

At Dynalectric, work safely — win a truck



Cedomir "Charlie" Iovanovici Jr. (pictured at left with his wife, Carole, and son, Cole), is all smiles after winning a 2008 Chevy Silverado truck as part of a safety program at Dynalectric Co. A 7th-term apprentice and member of IBEW Local 48, Iovanovici, 35, was one of 10 electricians randomly selected to draw for a chance to win the truck. Dynalectric employs more than 250 electricians who are members of Local 48 in Portland and Local 280 in Tangent. As an incentive to work safely, the company put a \$19,000 truck up for grabs if no injuries were incurred for three consecutive quarters (nine months/289,000 hours). "When we started, a lot of people didn't think it could be done," said company president Randy Wagner. "But you put a truck on the line and people make sure they're wearing safety glasses and that their tool partner is safe." At a companywide celebration Oct. 30 at Dynalectric's Southwest Portland headquarters, each of the 10 finalists was given an opportunity to pick a key from a velvet bag. Iovanovici was the second in line and his key opened the door. "I've never won anything before. I'm just shocked," he said. Before joining the IBEW, Iovanovici, a native of Romania, worked in accounts payable at Regency Blue Cross.

In the running for the truck were Local 48 members Kyle Robbins, Mike Flores, Jason Stecher, Doug Wall and Phil Scaife; and Local 280 members Doug Hamilton, Dennis Fields, Aaron Carlson and Brad Lehto.

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