

Happy  
Holidays

# Stone Bridge TRUCKING



# *A StoneBridge Christmas*

**On** Saturday, December 4th 2021, over 65 people took time out of their busy schedules to be a part of our family, if only for a few hours. Some only had a few minutes to stop in and say hello, some spent the evening. Some traveled over an hour to attend, others less than 5 minutes. Those in attendance were valued customers, members of the StoneBridge team, or friends of the company. Some of them knew each other, many had never met. This night they all shared one thing in common, they were all part of the StoneBridge Family!

**During** the cocktail hour, conversations were struck amongst friends, and new relationships were forged. Home Alone was on at all times so the kids could enjoy one of the great holiday movies while other TV's were focused on College Football Bowl Championship games. The photo area for StoneBridge Christmas photos was a hit. Whether it was a couple's night out, or a family affair, many were taking a picture to frame the evening in time. The party was only beginning when a very special Christmas icon made an appearance. To much of the surprise of all of the kids (and some adults), Santa Claus arrived and posed with everyone .

**As** the evening progressed, Kathy Wintz Catering was a hit once again. As always, the compliments for the quality of the food, along with mid-western touch associated, left many feeling satisfied and appreciative.

**After** dinner, the StoneBridge Presentation took place when StoneBridge CEO Shane Kennedy took a few moments to recognize each StoneBridge Operator amongst their peers, valued customers, family, and friends.



***“It is and always has been important to ensure that our customers know and understand exactly who our drivers are. If they know the person, they know the people, they know the company. By doing so, they not only know what we do, but WHY we do it.***

***What better time is there to bring our customers and drivers together for an evening of fellowship and conversation, where quotas and timeframes don't have to be met by either?***

***Christmas is the perfect time for this occasion, and we work hard to see the StoneBridge Christmas Party bridges that gap. I am extremely proud of this and when as many people take the time to attend as did this year, I am beyond appreciative.”***

***~ Shane Kennedy, StoneBridge CEO***

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StoneBridge Jackets are presented to operators who are within their first year and attending their first Christmas Party. StoneBridge Vests were presented to all other Operators .

After all operators were recognized, the StoneBridge Awards were presented. Frank Witkemper received the "*StoneBridge Legacy Award*" for his past dedicated service to StoneBridge. James Isaacs was honored as the 2020, and Ryan Rouse as the 2021 "*Rookies of the Year*". Taking home the Top Award was Operator Terry Hogg as the "*StoneBridge Driver of the Year*" for 2020 and 2021

New Awards were introduced. The "*6th Man of Year*" was awarded to Mike Merritt while Patti Pleak was recognized as the "*Expeditor of the Year*". Finally, Josh Brinson was recognized with the "*Fleet Impact*" award for attitude and professionalism.



Frank Witkemper receives the Legacy Award



Santa Claus embraces Trenton Stephens



Pictures left to Right: Brad Stephens, Patti Please, and Shane Kennedy



StoneBridge Founder Butch Kennedy converses with close friend and 2019 Legacy Award Winner, Garry Hadler.

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## **StoneBridge Trucking 2020 & 2021 Awards**

### ◆◆ *Driver of the Year* ◆◆

2020 Terry Hogg

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### ◆◆ *Rookie of the Year* ◆◆

2020

James Issacs

2021

Ryan “Rico” Rouse



Terry Hogg was the StoneBridge “Driver of the Year” for 2020 and 2021.



James Issacs was recognized as the StoneBridge “Rookie of the Year” for 2018.



Ryan “Rico” Rouse would have preferred a Harley, but was still thankful for the award.

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**StoneBridge Trucking**

◆◆◆**2021 Awards**◆◆◆

◆◆***Legacy Award***◆◆

**Frank Withkemper**



Frank was the StoneBridge “Legacy Award” recipient for his crucial sales work in the mid 2000’s.

◆◆***Expeditor of***

***the Year***◆◆

**Patti Pleak**



Patti Pleak was the first ever recipient of the “Expeditor of the Year” for her commitment and professionalism as a Cargo Van Expeditor.

◆◆***6th Man Award***◆◆

**Mike Merritt**



Mike Merritt recognized as the 2021 “6th Man of the Year” which is dedicated to Part-Time drivers who play a crucial role.

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**StoneBridge Trucking**

◆◆◆**2021 Awards**◆◆◆

◆ ***Fleet Impact Award*** ◆

**Josh Brinson**



Josh Brinson is the first to receive the Fleet Impact Award for attitude and professionalism.



From Left to Right: TOP: Mike Merritt (6th Man), Frank Witkemper (Legacy), Josh Brinson (Fleet Impact), Ryan "Rico" Rouse (2021 ROY)

BOTTOM: Terry Hogg (Driver of the Year 2020 & 2021), James Isaacs (2020 ROY)

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## THE **STONEBRIDGE** JACKET & VEST

When the jackets and vests were presented to the StoneBridge Team, it was explained how each jacket told a story about each Operator. For US Military Veterans, the branch of service the operator served is displayed on the back collar of their jacket. Along with their military service history being recognized, it was important that their length of time at StoneBridge also be acknowledged.



**Buzz Holcomb receives his first StoneBridge Vest. Buzz, a US Navy Veteran, has "US NAVY" displayed on the back collar of his vest.**



**Kelly Rader was thrilled to receive her first Stone-Bridge jacket.**



**As the evening wound down, The StoneBridge Pub proved to be the place for the after party!**

**Many old friends were able to catch up.**



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Pictured left: Larry and Ann Curtis Family.



Pictured below: JD McLintic and girlfriend Tiersten along with Rico Rouse and Finance Natasha.



Pictured above: Garry Hadler had a lot of requests for Santa. Pictured left: BOTTOM— Abby Isaacs was proud of her husband James.



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Cindy and Jess Moton (seated) had friends from Florida visiting. All took time out of their busy weekend to attend, and maybe enjoy some wine.



Taylor Kennedy, daughter of Shane Kennedy, was not reluctant to tell Santa what she wanted for Christmas.



When the presentation was over—the party Started.

Bill and Dee Mattingly have become close friends to the Kennedy Family.



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Pictured right and below:  
Over 65 StoneBridge friends and family attended as the Stone-Bridge Team was recognized and 2020 awards were announced. Brad Stephens embraced Brock Bayless after being recognized.



The Vanderburs are always welcome at StoneBridge.

The Ambergers always take the time to be there for StoneBridge. We appreciate them.



2017 Legacy Award Winner Forrest Sandefur poses with his wife.

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Pictured right: The Issacs family pose for a family photo.



Pictured above: Tara and Paul Hogg. Pictured right: TOP—The Merritt's and granddaughters

BOTTOM— Monty and Kathy Sheilds

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**Pictured right:  
The Ross Family  
StoneBridge.  
Below:  
The Brinsons**



**The Chesher  
Family**

**The "Voice of Stone-  
Bridge" Brock Bayless  
and his date.**



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# Story of Service

**TREES FOR TROOPS**

[www.treesfortroops.org](http://www.treesfortroops.org)



This year, US Navy Veteran and StoneBridge Operator Buzz Holcomb was tapped to support our commitment to Trees for Troops. For over 17 years, StoneBridge Trucking has partnered with Bohman's Tree Farm located in Enochsburg, IN to ship the trees they are donating to the "TREES FOR TROOPS" campaign. Both companies are always thrilled to offer their products and services free of charge to bring Christmas trees to our troops around the world.

*"I am proud of my service in the US Navy. I enjoy working with other Veterans at StoneBridge, and getting an opportunity to deliver Trees for Troops was an honor"*

~ Buzz Holcomb

The banner features the FedEx logo, the StoneBridge Trucking logo, and the Christmas Spirit Foundation logo. It includes the text "TREES FOR TROOPS" and "www.treesfortroops.org". Below this, it says "We Support The Trees for Troops Program" and "This location donated trees for service men and women and their families." The banner has a green and white color scheme with a yellow ribbon graphic.

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Christmas  
**SPIRIT**  
FOUNDATION  
Kids • Families • Environment

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