy construction projects, principally in the New York Metropolitan area, rising to the position of Vice President. In 1983, the Perini Corporation decided to start a civil construction division in New York City and Don was selected as president to lead the effort. Having successfully filled that assignment, in 1993, he was transferred to the headquarters office in Framingham, MA, to serve as executive vice president, responsible for all civil construction work in the U.S. He continued in that role until his retirement in 1998. Don and his wife, Eloise, married for 56 years, currently reside in Florida, with a summer home in Rhode Island, where he enjoys golf and oil painting. Don will be at the May 4th Business Meeting and Dinner to personally accept his 40-year certificate.

**RUDI J. VAN LEEUWEN**, a native of the Netherlands, spent his early career with Spencer, White & Prentis, and continued with the company until about 1990, when he joined the Perini Corporation. Upon retirement, he moved to Fredericksburg, Virginia, where he continues to reside.

**PETER J. WINKELMAN** is currently enjoying retirement in Southern Pines, NC, an area with an abundance of horse farms. Having been involved with horses all of his life, he finds it delightful to now reside in an area so much to his liking. He had spent time in the area while growing up, but for 40 years, lived principally in Syracuse, New York, where he worked for the D.W. Winkelman Co., Inc., a heavy and highway contractor. Having returned to Southern Pines, he met many old friends from the area, one of whom he married two years ago. They both have children and grandchildren up and down the east coast as well as in Denver.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY BUSINESS  
MEETING AND  
DINNER  
MAY 4, 2011  
NEW YORK HILTON  
HOTEL

CLAMBAKE  
AUGUST 2, 2011  
TRAVERS ISLAND

NOVEMBER  
MEMBERS DINNER  
NOVEMBER 2, 2011  
NEW YORK HILTON  
HOTEL

ANNUAL MOLES  
AWARD DINNER  
JANUARY 25, 2012  
NEW YORK HILTON  
HOTEL

MOLES WINTER  
MEETING  
FOUR SEASONS  
PALM BEACH  
RESORT  
March 8 to March 11,  
2012

## Moles Winter Meeting

The first Moles Winter meeting was held on the East Coast of Florida at the Indian River Plantation in February 1995. Attending that event and every winter meeting since has been Gay and Charlie Vachris and Moles Executive Director, Gerry Carty and Kathleen Carty. The meetings continued at Indian River Plantation in 1996 and 1997.

An Ad Hoc committee then decided The Moles should move to the West Coast of Florida, and the 1998 meeting was held at the Registry Hotel in Naples. Attendance was down from the peak of 60, in 1997. With the Registry Hotel not available in 1999, the meeting was moved to the La Playa Beach Resort in Naples and this became the location for the winter meeting through 2009, at which time a return to the East Coast of Florida was due.

After scouting several very fine venues on the East Coast, it was decided to try the Four Seasons Palm Beach Resort in 2010. This was done and the hotel was enthusiastically received. Having only 200 rooms, it was an ideal location for Moles members to mingle throughout the event. The 2011 meeting was held there also, with a peak attendance of over 120 persons.

Discussion took place as to the location for the 2012 winter meeting. Two other locations were considered, but the decision was made by the Executive Committee at its April 5th meeting to return to the Four Seasons Palm Beach Resort, not only because it is a very luxurious and comfortable resort right on the Atlantic Ocean, but principally because of its smaller, more intimate ambiance. Mark it on your calendars: March 8 to 11, 2012.

## THE MOLES

Holing Through is published by The Moles three times a year: April, July and November. The Moles is an organization of people engaged in heavy construction. Its purpose is to promote better acquaintance among individuals engaged in heavy construction to the end:

- That past and future friendships and a spirit of fraternization among the members be fostered.
- That meetings and other gatherings be held to exchange construction information and promote good fellowship among members.
- That advancement of the Construction art be achieved and outstanding performance be recognized through awards and otherwise.
- That the youth of our country be encouraged to participate in heavy construction by a multi-purpose program of education in cooperation with engineering colleges and other associations.
- That, in the public interest, standards of construction shall be raised both as to engineering and business ethics.

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## REST IN PEACE

**WILLIAM R. BEST's** son, Stephen, a 35-year employee of Slattery/Skanska, notified The Moles of his father's death on January 13, 2011. When he became a member of the Moles in 1975, William Best, a C.E. graduate of Cornell University, worked for Horn Construction Company as Vice President of Operations. In 1977, he moved on to Slattery Construction Company, where he served as Director of their Railroad Construction Division until his retirement in 1987.

**VICTOR B. HERTSLET**, who received recognition in the July 2010 issue of *Holing Through*, on the occasion of his 97th birthday, died on December 14, 2010, in Missoula, Montana.

**JOSEPH C. KELLOGG** died on March 21, 2011, at the age of 84. Shortly after earning his C.E. degree from the University of Minnesota, he joined the newly-formed Minneapolis-based Al Johnson Construction Company, where he became involved in numerous heavy construction and tunnel projects, including the first bore of the Eisenhower Tunnel, carrying I-70 through the continental divide. In 1955, Joe was stricken by poliomyelitis. While spending the remainder of his life with walking aids/wheel chair, he was never deterred from pursuing either his career or his personal life. In 1970, he began his second career by founding Kellogg Corporation, a consulting firm providing services to the construction industry. In 1984, Joe received the Golden Beaver Award in Engineering.

**ZOHRAB MARASHLIAN** died suddenly on March 11, 2011 at the age of 66. He characterized the great American success story of a young Armenian, raised in Syria, earning his CE degree from the American University of Beirut, Lebanon, coming to America in the early 1970's, and through a great work ethic climbing up the corporate ladder within the Perini Corporation to serve as President of the Civil Division of Tutor Perini Corporation.

**RONALD A. SCHIAVONE**, 85, passed away on January 26, 2011. He earned both Bachelor and Masters degrees in Civil Engineer from Dartmouth College. Establishing Schiavone Construction Company in the early 1960's, he quickly developed the company into one of the leading highway contractors in the State of New Jersey. In subsequent years, the company experienced very substantial growth, particularly moving into New York City and expanding from highway work to tunnel and other heavy construction projects. The company has been a partner in the construction of several NYC Water Tunnel contracts and is currently a member of the \$1.15 Bil. J. F. Shea/ Skanska/ Schiavone, JV, constructing the No. 7 Line Subway Extension in Manhattan. In 2010, the company was sold to Spanish contractor, Dragados.

## NEWS OF MEMBERS

**CHASE DE ROSE**, Moles Education Committee Chairman, is President-Elect of the Metropolitan Section of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and will be taking office at the society's meeting on May 3rd. At that meeting, both **AL BRAND** and **JOEL MOSKOWITZ** (retired), of MRCE, will be honored as Life Members of ASCE.

**MARGARITA GAGLIARDI** has joined Halcrow as Senior Vice President of Transportation Planning in the Americas, where she will provide leadership to teams of transportation planners in Boston, New York, Toronto, Vancouver, Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires. Prior to joining Halcrow, she had a 20-year career with STV.

Congratulations to **RODNEY E. JOHNSON** on celebrating his 85th birthday on April 4th. Rodney started his career with Kiewit, became Vice President, International Division for Pittsburgh's Dravo Corporation and finished his career as President of Dunbar & Sullivan. He continues to have quite a reputation as a golfer. We thank his daughter, Christine Higgins, for bringing this information to our attention.

**DAVID B. PERINI** retired in December 2010 as Commissioner of Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management. A graduate of Holy Cross College and Boston College Law School, he had a 37-year career at the Perini Corporation, 27 years as President and CEO. David became a member of The Moles in 1967; served as President of The Moles in 1980; was honored with The Moles Member Award in 1984, following in the footsteps of his father, Louis R. Perini, who received the award in 1957. Upon his retirement from Perini, he took on the position as Commissioner of Massachusetts Division of Capital Asset Management, where he was responsible under the Governor for all capital construction projects.

The Moles' sincere thanks goes to **Robert K. Radske** of MRCE for each year contributing his photographic talents at Student's Day. See page 8 of this issue for his current photographs. Thanks, Bob.

**GEORGE J. TAMARO** will be giving the Graduate School Commencement address at Manhattan College at its graduation ceremonies in May.

### *Some Words of Wisdom*

*Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could. Some blunders and absurdities no doubt crept in; forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day; begin it well and serenely and with too high a spirit to be cumbered with your old nonsense. This day is all that is good and fair. It is too dear, with all its hopes and invitations to waste a moment on yesterday.*

*Ralph Waldo Emerson*

## CARTY HONORED WITH 2011 BEAVER AWARD

Carty Address to The Beavers  
January 21, 2011

### FELLOW BEAVERS AND GUESTS

WOW! What a great event, this gathering of persons who have made their careers in the U.S. Heavy Construction Industry.

Many of us here tonight share a similar background, coming from rather humble origins or middle class families, going on to get a civil engineering education and then finding employment in the heavy construction industry. My career followed this path.

I was born and raised in the Bronx and as a 17 year old, I traveled by train from Grand Central Station with my high school classmate, Regis Philbin, to South Bend, Indiana, to embark on my civil engineering education at Notre Dame. There were about 25 students in my CE class and among them was Hank Massman, the 1985 President of the Beavers. As many of you know, Hank's son, Henry Massman IV, also an ND CE, served as 1998 President of the Beavers.

Upon graduation, I fortuitously found a job with a then prominent national heavy construction contractor, Johnson Drake & Piper (known as JDP) becoming involved in tunnel, bridge and highway work.

The man who hired me, Howard Dixon, who was to serve a decade later as President of The Moles, became my mentor. He looked after me and saw that I received a full and complete education in the basics of the construction industry – a combination of office and field work. Except for two years military service, I was with JDP for 15 years. It truly was a fine company, competent and proficient, and of the highest ethical culture.

As we all know, the construction business is a very risky business and like other companies, JDP, ultimately went out of business.

As a result, in 1968, I moved on to Walsh Construction Company (a division of Guy F. Atkinson Company), and was fortunate to work there for 25 years with the same classy type of engineers and constructors as I worked with at JDP. For the last 15 years, I served as Chief Engineer and Senior Vice President, estimating and bidding heavy work, power and industrial plants across the country. What an interesting, challenging and rewarding job.

About 5 years after my early retirement from Atkinson/Walsh, that company also got into trouble and went out of business. I know that there are a goodly number of Atkinson alumni here tonight. I am sure they share my thoughts about the quality and accomplishments of that company and forever value their work experience there. By virtue of their training with Atkinson, they quickly moved into key positions with other heavy construction companies.

In recent years, I have gotten to know Matt Walsh, CEO of the Walsh Group, one of the country's largest contractors, who by the way, is also a ND graduate. Upon finishing his education he went to work for his father's company, a somewhat small local Chicago contractor. Some years later, a check arrived in his office by mistake. It was intended for my Walsh Construction Company for the GC work then being performed in Illinois at the new Commonwealth Edison La Salle Nuclear power station. Matt told me the amount of the check was in an amount equal to a substantial portion of his company's yearly revenues. How things have changed. There is no longer the Walsh Construction Company for which I worked and now the little Walsh of Chicago is the big Walsh of the USA. Congratulations to Matt and his brother, Dan, for this great accomplishment.

After Walsh, I started the third phase of my career, taking on the job of Executive Director of the Moles, in



Beaver President, Mike Phelps, presents Golden Beaver Award to Gerry Carty

which I have now served 17 years. What a job, working with the leaders of our industry and the future civil engineers of our country.

The prominent 16<sup>th</sup> century writer, Miguel De Cervantes, wrote *An honest man's word is as good as his bond*. There is no other US industry that better exemplifies this than the heavy construction industry. Something for all of us to be immensely proud of.

In addition to my professional career, the Lord has also blessed me with a beautiful and loving spouse and family. Without my wife, Kathleen, I would not have had the great life I have enjoyed. Kathleen, please stand and be recognized.

Now to receive this coveted Golden Beaver Award in the twilight of my career, is as they say, *the frosting on the cake*. Thank you so much for this great honor.

The Lord has been very good to me throughout my life and I am grateful to him for the blessings he has bestowed upon me and my family.

Thank you and God be with you all.