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BRIAN STALLARD WINS FIFTH ANNUAL CHANNELLOCK FALCON AWARD Award Presented During a Sunset Dinner Cruise on the Barbara J

Meadville, PA (August 20, 2008) – Brian Stallard, part of the Labor Pool at Channellock, Inc., won the fifth annual Falcon Award during a sunset dinner cruise on the Barbara J in Conneaut Lake on Wednesday, August 20.

Channellock invited all of the Falcon Award Nominees and their significant others for a sunset dinner cruise aboard the Barbara J. where they announced this year's winner.

The prestigious Falcon Award is the crown jewel of the Falcon Program, a multi-faceted initiative implemented in 2003 and designed to reward, encourage and celebrate Channellock associates at work, at home and in the community. The Falcon Award is presented to the one associate who best demonstrates the ideals of the program: speed in action through productivity; far-sightedness and clear vision in making everyday decisions that impact Channellock's bottom line; job performance at work; leadership skills through participation in community organizations and a clear understanding and commitment to Channellock's "Vision Blue," which states that commitment, cooperation and constant improvement yield success.

Stallard has been with Channellock since 1995. He has become known among his coworkers for having a great attitude and being a hard worker. Even after some hard knocks he maintains a dedication and willingness to do any job that is asked of him no matter how bad it may be.

Staying true to his belief that commitment + cooperation + constant improvement = success continues to motivate Brian to keep busy and give his best effort each and every day.

Outside of work, Stallard and his wife have been involved with foster care for 12 years. They have had between 10 – 15 children in their care throughout the years. Currently they have one boy of their own, one adopted daughter and six foster children and are in the process of adopting four of them.

“It is an honor to be not only nominated but to win, I am speechless. . . I am thankful, happy and more than surprised.” said Stallard. “I take pride in working at Channellock and look forward contributing to the future success of the company.”

“We could not be happier than to have Brian as this year’s Falcon Award winner,” stated Joanie Sweeney, director of corporate development. “He is a wonderful person in every sense of the word, on the job, in the community and to his friends and family. He’s an excellent representative of Channellock and the Falcon Program.”

As the 2008 Falcon Award winner, Stallard will soon be presented with the gift he chose during the selection process: a Disneyworld family vacation. He also received an engraved silver bowl and will have his name placed on a perpetual recognition plaque displayed beside the hand-blown Daum crystal falcon that serves as the symbol of the Falcon Award at Channellock’s headquarters in Meadville, Pa.

Stallard was nominated by his peers along with 14 other associates, including:

Terry Anthony, Production Machine Operator

Bill Birchard, Cell Operator

Jeff Choffel, Product Process Engineer

Cheryl Eckart, Packer

Theresa Greer, Finishing/Polishing

Damon Grove, Heat Treat Supervisor
Bob Holder, Plant 1 Operations Manager
Daryl Locke, Diagonal Cell Operator
Pete McHale, Maintenance Plant 2
Ron Meek, Packer
Scott Perrine, Packer
Joyce Schwab, Shipping Clerk
Bill Slagle, Polishing Supervisor Plant 2
Jamie Sopher, Packer

Nominations for the Falcon Award were reviewed, and the winner chosen, by a voluntary committee of associates from all areas of the organization .



Brian Stallard holds the Falcon Award aboard the Barbara J on Conneaut Lake.

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