

Yellow Transportation Drivers Capture Top Two Awards at National Truck Driving Championship

Rick Herbert Wins National Grand Champion Title; Gerald Cudmore Wins Professional Excellence Award

OVERLAND PARK, Kan., Aug. 22 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Yellow Transportation, a subsidiary of Yellow Roadway Corporation (Nasdaq: YELL), is proud to announce that Yellow Transportation professional drivers captured the two highest honors at the 2005 National Truck Driving Championships (NTDC). Rick Herbert, a driver at the Yellow Transportation service center in Chicago Ridge, Illinois, was named the National Grand Champion after competing with over 360 other drivers from across the United States. Gerald Cudmore, a driver at the Yellow Transportation service center in Watertown, South Dakota, won the Professional Excellence Award.

Herbert was named National Grand Champion at the NTDC in Tampa, Florida August 20 for achieving the highest score among the winners of all eight classes in the competition for driving skills and knowledge of transportation and truck safety information through a written exam, personal interview and a pre-trip inspection. Herbert also took home the first place in the four-axle truck class.

Cudmore, a twin trailers driver, received the Professional Excellence Award. The award goes to the driver considered by contest officials to exemplify the highest level of professionalism, strong commitment to safety and mentor to rookie drivers.

This year also marked the first female driving competitor from Yellow Transportation. Shirley White, a professional driver at the Yellow Transportation service center in Kansas City, Missouri, placed 12th in the straight truck class.

"I am excited and extremely proud and want to congratulate all of our 26 participating drivers and particularly Rick Herbert, whose professionalism and safe driving skills have earned him the title of National Grand Champion," said James L. Welch, president and chief executive officer of Yellow Transportation. "Our drivers are the heart and soul of the company and by embracing a focus on safety into their daily responsibilities it assures the communities in which we work, our employees, and their families that our drivers can be counted on to be safe on the road."

The American Trucking Associations (ATA) sponsored the event which is known as the "Super Bowl of Safety". A record of 26 professional drivers from Yellow Transportation qualified for the national event by winning their respective state truck driving championship and driving accident-free for at least one year.

The other drivers representing Yellow Transportation this year at the NTDC are:

Class

Driver Tim Ahern Doug Baize Karl Bolton Charlie Brown Roger Divelbliss Robin Echard John Estep Bruce Green Eric Halchishak David Hanslick Mark Hassemer Paul Hebert Jim March Dan Medley Ken Meyer Dave Murphy Neil Nogues J.R. Patton Fernald Richard

twin trailers four axle five-axle van flatbed twin trailers three axle tanker five-axle four-axle flatbed four-axle tanker twin trailers three axle flatbed three axle straight truck straight truck straight truck

Denver, CO Louisville, KY Salt Lake City, UT Kansas City, MO High Point, NC Indianapolis, IN Chicago North, IL Kansas City, MO Coldwater, MI St. Louis, MO Green Bay, WI Manchester, NH Lancaster, PA Albuquerque, NM Maybrook, NY Boise, ID Manchester, NH Oklahoma City, OK Portland, ME

Service Center

Frank Sandoval Larry Tucker Paul Unser Don Welsted twin trailers
straight truck
flatbed
five-axle sleeper

Albuquerque, NM Louisville, KY Boise, ID Buffalo, NY

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