



FAST TRACK



ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR

For 20 years, the Bloch School of Business and Public Administration at UMKC has honored outstanding achievement in entrepreneurship. This year's Entrepreneur of the Year Awards Dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, October 17, at the Kansas City Marriott Downtown. Proceeds from the dinner benefit the Bloch School's programs in entrepreneurship.

This year's International Entrepreneur of the Year is Henry W. Bloch, co-founder and chairman emeritus of H&R Block; the Regional Entrepreneur of the Year is James E. Ferrell, president and CEO of Ferrellgas; and recipients of the Marion and John Kremer Award for Entrepreneurship in Volunteer Community Service are Barbara and Bill Nelson.

The 2005 event commemorates three anniversaries: the 20th anniversary of the awards dinner, the 50th anniversary of H&R Block Inc., and the 50th year of UMKC's business school. Individual tickets are \$150 and sponsorships start at \$3,000. For more information visit bloch.umkc.edu/eoy.

BEST BOSS FINALIST

Bob Cutler, CEO of Creative Consumer Concepts (C3), was named one of 26 national finalists up for *FORTUNE Small Business* (FSB) and Winning Workplaces' "Best Bosses" Award 2005. The winners will be profiled in the October 2005 issue of FSB.

Finalists were selected by a panel of Winning Workplaces' board members, FSB editors, academic and advisory leaders in entrepreneurship and previous Best Bosses winners. These candidates represent bosses who created dynamic, flexible and highly productive workplaces using unique and sometimes controversial approaches.

Cutler received national recognition for implementing a Global Community Service program last year that allowed any associate to volunteer up to a 40-hour workweek with a global, charitable organization. The company covered expenses for airfare, accommodations and program fees. A few of the countries Cutler approved proposals for were in Thailand, Ecuador, Romania, Costa Rica and Manila.

Cutler is the founder and CEO of C3, the largest kids-focused brand-marketing agency in the nation. Since the company's founding in 1987, kids across America have been entertained by C3's fun-loving kids' menus and toys in thousands of national restaurants.



A NEW PROJECT PARTNERSHIP

Brungardt Honomichl & Company (BHC), announced a recent addition to their company, with Rob Krewson, P.E., as project manager. Krewson further increases BHC's municipal street design expertise, with his 10 years of roadway design experience covering much of the Kansas City metro area.

"Rob brings great experience and credibility in the Kansas City metropolitan area," said BHC President, Kevin Honomichl. "His enthusiasm and energy is a perfect fit for BHC. He has a great relationship with clients and we're excited to have him on board."

Krewson recently worked as deputy project manager and project engineer for the anticipated \$17 million in street and infrastructure improvements in south Overland Park. In addition, Krewson was active in coordination with the cities of Overland Park and Olathe, the Johnson County Airport, the Federal Aviation Administration, numerous utilities, many residents, and stakeholders in the area.

