

## OUR MEMBERS

### County Materials celebrates 70 years

Midwest-based County Materials Corp. is celebrating its 70th year of manufacturing concrete construction and landscape materials.

Amid fluctuating economies, greater competition, and challenging business environments, County Materials remained competitive by responding to the nation's growing infrastructure needs. As cities expanded, the demand for more innovative concrete construction solutions increased. From concrete pipe and culverts that provide effective stormwater management to bridges that meet transportation demands, the company strengthened production capabilities and improved technology. One notable example is the Minnesota Hiawatha light rail tunnel, which required production of more than 21,000 precast concrete construction tunnel segments and 200 concrete arched wall and ceiling panels. This was the first light rail transit system of its kind in Minnesota, and County Materials played a critical part in its development.

The company is commemorating the milestone by planning special events in select markets and by launching a 70th anniversary website and video dedicated to the company's history, its tenacity, and the employees who made it all happen. The website is at <http://countymaterials.com/70years>.

—Source: County Materials Corp.

### Spancrete promotes Wacker to VP of marketing and communications



Kimberly Wacker

Spancrete, the world leader in precast, prestressed concrete building solutions, has announced the promotion of Kimberly Wacker to vice president of marketing and communications.

In her new role, Wacker will continue to develop marketing and service policies, programs, and systems to support strategic direction and align global business plans with organizational objectives. In addition to other responsibilities, she will continue to develop the overall marketing strategy for both the precast and global divisions of the company and maintain and promote the Spancrete brand as well as be part of the strategic business planning process.

Wacker has more than 18 years of strategic marketing experience working for business-to-business organizations, handling both business marketing and product development. She joined Spancrete in 2006 and recently celebrated her 10th anniversary with the company.

She also serves on PCI's Board of Directors and chairs the PCI Marketing Council.

—Source: Spancrete

## Ironrock hires Schrock as new national thin brick sales manager



Rob Schrock

Ironrock recently added Rob Schrock as its new national sales manager for thin brick. As national thin brick sales manager, Schrock is responsible for meeting and exceeding annual thin brick sales goals, creating and growing a strong national channel of distribution, and establishing

Metrobrick and Royal Thin Brick as leaders in the thin brick market.

In this role, Schrock will make presentations to architects and specifiers, distributors, precasters, tilt-up companies, field applied systems companies, and other users and influencers for both the Metrobrick and Royal Thin Brick product lines.

Schrock has more than 25 years of construction industry experience. He has extensive experience working in the area of thin brick sales and management, having held positions with both Tabs Wall Systems and Glen-Gery Corp.

In his work with thin brick, he has developed new and existing sales markets, increased territorial distribution, helped create and implement new products, worked in customer training, facilitated jobsite resolutions, and led numerous architectural presentations.

Schrock also has an understanding of the technical aspects of thin brick construction, having been responsible for construction details, technical management, testing plans, and coordinating ASTM testing.

—Source: Ironrock

## Raths, Rath & Johnson celebrates 50th anniversary

Charles Rath founded Rath, Rath & Johnson (RRJ) in 1966 with the vision of building a practice based on quality engineering with particular focus on adhering to engineering fundamentals, attention to detail, and client service. This year the company celebrates its 50th anniversary. RRJ has earned a reputation for problem solving and positioned the firm as one of the early forensic engineering practices in the country.

Today, RRJ's experts consult on high-profile projects ranging from major healthcare facilities and stadiums to high-rise residential towers and aviation structures. President Kurt Hoigard credits RRJ's continued success to a focus on relationships, innovation, and client service, and says, "We are grateful to our founding principals, staff, and clients who helped us reach this milestone."

—Source: Rath, Rath & Johnson Inc.

## Finley opens office in Prague

Finley Engineering Group has opened an office in Prague, Czech Republic, expanding its international presence.

Jindrich Potucek has been appointed the bridge engineer and Prague office manager. New Prague staff members include Jiri Bures and Jan Zitney.

Bures has a master's degree in civil engineering from Czech Technical University and four years of experience in steel detailing and fabrication. Zitney has a master's degree in structural engineering from Czech Technical University and three years of experience in concrete and steel bridge design.

—Source: Finley Engineering Group

## Spancrete celebrates 70th anniversary

Marking a significant milestone, Spancrete celebrated its 70th anniversary in June at its locations around the United States. Founded in 1946 by Henry Nagy, Spancrete started when Nagy bought a hollow-core slip former on a trip to Germany, bringing it back to his home in Wisconsin.

Years of innovation, patents, and hard work developed Spancrete into today's company, which creates precast concrete building solutions for commercial, residential, education, industrial, and retail clients around the globe. Now in its third generation of family leadership, Henry Nagy's grandson, John Nagy, is the CEO of the company.

Although Spancrete's corporate headquarters are in Waukesha, Wis., it is a global company with production facilities and partnerships from the United States to Kazakhstan and China.

Spancrete has U.S. facilities in Valders, Wis.; Green Bay, Wis.; Waukesha; Naperville, Ill.; Newnan, Ga.; and Sebring, Fla. At each of its offices, Spancrete hosted a celebration to commemorate the occasion.

In recent years, Spancrete has been involved in bringing some of Wisconsin's most iconic structures to life, including Miller Park, home to the Milwaukee Brewers baseball team; the Green Bay Packers' Lambeau Field football stadium renovation; and the Interstate 94/Interstate 43 Marquette interchange.

To read more about Spancrete's history, visit [http://www.spancrete.com/our\\_company/history](http://www.spancrete.com/our_company/history). ■

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