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## Congratulations to Us!

On December 4th GIPHCC won a state-wide award from the Indiana Society of Association Executives at the Star Awards program held at Lucas Oil Stadium. The chapter won the Outstanding Industry Innovation award for its "Mission Impossible" SkyTrak video. The award was accepted by Brad Isley and Eugene Schuler.

The ad features Eugene as the cigar-chomping handyman and emphasizes the dangers of not using a licensed professional. The humorous ad has been well received; both Laura Ciriello Benedict, who also appears in the SkyTrak videos, and Eugene have been recognized by members of the public when they're out in public at unrelated events. The ad was honored by the judges for its effective message and because GIPHCC members wrote and starred in the presentation.

76 organizations representing local, state, national, and international associations submitted entries for the annual awards competition. The ISAE STAR (Society's Top Association Recognition) Awards recognize association activities, suppliers, professionals, and programs that are making a difference.

Thank you to those loyal SkyTrak supporters who have paid for the SkyTrak videos and advertising. The message is getting recognition—both from the public and professionally.

**January 14, 2009**

**Primo's South**

**2615 National Ave.**

**Gene Shahan Night**

**5:30 cocktails, cash bar**

**6:15 dinner**

**7:00 program**

**Emcee: Bill Ciriello**

**Cost: \$25 per person**

**Come join us in an evening with Gene Shahan and his family.**

**Please note: This is the 2nd Wed., of the month and a dinner meeting, rather than lunch meeting.**

Please make your reservations early by sending in the fax to 577-4574 or calling Ann by Friday, January 9th at 579-5040 or emailing her at mabooth@att.net. Thank you for making this a special evening.

## News of Note

**Welcome to our newest associate, Disney-McLane & Associates, Michael Henderson**, 428 McGregor Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45206, 317-517-2277, 513-487-5337, michaelh@disney-mclane.com, www.disney-mclane.com.

### Opening on the GIPHCC Board of Directors:

Dave Hurrell has found it necessary to vacate his seat on the GIPHCC Board of Directors. Thank you, Dave, for your many years of service to GIPHCC and your years as President. Anyone interested in filling this vacancy, please submit your name to President Mark Helm.

## Calendar for 2009

The GIPHCC Board of Directors has been working on a calendar of meetings for 2009. Among the tentative plans are meetings on code changes, a legislator, lightning strikes, a meeting at Atterbury, the annual golf outing tentatively planned for May 7th at Dye's Walk, Indiana Downs in June, IAPHCC Expo at Belterra the end of July, no meeting in August, the 2nd Annual GIPHCC Vendors Expo on November 18, and a Holiday event for December. It should be a mix of industry-related meetings and social events with something for everyone. Please join us at these events in 2009 to benefit from your GIPHCC membership.

## Grounding CSST, Corrugated Stainless Steel Tubing

Indiana Code references for bonding gas piping are found in Residential (1 & 2 family dwellings) Indiana **Residential Code 2005 Edition, Code Sections:**

G2411.1—Gas pipe bonding (see Indiana Amendment)  
E3509.7 Bonding other metal piping

Table E35-3/1—service conductor and grounding electrode conductor sizing

Table E 3808.12—equipment grounding conductor sizing

**Non Residential (Multi-Family, Commercial, Industrial)**

Indiana Electrical Code 2005 Edition

110.3 Examination, identification, installation, and Use

Of Equipment

250.104—Bonding of Piping Systems and Exposed Structural Steel (Also see Indiana Amendment.)

**250.70 Methods of Grounding and Bonding Conductor Connection to Electrodes.** The grounding or bonding conductor shall be connected to the grounding electrode by exothermic welding, listed lugs, listed pressure connectors, listed clamps, or other listed means. Connections depending on solder shall not be used. Ground clamps shall be listed for the materials of the grounding electrode and the grounding electrode conductor and, where used on pipe, rod, or other buried electrodes, shall also be listed for direct soil burial or concrete encasement. Not more than one conductor shall be connected to the grounding electrode by a single clamp or fitting unless the clamp or fitting is listed for multiple conductors. One of the following methods shall be used:

1. A pipe fitting, pipe plug, or other approved device screwed into a pipe or pipe fitting.
2. A listed bolted clamp of cast bronze or brass, or plain or malleable iron.
3. For indoor telecommunications purposes only, a listed sheet metal strap-type ground clamp having a rigid metal base that seats on the electrode and having a strap of such material and dimensions that it is not likely to stretch during or after installation.
4. An equally substantial approved means.

## Wheeler Mission Coat Drive/Food Pantry Drive

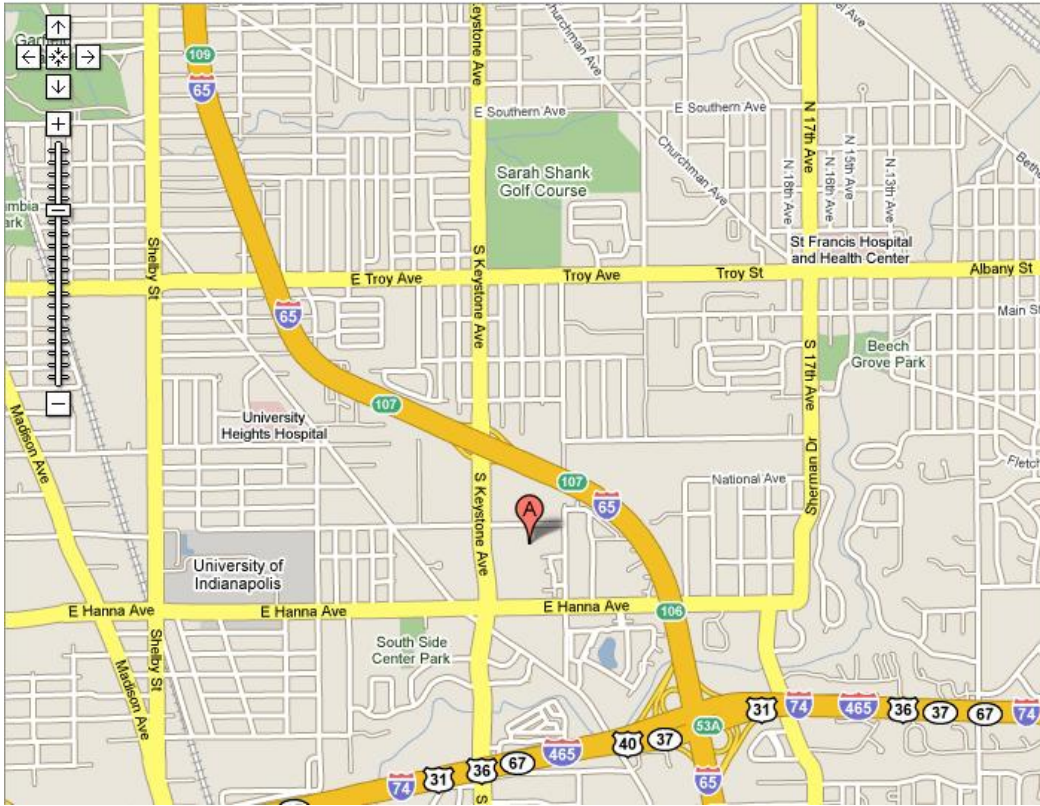
In addition to the coats, blankets, and other items of warm apparel donated by GIPHCC members at the November Vendors Expo, the GIPHCC Board of Directors voted to donate \$200 to Indianapolis Mayor Greg Ballard's plea for money to help stock the food pantries of Wheeler Mission and the Salvation Army. Thank you all for your thoughts and donations at this time.

## Mark Your Calendar

**January 14—Gene Shahan Night, Primo's South, 5:30 pm.**



Address **2615 National Ave  
Indianapolis, IN 46227**



**RSVP FAX FORM for the January 14th, Gene Shahan Night Fax 577-4574**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company \_\_\_\_\_

Fax # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ YES, we are attending the Wednesday, January 14th, Gene Shahan Night.

Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ places at \$25 per person.

\_\_\_\_\_ We are bringing a potential member.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ No, we are not attending

**Please respond either by fax 577-4574 or phone Ann at (317-579-5040) no later than noon Friday, January 9th—sooner would be better. Thank you.**

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December 12, 2008

Friends,

It's that time of year and I would like to use this letter to thank some of the people who make things happen in the GIPHCC.

First, all of the board members who put in a lot of time to make sure that the GIPHCC remains one of the Chapters at the front of the pack.

Second, to all of the PHCC members ! You should all be proud of the work that you do to maintain our industry. I am proud just to do my small part ; my hat is off to all of you.

Be thankful for all of the opportunities and have a joyous holiday season.

Mark Helm