

Local FASTSIGNS® Team Receives National Recognition

**(EUGENE, OR) February 21, 2023**— FASTSIGNS<sup>®</sup> of Eugene, a local custom signs and visual solutions provider, took home an array of awards from the 2023 FASTSIGNS International Convention held in Las Vegas, NV.

They were recognized with the CEO Circle Award, which honors the top 25 U.S. centers with the highest total sales from October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. They ranked #16 and also received the Million Dollar Threshold award.

The center's center manager, Jon Bogart, was recognized as the Center Manager of the Year for the entire FASTSIGNS network. Franchisees nominate their Center Managers, and the award is given to the top Center Manager in the network based on their responsibility, leadership, team development, and overall accountability for profitable center operation.

"Jon is an incredible leader who treats our customers and team with respect and dignity while also hitting every deadline. His 'can-do' attitude results in success after success with complicated custom signs and graphics," said Peter Knight-Sheen. "He has managed this team through multiple years of triple digit growth, new equipment and a move to our new facility. He is the best Center Manager I could ever ask for!"

In addition, Bonnie Brade, Visual Communication Specialist at FASTSIGNS of Eugene, received the Franchise Circle of Excellence award, which honors individuals committed to excellence of service who contributes daily to the success and growth of their FASTSIGNS center. Brade is highly respected among her team and peers with proven accomplishments in project management, taking initiative and outstanding customer service.

FASTSIGNS of Eugene also received the prestigious *What They Th!nk|Wide-Format & Signage* magazine's Project of the Year Award for the comprehensive signs and graphics they created for Oregon 22/The World Track and Field Championship event. This project also garnered them the 2022 Grand Prize for the FASTSIGNS Customer Solutions contest held annually.

"This project from start to finish has been an incredible ride. Whether luck or Divine intervention, the way this came together was unbelievable. With most of my staff turned over during the pandemic, there is no way we could have pulled this off in 2021, the year the event was slated to be held," shared Peter Knight-Sheen. "Thankfully, we had relocated in 2021 and purchased a flatbed printer, flatbed cutter, and

a bucket truck. Had we not done that, we could never have pulled off most of the signs and graphics we created for this event."

Their work with this project is slated to be featured in *What They Th!nk|Wide-Format & Signage* magazine's March/April 2023 issue.

Knight-Sheen's story of going from a start-up center to #16 out of 765 FASTSIGNS in just 5 years is nothing short of impressive. His story goes back to 2016 when he sold his healthcare staffing business in San Antonio, Texas, and purchased a new FASTSIGNS territory in Eugene, OR. Knowing nothing about signs, he took a total leap of faith and moved his family 2000 miles across the country without knowing a soul, and it has definitely paid off.

## About FASTSIGNS®

FASTSIGNS<sup>®</sup> of Eugene is a locally and independently owned and operated visual ideas company. FASTSIGNS is an industry leader that began over 35 years ago and has over 750 centers in the U.S. and internationally. We celebrate the spirit of creativity and the power of possibilities. Working with FASTSIGNS can leave a lasting impression for your business. What we make together is a brilliant reflection of your brand, your personality...your statement.

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Image Caption: Bonnie Brade (Far left), Jon Bogart (2nd from left), Elizabeth Kenney (Center), Peter Knight-Sheen (second from right), and Catherine Monson, CEO of Propelled Brands, franchisor of FASTSIGNS International, Inc. (far right)

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