

# PTR TIMES



## The Gift of Giving—Community Fundraiser

PTR's charity team raises money each year through employee sponsored events such as bake sales, raffles and sponsorships. PTR then contributes by donating a matching amount to the money raised through these charitable events.

Employees are asked to submit various charities or families who they feel are in need of support during the holiday season. It is exciting to see the letters of appreciation sent in by those who were chosen to receive donations from PTR's charity team.

*"Your organization is wonderful and families like my own are very lucky that you exist! We have now moved back in our home, and everything we got fit perfectly, and really, really helped us out."*

**Natalie and children (Alexis & Mikey)**

*"Your support allowed us to provide toys for some of our patients. It is difficult for anyone to be in the hospital but especially hard for children. I'm sure your thoughtfulness helped make it easier for them and their families."*

**Candy Nyce, St. Christopher's Hospital for Children**

*"Thank you for your recent most generous donation. Even at this particular time of financial crisis you continue to think of others."*

**Sister Eileen Marnien—Sisters of Saint Joseph**

We would like to thank all those who helped us raise enough money to put a smile on so many faces. We would like to extend a special thanks to William L Elkins Lodge 271 and Charity of Jerusalem Lodge 506 for their contributions.



PTR's Charity Team from Left to Right: Bob Johnson, Valerie Simone, Eric Reithmiller, Marylou Jander, Barb Gehan, Valerie Benz, Bonnie Taimangle, Nelson Vasquez, and Mike Savage

# A word from our President



*From the stock market to the housing market, it is difficult to escape the negative news of today. It is important for us to keep in mind that tough times do not last forever and we will emerge from this moment in history stronger in many ways!*

*It has been a challenging time for the United States and for many of us. At PTR, we have taken on the challenge to be leaner and more efficient than ever before in order to address the necessities of the market place. We have dedicated more resources not only to our Lean initiatives but to our R&D teams who are working on innovative projects regarding energy savings and technology improvements for our customers. We are a debt free company, which is a tremendous advantage in difficult economic environments.*

*We look at downturns in the economy as opportunities to “dust ourselves off” and move forward with optimism. I am encouraged and excited to hear the ideas of our employees. I would appreciate your suggestions as well, to help make PTR a stronger company. We are viewing this period as a time of reflection and to improve in everything we do so that we are well prepared for the future!*

*Thank you for taking the ride with us!*

*Regards,*

*Mike Savage*

# Trowbridge Award



*Left side are the two winners from Hypertherm Manufacturing, followed by our very own Mike Savage, and on the right is Jerry J. Jasinowski, NAM Institute President.*

Congratulations to Hypertherm Manufacturing on their NAM Sandy Trowbridge Award. PTR was honored to be a runner-up for the 2008 award. The NAM Sandy Trowbridge Award for Excellence in Community Service each year recognizes an NAM-member company that has shown exemplary leadership in serving its community, state or nation, and is an example of the giving spirit of our nation's manufacturers and businesses

*"The applicants for the 2008 National Association of Manufacturers' Sandy Trowbridge Award for Excellence in Community Service were outstanding. All of the finalists have demonstrated good corporate citizenship and community service. PTR Baler and Compactor has a remarkable record of community service and continued commitment to their inner city neighborhood. As a finalist, they will be recognized at the award dinner in Washington D.C." says NAM President John Engler.*

Upon receiving the nomination, PTR President & CEO Michael Savage commented *"We are honored to be recognized by NAM as a finalist for this award... We are committed to our community and to the city of Philadelphia."*

## Phone System Upgrade

PTR has chosen Alteva's hosted VOIP (Voice over Internet Protocol) solution as its next generation voice communications platform. The many advantages of this solution are; increased customer service, scalability, reliability, redundancy and a reduction in telephone expenses.

VOIP uses the internet backbone to transmit voice data from the VOIP user to the recipients phone company who then converts the package from the digital signal back to the analog signal most recipients phone systems require. The technology allows for a more efficient way to send and receive voice data.

*"VOIP has matured to a level where business continuity needs, cost savings, and better phone systems capabilities can all be realized by transitioning from traditional PBX systems to newer Internet based technologies."*

Joseph Bennett—IT Manager

In today's tough economic climate it is even more important for companies to look for better ways to conduct business while at the same time reducing operational costs.

For more information on Alteva please visit [www.altevatel.com](http://www.altevatel.com) or call 1-877-258-3821.

# EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

## Jeffrey Limone—Service Operations Manager

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As a new addition to the Service Department and PTR Baler and Compactor Company, **Jeffrey Limone** joins PTR as our **Service Operations Manager**. Please join me in welcoming Jeffrey to our team.

Jeffrey Limone's myriad career experiences suggest that he quickly will become an integral and leading member of the PTR Service department. Having most

recently worked as the Technical Service Manager for A&E Factory Service during his five (5) years with Sears Holding Corporation, Jeff is accustomed to leading and developing numerous technicians, first-level managers, and central dispatchers in a multi-location service-oriented operation. Before accepting a position at Sears, Jeff also worked for five (5) years within the construction industry for Beezer Homes and then Magnotti Companies as an Assistant Supervisor and Finish Supervisor/Project Manager, respectively.

Further, Jeff is a military veteran having served in the United States Navy and a graduate of the University of Southern California with a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering.

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*"I look forward to improving the already great service that PTR provides to its customers nation-wide." - Jeff Limone*

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## Ed Correale appointed Wastec ANSI Subcommittee Chairman

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Chief Engineer

Ed Correale is proud to be the Wastec ANSI Z245.5 sub-committee chairman. The ANSI Z245.5 committee is responsible for maintaining and updating the ANSI safety specifications for baling equipment. Ed also serves on the Z245.3 sub-committee for compactors (chaired by Denny Pool of SP Industries) but not in

a formal leadership positions.

The ANSI specifications are an important tool to keep baling and compacting equipment safe and to have consistent safety standards for all manufactures, service groups, and end users.

Of course it helps that PTR is widely recognized as the top producer of baling equipment in the country even when sitting among a group of manufactures that includes world leaders in fully automated high production Horizontal balers and larger companies in the waste industry than us.

Ed Correale is the first PTR employee to chair an ANSI sub-committee. Bob Riethmiller has had many honors and awards while serving within the Board of Governors of WASTEC, but this is the first time the safety standard committee has been formally lead by PTR.

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*"It is a great honor to be chosen as chair of a committee comprised of industry leaders and top engineers among our chief competitors." - Ed Correale*

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