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tors, Committee members and District personnel from across the state who assisted with judging, scoring and facilitating events within their counties and districts; the Supply and Equipment Office Staff, Equipment Depot Staff, Supply Depot Staff and Radio Services Staff.

In addition to Riddle, the Equipment Operators' Safety Training Conference Committee included **Robert Dickinson**, District 1; **Steve Coleman**, District 2; **Jason Allison**, District 3; **Todd Cook**, District 4; **Treasure Scarborough**, District 5; **Michael Black**, District 6; **Efrem Dantzler**, District 7; Tina Kennedy, Support Services; and **Aaron Williams**, Occupational Safety and Health.



**Winner, winner chicken dinner! Scott Burgess of Lexington Maintenance won both First Place in Motorgrader and Third Place in Tandem Axle.**



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**The pep talk before the competition must have worked. District 3 Committee member Jason Allison kisses the State Champion trophy after District 3 was announced the overall winner of the competition.**



**Competitors who will participate in the Southeastern Regional competition in Myrtle Beach in September are: Front row: Troy Seigler, Jeremy Shrewsberry, Melvin Brown, Jacob Cockrell, Tommy Johnson and Scott Burgess. Back row: Richard Downs, Dock Bowick, Robert Galbreath, Richard Stroble, Charles Long and James Catoe.**