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Fikes Truck Line Announces Festival Winners

Chrome Shop Mafia "Don" Stops by to Congratulate Contractors

Hope, AR... Bryan Martin, "The Don" of the Chrome Shop Mafia and his tricked out rig, made a guest appearance at Fikes Truck Line 18th Annual Fall Festival held at the Four States Fairgrounds in Texarkana, AR. Martin took time out from visiting national truck shows to congratulate contractors who were recognized at the event.

Max Campbell, Director of Recruiting and Contractor Services at Fikes, commented that, "even though it rained for the first time in 18 years, spirits were high and festival participants enjoyed spending time with fellow contractors and meeting Martin."

Fikes received 27 entries into this year's Pride and Polish Contest. All five finalists entered a Peterbilt model trucks into the competition. Governor Shurvington of Clever, MO won first place in the contest. Shurvington and his truck will be featured on the upcoming 2010 Fikes Calendar. Runners-up included Donald Sisco of Marion, KY, James Fite of Logan, NM, Jerome Redd of Atoka, OH and Ryan Sanders of Houston, MS.

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Another annual honor was given to David Ponce of Breckenridge, TX, a veteran Fikes contractor. Ponce was the winner of Fikes Grand Recruiting Prize, a new flatbed trailer. Longtime sponsor Twin City Trailer of Texarkana representatives were on hand to award the flatbed to Ponce.

Other contractors who were recognized at this year's festival include:

- 20-years of service with Fikes: Carroll Smith
- 15-years of service with Fikes: Gene Kendrick
- 10-years of service with Fikes: Wayne Mason, Bruce Tanner, Edgar Tarrance, David Baker and Troy Potts.

"It seems like we are always in festival planning mode," explained Jim Honea, "It's a fun event and the Fikes staff takes a lot of pride putting it on right each year."

Fikes Truck Line is a national truck company specializing in the shipment of steel, machinery, building materials and manufactured goods. Their fleet of independent trucking professionals is equipped to haul with flatbed, RGN, heavy haul, military hauls, drop-deck and side-deck trailers. For more information on Fikes Truck Line visit www.fikes.com or call 1-800-643-6611.

The Chrome Shop Mafia (CSM) was started in 2003, as a club for customized rig clients of 4 State Trucks Inc., a family-owned and operated chrome and accessories store in Joplin, MO. 4 State Trucks and CSM are noted for their innovative truck upgrades/makeovers. Opened in 1986, 4 State Trucks has evolved from a truck repair and salvage sales shop, to a full-line accessories, installation and truck customization at its finest.

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