

## VACUUM DRYER TEAM

## SUPERLATIVE WINNERS

A year ago we installed the new vacuum dryer, a few of our partners had done this over 20 years ago, really only Taslim Yousaf and Neal Lang had recent experience with set out and vac dry, and they would help set up and train our partners.

The vacuum dryer has added to our drying capacity as long as we have enough partners to man both the togglers and the vac dryer at the same time. Being short everywhere all year it took us all year to get a dedicated team and one that gelled together like this team. From left to right, Chris Kenney, Ed Gray, Robert Armstrong, Lalo, Jake Demarest, and Jarrid Gray have worked hard together on both steps making a tighter, sexier grain leather, protecting yield, and the biggest hurdle getting good and fast at it!

Our first few teams as we began to use the machine would achieve 10-20 hides an hour on the vac, this one has doubled that range getting to plus 30 hides an hour and reduced yield loss by 5%!

They've given us the ability to get more nicer leather done, with a number of customs and colors done - they've quietly put out thousands of hides the past 3 months, we are so proud of their teamwork yielding such great results!

Congrats guys, thank you for your dedication and drive to get good at this together, it's really appreciated!



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## About This Superlative Award

It is awarded to a team that thinks and acts on those thoughts. Looking ahead, anticipating, and taking action. Self-motivated with focus and clear priorities, acting on