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**"Meet the Machines:" Presented By The
Budrovich Companies and Fabick CAT**

Once again, the Budrovich Companies and Fabick CAT will team up to present "Meet the Machines". Building on the unqualified success of the inaugural event in 2005, the 2006 event promises much more. The event will be held Saturday, May 20, 2006, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This exciting family outing is held at the Budrovich Excavating & Contracting headquarters, which is an old quarry located at 10328 Lake Bluff Drive in St. Louis, MO.

Last year's event drew approximately 1,300 kids and nearly 2,000 adults. The purpose of this educational event is to introduce children, ages 3-15 years old, to the heavy equipment side of the construction business. Guests should arrive at the south gate and stop at the registration table. The first 1500 kids will receive their Budrovich / Fabick CAT hard hat and other giveaways. Included in the registration packet is a "work order ticket" with instructions for activities to be completed by the child. Upon completion of the ticket, children will receive a take home goodie bag.

This year's event promises more interactive elements and a special unveiling of the largest mobile hydraulic crane in Missouri. Children and adults, alike, will have the opportunity to climb aboard and explore giant excavation and hoisting machinery. Additionally, visitors can participate in hands-on, educational activities such as "digging" for prizes or operating a crane via a training simulator. There will be games and prizes, face painting and opportunities to get pictures taken with Fred Bird, other local celebrities and, of course, the heavy machinery itself. Food and beverages will be provided to attendees at no cost.

The Budrovich Companies specialize in site utility excavation, mass & finish grading, crane rental, and residential, commercial and industrial land development. Budrovich employs nearly 150 skilled operators, laborers and teamsters in the St. Louis metropolitan region, utilizing nearly 90 pieces of excavation & grading equipment and 40 mobile hydraulic cranes.

Fabick CAT, headquartered in Fenton, MO, is the authorized dealer of Caterpillar equipment, prime and stand-by power systems, parts and service, compact construction, and rental, for 99 counties in mid and southern Missouri and southern Illinois. Other locations include Jefferson City, Columbia, Springfield, Joplin, West Plains, and Foristell.; Salem, Metropolis and Marion, IL. -

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