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TAB Announces Excellence under 45 Award Winners

Connally and Templin Jr. honored with State Accolades

AUSTIN, TEXAS – The [Texas Association of Builders](#) (TAB) is honored to announce **Brennan Connally** and **Rocky Templin Jr.** as the 2020 Excellence under 45 Award winners. These individuals have committed themselves to their careers and to advancing the residential construction industry. They are primed to be future leaders in the industry. The pair will be recognized during the Builders' Bash Concert on Wednesday, July 15 at 8 p.m. The night event will take place following opening day of the 20th [Sunbelt Builders Show](#)[™] at the Glass Cactus at the Gaylord Texan.

This awards program was created and developed by TAB's [Young Professionals](#) (YP) Council. YP's focus is to highlight and reward young professionals that have committed their time, efforts, and careers to the Texas residential homebuilding industry.

2020 EXCELLENCE UNDER 45 AWARD WINNERS

Brennan Connally | President | Connally Construction | Texas Panhandle BA

Rocky Templin Jr. | Vice President/General Manager | Rocky Templin Construction | San Angelo HBA

Connally is the president of Connally Construction. He contributes his passion and work ethic to his late father, Ron Connally. He is what led him to the building industry and taught him the value of hard work. Connally graduated from West Texas A&M in 2009 with a bachelor's degree in biology. Since taking over Connally Construction in 2017, he's been committed to being active in the local and state home builders associations. One of his proudest moments was being named the 2019 Kenny Howell Builder of the Year by the Texas Panhandle Builders Association (TPBA). That same year, he won multiple awards in the local Parade of Homes. He is currently TPBA's vice president and chairman of the local YP Council, a council he developed in 2019. Connally also helped to establish a local Independent School District (ISD) trades program and he plans to provide hands on experience to trades students through building a home and providing scholarships. He continues his education with NAHB classes and plans to start the graduate builder program this year. Connally is a Gold Key member for HOME PAC.

Templin Jr. is a fourth-generation builder and wanted to continue the legacy for his father and grandfather. He hopes to pass his passion to future generations. His first step in doing so was to help develop the Howard College Construction Trades School in San Angelo. His active involvement with the trades extended to assisting with building "America's Front Porch" where he spent hours constructing and designing the build. He also drove the structure up to North Dakota for the national unveiling. As an active member in the Home Builders Association of San Angelo, he has been named Builder of the Year twice (2017, 2018) and captured the prestigious Presidential Cornerstone Award in 2016. Templin Jr. served as president of the HBA of San Angelo in 2018 and has been a member of the board of directors since 2014.

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To be nominated for this award, each young professional must be employed by an active member of TAB and be between the ages 21 and 45. The awards program provides industry education and networking for professional growth in the residential building industry, and helps program participants become better, more knowledgeable, and more productive employees or leaders.

ABOUT TAB: *The Texas Association of Builders (TAB) is a trade association serving the needs of homebuilders, remodelers and land developers throughout Texas, as well as the companies that service them. Founded in 1946, TAB is an affiliate of the National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and has 27 local home builders associations and nearly 10,000 members across Texas. Representing over 723,058 jobs and more than \$67.5 billion annually in the Texas economy, the state and local associations play a crucial role in providing housing for Texans. For more information about the Texas Association of Builders, visit www.TexasBuilders.org.*

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