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**REMEMBERING JOHN NERNEY,**  
**ENY VICE PRESIDENT AND STATEWIDE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR**

*John Nerney, our beloved Membership Director and ENY Regional Vice President, was laid to rest on December 28, 2006 after suffering a fatal heart attack on Christmas Eve. This is an enormous loss for his family, for ABC, and for the community at large.*

*John began his career with ABC in October 1999. Under John's watch, the ENY region of the Empire State Chapter grew into the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest region in the state with over 100 members. And it was under John's guidance that the Chapter received 4 consecutive Mullan Awards for outstanding membership growth and retention. On a professional level, ABC was blessed to have John Nerney as one of its leaders. On a personal level, the staff and leadership were*

*blessed to have the opportunity to work with John. As we move forward, we are thankful for the opportunity to know John and to work with him. We will miss him dearly.*

*John is survived by his wife, Sue, and his children (Maureen, Sarah, Steven, and Clair). It will without a doubt be a challenging time ahead for them. To help ease the transition into life without their beloved husband and father, ABC has established a Memorial Fund in John's name to help the family through this very difficult time. We hope you will consider making a contribution to this fund so that John's ABC family can now come to John's aid in his time of need. Please make your check payable to ABC, Inc. – John Nerney Memorial Fund, and mail your check to ABC's East Syracuse office at the address above.*

*We bid a fond farewell to our colleague, our compatriot, and our friend, John Nerney.*

**Eastern New York Region Elects Regional Council to Lead the Region in 2007-2008**

Congratulations to the following ENY members who were elected to serve a two-year term on the ENY Regional Council. They are: Paul Colarusso, A. Colarusso & Sons; Dan Crandell, Cranbrook Construction; Don Cootware, Crisafulli Brothers Plumbing & Heating; Jeff Bennett, The DR Group; Rosh Lashway, Lash Contracting; Steve Ryan, Frank J. Ryan & Sons; Tim Casey, Rifenburg Construction; Ray Hawes, Yukon Insulation Company; Kevin Haggerty, Flex Electrical Constructors, and Dave Rakvica, Cianbro Corporation. Congratulations to all, and we thank you for your willingness to serve and to lead. We look forward to a successful 2007!

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**