

# **2008 Boss of the Year**

**Ernie Downey**

Colton, Downey and Associates



*This year's Boss of the Year, **Ernie Downey**, Colton, Downey and Associates, was announced at the 2008 Business Expo on February 28. Ernie is shown above with his staff who stated many reasons for nominating their boss. Reasons included that he stresses the importance of family first; he empowers his employees to be the best they can be, he opens doors through professional training; and after 30 years in the insurance business he still takes time once a week to say "thank you for your hard work" to each employee. Colton, Downey, and Associates has offices in Jacksonville and Roodhouse.*