



THE TRUITT NEWS

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THE REALLY HOT PART OF SUMMER 2011 ISSUE

CONGRATS:

To: **Burr & Forman's, Norman Orr** on being named VP of Special Equestrians Inc., an Indian Springs organization providing therapeutic horseback riding for people with disabilities.

To: **The Vestavia Youth League Baseball 7 Year Old National All Star Team coached by Henry Walburn.** Team Members include Alex Armstrong, Michael Belcher, Jackson Harris, Hall Holland, Christopher Johnston, Landon Kuckens, Lane Myers, Carson Ray, Max Stewart, Hill Stokes, Hudson Walburn and Thomas Watson. Truitt Insurance & Bonding is proud to be a sponsor of the team.

To: **Brasfield & Gorrie LLC, (28) B.L. Harbert International LLC, (67) Robins & Morton, (68) Hoar Construction LLC (136), and Doster Construction (270)** for being included in the most recent Engineering News Records' Top 400 Contractors in the nation listing. Montgomery's **Caddell Construction** and Mobile's **White-Spinner Construction** were also on the list. What a great showing for Alabama.

To: **Jeri & Anthony Finchum** on the recent arrival of their little man, Ford Finchum.

A PICTURE SAYS A THOUSAND WORDS.....



actually, in this case, just six are needed: "Some Days Are Worse Than Others". Thanks to our friends in Pamplona for, once again, providing a sterling example of poor decision making. It is almost unfair to comment on yearly.

BIG MONEY DON



Mr. Moneybags saying thanks, Flo.

Truitt's Don Adams came up the big winner at the AL In-

dependent Agents Convention. Held at Baytowne Wharf, Don brought back over \$1,250 in prize cash, so he definitely had the hot hand. It will go quickly, however, as his 2 kids recently informed him they are both expecting within a week of each other this fall.

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COVER GIRL

We are really proud of and extremely excited for our friend **Jennifer Andress** as she graces the cover of July's Runner's World Magazine. Jennifer was picked after submitting her story of overcoming breast cancer while pregnant with her first child. Jennifer had always run a little but truly became dedicated to it after her recovery. Turns out, she must be pretty good as well. She ran in the New York & Boston marathons recently.

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AFDA @

Point Clear

During June, Tony was able to attend a portion of the Alabama Funeral Director's Convention in Point Clear. Lots of fun and met some great folks. Planning to be back with them next year.



Vince sawing logs at Tacky Jack's. Check out Tony doing PR for the Uptons with the Craneworks cap.

I NEED A BREAK FROM THIS TRIP

On Tony & Joanne's trip to the Gulf in late June, Vince Truitt decided he needed to check out of his vacation for a little while. During a loud, extremely warm lunch at Tacky Jack's newest location, no combination of noise, heat, nor food were a match for VT's need for to catch up on some zzzzzzs. For anyone that knows his granddad, John Truitt, this should come as no surprise. We all believe Vince picked up his ability to slumber in any condition from "Sleepin" John. JHT has proven over the years he is unmatched in this ability and apparently has passed it on, so looks like years of good napping ahead for Vince.

OTM TOUCHDOWN CLUB BOBBY BOWDEN AWARD

Thanks to Keith Andress and the Baker Donelson Law Firm for bringing us along this year to the OTM Touchdown Club's Bobby Bowden National Coach of the Year Award Banquet. Our state is 2 for 2 since this award was established, named after Birmingham's own Bobby Bowden. Let's keep it up.



CONGRATS:

To: **Hoar Construction** for beginning work on the 763,000 facility for NEA Baptist Memorial Hospital in Jonesboro, Arkansas.

To: **Todd Coder** on his work booking acts for the enormously successful Hangout Beach Festival in Gulf Shores the weekend of May 20 –22. A great line-up brought in 35,000 folks to the white sand to kick off this summer.

To: Our fellow Vestavia Hills' Chamber member **Tim Meehan** on being named Community Outreach Manager for Somerby at St. Vincent's One Nineteen.

To: The **Chilton Water Authority** for officially having the best tasting water in the Alabama. They recently won the 10th Annual Water Taste Test and beat down other water utilities from throughout the state.

To: **Tripp Haston**, of Bradley Arant Boulton & Cummings LLP, on being recognized by Who's Who Legal as one of the world's leading product liability defense lawyers for 2011.

To: **Robert Naland** of National Bank of Commerce, for his work as this year's Chairman of Operation New Birmingham. There have been many successes on his watch and we hope the 2nd half of the year keeps the good news coming.

To: **Madeline Mitchell** of Russellville, for placing in the top 4 in the Miss USA Pageant in Las Vegas on June 19th. Madeline overcame a serious auto accident that left her in a coma to come back and make Alabama proud.

ASA AWARD BANQUET



We were proud to help sponsor the American Subcontractors Association Award Banquet the night of June 21st. Truitt's Jeff Rodgers was at the "hot" table sitting with **Doug Collins** of **Dunn Building Company** when he was awarded the 2011 Superintendent of the Year Award. Jeff serves as the ASA's Event Chair so he was able to snake into the winner's photo next to Dunn Building Co. President **Andrew Edwards**. Way to go Doug & Dunn!



FOOD ALERT:

Get to Stacey's in Foley. Key-

Lime milkshake is so good Zach & Vince tried to slap their mamma, but Joanne proved too quick. AL Tourism Dept put it on their best-dishes list.

Leadership
Vestavia Hills

We would like to say congrats to the

new members of the 2011/2012 LVH class. This year's class includes Shannon Ammons, Stanley Bara, Steven Brom, Erin Burton, Derrell Crim, Bert Crenshaw, Julie Ellis, Ryan Farrell, Ryan Ferris, Jason Gardner, Tripp Harris, Robert Hayes, Steve Hewett, Lee Higginbotham, Kevin Jacques, Walter Jones, Holly Lollar, Dave Mason, Hurston Raley, Chris Sheheane, Charlie Shell, Martin Smith, Keith Splawn, and Patricia Walker. One of them could eventually end up like Greg Canfield, an LVH alum, who was recently named to head the Alabama Development Office.

SALES HELP WANTED

If you know of anyone with industry experience, we are looking for new sales agents all over AL.

2011 ICSC ReCON ReCAP



Southpace Properties' **David Ashford, Michael Randman & Tyler Bradford** at the Rio Resort.

Tony made it to Las Vegas again this year for ICSC's annual ReCON event. The International Council of Shopping Centers con-

vention attracts tens of thousands each year to network and get some deals going. Hopefully, everyone had a successful trip and can get some things kick-started. Alabama, once again, was well represented. Though it was an abbreviated trip for Tony this year, he somehow managed to work in a lot of fun seeing Brooks Corr, Martin Smith, Bill Clements, Roy Drinkard, Jason Grimmett, Tyler Bradford, Judy White, Monroeville Mayor Mike Kennedy & his wife Cindy, David Ashford, Michael Randman, Charles Ferlisi, Wiley Lott, Stephen Stallcup, Mel McElroy, Don Smith, Candace Hill, Andrew Loveman, Bryan Holt, Trey Clegg, Stacey Berthon, Mark Winters, Merrill Stewart, Tom Genetti, Todd Adkison, Gregg Pounders and Mark Hendricks among others on his only night out there this year.

ARWA CONFERENCE

We made a splash (sorry, couldn't resist) at the Alabama Rural Water Association Conference held this May at The Grand Hotel. The Truitt booth became a favorite after word got out we had some of John Truitt's famous fig preserves available. The ARWA is a great group that affects all of us daily as it's members work to provide clean, great-tasting water for everyone throughout Alabama. Kathy Horne and her group did a fantastic job putting this event on.



John Truitt at the Truitt booth with **Mack Senn** of **Donald Smith Company**. See how excited **JHT** is to have received one of the famed **Donald Smith yardsticks**, like a kid at Christmas.



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