What are Confined Spaces?

Many workplaces contain areas that are considered "confined spaces" because while they are not necessarily designed for people, they are large enough for workers to enter and perform certain jobs. A confined space also has limited or restricted means for entry or exit and is not designed for continuous occupancy.

Confined spaces include, but are not limited to, tanks, vessels, silos, storage bins, hoppers, vaults, pits, manholes, tunnels, equipment housings, ductwork, pipelines, etc.

OSHA uses the term "permit-required confined space" (permit space) to describe a confined space that has one or more of the following characteristics: contains or has the potential to contain a hazardous atmosphere; contains material that has the potential to engulf an entrant; has walls that converge inward or floors that slope downward and taper into a smaller area which could trap or asphyxiate an entrant; or contains any other recognized safety or health hazard, such as unguarded machinery, exposed live wires, or heat stress.

Member News

As a long-time supporter of the United States Green Building Council (USGBC), Suffolk Construction has been honored as the 2015 Green Business by the South Florida chapter at its annual Gala Verde in Miami, Florida. Suffolk’s approach to sustainability is driven by a strong company culture and commitment to minimizing our impact on the surrounding environment. This is true on our job-sites, in our offices, and at our homes. Suffolk applauds the efforts of the United States Green Building Council, as we all continue to promote environmental responsibility within our industry.

Miller Construction Company recently launched comprehensive renovations for City Furniture at showrooms in Pembroke Pines and Wellington for the top-selling South Florida furniture retailer. Both the City Furniture showroom at 11249 Pines Blvd., Pembroke Pines, and the Ashley Furniture HomeStore within the Mall at Wellington Green on West Forest Hill Blvd, Wellington will remain open and in full operation throughout the fast-track renovations scheduled for completion by December 1.

Phasing the work, Miller’s crews, "are striving to be as invisible as possible," said the general contractor’s Senior Vice President Brian Sudduth. "We’ll upgrade one section of the interior at a time, minimizing any interruption for the sales staff and customers."

GCs With Top Craftsmen

The following South Florida General Contractors have distinguished 2015 Craftsmanship Award winners working on their projects:

- Bloomfield Construction
- Coastal Construction
- Gerrits Construction
- Hedrick Brothers Constr.
- Kaufman Lynn Construction
- LM Development Group
- Marker Construction Group
- Miller Construction Company
- Moss & Associates
- Munilla Construction Mgt.

Nolan Construction Company
Poole & Kent Co. of Florida
Seminole Stiles J V
Skanska USA Building
Stiles Construction
The Haskell Company
The Weitz Company
Winmar Construction

Help us recognize their achievements by attending the 57th Annual Craftsmanship Awards Banquet at the Signature Grand in Davie on Thursday, November 5.

2015 Craftsmanship Award Winners

Ventilation hoses provide air and exhaust toxic vapors during confined space entry.
Xylem - a premium applications solutions company dedicated exclusively to solving their customers' most challenging water problems - was formed from ITT Corporation's spinoff of several strategic business segments in October 2011. Xylem has several strong product brands that drive their business forward in moving, testing, analyzing and treating water. One of those brands is Godwin Pumps.

Godwin, a Xylem brand, maintains a fleet of over 20,000 portable rental pumps and 3,200 pieces of related equipment for dewatering use in construction, mining and quarrying; in drinking water supply; and in wastewater bypasses in municipal, industrial and environmental markets. Their parts inventory is the largest in the industry, and allows them to deploy all necessary equipment for rental, sales and service without delay. With more than 100 years as the industry leader in pump manufacturing, Godwin Pumps provides an innovative approach to pump manufacturing, rental, sales and service. They design, manufacture, service, sell and rent products that are efficient, reliable and targeted to the specific needs of their customers.

Nationwide, Godwin has over 850 employees in 45 branches. Although Godwin US operations opened in 1976 and have been renting pumps for many years across the country, they just opened their South Florida Branch a year ago and have already been able to add a few projects to their portfolio. Godwin has been able to provide dewatering systems for Icon on Las Olas in Fort Lauderdale, Jade Signature in Miami Beach and Oceania in Miami Beach.

Andrew Chapman, a Sales Engineer that has been with Godwin for four years knows the key to Godwin's success. "We have the flexibility to develop relationships on a one-on-one basis with the backing of a multi-billion dollar company behind us," says Andrew. Just like Godwin maintains a great working relationship with all of its clients, Godwin also makes sure that its employees are well taken care of. All Godwin employees are offered excellent pay, incentives and top of the line healthcare.

Godwin Pumps joined CASF in May of this year and is still enjoying the process of building relationships. They recognize that the monthly networking breakfasts are one of the best ways to meet the sponsoring General Contractors. Godwin dewatering Solutions is located at 1201 NW 18th Street in Pompano Beach. To learn more about why they are is "The right pump for the job" you may visit their website at www.godwinpumps.com.
The winners of the 57th Annual Craftsmanship Awards are:

**CRANE OPERATION**, Tommy Dondona, Allegiance Crane & Equipment

**DEMOLITION**, Dean Geyer, Wildcat Demolition

**LANDSCAPING**, Deva Khalsa, Nanak’s Landscaping

**PAVERS - BRICK**, Danilo Cruz, Perfect Pavers of South Florida

**SITE UTILITIES**, Javier Padron, County Wide Heavy Equipment

**CONCRETE - ARCHITECTURAL PRECAST**, Tom Armillotto, Concrete Erectors, Inc.

**CONCRETE - FINISH**, Peter Gagliardi, Truemper Concrete Services, Inc

**CONCRETE - FORMWORK**, Luis Carpio, Baker Concrete Construction

**CONCRETE - STRUCTURAL PRECAST**, Charles Allen, Pre-Cast Specialties, Inc.

**CONCRETE - TILT WALL**, Sean McGinley, Nolan Construction Company

**STONEWORK**, Luis Febo, SVP Tile and Marble

**STONEWORK** - CAST/CARVED, Ben Waterhouse, Premier Stoneworks, LLC

**METAL CLADDING**, Mike Hall, Pattison Sign Group Inc.

**METAL FABRICATION**, Alain Olivier, Gold Coast Metal Works, Inc.

**MISCELLANEOUS METALS**, Craig Wilkins, East Coast Metal Structures, Corp.

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**ORNAMENTAL METALS**, Mario Gonzalez, Bostic Steel, Inc.

**STRUCTURAL STEEL**, Gary Dunkley, Steel Fabricators, LLC

**CABINERY**, Jason Long, Architectural Woodworks

**GLU-LAMINATED TIMBER**, Tom Sinkle, Structural Roof Systems

**HEAVY TIMBER**, James Fuller, Structural Roof Systems

**MILLWORK**, David Stewart, Glenn Rieder, Inc.

**WOOD PANELING**, Ricardo Gutierrez, Camco Construction Group, LLC

**WOODWORKING**, Jason Long, Architectural Woodworks

**ROOFING - STANDING SEAM**, Fidel Chavez, Gulfstream Roofing

**WATERPROOFING**, Max Gonzalez, Metro Caulking & Waterproofing

**BACK PAINTED GLASS**, Alexander Garcia, Miller Glass & Glazing

**GLASS & GLAZING**, Mickey Maniscalco, Miller Glass & Glazing

**ACOUSTICAL CEILING**, Andrew Wilson, Lotspeich Co. of FL

**ARTISTIC FINISHES**, Chris Darsow, Silver Hill Atelier

**DRYWALL**, Marcos Daniel, Rivera Lotspeich Co. of FL

**EXTERIOR FRAMING**, Dale Deuyour, Lotspeich Co. of FL

**FLOORING - CUSTOM MADE PAVERS**, Orvin Jerezano, SVP Tile and Marble

**FLOORING - EPOXY TERRAZO**, Rafael Cambroner, Artistic Surfaces

**FLOORING - GYMNASIUM WOOD**, Ed Morin, Impact Sport Surfaces, LLC/Robbins

**FLOORING - POLISHED CONCRETE**, Sam Godbey, Artistic Surfaces

**FLOORING - STONE**, Greg Weisman, Pacific Stone and Tile

**PAINT & DECORATING**, Orlando Espinosa, Tomas Carter Painting

**PLASTER**, Gerardo Peralta, Moraca Builders Incorporated

**PLASTER - CEILINGS**, Adrian Taylor, Hyde Park Mouldings

**STUCCO**, Don Starr, Palm Beach Stucco

**TILE - CERAMIC**, Elder Lucas, Floor Pro

**TILE - CLINKER**, Werner Tietjens, Global Tiling, Inc.

**TILE - STONE**, Victor Garcia, B&B Contracting

**WALL COVERINGS**, Travis Babba, TRD Painting

**FOOD SERVICE EQUIPMENT**, Bob Drury, Stafford Smith


**FOUNTAINS**, Domingo Lopez, AquaShapes International

**SWIMMING POOL** - FALSE ROCK, Alfonso Acosta, Rock Star Pools

**SWIMMING POOL UTILITIES**, Paul Vezina, Redman Builders

**WATER FEATURE**, Rick Frenzel, Van Kirk and Sons Pools

**SCAFFOLD ERECTION**, Darren Carter, Safway

**HVAC**, Robert Birch, Sr., Hill York Service Corporation

**MECHANICAL PIPING**, Brian Loy, Poole & Kent Company of Florida
2015 Fall Festival
Bob Roth’s Groves, Davie
Wednesday, October 7

1st Place Cornhole Toss Team - Enterprise Fleet Management

2nd Place Cornhole Toss Team - Glenewinkel Construction Co.