

## TRINITY FABRICATORS, INC. HONORED WITH IOWA VENTURE AWARD

**Des Moines, IA** - The Iowa Area Development Group (IADG), on behalf of Iowa's rural electric cooperatives, municipal utilities and independent telecommunication companies, honored eight distinguished Iowa companies with the Iowa Venture Award at a luncheon held in conjunction with the Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives' annual meeting.

**Trinity Fabricators, Inc.**, located near New Albin, is a structural steel fabricator for building construction. Founded in 1995, Trinity Fabricators' belief in quality customer service enabled them to move beyond repairs and small projects to large-scale building construction jobs. The company is the sole manufacturer of structural steel beams for Kum & Go convenience stores located throughout 11 states. They also cut steel for more than 180 Applebee's restaurants as well as a wide variety of other customers. Trinity Fabricators was nominated by Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative.

"The Iowa Venture Awards Luncheon provides a forum to celebrate the courage, contribution, innovation, responsibility, and vision of Iowa entrepreneurs," said IADG President Rand Fisher. "Trinity Fabricators is an excellent example of a thriving family-owned manufacturing business that continues to thrive in rural Iowa."

### Additional Iowa Venture Award recipients include:

Eagle's Catch - Ellsworth  
Martin Marietta – Gilmore City  
Nutriom – Panora  
Perry Creek Dairy – Merrill  
Prestage Foods of Iowa – Eagle Grove "Outstanding Business of the Year"  
Sullivan Supply, Inc. – Dunlap  
Waspy's Truck Stop - Templeton

### **About the Iowa Venture Award**

This marks the 31st year that IADG has presented Iowa Venture Awards to individuals and organizations, both large and small, in recognition of their significant contributions to Iowa's economy through entrepreneurial leadership, innovation and the creation of job opportunities. History has demonstrated that these are among the most accomplished and successful companies in the state. Together they are helping to sustain and grow Iowa's economy. The Iowa Venture Award Hall of Fame showcasing these 264 companies can be found at [www.IADG.com/HallOfFame](http://www.IADG.com/HallOfFame).

### **About Iowa Area Development Group (IADG)**

IADG is the business and community development leader for Iowa's rural electric cooperatives, municipal utilities and independent telecommunication companies. Since 1985, the partnerships and economic development efforts of IADG and their sponsors have assisted with more than 2,100 projects, generating in excess of \$12 billion of capital investment and over 53,000 new or retained jobs for Iowa.



*Pictured left to right: Hollee McCormick, Manager/ Economic Development and Community Relations, Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative; Paul Foxwell, EVP/General Manager, Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative; Roger Arthur, Director, Allamakee-Clayton Electric Cooperative; Mike Naig, IA Secretary of Agriculture; Mike Verdon, Trinity Fabricators, Inc.; Marian Verdon, Trinity Fabricators, Inc.; Benjamin Verdon, Trinity Fabricators, Inc.; Jeremy Wedeking-Lux, Trinity Fabricators, Inc.; and Rand Fisher, President, IADG.*