

Fourth Generation acquires B.R. Kreider & Son, Inc.

Seventy-four year old excavating and paving company, B.R. Kreider & Son, Inc., located in Manheim, PA, transfers ownership to fourth generation.

Benjamin R. Kreider founded B.R. Kreider Landscaping & Grading business in 1936. In 1946, Elvin Kreider, Ben's son became a partner in his father's business and the name was changed to B.R. Kreider & Son. In 1968 Elvin acquired the majority of the business from his father and incorporated the business.

Elvin retired in 2001 and the third generation, Ken Kreider, Jim Kreider and Carol Buchen, assumed ownership of the business. Elvin's children actively shared in the management of the operations and administration of the company since the 1970's. In 1994 Ken was named president until 2005 when Michael Fecik was named President and Ken assumed the position of CEO.

On December 21 2009, the fourth generation comprised of cousins, Brent Kreider, son of Ken Kreider; Heidi Hollinger, daughter of Jim Kreider and Courtney Dougherty, daughter of Carol Buchen acquired 100% of the business from their parents.

The third generation will remain active in the business. The CEO position is now eliminated and Ken's new title is Senior Consultant. Jim, the Vice Pres. of Administration and Carol, the Director of Marketing, will continue in their current positions.

The structure of the company will continue to operate under the current management team led by the President, Michael Fecik. The team members include Brent Kreider, V.P. of Operations; Jeff Mazzei, V.P. of Sales/Marketing; Linda Kreider, Director of Human Resources and Dan Rudy, Fleet Manager.



L to R: Courtney Dougherty, Brent Kreider, Heidi Hollinger