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Paul Davis Restoration and Remodeling co-sponsors the Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce 2008 Public Safety Awards & Breakfast event

Gaithersburg, Md. – August 11, 2008 - Paul Davis Restoration and Remodeling of Suburban Maryland and Washington DC recently co-sponsored the Gaithersburg-Germantown Chamber of Commerce Inc.'s 2008 Public Safety Awards and Breakfast which was held on August 8 at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds and Agricultural Center.

According to Tom Plant, Paul Davis office owner, the breakfast and awards presentation recognized the heroic deeds of local law enforcement and fire-rescue workers. "These men and women go beyond the call of duty to perform heroic deeds for us in our community. We wanted to thank them and show our appreciation for their hard work," said Plant.

This year, Montgomery County firefighter and paramedic Bradley D. Wilt received the Citation for Bravery for his service while helping to save the lives of many during the year, and especially for helping a group of travelers in South Carolina during a devastating vehicle crash.

Plant and Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Department Chief Richard Bowers, presented Wilt with the Citation award in honor of his service. "Bradley is very deserving of the award this year. We learned that he was traveling with his family on a vacation to South Carolina when he came upon a serious auto collision. The crash had just occurred and Bradley stopped to provide assistance," said Plant. "An SUV had rolled multiple times in the middle of Interstate 77 and Bradley immediately parked his vehicle and with another bystander and went to check on the occupants. Bradley determined that there were three male occupants inside of the vehicle and one occupant under the vehicle," he said.

"A significant gas leak had occurred as a result of the vehicle flipping over numerous times and a steady stream of gasoline was coming from the gas tank," said Plant. "While it was dark outside and with the gasoline streaming from the SUV, Bradley rescued the victims and provided treatment and care. He also communicated with a local operator and suggested the use of medic helicopters," he said. "Bradley rescued the victim that was trapped under the vehicle and carried him to a safe area for treatment. Then, he returned to the vehicle to remove the front passenger from the vehicle and assisted a back seat passenger to a safe area for treatment and returned to remove the driver of the vehicle, who was the most seriously injured," said Plant.

"We salute Bradley for also initiating emergency care and continued treatment at the scene until the arrival of EMS and fire units in the area. Bradley's efforts and actions are extremely commendable and noteworthy. Under extreme and adverse conditions, he saved several victims as his call to duty," said Plant.

“In our industry and during times of crisis, numerous individuals from Paul Davis and professionals in the claims and recovery field must arrive on the scene and are expected to stabilize the situation and provide the means to replace or rebuild lost and damaged property. We identify with Bradley and all first responders who are high-trained and equipped to deal with the trauma they experience when working with catastrophes and its victims,” said Plant.

Paul Davis Restoration and Remodeling of Suburban Maryland and Washington DC has been serving the area for 19 years with fire, smoke and water loss mitigation and emergency restoration services. The company provides emergency mitigation services for area first responders including the Montgomery County Fire & Rescue Department. For more information about Paul Davis Restoration, contact Lauren Nowak at 301.948.8008. Visit the website at www.restorationmontgomery.com .

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