

STANLEY DONATES \$500K TO FUND A SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM

INDIANAPOLIS — Stanley Security has donated \$500,000 to four schools as part of its “Together for Safer Schools” grant program.

As first-place winner, Faith Christian Academy of Sellersville, Pa., earned \$200,000. The three runners-up, each a winner of a \$100,000 grant, include South Pointe Elementary School in Miami, Montessori School of Dayton in Kettering, Ohio, and Pioneer Elementary School in Auburn, Wash. The grants will provide the schools with Stanley Security installed products and services to help secure the campuses.

The company started the grant program to help K-12 schools enhance security on campus. In its first year, nearly 1,000 schools throughout the United States were nominated to receive security products and services.

“We recognize that maintaining the safety of children and faculty in the classroom is crucial, a top priority in our communities, and at the forefront of our national consciousness,” says Brett Bontrager, senior vice president & group executive, Stanley Security. “The [grant program] embodies the



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universal concept that educational institutions should always remain protected, safe and supportive environments for the cultivation and growth of our youth.”

Kwikset Brings New Smart Lock to Market

LAKE FOREST, Ca. — Kwikset has released its SmartCode 914 Deadbolt with Home Connect technology. When paired with Z-Wave-based home automation systems, this new version of the deadbolt offers a range of enhanced design features to the company’s home automation security solution.

The redesigned smart lock features a new exterior style and reduced interior size for enhanced aesthetics inside and outside the home, according to the company. Some of the new features are a 10-digit backlit pushbutton keypad, dedicated lock button, BHMA Grade 2 certification and UL certification with 20-minute fire rating.

“The availability of the [newly released device] brings a much-needed and often-requested smaller interior footprint to the marketplace,” says Keith Brandon, director of residential access solutions for Kwikset. “We’ve heard it from consumers via formal and informal feedback. Now we’re able to deliver it in a lock that provides even greater functionality than many of the products currently available in the marketplace.”



Silent Knight to Offer CO Detector, Emergency Voice System Training

NORTHFORD, Conn. — Silent Knight by Honeywell is offering a training program designed to help installers with carbon monoxide (CO) detector and emergency voice systems (EVS) installations.

Available in nearly 20 U.S. states, the program comprises a fire alarm introduction course and an advanced technical course. During the two-day advanced Tech Ed course, designed for experienced technicians, Silent Knight will offer hands-on training on the use and installation of the SK-FIRE-CO detector and IFP-5820XL-EVS emergency voice systems.

Participants can earn continuing education units (CEUs). For those not able to attend a hands-on training course, Silent Knight offers a series of online trainings that cover conventional and addressable fire alarm systems to fire fighter telephones and IP communications.

For full course descriptions and a 2014 training schedule, visit silentknight.com.

AVAD Product Catalog Includes Custom Installation Lessons

LOS ANGELES — AVAD, a distributor of custom electronics, has released its all-new 2014 AVAD Product Catalog. The 196-page, full-color catalog features all of the latest products and technologies from the leading suppliers in the residential and commercial custom installation industries.

In addition to comprehensive product information and specifications, the catalog continues the theme of evolving integrators’ businesses into “Custom Install 2.0” by offering dealers insights into ways they can increase revenue through system applications, technological insight and industry best practices.

“AVAD’s investment in carrying the best products from the industry’s most requested brands makes the 2014 AVAD Product Catalog the integrator’s all-encompassing solution-sourcing tool,” says Lei Lei Trock, senior marketing manager, AVAD.

The catalog is available to AVAD dealers on preloaded USB drives at each of the company’s 23 North American branches, as well as online at avad.com.