

## NIBA Awards Given at Convention General Jackson Cruise



**Charlie Vickers** (right), President Elect of NIBA for 2003, Senior Vice President, McLeod Belting, Inc. receives his gavel of authority from outgoing NIBA President **Ron Roalsen** at NIBA's Annual Convention in Nashville.

**Ron Roalsen** (right), President, Rubber & Plastics, Inc. displays a crystal sculpture received as thanks for his special efforts during 2002. A plaque of appreciation was also received.



**René Morf** (right), VIS USA, LLC receives the Key Executive award from Ron Roalsen for four years of service as Education & Training Committee chairman and board member.

**Bruce Mars** (right), Conveyor Belt Service, Inc. accepts Key Executive award for a three year term on the NIBA Board of Directors.



## NIBA Past Presidents Attend Convention



NIBA past presidents continued their support of NIBA through attendance at the 2002 Nashville Convention: Shown l to r, 1st row: Ernest D. Key, Jr. ('73,74), Atlanta Belting Company, Inc.; Ray Borup ('96), Fusion Systems, Inc.; Richard Womack ('98), Flexible Steel Lacing Company (retired); 2nd row: Roy Campen ('97), Apache Hose & Belting, Inc.; Loyd Rich ('93), Atlanta Belting; Wayne Hoffman ('01) Siegling America, Inc.; John Wardrop ('87), Sparks Belting (retired). Also attending but not shown were Carl Covin ('99), Industrial Rubber Products, Inc.; Harry Robb, Jr. ('86), Rubber & Accessories, Inc.; and Andrew Lewis ('92), Lewis-Goetz & Company.

## NIBA Members Receive Honorary Award at Convention

Richard Womack (retired) of Flexible Steel Lacing Company was scheduled to receive his plaque of commendation at the 2001 convention. Wayne Hoffman (left), NIBA President for 2001 is shown here presenting the plaque to Rich. (Rich's many contributions to NIBA are detailed in the June 2001 issue of Belt Line available in the Members Only section of the NIBA web site.)



John Wardrop (retired) of Sparks Belting Company is shown receiving NIBA's highest award from Ron Roalsen (right), 2002 President, at this year's convention. John Wardrop was president of NIBA in 1987, and served as Past President in 1988 and 1989. He began service with NIBA on the Program Committee also served on the Long Range



Planning Committee in 1988 and on the Education Committee from 1989 through 1991. He served on two Search Committees when NIBA changed association management companies, and he was on the first NIBA Strategic Planning Committee. He was instrumental in the development of the NIBA Scholarship Fund. "Of all the things that have been said about me . . . and done for me on my retirement, I consider this to be the highest honor of my life . . . because I value NIBA so much and know that Honorary Membership is not casually bestowed," comments John.

### NIBA Scholarship Fund Benefits from Convention Raffle

The NIBA Scholarship Fund collected more than \$4,300 through the sale of raffle tickets at the convention and from company donations from Shaw-Almex Industries and Derco B.V. The raffle was advertised with a top prize of as much as \$500. Since members were more than generous in their donations, the Education & Training Committee decided to award prizes amounting to \$600 with the remainder donated to the Scholarship Fund.

Lucky winners were: (\$300) prospective member James Nuttall of Dow Chemical, (\$200) affiliate member Denis Gaitan of Gaitan International Trading, and (\$100) distributor member Charlie Vickers of McLeod Belting.

### NIBA Member Attains President's Club Status

Shaw Almex Industries Ltd. of Parry Sound, Ontario, Canada is the latest NIBA member to attain President's Club status by donating \$1,500 to the NIBA Scholarship Fund. Their donation was received at the Nashville convention and is donated in memory of Bill Engelsmann of Beltservice.

Shaw Almex will be honored for their donation at next year's convention in Toronto.

### Golf Outing Ends With a Bang . . . and a Flash!

NIBA golfers filled Opryland's Spring House Golf Course for the convention outing on Monday, September 16. Fifteen holes were completed by the teams before lightning drove the golfers from the course. Team event prizes were awarded for 15-hole scores as follows:

#### Team Events:

1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Andrew and Sally Lewis  
Jerry Kennedy  
Mike Braucher  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Larry Barton  
Brett Ponton  
Richard Womack  
James Panter  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Lawson Massey  
Richard Shorman  
Thomas Shorma  
Ken Engelsmann

#### Individual Event Winners:

**Long Drive**  
M. Splawn  
George Peltier  
Ken Cope  
Kathy Mulhern  
  
**Closest to Pin**  
Tracy Bresnahan  
Doug Myers  
Alan Harris  
Jerry Kennedy

NIBA Headquarters has a pair of men's golf shoes that were left behind during the outing. Please call Cie Motelet at 262.696.3442 (direct) to claim your shoes.