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Shelly & Sands and Saunders Machine Works Receive EODA Excellence Awards

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The 2020 Eastern Ohio Development Alliance (EODA) Excellence Award recipients were announced in early July, and two Muskingum County businesses were among those recognized.

Receiving the Large Business Excellence Award was Shelly & Sands, Inc

This award seeks to recognize excellence for entrepreneurs promoting technology including employment growth or job creation, innovation programs involving employees and community projects, new technological expansion, community service encouragement and activities which have resulted in statewide, national or international attention for the region.

Receiving the Small Business Excellence Award was Saunders Machine Works (SMW).

This award seeks to recognize excellence in a given pursuit including business start up or growth, employment growth or job creation, innovative programs involving employees and community projects, new product or program development resulting in expansion and community service encouragement.

"We wanted to honor our eight outstanding recipients, but due to the Covid-19 situation, we had to ask our nominators to work with the local media," said **Mr. Jim Schoch, EODA's Executive Director**. "This will enable us to share the award presentations with our membership and they will be posted on our website. We felt this recognition was very important not only because of the postponement of the annual meeting but also because this is the 30th anniversary of EODA".



Small Business Excellence Award - Saunders Machine Works

Pictured: Cindy Cameron, Jim Porter, John Saunders, and Matt Abbott



Large Business Excellence Award - Shelly & Sands, Inc.

Pictured: Cindy Cameron, Jim Porter, Todd Young, and Matt Abbott

“Shelly and Sands and Saunders Machine Works are both outstanding representatives of Zanesville and Muskingum County, and this recognition from EODA is well deserved. Both companies are leaders and innovators in their respective fields and their reputations carry far beyond Muskingum County,” Cindy Cameron, President, Muskingum County Commissioners.



“As the representative of the people of Zanesville, I can say we are all proud of the recognition of Shelly and Sands and Saunders Machine Works. Local businesses employing local people results with a higher quality service and product. We thank the companies for making us all proud,” Mayor Don Mason, City of Zanesville.



“It is exciting to see Shelly and Sands and Saunders Machine Works receive the EODA Excellence Award. Shelly and Sands and Saunders Machine Works are both highly respected businesses in our area, the state and on a national level. Zanesville and Muskingum County are better for them being located in our community,” Matt Abbott, Executive Director, Zanesville Muskingum County Port Authority.



Click on the EODA logo for a complete list of the 2020 Excellence Award Winners.



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