

## People

**David Black Associates, Inc.** announced that **Joseph W. Walter Jr.**, architectural designer, has been LEED accredited by the U.S. Green Building Council of Washington, D.C. The LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Green Building Rating System is the national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings.

**Erdman Anthony** announced that senior mechanical engineer and mechanical team leader **William Gress, PE**, earned LEED accreditation after passing the LEED for New Construction qualifying exam. Gress is a licensed professional engineer in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Louisiana, Delaware and West Virginia.

**High Safety Consulting Services Ltd.** announced that **Lisa A. Bolin** has been promoted to the position of senior safety & health consultant. In this role, she provides technical assistance to clients in solving a wide range of safety and health issues. Bolin also recently achieved certification as an Industrial Hygienist through the American Board of Industrial Hygiene.

**RETTEW** recently welcomed **Jason A. Snyder, PE**, as senior engineer in the firm's transportation group. As senior transportation engineer, Snyder manages projects within the firm's highway group, developing and managing project scopes, budgets and schedules and ensuring exceptional project delivery and client satisfaction.



**The Quandel Group, Inc.** announced that **Brian N. Luke**, director of scheduling, recently became a Scheduling Professional by the Project Management Institute. In order to qualify for the certification,

candidates must be responsible for creating and maintaining project schedules, have a minimum of 5,000 hours of project scheduling experience and then successfully complete the PMI training and testing program.

## Recognition

### PA Chamber members recognized as 'Best Places to Work'

#### BEST PLACES to work in PA 2009

The PA Chamber was pleased to again sponsor the "Best Places to Work" awards program, and congratulates the following member companies for their commitment to creating a quality, productive work environment for their employees and for their contributions to the Commonwealth's economy:

- Bucknell University
- Concurrent Technologies Corporation
- East Penn Manufacturing
- Fulton Bank
- Glatfelter Insurance Group
- Graystone Tower Bank
- Highmark Inc.
- Holy Spirit Healthsystem
- Memorial Hospital
- Orthopaedic & Spine Specialists
- ParenteRandolph, LLC (ParenteBeard)
- Penn National Insurance
- Pennoni Associates Inc.
- Pride Mobility Products Corp.
- PSECU
- Sheetz, Inc.
- The Addis Group
- All4 Inc
- Boyer & Ritter CPAs and Consultants
- DVL, Inc.
- HydroWorx
- JPL
- KU Resources, Inc.
- McClure Company
- McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC
- Quandel Enterprises, Inc.
- Stoner, Inc.

**High Real Estate Group LLC** and **High Industries Inc.** announced they have been named to the 2009 Inc. 5000, Inc. magazine's annual list of the nation's 5,000 fastest growing private companies. The Lancaster-based companies grew their revenues by 27.2 percent and 25.2 percent, respectively, over a three-year period from 2005 through 2008.



**East Penn Manufacturing Co., Inc.** was honored with the 2009 Cevallos Award for its exceptional commitment to the environmental health of the community, especially the children whom reside in it. Recipients of the Cevallos Award must display a personal, public and financial commitment to advancing children's environmental health issues and have proven themselves as an advocate for this cause.



**McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC** announced that Chairman **David Kleppinger** has been named "Executive of the Year" at the sixth annual Business of the Year Awards Gala in Harrisburg.

Kleppinger, a member of the PA Chamber board of directors, was awarded the honor for his outstanding contributions to the central Pennsylvania business community. The awards event is a program of the Central Penn Business Journal and is presented by Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney PC.



**Reclamere Inc.** received the 2009 Blair County Chamber of Commerce's 2009 Award of Distinction in the Technology category. Reclamere was selected as the recipient for the construction of Central Pennsylvania's only Class 100 clean room used to recover data from computer hard drives.

**Saul Ewing LLP** is proud to have been named to the 2009 Honor Roll of legal organizations welcoming women. The Honor Roll was established by the Pennsylvania Bar Association's Commission on Women in the Profession. It recognizes those law firms, corporate law departments or other organizations of lawyers providing legal services that have instituted the best programs or initiatives that have resulted in helping women lawyers continue and advance in their professional careers. A total of nine Pennsylvania firms received the award.

## Noteworthy



**The High Companies** announced that **Darryl P. Gordon** was named one of Central Penn Business Journal's 2009 Forty Under 40 award recipients. Gordon has served as corporate director for human resources for High Real Estate Group LLC and

High Industries Inc. since 2007. He serves as a board member of the Lancaster County Career and Technical Center Foundation, participating on the steering committee for the Stevens and Smith Historic Site Project, and serving as an account executive and leadership giver for the Lancaster County United Way. He coaches Little League and sponsors various programs to help at-risk youth.

**JPL** announced that a team of interns collaborated to equip Caitlin's Smiles with a newly designed website and comprehensive marketing plan. Caitlin's Smiles, [www.caitlins-smiles.org](http://www.caitlins-smiles.org), is a Harrisburg-based nonprofit organization with a mission to help put smiles on the faces of children facing chronic or life threatening illness. With the support of volunteers, the organization delivers arts and crafts kits to hospitals throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. Working on the JPL intern team were: **Caitlin Markham**, e-Learning intern from Ithaca College; **Matt Papson**, digital marketing intern and recent graduate of Villanova University; **Kalin Burkhardt**, marketing intern from Saint Michaels College; and **Amanda Hitz**, design intern and recent graduate of Harrisburg Area Community College.



**JPL** announced that **Jodi Christman**, vice president, Interactive and Design, has been named one of Central Penn Business Journal's 2009 Forty Under 40 award recipients. Christman manages information technology companywide and multiple departments in JPL's design, web development and project management areas. In addition to her professional accomplishments, she serves on the board of Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Capital Region and is an active participant in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life fund-raising event.

**Marshall, Dennehey, Warner, Coleman & Goggin** shareholders **Lisa D. Eldridge** and **James E. Pocius** served as speakers at the Pennsylvania Bar Institute Workers' Compensation Law Section's 25th Annual Fall



Section Meeting in Hershey. Eldridge's speech covered recent

developments, while Pocius answered a series of questions on Medicare set-asides.

**McNees Wallace & Nurick** announced that associate **Rebecca Finkenbinder** has been selected to receive Shippensburg University's Outstanding Young Alumnus Award for 2009. Finkenbinder is an attorney in the McNees Intellectual Property and Food Industry practice groups.



**McNees Wallace & Nurick** is pleased to announce that **Pamela Polacek** has been selected as one of Central Penn Business Journal's 2009 Forty Under 40 award recipients for her commitment to business growth, professional excellence and the community. Polacek practices in the areas of electric, natural gas and other energy product regulation, litigation, negotiation and business counseling. She is currently active in the McNees Professional and Personal Development Committee, the McNees Women's Network planning committee, Channels Food Rescue and the United Way of the Capita Region.

**Optical Image Technology** announced that it was named a finalist for KM World Magazine's 2009 KM Promise Award. The award recognizes organizations that are fulfilling their promise to customers by implementing outstanding, innovative knowledge management solutions that integrate knowledge management practices into customers' business practices.

The company also announced a new partnership with Cyber Technologies, a Phoenix, AZ-based company that specializes in digital information security. Together, they offer secure digital storage and paperless processing solutions for business.

**The Quandel Group, Inc.** was recently awarded a construction management contract to manage the \$23 million new Wyalusing Valley Elementary School for Wyalusing Area School District in Wyalusing, Bradford County, PA. The new 127,000-square-foot elementary school will house grades K through six and will be constructed directly behind the district's existing junior-senior high school.

The firm was also awarded a contract to manage the construction of the new \$73 million Unified Science Center for the University of Scranton. The new 200,000-square-foot, four-story facility will feature 22 class and seminar rooms, 34 laboratories, 80 offices, rooftop greenhouse for research, a 180-seat lecture hall for symposia and seminars, an atrium, several faculty/student research and meeting areas and a faculty meeting room modeled after the team room at Oxford University. The facility is also designed for Silver LEED certification.

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**RETTEW** recently strengthened its presence in Pennsylvania's northeastern region. The firm promoted **Clayton E. Bubeck, PE**, to regional vice president for northeastern PA; welcomed **Ronald B. Madison, PE**, as senior project manager, environmental engineering; and opened a new office at 701 W. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA.

## Recognition

**Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellot, LLC** announced that it has made a major addition to its Utilities and Telecommunications practice in Washington, D.C. and Virginia. The firm is pleased to announce the addition of four exceptional lawyers, **Charles Zdebski, Matthew Kirsner, Raymond Kowalski** and **Eric Schwalb**. All four joined as members of the firm.

**McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC** attorney **Harvey Freedenberg** has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Cultural Enrichment Fund. Freedenberg is an attorney in McNees' Intellectual Property, Appellate and Post Trial, Injunction and Litigation practice groups. Committed to its mission, Freedenberg dedicates his time to help the Cultural Enrichment Fund provide financial support to central Pennsylvania's arts and cultural organizations through an efficient and effective annual fundraising campaign.

The firm also announced that attorney **James M. Strong** has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank. Strong is an attorney in the Real Estate group, and concentrates his practice on zoning and land use laws and land use litigation.

In addition, **Susan V. Metcalfe**, a member of the firm's Litigation, Intellectual Property and Injunction groups, was named a Pennsylvania lawyer on the fast track by *The Legal Intelligencer* and *Pennsylvania Law Weekly*.

The firm also announced that associate **Giuseppina G. McCarthy** has been elected to the Board of Directors for the Habitat for Humanity of the Greater Harrisburg Area. McCarthy is an attorney in the firm's Real Estate Group, and also works with oil and gas companies, as well as landowners, to negotiate and draft oil and gas leases relating to Pennsylvania's Marcellus Shale formation.

**ParenteBeard LLC** partners **Richard Farrell** and **Douglas Barton** presented SEC/Accounting Updates at the SEC and Corporate Governance Conference in Hershey, PA. Farrell and Barton are two of the firm's leading authorities on corporate governance issues, particularly pertaining to SEC registrants in the financial institutions industry.

**The Quandel Group, Inc.** was recently awarded a contract to manage an addition and renovations project for Schuylkill Women in Crisis (SWIC), a private nonprofit based in Pottsville providing services to victims of domestic violence in Schuylkill County. As a result of the capital improvements, SWIC will nearly double the capacity of its existing emergency shelter, ensure that the facility is handicap accessible on all floors and compliant with current code requirements. Construction will begin in March 2010 and is expected to be complete in September 2010.

The firm was also selected to provide construction management services on renovations to the Career Technology Center of Lackawanna County, which is a consortium of nine school districts surrounding the Scranton area. The \$20 million renovation program will provide building and systems upgrades, as well as upgrades to their current program offerings.

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*Articles that don't appear in the magazine will be posted on the PA Chamber website.*