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Mike O'Shea named 2022 Abraham Lincoln Council Trailblazer

SPRINGFIELD, IL – The Abraham Lincoln Council, Boy Scouts of America is proud to announce that President of O'Shea Builders, Mike O'Shea has been selected as the 2022 Trailblazer award recipient.

The Trailblazer Award was established in 2010 to recognize the area's most distinguished citizens whose community dedication, hard work, and philanthropy have paved the way for youth to succeed and grow. The Trailblazer Dinner raises important funds to provide life changing experiences to youth in Central Illinois.

As a fourth-generation owner, Mike grew up in the construction business holding positions such as truck driver, estimator, project manager and now company president. His on-the-job education, passion for the industry and overall strategic vision and guidance has made Mike a unique and effective leader. "I am proud of so many great things about this company," says Mike. "Our people have an irrepressible spirit and skill that enables us to take on projects of any degree of complexity."

The annual <u>Trailblazer Dinner</u> will be held Sept. 15 at the Crown Plaza in Springfield. Through the years, the Trailblazer Dinner has raised more than \$300,000 to support the Abraham Lincoln Council. Sponsorship opportunities and tickets are available to businesses and individuals.

Past Trailblazer recipients include the Bunn Family, Dt. Stephen and Lisa Stone, Geoff Isringhausen, Dr. J. Roland Folse, Sergio "Satch" Pecori, Dick Levi, Dr. Naomi Lynn, Dr. Richard Moy, Evelyn Brandt Thomas, James Dove, Dan O'Brien and Julie Staley.

To be a part of the Trailblazer Award and Dinner please visit

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