

OUR MEMBERS



Don Clark, one of Clark Pacific's presidents, speaks at the ground-breaking of the company's new Adelanto, Calif., precasting plant. Courtesy of Clark Pacific.

Clark Pacific breaks ground on new Adelanto plant

Clark Pacific, based in West Sacramento, Calif., recently broke ground on its newest plant, located at 9367 Holly Road in Adelanto, Calif., to accommodate the continued demands and expansion of the California construction market. Clark Pacific's presidents, Bob Clark and Don Clark; Adelanto mayor Richard Kerr; and members of the Adelanto City Council attended the event.

The 110-acre (40 ha) Adelanto plant will replace Clark Pacific's Irwindale, Calif., plant in June 2017. Clark Pacific will transfer its existing operations to the Adelanto plant and will expand its staff upon completion of the facility. The new plant will produce structural precast concrete products, including those for parking structures, retail stores, and auto dealerships, and will continue to deliver solutions for large-scale projects across Southern California and Nevada.

—Source: Clark Pacific

BASF receives third-party certification for LEED v4-compliant Manufacturer Inventory Reports



BASF's Construction Chemicals and Performance Materials divisions in North America can now provide LEED v4-compliant Manufacturer Inventory Reports that satisfy requirements for Building Product Disclosure and Optimization—Material Ingredients, Option 1.

BASF's product compliance management process was recently audited and certified by a third-party organization, GreenCircle Certified LLC, to ensure independent authentication of the company's environmental claims.

This certification makes BASF the largest provider of LEED v4 Manufacturer Inventory Reports. These reports are available for chemical admixtures, concrete repair and protection systems, foam insulation systems, flooring systems, performance grouts, underground construction products, waterproofing and sealants, expansion control systems, and wall systems.

GreenCircle has audited and verified that BASF's internal product compliance management system assesses the hazards of all of the ingredients that make up the product, including impurities. GreenCircle utilized these results to certify that the Manufacturer Inventory Reports meet the LEED v4 Material Ingredient, Option 1, reporting requirements.

—Source: BASF Corp.

Hamilton Form names Ollmann new president



Peter Ollmann

and success of Hamilton Form.

Hamilton Form Co. of Fort Worth, Tex., has appointed Peter Ollmann the company's new president. Ollmann brings more than 20 years of senior management experience to the company. As president, he will manage the day-to-day business and provide strategic direction to support the growth

Ollmann comes to Hamilton Form from Meier, a Cretex company, specializing in high-precision metal stamping for electronics, defense, and medical technologies. He served as president of Meier since 2004. Before joining Meier, he was vice president of operations for Hutchinson Technology Inc., where he led global operations.

Ollmann received his BS in electrical engineering from Iowa State University in Ames and an MBA from the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis.

William F. Daily, the past president, will continue to be involved in the company in a consulting role.

—Source: Hamilton Form

NED BURNS



Ned Burns

Ned Burns, PCI Fellow, died November 5, 2016. He was 83.

Burns earned a BS in architectural engineering in 1954 and an MS in engineering in 1958 from the University of Texas (UT) at Austin. He received his PhD in civil engineering in 1962 from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and returned to UT Austin as an assistant professor.

He became a professor in 1972 and in 1983 was named Zarrow Centennial Professor Emeritus of Engineering. He was associate dean of Academic Affairs for Engineering from 1989 to 1993. Burns received 11 awards for outstanding teaching and advising at undergraduate and graduate levels from the department, college, and university levels at UT Austin. He began prestressed concrete research at UT in 1963 and was the first to test the concept of banded tendons, which is standard industry practice for the construction of slabs. He retired in 2001 and was named a member of the Academy of Distinguished Alumni of the College of Engineering at UT Austin in 2003.

Burns served as chairman of the American

Concrete Institute (ACI)/American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Prestressed Concrete Committee and was on the board of directors of ACI and the Post-Tensioning Institute (PTI). He has authored more than 55 technical papers in major structural engineering journals, including *PCI Journal*; presented at various conferences throughout the world; and coauthored with T. Y. Lin the textbook *Design of Prestressed Concrete*, which has been an important industry book for the analysis and design of prestressed structures.

In 2000, Burns received the PCI Distinguished Educator Award, and he received the ACI Joe W. Kelly Award in 1990 in recognition of his contribution to education. Burns was a fellow of PCI, ACI, PTI, and ASCE. He was named Engineer of the Year by the Travis Chapter of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers and elected to membership in the National Academy of Engineering in recognition of his contribution to education and research in prestressed concrete and high-performance prestressed concrete bridges in 2000. He was a member of PCI's Technical Publications Review Board and the Post-Tensioning, Education, Segmental Bridges, Bridges, Prestressing Steel, and AASHTO-PCI Joint Committees.

Norm Donatt

Norm Donatt, former PCI board member, died November 21, 2016. He was 93.

Donatt earned his civil engineering degree at the University of British Columbia. This led to his career at Graystone and Olympian Stone and then 25 years as an engineering consultant. Most recently, he was the president of Consulting Services Inc. in Mill Creek, Wash. He volunteered with the International Executives' Service Corps, where he brought his engineering knowledge and expertise to eight developing countries.

Donatt was a member of the PCI Board Nominating, Productivity, and Glass Fiber Reinforced Concrete Panels Committees and the 1975-1976 PCI Board of Directors. He became a life member of PCI in 2006.



Philip C. French

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Philip C. French, president of Con-Fab California Corp. in Lathrop, died November 16, 2016. He was 77.

French graduated with a BSc (Eng) in civil engineering from the University of London in 1963 and received his master's degree in 1974 in structural engineering from the University of Hawaii.

He spent more than 50 years in the precast concrete industry doing design, estimating, production, sales, and executive management. He worked as an engineer for construction companies in Australia, England, and Canada before moving to the United States in 1968. In Australia, French worked for an American precast concrete company based in Hawaii that was involved in the manufacturing of the precast concrete components for the Sydney Opera House. As plant manager for Ameron HC&D's Precast and Post Tensioning Division in Hawaii, he introduced the design and testing of the 9 ft wide Tri-Tee to compete with hollow-core. French founded his first company, P. C. French Ltd., a posttensioning,

reinforcing bar, and precast concrete erection firm operating in Hawaii and the South Pacific, in 1976. In 1984, he founded Con-Fab Hawaii and California. Con-Fab Hawaii was sold to Rocky Mountain Precast in 1998. With Con-Fab California, French was involved in the manufacturing of precast concrete components for bridges, parking structures, office buildings, cold-storage buildings, stadiums, high-rise condominiums, and hotels. In 2013, French designed and patented a two-way pretensioned pavement panel, Con-Slab, that has been successfully used on numerous highway rehabilitation projects.

Dennis DeClerk

Dennis DeClerk, president of Stress-Con Industries, died July 21, 2016. He was 80.

DeClerk graduated from Lawrence Technological University in Southfield, Mich., and had a long career in the construction business. His first job was in his father's company, DeClerk Industries, and ultimately he was a business owner of his own. His most notable enterprise was Stress-Con Industries. He contributed to the construction of many landmarks and projects in Detroit, Mich., and throughout Michigan.

Kenneth J. Pike

Kenneth J. Pike, longtime member of the precast concrete industry, died October 6, 2016. He was 79.

Pike graduated from Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., in 1964 with a degree in civil engineering. During his career, he worked for Construction Products Co. in Lafayette, Ind., and Henderson, Ky.; Featherlite Precast Corp. in Lexington, Ky.; and Metromont Corp. in Raleigh, N.C. He retired from Metromont in 2007. After retiring, Pike went on to form three companies: Construction Dispute Resolution, Sunbelt, and Marenbecken.

Pike was a member of PCI's Marketing, Market Research, and Parking Structures Committees.

Lehigh Hanson's Tiefertenthaler named ACPA board chair



Lori Tiefertenthaler

Lori Tiefertenthaler, senior director of marketing for Lehigh Hanson Inc., has been appointed chairperson of the American Concrete Pavement Association's (ACPA's) Board of Directors. She is the first woman to serve as the top volunteer leader in the 54-year history of the association.

Her appointment to chairperson reflects Tiefertenthaler's more than 30 years of experience and expertise in the cement and concrete materials industries. She brings a broad range of skills and expertise to her new role, and her background includes extensive experience in sales, marketing, sustainability, and the development of promotional programs to increase concrete and cement use. Prior to joining Lehigh Hanson, she served as executive director for the Southeast Cement Association and held management positions with the Iowa Concrete Paving Association and her family's ready-mixed concrete and sand and gravel operations in Iowa.

Tiefertenthaler accepted the ACPA leadership role from 2016 chairman Steve Jackson, president of Cedar Valley Corp. LLC. She welcomed the association's new partnership efforts with PCI and the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute and recognized industry allies the Portland Cement Association (PCA) and National Ready Mixed Concrete Association (NRMCA), along with longtime collaborative partners, the National Concrete Pavement Technology Center at Iowa State University and the International Grooving and Grinding Association.

In addition to leading the ACPA's Board of Directors, Tiefertenthaler also serves on the Board of Directors for the Slag Cement Association, as well as on the paving and sustainability committees of PCA and NRMCA. Tiefertenthaler has also served on the advisory board of the CP Tech Center and the advisory task groups for the Concrete Sustainability Hub at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge, Mass.

Tiefertenthaler holds a bachelor of technology degree in construction management from the University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

—Source: American Concrete Pavement Association [J](#)

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