



It is my pleasure to announce that Ted Drach has been selected as the 2014 winner of the Smitty Award as Technician of the Year.

It is always difficult to decide who to single out for this recognition and this year was no different. We had several worthy candidates who managed large/complex international projects and who had great years. In the final analysis, Ted Drach was selected because he does it all. He is a “go to” technical expert in glass, HPI and other industries. He has been a regular on major international projects (especially in Mexico) and the inexperienced Technicians who work with him go out of their way to praise his willingness to pass on his extensive knowledge. There has been a rumor that he is occasionally a little grumpy but it is our sincere intention that this award will actually make him smile. Please join me in congratulating Ted Drach as the 2014 Technician of the Year.