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American Concrete Pipe Association Awards



Professional Pipe Promotion Training (P³)

The focus is on the attributes of concrete pipe and delivering the message to the marketplace in a positive, consistent manner.

Tech Module I & II

County Materials Corporation

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| Jeff Allen | Chad Hoepfner | Todd Pilarski |
| Wayne Atkinson | Bryan Johnston | Brandon Price |
| Matthew Bare | Chuck Josephson | Bryan Rempt |
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| Phil Coonrod | Melanie Lembo | Dennis Somers |
| Angel De Jesus | Scott Lorimer | John Sonnentag |
| Reed Engelke | Jim Luedeke | Mike Stein |
| Austin Evans | Preston Moore | Peter Tomaras |
| Joel Gardner | Tyler Norris | Carlos Villarreal |
| Seth George | Tom Peterson | Jeff Well |

Illinois Concrete Pipe Association - Glenn Clayon

Wisconsin Concrete Pipe Association - Clark Wantoch



QCast Awards

Recognizes plants who have excelled above all other plants in the QCast program. These plants are the top scoring plants for storm, storm and sanitary, box culverts, manholes, sanitary manholes, and precast.

Storm and Sanitary

Concrete Pipe & Precast Hanover, Ashland, VA

Storm

Concrete Pipe & Precast Hanover, Ashland, VA

Box Culvert

Concrete Pipe & Precast Hanover, Ashland, VA

Mel C. Marshall Award

Recognizes an individual with outstanding service to the education of members as well as service to the QCast program.

Tim Ferguson, Forterra Building Products



Chairman's Safety Awards

Winner for the "Company-Wide" category:

The Leading Edge Bulletin - Rinker Materials, Concrete Pipe Division
Cemex



The Winner for "Individual plant" is:

Wire Rolled Machine Guarding – Oldcastle Precast, Folsom, NJ

The Winner for "Individual Equipment" is:

Pallet and Header Setter - Forterra Pipe & Precast, BarNunn, WY

The Winner for the "Company-Wide" category is

Step Test – Northern Concrete Pipe, Inc., Bay City, MI

The Winner for "Individual plant" is:

D-Load Test – Northern Concrete Pipe, Inc., Bay City, MI

The Winner for "Quality Control Innovation" is:

Class ID - Rinker Materials Concrete Pipe Division, Cemex, Frederick, MD

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ACPA Annual Convention



March 19 - 21, 2017 -- Hilton Head, South Carolina

The American Concrete Pipe Association invites you for a week of discovery and planning at the 109th American Concrete Pipe Association Annual Convention at the Westin Hilton Head Island Resort & Spa.

Details and registration can be found [here](#).

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BESSER ACPA Scholarship Deadline Nears

About BESSER Company

Trusted since 1904, BESSER Company is recognized as the leader for quality concrete products equipment and parts for the masonry, hardscape, pipe and precast markets of the industry. BESSER products are designed, manufactured, and wholly supported by a team of talented employees whose passion for concrete is matched only by the customers we serve. Producers in over 130 countries have selected BESSER as their industry partner, confident in our legacy of engineering and manufacturing innovative, high-quality, durable production systems while providing continuous support and training for the concrete products industry. For more information: www.besser.com

About National Concrete Pipe Week

Concrete Pipe Week recognizes the importance of the reinforced concrete pipe (RCP) and precast products industry to our nation's infrastructure, the importance of the industry to our economic well-being, and the substantial contribution of the individuals in the concrete pipe and precast concrete products industry to the health, safety, welfare and quality of life of our citizens and states. Concrete Pipe Week is a time to recognize the contributions of ACPA's associate members; steel producers, form producers, casting producers, the trucking industry, sand and rock producers, cement producers, contractors, academia and everyone associated with the buried infrastructure industry and the products this industry requires. For more information [click here](#).



The employee-owners of BESSER Company, in recognition of the American Concrete Pipe Association's 2016 annual National Concrete Pipe Week established a scholarship with the ACPA Foundation. The \$2500 college scholarship will be awarded to a student whose course of study is related to concrete pipe production, application/installation or research. "We're excited to be taking the lead in addressing the ongoing need for providing a steady stream of young talent to our industry by offering this scholarship," related Kevin Curtis, President & CEO.

"The BESSER Scholarship also serves as a tribute to our predecessors, Jesse Besser, Jon Dannenberg, Joe Pelchat and countless others who embraced training and education as pillars of our business," shared Ryan Suszek, Director of Pipe and Precast. He continued, "Through their foresight, ingenuity, dedication and leadership we've earned an industry-wide reputation for providing impactful training during Pipe Schools held in Sioux City, Iowa, onsite courses in producers' facilities and as part of ACPA's annual short course." Annually BESSER staff train and educate hundreds of industry members about the production of concrete pipe, including mix design, machine operation and maintenance and curing.

"The newly created BESSER Scholarship is another demonstration of our long-term commitment to the concrete pipe industry," commented Gary Ericson, Director of Sales – Pipe and Precast and an ACPA Board Member. Applications are available on both the ACPA and BESSER Company websites. **The deadline for submission of applications is February 28, 2017.** The committee will review applications in March and award the scholarship in April 2017. ACPA members interested in creating a scholarship or posting a link to the BESSER scholarship on their website can contact ACPA for assistance.

Additional Information: BESSER Company, [Terri Grulke](#), Director of Corporate Advertising, (989)354-1040.

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Submit a Project for the 2017 Project Achievement Award



The Project Achievement Award Program rewards creativity and excellence in precast concrete pipe and box culvert design and installation. Any state DOT may enter the award program. State DOTs and ACPA members are invited to submit projects jointly or separately. ACPA members submitting projects separately must obtain the signature of the state DOT on their entry form.

The winning project will be based upon public involvement and education, use of new materials or large diameter concrete pipe, use of new technologies, innovation, complexity, cost effectiveness and environmental benefits. Projects may or may not involve all seven elements of the evaluation criteria.

Entry forms are due on March 1, 2017. Winners will be announced in June 2017 at the Awards presentation ceremony during the AASHTO Bridge and Structures Subcommittee meeting. The 2017 application is on the ACPA website [here](#). Contact [Josh Beakley, P.E.](#), at 972-506-7216 for more info.

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Spotlight on Associate Members

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Spillman Company is a leader in the development of products for the manufactured concrete products industry. The company is involved as members of ASTM C-13 on Concrete Pipe and C-27 on Precast Concrete, as well as numerous national, state, and local organizations associated with the concrete products industry.

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Association News

Stephen Redman, P.E. Hired as ACPA's Northeast Region Engineer



Contact [Stephen](#) at 440-668-4256.

The American Concrete Pipe Association announces that Stephen Redman has joined its team of professional engineers as Northeast Region Engineer.

Mr. Redman holds a Bachelor of Science – Civil Engineering, from Marquette University (1991), and a Masters of Science – Structural Engineering, from Marquette University (1998).

He was a Business Development Representative for New England and Mid-Atlantic regions for the American Institute of Steel Construction (Chicago), 2013 – 2016; and Regional Sales Manager for the Upper Midwest and Northeast regions for CMC Steel Products (Westlake, Ohio office), 2005-2013. He has several years of infrastructure experience gained through employment in consulting engineering companies.

Stephen holds a professional licensure with selected northeast states.

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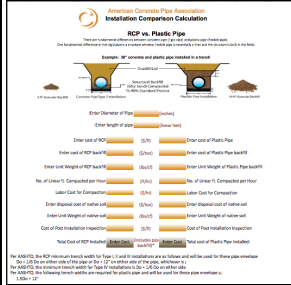
Save the Date for ACPA's Committee Week

ACPA Committee Week will again be held in conjunction with AASHTO Materials **Aug 6-9, 2017 in Phoenix, Arizona.**

Save the dates on your calendar. Schedules and hotels will be announced in the upcoming months as details become available. ACPA events are posted [here](#).

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TechnicalMarketing



ACPA's Installation Cost Comparison Calculator Updated

ACPA engineers have updated the Installation Cost Comparison Calculator. There are fundamental differences between concrete pipe (rigid pipe) and thermoplastic conduit (flexible pipe). One fundamental difference is that rigid pipe is a structure whereas flexible pipe is essentially a liner and the structure is built by the contractor in the field.

See the calculator [online](#).

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IndustryNews

BIBM Congress 2017 – Save the Date!



Right after the last BIBM Congress 2014, preparations for the next Congress started quickly, and in the BIBM Board meeting in April 2015 it was finally decided to organize the BIBM Congress 2017 in Madrid, the capital city of Spain, from May 17 – 19, 2017.

BIBM Congresses are a unique meeting place for the precast industry, bringing clients, customers, producers, suppliers, politicians and academics together to inform about recent developments and the future of precast concrete. At the last BIBM Congress 2014, nearly 600 people from 43 different nations attended the Congress and for the upcoming event in Madrid, it is planned to extend the capacities again.

Concrete Plant International, a strategic media partner with the ACPA, will once again operate as event organizer for BIBM to promote the Congress globally. An international range of presenters as well as a trade exhibition with more than 70 exhibitors will attract people from all over the world to attend the BIBM Congress 2017.

BIBM (from the French acronym "Bureau International du Béton Manufacturé") is the European Federation for Precast Concrete. The association was founded in Brussels on 15th October 1954 following the 1st International Congress of the Precast Concrete Industry.

<https://bibm.cpi-worldwide.com/en/>

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ASCE Dream Big Film

All around the world, engineers are pushing the limits of ingenuity and innovation in unexpected, imaginative, and amazing ways. Dream Big: Engineering Our World, a giant-screen film about engineering, will take viewers on a journey of discovery from the world's tallest building to a bridge higher than the clouds. Along the way, the audience will witness how today's engineers are shaping the world of tomorrow.



DREAM BIG: CHANGING THE CONVERSATION ABOUT ENGINEERING

In partnership with MacGillivray Freeman Films, and presented by the Bechtel Corporation, ASCE is proud to announce that Dream Big: Engineering Our World, will premiere in giant-screen theaters Engineers Week, February 2017. Find a theater screening Dream Big near you.

www.asce.org/dream-big

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Concrete Industry Management Program (CIM) Hold Successful Auction at World of Concrete



www.concretedegree.com

[Click here](#) for the press release.

The National Steering Committee (NSC) for the Concrete Industry Management (CIM) program — a business intensive program that awards students with a four-year Bachelor of Science degree in Concrete Industry Management — held its annual fundraising auction on Jan. 18 in conjunction with the World of Concrete. Proceeds for this event exceeded \$875,000 in gross revenue.

"The NSC of the CIM program is pleased to report that the 2017 World of Concrete Auction was a huge success," comments Mike Philipps, CIM Auction Committee Chairman. "This Auction is a great example of the high value the concrete industry places on the CIM program. We had a record in terms of the value of donated items and attendees at the Auction that helped make this year's event a tremendous success."

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CPSA Publishes a Revised Technical Guide for the Design & Installation of Concrete Pipelines



[Click here](#) for the press release.

What is the greatest cover depth for a 900mm diameter concrete pipeline with Class B bedding laid across fields? What is the optimal size of a manhole for a given size of pipe? The latest edition of the CPSA's Technical Guide has the answer to these questions and many, many others. The newly updated Guide includes references to the latest industry specifications and examples of best practice to make it an invaluable resource for anyone looking to design and install efficient concrete drainage systems.

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