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Zecher named 2008 Builder of the Year

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Bryan Zecher was named the Columbia County Builder's Association Builder of the Year Tuesday night, the same night he was sworn in as the president of the association for the coming year.

The association hosted its End of Year Banquet Tuesday night when it announced the Parade of Homes winners and installed its officers for the upcoming year.

Outgoing association president Brian Crawford announced Zecher's win as builder of the year, calling him a "man of great character" and a builder who "takes great care of his customers."

"It's a huge honor to be selected by my peers as builder of the year," Zecher said. "It's very humbling to have the opportunity to have this award for the year."

Zecher was again introduced a few moments later as the association president for 2009. In addition, Matt Cason was selected as 1st Vice President, Roger Whiddon was selected as 2nd Vice President, Lynda Yeany was selected as Secretary and Sherylle Buehler was selected as treasurer.

The Parade of Homes winners also were announced during the banquet. The Best Landscaping and the Uniqueness awards were given to Lipscomb and Eagle for their home in The Preserve. Bryan Zecher took home two awards — Most Prepared and the Parade of Homes Chairman Award — for his homes in The Oaks and on County Road 240. Matt Cason took home three awards — Best Kitchen, Best Interior, and the Overall Winner for the Fall Parade of Homes 2008 — for his home in Rolling Meadows.



Kevin Gray (left), vice president of Prosperity Bank, congratulates Bryan Zecher on winning the Columbia County Builder's Association Builder of the Year at the group's End of the Year Banquet at the Lifestyle Enrichment Center Tuesday night. Zecher also won the Parade of Homes Chairman Award, the Most Prepared for the Parade of Homes and was also installed as president of the 2009 Columbia County Builder's Association. JASON MATTHEW WALKER/Lake City Reporter