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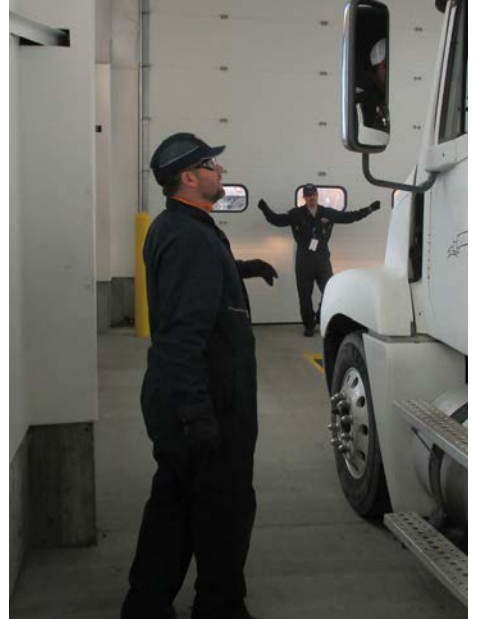


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## DEAR TRUCKING ASSOCIATION MEMBERS AND FRIENDS,

During the past several months I have been asked to serve on a number of transportation stakeholder groups. It is important that trucking is represented on these types of efforts and I appreciate Utah's transportation leaders for including us in these various initiatives. In one of these meetings the stakeholders were asked to review a summary of 20 different long-range transportation plans prepared by numerous entities (i.e., Chambers, MPOs, transit, UDOT, cities and counties, etc.). During this process, the facilitators for the meeting identified themes consistent in each of the plans. Freight was included as one of these themes or priorities. However, it fell lower on the list with fewer mentions than numerous other priorities. Initially, this caused me concern until I considered more carefully some of the other themes including Economic Development and Job Creation (Economy); Mobility, Capacity, Congestion Reduction, Throughput (Mobility); Corridor Preservation, Asset Management, Long-term Maintenance and Operations (Preservation); Multi-Modal, Transportation Choices (Balance); Safety and several more. I realized and stated to the rest of the group that trucking plays a major role and has to be considered in each and every one of these priorities.

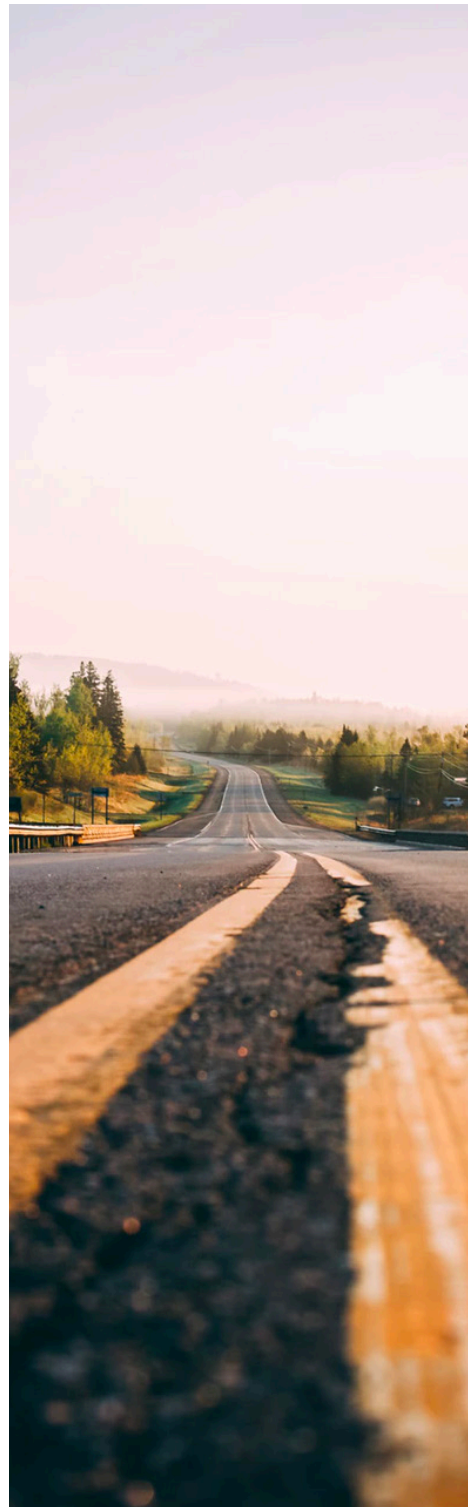
We know that trucking drives Utah's economy. More than 80% of Utah communities rely exclusively on trucks to receive or ship their goods and products and that trucks transport nearly 70% of the total manufactured tonnage in the state. We also know that transportation provides 1 in 15 jobs in Utah.

As an industry we rely on a safe and efficient transportation system. We also do our part to ensure that the highways that we travel are safe and efficient for all motorists. Our members donate hundreds of hours and provide drivers and equipment teaching other motorists about sharing the road. These professionals demonstrate blind spots, stopping differences and how to interact well with commercial vehicles. Our carriers have dedicated millions of dollars to driver training and investments in safety technologies so as to reduce commercial vehicle involved crashes.

Frequently, we hear about groups, communities and individuals that advocate for bans on truck traffic on specific highways or areas. This is frustrating. The trucking industry works very hard to be good neighbors and to interact well with other modes of

transportation. Commercial vehicles being used today are safer than ever before and produce 98% fewer particulate matter (PM) and nitrogen oxides (NOx) than vehicles manufactured prior to 1990. For some, trucks appear as a nuisance that need to be eliminated. For us, they are a beautiful, safe, efficient and effective means of transporting everything we eat, wear or use. Utah's quality of live depends on trucking and the professionals who make it happen in such a seamless manner.

It is an honor for me to represent this critical industry and to associate with such fine people. In this edition, the association highlights many examples of professionalism by honoring the Truck Drivers of the Month, Safety Supervisor of the Year, Trooper of the Year, UDOT Industry Partner and the Truck Driver of the Year. These individuals are examples of the thousands of highly qualified, well-trained, professional and safe people who make up the trucking industry. It is my hope that these highlights will shine a light on the importance of trucking in Utah and across our great country.



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# Utah Trucking Association Honors Safety Professionals

Each year the Utah Trucking Association solicits nominations from its membership for a Truck Driver of the Month recognition. The Safety and Image Committee considers all of the nominations and ultimately awards two drivers this honor each month, one having more than 15 years of experience and the other with less than 15 years of experience. The committee reviews each driver's write-up and considers their safety history, importance to the company, civic service and special distinctions or experiences. Each of the Drivers of the Month are then considered and one is awarded the Truck Driver of the Year. In September, an annual Safety Awards Banquet was held to honor these fine drives and to present them with their Driver of the Month Trophies and the Driver of the Year Plaque and monetary price.

In addition to the driver awards, the association considers



**“the committee reviews each drivers’ write-up and considers their safety history”**

a Safety Supervisor of The Year, a Trooper of the Year and a UDOT Safety Partner. These are also vetted by the Safety and Image Committee. The honorees in these categories have also demonstrated a high degree of professionalism, meaningful service to the trucking industry and are examples within their respective company or agency.

This banquet was conducted, and entertainment provided by “In Cahoots”. This partnership are long-time friends of the association and their special brand of comedy, poetry and music added to the special nature of this event.

The association’s leadership are proud to present these industry examples and appreciated their committed service in this edition.





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# The Most Common Inspection VIOLATIONS

BY STEPHEN GOODRICH - UDOT MOTOR CARRIER DIVISION

The question is often asked of the UDOT Motor Carrier Division, “What are the most common inspection violations?” Let me share with you the answers to that question.

During the 12 month time period October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 there were 38,031 inspections conducted by UDOT Motor Carrier personnel at ports of entry, Utah High Patrol troopers and local agencies with CVSA certified officers at the roadside. Of those 38,031 inspections, 12,377 were Level I inspections (Full – Driver and Vehicle) and 23,716 were Level III (driver) inspections.

During the time period listed above, vehicle inspections resulted in 35,196 violations, 6,885 of those were out-of-service (OOS) violations. The average number of vehicle violations per vehicle inspection was 0.93 per inspection. OOS violations averaged 0.18 per inspection.

### The Top 10 Vehicle Violations were:

VEHICLE INSPECTION VIOLATIONS	# VIOLATIONS
Brakes All, Except Out of Adjustment	10,020
Lighting	5,610
Emergency Equipment	2,522
Brakes, Out of Adjustment	2,258
No Periodic Inspection	2,153
Tires	1,924
Windshield	1,674
Load Securement	1,299
Wheels, studs, clamps, etc.	631
Suspension	541

### The Top 10 Vehicle Out-of-Service Violations were:

VEHICLE OUT-OF-SERVICE VIOLATIONS	# VIOLATIONS
Brakes All, Except Out of Adjustment	2,220
Tires	1,116
Load Securement	1,109
Lighting	815
Brakes, Out of Adjustment	634
Wheels, studs, clamps, etc.	214
Steering Mechanism	156
Suspension	139
Fuel Systems	87
Coupling Devices	76

### The Top 10 Driver Violations were:

DRIVER VIOLATION TYPE	# VIOLATIONS
Size & Weight	4,040
All other Hours of Service violations	2,369
No Medical Certificate	1,732
No Record of Duty Status or not current	1,027
11 & 14 Hour Rule violations	818
False Record of Duty Status	405
Not Using Seat Belt	269
Disqualified Driver	263
Speeding	161
Failure to obey Traffic Control Device	111

### The Top 10 Driver Out-of-Service Violations were:

DRIVER OUT-OF-SERVICE VIOLATIONS	# VIOLATIONS
No Record of Duty Status or not current	675
False Record of Duty Status	291
Disqualified Driver	228
11 & 14 Hour Rule violations	184
No Medical Certificate	86
Alcohol	48
Drug	35
60/70 Hour Rule violations	31
Size & Weight	16
All other Hours of Service violations	12

Driver violations totaled 15,694 with 2,143 OOS violations. The average number of Driver violations per inspection was 0.41 per inspection. OOS violations averaged 0.06 per inspection.

You can look at your own “Top 10” violations by going to your FMCSA CSA page at <https://ai.fmcsa.dot.gov/SMS> and assess how you stack up against the entire state and compile your own “Most help needed” list from the information found there.

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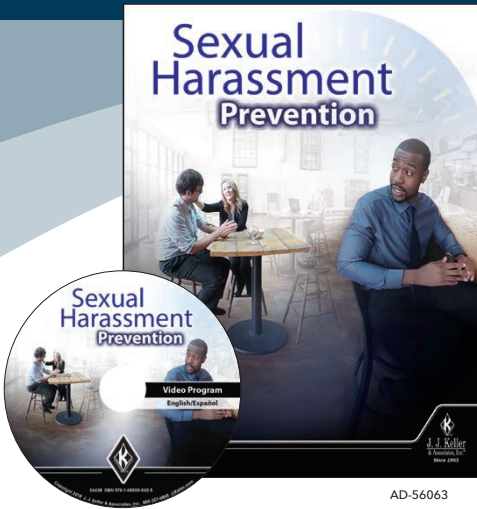
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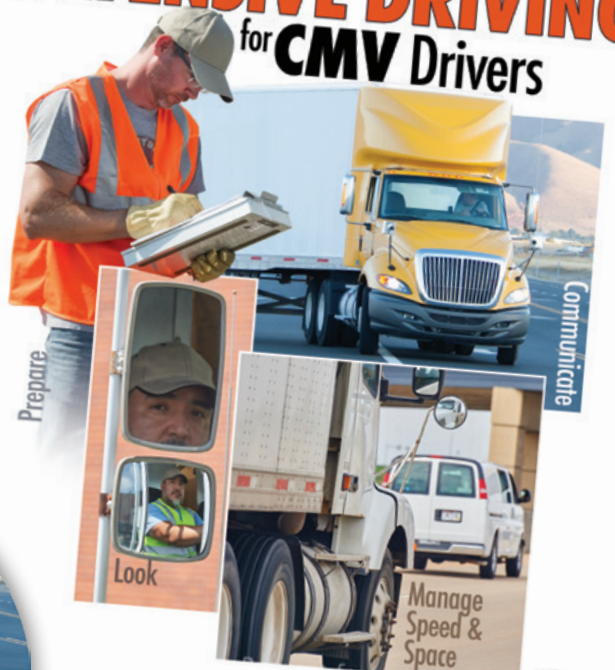
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Miles Driven: 701,501



**Corey Brown**

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Years Driving: 17

Miles Driven: 2.1 Million



**Larry G. Olson**

Walmart Transportation

Years Driving: 35

Miles Driven: 3.3 Million



**Shelby D. Douglas**

James H. Clark & Son Inc.

Years Driving: 6

Miles Driven: 869,000



**Victor H. Franzen**

Walmart Transportation

Years Driving: 43

Miles Driven: 5.1 Million



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Pride Transport Inc.

Years Driving: 33

Miles Driven: 2.6 Million



**Robert A. Tolbert**

Godfrey Trucking

Years Driving: 34

Miles Driven: 2.9 Million



**Arthur D. Bettencourt**

Pride Transport Inc.

Years Driving: 45

Miles Driven: 3.1 Million



**Christopher R. Steele**

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Years Driving: 5

Miles Driven: 714,000 Million



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Pride Transport Inc.

Years Driving: 9

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**Troy Passey**

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Years Driving: 10

Miles Driven: 630,000



**Glen Romney**

CR England

Years Driving: 6

Miles Driven: 1 Million

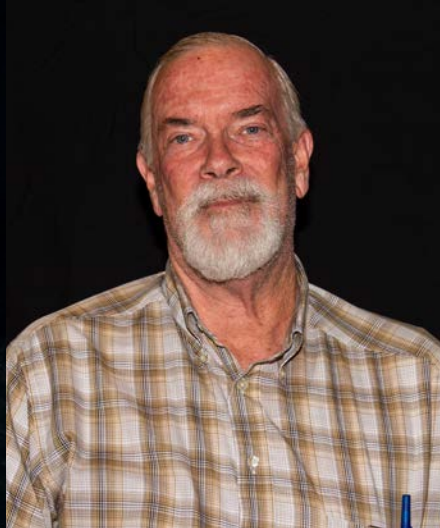


**Kenneth Leth**

James H. Clark & Son Inc.

Years Driving: 32.5

Miles Driven: 2.7 Million

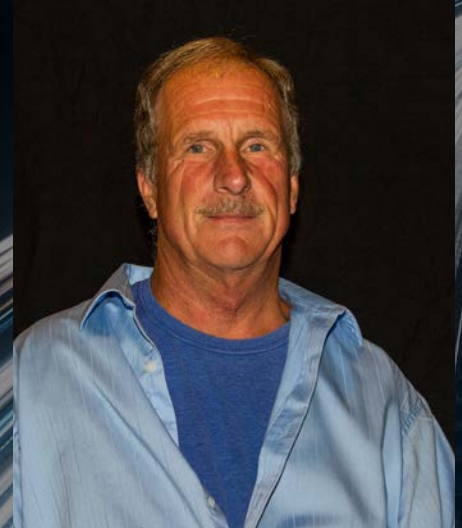


**James Phelps**

James H. Clark & Son Inc.

Years Driving: 36

Miles Driven: 1.8 Million



**Ronald L. Deems**

Gurney Trucking Inc.

Years Driving: 35

Miles Driven: 4.9 Million

# THE MONTH



**James Georgio**

Parke Cox Trucking

Years Driving: 5

Miles Driven: 636,000



**Lewis Greenway**

James H. Clark & Son Inc.

Years Driving: 13

Miles Driven: 1.6 Million



**Mike Killian**

Godfrey Trucking Inc.

Years Driving: 10

Miles Driven: 1.1 Million



**David Cole**

James H. Clark & Son Inc.

Years Driving: 18

Miles Driven: 2.8 Million



**Merton F. Paskett**

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Years Driving: 25

Miles Driven: 3.2 Million



**William Snead**

CR England

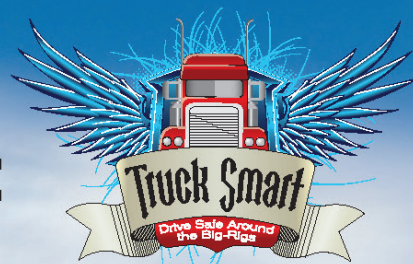
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Miles Driven: 2.8 Million



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## **Bruce Pollei**

### **WALMART TRANSPORTATION**

Reed Newman, Great West Casualty Company, presented Bruce Pollei of Walmart Transportation with the 2018 Safety Supervisor of the Year award. Bruce has been a member of the team at Walmart Transportation Office 6829 in Hurricane, Utah for five years. Bruce is a positive and encouraging influence and is well respected by the seventy drivers he supervises.

After Bruce's first full year on the job he achieved an annual safety department audit score of 100%. His most recent score was a 93%, continuing to demonstrate his excellent administrative skills and leadership for the safety department staff.

Bruce is a well-rounded and experienced safety professional and is well respected. He is very active in the pursuit of ever increasing safety performance and is energetic and creative in his efforts.



## **Bryce Ivie**

### **NTC INSTRUCTOR**

Trooper Bryce Ivie was presented as the 2018 Trooper of the Year by Dustin England of C.R. England. Since January 2017 Trooper Bryce Ivie has become an NTC Instructor for both Parts A & B and has been heavily involved in teaching both courses to our new roadside inspectors throughout the year. Bryce has also been one of our primary instructors for our public outreach efforts on a regular basis. In addition to his normal duties, Bryce helped with a number of truck rodeo's, hours of services classes, pre-trip classes and many other industry based education presentations.

Bryce is always available to assist his peers and is respected by his crewmates. He has never once had an issue exceeding minimum expectations related to inspections, trucks weighed, or any task as assigned.



# Service Awards



## Doug Christensen

### MONTICELLO PORT OF ENTRY SUPERVISOR

Rick Clasby, of the Utah Trucking Association presented Doug Christensen as the 2018 Industry Partner of the Year award winner. Customer service is a priority for Doug, and something he works on becoming better at. His view is not to “drop the hammer” on those who make a mistake, but to help them gain a fuller understanding of the regulations. He creates an atmosphere of learning.

Doug and his wife are the parents of four children and he is a wonderful member of his community. He works with the youth in his area to mold them into productive members of society. He also is an assistant basketball coach at the local high school using hard earned time off to attend practices and games. We congratulate Doug Christiansen, Monticello Port of Entry Supervisor and this year’s Utah Trucking Association Partner of the Year.



## Victor Franzen

### WALMART TRANSPORTATION

Rand Austin of Beehive Insurance presented Victor Franzen as the 2018 Driver of the Year. Victor has been a commercial vehicle driver for forty-three years. He has been using his expertise for the last twenty-two years to help service the Walmart family and friends. He is currently at 208,107 accident free miles along with being a “Store Ambassador”; which is a liaison between the stores and transportation.

Victor has been a “Trucker Buddy” and participated in the Utah Truck Driving Championship. He takes his job seriously and loves to help out the new drivers by being a role model and mentor. During his career he even helped a family out of a rollover crash.

When home he spends his time with his wife, kids and grandkids.

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As we come to the close of 2018 and the beginning of 2019 it is gratifying to look back at the many events and initiative offered by the association. I think back to the 2018 legislative session and appreciate the opportunity that members of our Executive Committee had to meet with the Senate President, Speaker of the House and key legislative leaders. We were able to address highway funding and some of our concerns and felt good about their listening to our perspective. They were gracious enough to have us meet with them again this past fall in anticipation for next year's session.

Soon after the legislative session the Southern Utah Region held another successful fund-raising golf tournament. This year we had nearly 50 students apply for scholarships offered through the association and funded by this tournament. Thanks to all who helped plan this event. And, sincere thanks to all of the sponsors and participants for helping us help deserving students.

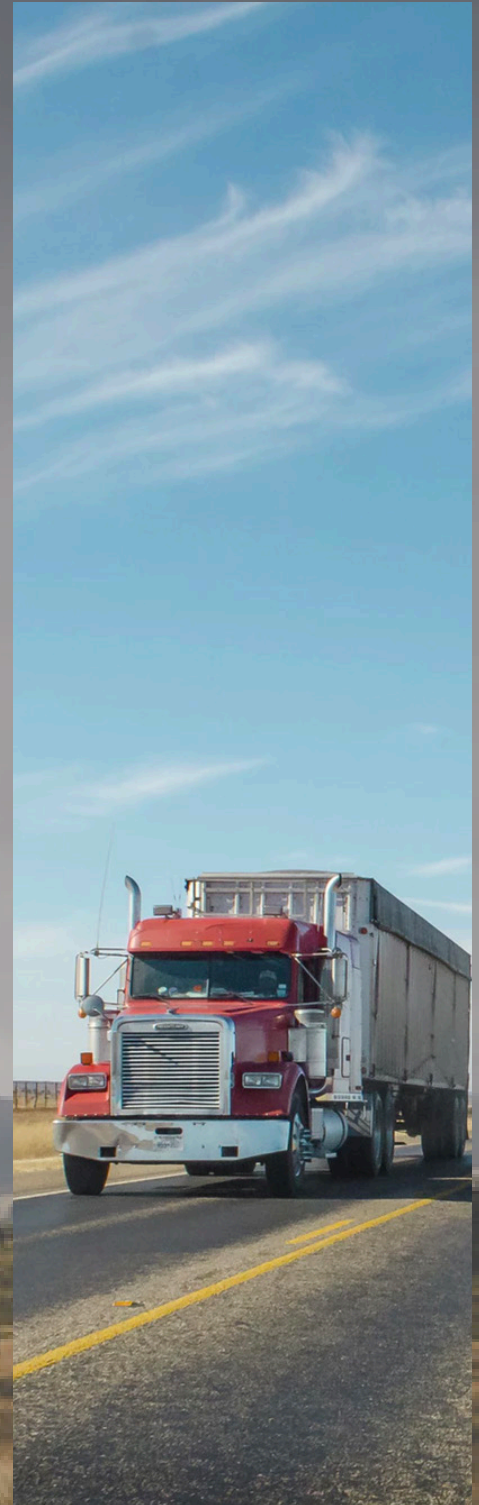
In May, we attended another terrific Management Conference and Truck Expo. We had nearly 500 registrants, nearly 60 vendor booths, amazing truck displays and a record number of trailers displayed. Thank you to those who support the association by sponsoring and offering displays for this event. Additionally, this year's sporting clay tournament broke an all-time attendance record with 88 shooters. The golf tournament was, as always, a huge success and a ton of fun. I appreciate all who make this convention such a success. As part of our conference, the auction earned nearly \$20,000 dollars to be used toward our TruckPAC and political endeavors. Thanks to those who supported this activity.

I really enjoy those opportunities to get together and just have fun. This year like many others, we had a great time on the ATV Jamboree and Fall Sporting Clay Invitational. It is great to get together at these events and learn from one another. I am so grateful for my involvement and friendship with members of our association. I would like to encourage those members who have not taken advantage of the many events sponsored by the association to do so. I have learned so much from my peers and have made lifelong friends by taking part.

I appreciate the association's staff for organizing all of our activities including the many seminars held this past year. These are so helpful to us as industry leaders and our respective staff members.

I am also very grateful to the Region Presidents and their groups for putting together the many Truck Driver Appreciation Week activities throughout the state. We had many members of our association at the Echo, Perry, Wendover, St. George and new this year Peerless Ports of Entry delivering thanks and gifts to countless drivers. These activities were a huge success. Following this week's activities, the association sponsored the annual Safety Awards Banquet where we honored 24 Truck Drivers of the Month, a Safety Supervisor of the Year, A Trooper of the Year, a UDOT Safety Partner and the Truck Driver of the Year. This is a special group and well-deserving of these honors. Thanks again to those who sponsored this event.

I look forward to another successful year in 2019 and hope to get to know even more of you this coming year.



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2ND PLACE GRAND CHAMPION

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**Daniel Reese**

3RD PLACE GRAND CHAMPION

Reddaway



**Judd Adams**

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4-AXLE VAN

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# Championship Winners



**Timothy J. Smith**

5-AXLE VAN

YRC Freight



**Kenneth F. Grygla**

5-AXLE SLEEPER VAN

Walmart Transportation



**Eric L. Hein**

5-AXLE FLATBED

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**Russell W. Atkin**

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