Honoring the best: Houston's top commercial real estate professionals honored during annual REDnews Awards 2024 Night
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The excitement was electric in the packed grand ballroom of the Houston Galleria J.W. Marriott hotel on the evening of August 15, 2024. That's when 300 of the most talented and successful commercial real estate professionals in the state gathered for REDnews' 2024 Real Estate Awards.

These professionals gathered not only for networking, cocktails, and dinner, but to discover which of the nominees would score trophies for their industry achievements.

As the finalists were announced from the stage, and as their names flashed across the mammoth screen, yells and occasional gleeful screams of support echoed across the room.

One by one, presenters 'opened the envelopes' and announced the winners, against a backdrop of dramatic music. The winners mounted the stage, more often than not accompanied by their colleagues and support staff, all eager to congratulate their teammates.

And who took home the awards at this year's event?



2024 REDNEWS REAL ESTATE AWARDS LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD RECIPIENT

Michael G. Scheurich's passion for construction originated with his love for architecture. After growing up the youngest of 6 kids in Beaumont, Texas, he obtained his bachelor's degree in construction science from Texas A&M University and began his career serving for three of the nation's top 20 general contractors. Soon after receiving his master's degree in business administration from the University of St. Thomas, he founded Arch-Con® Corporation in 2000. Headquartered in Houston, Arch-Con operates in the markets of multifamily, industrial, retail, healthcare, corporate interiors, community, hospitality and office construction. In the last decade, his team has built more than \$4.35

billion in projects totaling 54 million square feet. Michael has received numerous awards for his leadership including the Small Business Administration Entrepreneurial Success Award, 10-time Aggie 100 Honoree, University of St. Thomas Distinguished Alumnus Award, two-time NAIOP Houston Icon, Houston Business Journal Most Admired CEO and REDnews Texas Commercial Real Estate Icon. He has served on numerous boards including the Greater Houston Partnership, Wallis Bank, Bo's Place, NAIOP Houston Chapter, the NAIOP National Board and Annunciation Orthodox School. Michael has been married to Kaitlyn for 17 years and they have twin daughters who attend St. Agnes Academy.

View the REDnews Lifetime Achievement Video here: Michael G. Scheurich REDnews Awards 2024.

Click on this link for a complete list of winners: REDnews Awards 2024 Winners.

Houston's CRE community is a vast network of professionals who work together to create the spaces in which we live, shop, eat, drink, receive medical services, and have merchandise vital to our daily lives stored before it is delivered to us.

Vital to this CRE infrastructure is collegial human connection and the relationships and trust necessary to coordinate the sometimes intricate projects that bring us the spaces in which we live, work, relax, and retire.

Included in this vast and interconnected network are transactional brokers, leasing brokers, capital markets experts, project managers, developer-owner-investors, CPAs, real estate attorneys, title companies, contractors and sub-contractors, surveyors, appraisers, landscape designers, land sellers, local governments, architects, engineers, interior designers, and many more.

These professionals must trust and cooperate with each other to ensure a finished real estate product, whether that product is a new office tower, busy retail center, luxury multifamily building or a sprawling warehouse.

And on a more 'macro' scale, it is these professionals who create the 'look' of our great City of Houston. When you walk into a room, whether in an apartment, restaurant, or office building and it 'feels right'...that didn't just happen by accident. It was the result of the efforts of countless creative men and women doing their best for their profession, company, and community.

REDnews plays a key role in bringing these professionals together with its regular CRE events throughout the year-not only this Awards Ceremony but many events in Houston and other cities in Texas.

Need an example. An attendee at a REDnews event once told me that his colleagues had asked why he was 'spending \$100 for a REDnews luncheon? He told them that for that \$100 he received four full hours of up-to-date information in his specialty from industry experts; four hours of exposure to about 100 attendees and the LUNCH! To him it was the best of bargains.