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**D & K CONCRETE SETS WORLD RECORD IN
2008 GOLDEN TROWEL[®] COMPETITION**

**DEAN STEPHAN WINS “SAM” FOR
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CONCRETE FLOOR INDUSTRY**

(Las Vegas) – D&K Concrete of Anaheim, CA set a world record in taking its 4th Golden Trowel[®] in the 20th year of the international competition for placing the flattest and most level concrete slabs. D&K achieved a combined F_F 110.4 / F_L 81.8 in the “Random Traffic/Laser Screed 100-211 ft. wide” category. The project was the 1,219,388 square foot Perris Ridge Commerce Center, built by the City of Perris, CA.

Golden Trowels[®] are given annually by The Face[®] Companies of Norfolk, Virginia, developer of the F-Number System.

“The building is immense and that makes D&K’s world record even more impressive,” commented Face Vice President and Golden Trowel[®] Chairman Jeff Rogers. “These are the highest combined F-Numbers ever measured for a Laser Screed job. To have achieved that... a combined F_F 110 / F_L 82... on a 1.2 million square foot project... is just amazing. And to make it even more astounding... the bays on this job were all between 100 and 211 feet wide!”

The 2008 Golden Trowel[®] competition also saw the first-ever winner from Australia. Bess Concrete Pty Ltd. of Geebung, Australia claimed a Golden Trowel[®] Silver Plate in the “Random Traffic/Laser Screed 89-105 ft. wide on Bridges” category, achieving an F_F 104.9 / F_L 72.4.

A total of 94 contractors from six countries on three continents have claimed the 226 Trowels[®] awarded in the contest's 20-year history.

The “Sam” Golden Trowel[®] for 2008 was awarded to Dean Stephan, who, as Chairman of ACI 117 in the 1980s, was a key figure in the creation and adoption of modern floor finish tolerances. The American Concrete Institute eventually adopted 117’s recommendations. As Stephan observed, the adoption by ACI “allowed construction methods and cost to be related to fitness-for-purpose by the designer/specifier through the use of more descriptive floor finish measurement techniques.” The “Sam” (the Samuel A. Face, Jr. Award) is presented each year to one individual in recognition of “outstanding accomplishments in and contributions to the art and science of high quality horizontal concrete construction.” Stephan is the retired president of California’s Charles Pankow Builders. The “Sam” is named after the late Face[®] Companies Chairman Sam Face and has been awarded since 2001.

The Samuel A. Face, Jr. Award

For Outstanding Accomplishments in and Contributions to
The Art & Science of High Quality Horizontal Concrete Construction

Dean Stephan

Awarded February 2009

The 2008 winners in the floor placement/finishing competition are:

2008 Golden Trowel® Winners - Gold Plates

Winner: Eric Wayne Inc. • Davidson, NC (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Unshored Metal Deck 95 ft. wide • 66,810 Sq. Ft

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 55.5

Project: Sunland Office Building • Time Warner • Charlotte, NC

Winner: Birdwell Builders & Associates, Inc. • Lakeland, FL (12th Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Somero Copperhead 97 ft. wide • 97,000 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 77.7 / F_L 51.6

Project: Cellyne Paper Warehouse III • Cellyne Corporation • Haines City, FL

Winner: D&K Concrete Floors, Inc. • Anaheim, CA (4th Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Laser Screed 100-211 ft. wide

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 110.4 / F_L 81.8 (World Record) • 1,219,388 Sq. Ft.

Project: Perris Ridge Commerce Center • City of Perris • Perris, CA

Winner: Ace/Avant Concrete Construction Co. Inc. • Archdale, NC (19th Golden Trowel®)

Category: Defined Traffic • Laser Screed <40 ft • 81,900 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_{min} L 153.7 • F_{min} T 110

Project: Miskelly Furniture • Miskelly Furniture • Pearl, MS

Winner: Precision Concrete Floors, Inc. • Oshkosh, WI (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Narrow Strip 14 ft. wide • 204,757 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 145.5 / F_L 67.7

Project: • Sturm Foods • Sturm Foods Corporation • Manawa, WI

Winner: Dynamic Builders, Inc. • Los Angeles, CA (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Defined Traffic • Narrow Strip <22 ft. wide • 130,000 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_{min} L 157.5 • F_{min} T 86.4

Project: Preferred Freezer Services #6 • Preferred Freezer • Vernon, CA

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2008 Golden Trowel® Winners - Gold Plates *continued*

Winner: Baker Concrete Construction • Monroe, OH (12th Golden Trowel®)

Special Category: Drag Strip / Vibra-Screed >22 ft. • 55,200 Sq. Ft

Result Achieved: F_F 95.7 / F_L 62.7

Project: ZMax Dragway • Speedway Motorsports • Concord, NC

Winner: JMW Concrete Contractors • Elon, NC (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Wet Screed/Magic Screed • 116,685 Sq. Ft

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 68.5 / F_L 45.0

Project: Honda Jet PII A-GSO • American Honda Motor Co, Inc. • Greensboro, NC

2008 Golden Trowel® Winners - Silver Plates

Winner: McCarthy Building Company • Newport Beach, CA (8th Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Unshored Elevated Deck • 63,616 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 52.1

Project: Mission Hospital Acute Care Hospital • St. Joseph Health Care System • Mission Viejo, CA

Winner: Palatial Development Corp. • Calverton, NY (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Somero Laser Screed 67-91 ft. wide • 32,003 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 93.9 / F_L 89.5

Project: Automann • Automann • Somerset, NJ

Winner: Birdwell Builders & Associates, Inc. • Lakeland, FL (13th Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Wet Screed/Hand Screed 112-134 ft. wide • 72,816 Sq. Ft.

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 60.3 / F_L 45.2

Project: Bealls Department Store #734 • Bealls Department Stores Inc. • Oxford, FL

Winner: Bess Concrete Pty Ltd. • Geebung, Australia (1st Golden Trowel®)

Category: Random Traffic • Laser Screed 89-105 ft. wide on Bridges

F-Number(s) Achieved: F_F 104.9 / F_L 72.4

Project: Norman Ellison Carpets • Norman Ellison Carpets • Yatala, Australia

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