

## RIICA NEWS

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FEBRUARY, 2009

## Burnham Honored for 28 Years of Service

West Warwick, RI— David Burnham was honored at the Annual Dinner for his 28 years of service to RIICA as President and Vice President. In addition his service was also noted to include his membership with the State Department of Labor Hoisting Board where he still serves as Chairman. "After 28 years and with the new slate willing to come forward to serve, I felt it was time for me to enjoy some time with my family" Burnham said. While Burnham has stepped aside, he will still remain active as part of RIICA's Legislative Committee. Also honored and thanked for her patience was Mary—Beth who was presented a dozen roses by President Steven Gianlorenzo.



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 26th General Meeting

**April 23rd**General Meeting

May 28th
Annual Cookout, Rocky Hill Grange

August 2nd
Annual Scholarship Steak Fry, Fort Getty

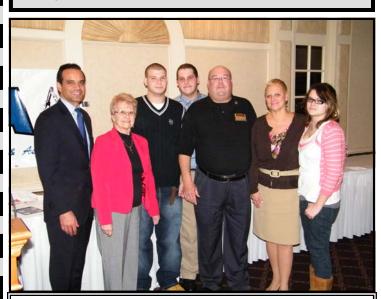
**September 24th** General Meeting

October 22nd General Meeting

Notices on Topics & Locations for General Meetings will be mailed separately!

# NEW ERA BEGINS AT RIICA.... General Treasurer Caprio Swears in 2009-2011 Officers and Directors

West Warwick, RI- General Treasurer Frank Caprio gave the oath of office to the 2009-2011 slate of Officers and Directors this past January at the Annual RIICA Dinner. Over 150 attended the annual event to see the new slate be sworn in. Taking the oath was President Steven Gianlorenzo; Vice Presidents Michael MacLaughlin and David Benn; Treasurer Henry DiLibero; and Secretary Michael Stanzione. Also sworn in as Directors for the next 2 years were Peter Fenner, Andy Correira, Peter Brennan, Bob Mello, Gary Studley, James B. Taglione, Robert Johnson, William Wright Jr., David Skurka and Matthew Olson. In addition to the reception prior to dinner, a silent auction was held during the event garnering some great bargains for some lucky bidders and making RIICA coffers stronger. Gold Sponsor for the event was Burnham Excavating; Silver Sponsors were Warwick Winwater Works and Baker Tractor. Thanks to all who donated auction items in making the silent auction and dinner a success. Treasurer Caprio congratulated RIICA for their continued commitment to Rhode Island's economy calling them "the backbone of our state". Caprio, a formidable candidate for Governor in 2010, was warmly greeted by all as he made his way around the hall.



Photos above left, General Treasurer Frank Caprio (r) poses with new RIICA President Steven Gianlorenzo (c) in congratulating longtime past president David Burnham and his wife Mary-Beth.

Above right, Treasurer Caprio joins the new "presidential family" for the official photo. (l-r) Treasurer Caprio, Barbara Gianlorenzo, Steven's mother; Steven Jr. and Andrew, Steven's sons; Bonnie Saleeba,, Steve's girlfriend and Bonnie's daughter Spenser

#### ATTENTION !!!!!!

The following individuals completing the recent Brake Certification class <u>have not received</u> their certificates of completion.

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Kevin Conlon
Patrick Aubin
Nicholas DiLorenzo
Tom J. Fuimarello
Justin Mimnaugh

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Thanks and Congratulations to all!

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### **SAFETY NEWS..**SPACE HEATER SAFETY TIPS



With freezing temperatures and cold weather around much of the country, people are turning to using space heaters to provide supplemental heat for their homes, offices, mechanic shops, garages, job trailers, etc.

Although modern space heaters are relatively safe, they still present a greater fire risk

than central heating systems because people tend to place them too close to potentially combustible materials like paper, curtains and furniture in the home and combustible/ flammable solvents in the workplace.

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