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Subcontractor of the Year

I believe MJ Daly should get the award for subcontractor of the year because they performed a monumental task of providing the city of Danbury new sprinkler system, grease traps and new oil tank this summer. The company proceeded on the shop drawings and procurement of material without hesitation. They supplied the project with an experienced staff that presented solutions to any problems . The sprinkler system work was in an existing school and they faced many challenges . It is my opinion that they are a professional company that I would look forward to doing business with in the future .

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Both of my nominees, Steve Cloud and Mike Smith, have the same business motto: "Do whatever it takes." They believe strongly in solving problems in the best way possible, even if there may be a differing in agreement as to who is responsible for causing those issues, in order to make a customer happy.

Both Mike and Steve were on a hospital project together last summer (Steve's company was the flooring subcontractor and Mike's company was the GC). There was an issue with moisture problems causing the flooring to fail. Mike and Steve arranged for industry experts to come in to help evaluate the problem, then devised a plan for the best solution overall. Even though there was no guarantee they would be compensated for this additional work, Steve and Mike insisted on "doing whatever it takes" to make the client satisfied. Ultimately, it is this commitment to quality that separates both Mike and Steve from their competitors.

Lastly, both Mike and Steve are making more of a concerted effort to attract new business through improvements in marketing strategies as well as joint networking activities. Below is a picture of Steve Cloud (middle) and Mike Smith at the end at a Higgins Post Neocon Flooring Trade Show in Hartford on July 28th.



Subcontractor of the Year Nominee

Lou Iacobucci, Armani Restoration, Inc.

- Enterprise Builders has worked closely with Armani Restoration for many years. They are a reputable company with years of experience and the best of their trade with quality work. We know that when called upon, Armani Restoration will assist in every way possible to provide budgeting, competitive pricing and a final product that their company, the general contractor and owner can be proud of.

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Subcontractor of the Year Nominee
Joseph V. Squillacote, President
GDS Contracting Corp.

GDS Contracting Corp. was founded in 1976 and is currently celebrating its 40th anniversary. The Company originally started with four people under the direction of Joe Squillacote, and has grown to now employ up to 175 employees.

I have done business with Joe for many years and I have found Joe to always be highly ethical, trustworthy, hardworking and extremely knowledgeable. Joe is well respected in the industry with those he works for. His knowledge is superior and one of his strongest assets is his ability to lead by example. Contractors like Whiting-Turner, Turner Construction, Newfield Construction and KBE Building find Joe to be highly responsible and always fair in his business practices.

The scope of his completed projects is wide with some of the more notable projects being:

Jewish Senior Services
Park Square West
Sandy Hook School
Camp Hartel

Berlin High School
Wethersfield High School
Housatonic Community College
ESPN Digital Center

Joe has made a concerted effort educating and training many employees over the years, including several members of his own family, some who currently work at GDS.

The Company performs Drywall, Framing, Insulation, Acoustical Ceilings and Carpentry work.

Please consider Joe Squillacote as a Nominee for the 2016 AGC of Connecticut Industry Awards. Thank you!

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