

CLEVELAND, OH (May 30, 2014) – *Smart Business* is pleased to announce the special category award winners from among this year's class of Smart 50 award winners, which were unveiled May 22, 2014, at the Corporate College Smart 50 program, presented by *Smart Business*.

The inaugural class of the Smart 50 Awards:

Dominic J. Bagnoli, MD, FACEP, FAAEM, **Emergency Medicine Physicians**

Scott Balogh, **Mar-Bal, Inc.**

Jodi Berg, **Vitamix**

Bruce Blaise, **Kenan Advantage Group (KAG)**

Eric Bornstein, **Clinical Specialties, Inc.**

Akram Boutros, MD, FACHE, **The MetroHealth System**

Joseph & Pam Carollo, **Ohio Services CLE dba Jani King of Cleveland**

Chris Carroll **Flavorseal**

Rick Chiricosta, **Medical Mutual of Ohio**

Toby Cosgrove, **Cleveland Clinic**

Harry Covington, Jr., **Ferry Industries, Inc.**

Mary Cowan, **NCS**

Steve Demetriou, **Aleris International**

Victor DiGeronimo, Sr., **Independence Excavating**

Cynthia H. Dunn, **Judson Services, Inc.**

Jason P. Farro, **Lighthouse Insurance Group, LLC**

Umberto Fedeli, **The Fedeli Group**

Paul Fox, **Skylight Financial Group**

Bill Frantz, **Sandridge Food Corporation**

Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, **Quality Electrodynamics (QED)**

Brian D. Gale, **I.D. Images**

Fred & Greg Geis, **Geis Companies**

Kevin Goodman, **BlueBridge Networks**

Doug Hartley, **Portage Precision Polymers Inc.**

Eric Hauge, **ArcelorMittal Cleveland**

Michael Hilton, **Nordson Corporation**

Fred & John Hunger, **World Shipping Group**

Mike Ivany & Marty Eble, **Flow Polymers**

John Kahl, **ShurTech Brands, LLC**

Dolf Kahle, **Visual Marking Systems**

Bill Kitson, **United Way of Greater Cleveland**

Robert J. Klonek, **Oswald Companies**

Stewart Kohl, **The Riverside Company**

Mitch Kroll, **Findaway World**

Robert Littman, **SS&G**

Eric Lofquist & Scott Forster, **Magnus International Group**

Steve Marks & Harvey Nelson, **Main Street Gourmet**

Rick McQueen, **Akron-Canton Airport**

David Michelson, **National Interstate Insurance**

Stella Moga Kennedy, **Le Chaperon Rouge**

Bernie Moreno, **The Collection Auto Group**

Rhonda Newman, **Remington Products Company**
Bill Priemer, **Hyland Software**
Brian D. Robbins, **MidWest Materials, Inc.**
Tom Salpietra, **EYE Lighting International**
Gregory J. Skoda, CPA, **Skoda Minotti**
Steve Stokey, **Allied Machine and Engineering Corp.**
Thomas Strauss, **Summa Health System**
Donald E. Washkewicz, **Parker Hannifin Corporation**
Thomas F. Zenty III, **University Hospitals**

This year's specialty award winners are:

Innovation

Mitch Kroll, Findaway World
Scott Forster & Eric Lofquist, Magnus International
Bill Frantz, Sandridge Foods

Impact

Dr. Hiroyuki Fujita, Quality Electrodynamics
Fred & Greg Geis, Geis Companies
Dr. Akram Boutros, MetroHealth System

Business Continuity

Dolf Kahle, Visual Marking Systems
Steve Stokey, Allied Machine & Engineering
Steve Demetriou, Aleris International

These nine CEOs are part of class of 50 top business executives leading the region's "smartest" organizations. Read more about the full Smart 50 class at www.sbnonline.com or www.smartbusinessmag.com.

This entire class of honorees, combined with this year's specialty award winners, demonstrate the savvy leadership necessary to foster organizations that are built to last," says Dustin S. Klein, publisher of *Smart Business*. "They ply innovation, make significant impact on the community, and understand that business is won or lost by organizations that are able to weather the ups and downs over decades."

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To receive a nomination for the 2015 awards program, or to learn more about the Smart 50, contact *Smart Business* at mrankin@sbnonline.com or (440)250-7023.