

## SWANA ANNOUNCES 2008 INTERNATIONAL ROAD-E-O WINNERS

*Silver Spring* – The 2008 SWANA International Road-E-O was held on September 27, 2008, in Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky. Hosted by the Kentucky Bluegrass Chapter, the Road-E-O brought out 94 truck drivers, landfill equipment operators and mechanics to compete in tests of precision and skill. SWANA is pleased to announce the first, second and third place awards for each of the events along with the Top Gun (highest overall scorers) in the landfill and truck events.

### 2008 SWANA International Road-E-O Winners:

#### Truck Events

##### Tractor Trailer

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Mark Tyler, Florida
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Dale West, North Carolina
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Rodney Valverde, New Mexico

##### Articulated Side Loader

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ian Millar, Arkansas
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Daniel Kirk, Kentucky
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Ruben Riveria, Arizona

##### Rolloff

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Top Gun: Charles Bays, Kentucky
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Michael Wilkerson, Texas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gary Wooten, Kentucky

##### Front End Loader

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Keith Sizemore, Kentucky
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Jamie Gaddie, Kentucky
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Jesse Trevino, Arizona

##### Rear end Loader

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Ron Lilly, Arizona
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Michael Scarth, Kansas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: John Johnson, Arkansas

##### Mechanic-Truck

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Dennis Rigby, Florida
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: David Hill, North Carolina
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Danny Boles, North Carolina

## **Landfill Equipment Events**

### Loader

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Michael Aldridge, Kentucky
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Steve Morales, Arizona
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Matt Horan, New Jersey

### Compactor

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Nathaniel Yazzie, Arizona
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Elmer Van Hoorebeke, Texas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: David Martinez, New Mexico

### Dozer

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Top Gun: Brian Scott, North Carolina
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Larry Tinney, Texas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Daniel Chapman, Kentucky

### Articulated Truck

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place: Mike Likes, Kentucky
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Christopher King, Texas
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Gary Zingaro, New Jersey

SWANA's International Road-E-O is an annual event designed to recognize and reward the talents and skills of the men and women who collect waste, drive trucks and operate and maintain equipment. To be invited to the International Road-E-O, contestants must first be nominated by their employers for demonstrating outstanding safety and performance records on the job. They then must compete and win in a Regional Road-E-O, ensuring that the competitors at the international level really are the best of the best. The competition is sponsored each year by one of SWANA's 45 Chapters and held in the state of the sponsoring chapter.

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