# 45<sup>th</sup> Truck Driving Championships

June 8-9, 2012

Kansas City, Missouri

The 2012 Truck Driving Championships, sponsored by the Missouri Trucking Association's Council of Safety Supervisors, were held at the Holiday Inn KCI Airport & KCI Expo Center in Kansas City.

The 2-day event saw 174 drivers put their skills to the test. They were given a written exam, interviewed by industry experts, completed a federal pretrip inspection and then took to the driving course that consisted of six obstacles.

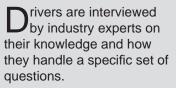


















Pre-trip inspections are completed by drivers under the watchful eye of industry experts.



Drivers are instructed on the activities of the Championships during orientation and have the opportunity to see the skills course for the first time.









The skills driving course was kept very busy during the 2-day event.







## **Championships Banquet**

### March of Champions . . .





Local Boy Scout troop presented the colors following the March of Champions.



Keynote speaker, Mark Musso, President & CEO, Special Olympics Missouri, discussed the upcoming Truck Convoy that raises money for Special Olympics.





## **Breakfast of Champions**





First & second place winners were invited to a breakfast along with past winners who went on to Nationals. They shared information with the new winners to help prepare them for the National competition that will be held in Minneapolis, MN in August.

#### And the Winners are . . .



TANK TRUCK CLASS

Wallis Co.

Gary Kamler Thomas Miller Jon Hume FedEx Freight Prime



PJ Simpson Joe Mangiaracino Duane Grimme Prime Con-way Freight FedEx Freight



John Wood James Houghton Brian Anderson FedEx Freight FedEx Express FedEx Ground



STRAIGHT TRUCK CLASS

Bruce Diener David Wiechers Gary Risman ABF Freight Con-way Freight YRC Freight



Keith Evans Mark Goodwin Lynn Wilson YRC Freight Con-way Freight Con-Way Freight



FOUR AXLE CLASS

Albert Hockett Wayne Pierce Con-way Freight UPS Freight

Kelly Asher FedEx Freight



**FIVE AXLE CLASS** 

Bobby Vorhees Shane Olds James Kristek USF Holland Orscheln Farm & Home Con-way Freight



Bobby Chilcoat Richard Myers William White Con-way Truckload Walmart Transportation YRC Freight



Wayne Darnell Michael Keeney Tim Cruise Con-way Freight Con-way Freight Con-way Freight



PRE-TRIP **INSPECTION AWARD** 

> Joe Unverzagt Con-way Freight



OF THE YEAR

Gary Kamler Wallis Companies



**CHAMPION Richard Myers** 

Walmart Transportation



**Con-way Freight**