



DIRECTORS' PROFILES



STRUCTURALMOVER will feature two Directors of the Association in each issue. The purpose is to enable members to become more acquainted with the individuals elected by the membership to provide governance and management for the association and its programs.

Wayne Overton, President Abode Home Movers, Inc.

(Founded C. G. Leary & Sons House Moving in 1985 with Uncle Eldon B. Heath. After Heath's death in 1990, founded Abode Home Movers, Inc., with son Gary Overton.)

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FAMILY:

Married Geraldine Forbes of Old Trap, NC. Three children: Gary, works at Norfolk, VA Ford Assembly plant as an electrician and with his Dad part time moving houses. He has one son, Jarrett. Vivian is employed by the North Carolina Prison System, in Elizabeth City, NC. She has two sons, Brian and Mathew, and one daughter, Cynthia. Suzanne is an X-Ray technician at Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City, NC.

EDUCATION:

Graduate of Camden County High School, Camden, NC, North Carolina State University Agriculture Institute, Raleigh, NC and the United State Marine Machinist School, Naval Shipyard, Norfolk, VA.

IASM AFFILIATION:

Became a member in 1996. Currently serves as a Director, Southeast Representative of the Membership Committee and Chairman of the Vendors Committee

REASON FOR BECOMING A MEMBER:

Fellow North Carolina Structural Mover and former President of the North Carolina House Movers Association and International Association of Structural Movers Paul Pearsall encouraged membership in IASM. When Overton expressed to Pearsall how he couldn't afford the time to go to the meetings Pearsall related as to how Overton couldn't afford to not become a member and attend the meetings. The very first meeting Overton attended he met an insurance vendor who saved him over \$7,000.00 premium on the renewal of his insurance. Overton, now President of the North Carolina House Movers Association, encourages movers to always consider placing their insurance with the four insurance vendors that are members of IASM. He also stated his plans to be a member of IASM for life.

BELIEVES MAJOR BENEFITS FOR BEING A MEMBER OF IASM TO BE:

- Learning new time saving techniques.
- Meeting other movers and sharing ideas.
- Educational opportunities.
- Structural Mover magazine.

BELIEVES THE MAJOR ISSUES FACING THE INDUSTRY TODAY ARE:

- Governments changing laws or passing new laws that add more burden to the industry.
- Higher insurance costs.
- Need for greater accessibility to obtain workers compensation insurance.
- Availability of a greater supply of laborers.
- Having strong and active structural moving associations in states and or regions.
- A larger IASM membership and more active participation by member who already belong. The industry can accomplish much

more when all movers unite. Operating individually is a formula for failure.

BELIEVES THE BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER TO BE:

- There is a large wealth of knowledge in the membership of IASM.
- The ability to fellowship with other movers and learn from their successes and mistakes.
- Making new friends.
- Visiting other areas of the United States and Canada to see how others move houses and the equipment they use.
- Membership will make anyone a better mover if they will attend the educational opportunities at Annual Conferences.
- Opportunities to simply visit with other movers.

Allen E.C. Hof, Project Supervisor

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FAMILY:

Married Michelle Nielsen of Sinai, SD in 1991.

EDUCATION:

Graduate of Madison High School, Madison, SD

IASM AFFILIATION:

Telkamp Housemoving became a member of the Association in the founding year of 1983. Elected Director in 2004 and serves as a member of the Legal & Utilities Committee and is Southwest Representative of the Membership Committee.

AWARDS RECEIVED:

Widest Structure Moved (Under \$25,000 Category) 1995; Widest Structure Moved (Under \$25,000 Category) 1998; Widest Structure Moved (Under \$30,000 Category) 2001; Heaviest Structure Moved (Under \$30,000 Category) 2002; Longest Structure Moved (Under \$30,000 Category) 2003.

REASON FOR BECOMING A MEMBER:

Telkamp Housemoving was already a member of IASM when Hof joined the company in 1990.

BELIEVES MAJOR BENEFITS FOR BEING A MEMBER OF IASM TO BE:

- Association with other members elevates your knowledge of the industry to the maximum.
- If you have a question about something the odds are in your favor that somebody in the Association already has the answer.

BELIEVES THE THREE MAJOR ISSUES FACING THE INDUSTRY TODAY ARE:

- Overhead utility lines
- Building codes that discourage recycling and relocation of buildings
- Zoning codes and covenants that discriminate against "moved in" structures.

BELIEVES THE BENEFITS OF BEING A MEMBER TO BE:

- The mover's knowledge base would increase
- The member would be able to know vendors personally, not just see advertisements of products in magazines.