Our Members

Gage Brothers names Bunkers new president and chairman

Gage Brothers has promoted Joe Bunkers to president and chairman of the board.

Bunkers has been with Gage Brothers for 21 years, where he has held positions in drafting, quality control, sales, and operations. Along with being the chair of the PCI Architectural Services Committee and vice chair of the PCI Marketing



Joe Bunkers

Communications Committee and Architectural Certification Subcommittee, Bunkers completed the Leadership PCI program. Bunkers also achieved PCI Quality Control Personnel Certification Level III and received a bachelor's degree in business from the University of South Dakota.

—Source: Gage Brothers

Spancrete reaches milestone two-year zero lost time

Spancrete has recorded zero lost time incidents for the past two years across the entire organization, including its three production facilities, global equipment manufacturing, and construction trucking and installation services group. This is the first time the company has accomplished this achievement in its 74 years of operation.

"Reaching a zero lost time record for one year was a real motivator for the team to aim for a second consecutive year," says Alan Antoniewicz, president and chief operating officer of Spancrete. "This achievement is a result of our culture of safety. ... From daily huddles and numerous safety programs to the simple act of watching out for each other, I could not be prouder of our team."

The past year of zero lost time incidents is well below the national average of 3.2 cases with days away and restricted case (1.6 for cases with days away only) reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. With a score of 0.78, Spancrete also tracks well below average 1.0 for the experience modification rate, a number used by insurance companies to gauge both past cost of injuries and future chances of risk.

Spancrete employs almost 375 people, with plants in Valders, Wis.; Waukesha, Wis.; Crystal Lake, Ill.; and Sebring, Fla. —Source: Spancrete

PCI's Newly Certified Plants and Erectors

> PCI recently certified the following plants and erectors. For an explanation of the certification designations, visit http://www.pci.org/Plant_Certification and http://www.pci.org/Erector_Certification.

- County Prestress LLC in Romeoville and Lockport, Ill.: C3, C3A
- Keith's Welding Service Inc. in Travelers Rest, S.C.: A, S2
- Team Erectors Inc. in Lincoln University, Pa.: A, S2

Smith-Midland's Virginia SlenderWall project receives two more awards

Smith-Midland's recent SlenderWall architectural cladding project The Lumen in Tysons, Va., has received awards from both the Associated General Contractors (AGC) of Metropolitan Washington, D.C., and the Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) Metro Washington and Virginia chapters for its 346 ft (105 m) tall mixed-use project.

The AGC of Metro DC Contractor Award and the ABC Metro Washington Excellence in Construction Award in the concrete category recognized the role that Smith-Midland's architectural precast concrete cladding product, SlenderWall, played in the project. The Lumen has garnered three awards total, including the 2019 Southeast Building Conference Grand Aurora prize for Best On the Boards Mixed Use or Multifamily Community.

The Lennar Multifamily Communities project was designed by architects DCS Design. Working with general contractor Hoar Construction and engineer Fernandez & Associates, Smith-Midland produced and installed more than 80,000 ft² (7400 m²) of SlenderWall and traditional architectural precast concrete panels. Smith-Midland worked with its own team of subcontractors, EE Marr Erectors and Wilcox Caulking, to provide Hoar with a turnkey system. The factory-insulated SlenderWall panels contributed an *R*-value of 24. —Source: Smith-Midland



Dukane takes home IMEC award for excellence

The Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center (IMEC) named Dukane Precast in Aurora, Ill., one of the four recipients of its Recognition Program's 2020 Awards for Excellence.

Dukane received the IMEC Interest in Excellence Recognition. The award is presented to those organizations that complete the organizational profile portion of the Baldrige Framework, demonstrating an organizational interest in continuous improvement and desire to accelerate change, growth, and improvement throughout the entire organization.

For more information on the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, visit http://www.nist.gov/baldrige/. —Source: Illinois Manufacturing Excellence Center

County Prestress LLC acquires Illini Precast

Ounty Prestress LLC, an affiliate of County Materials Corp., has acquired substantially all of the assets of the Illinois-based Illini Precast. This acquisition includes manufacturing assets and real estate for Illini Precast's facilities in Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin. County Prestress will be headquartered in Westmont, Ill.

Since 2007, Illini Precast has been an established full-service prestressed concrete manufacturing company. The purchase fits into County Prestress's strategy to expand into Midwest markets serving the commercial construction industry, and it plans will offer a range of structural and architectural prestressed and precast concrete products, including parking structure decks, elevators and stair towers, insulated sandwich walls, bridge girders and beams, and hollow-core slab. —Source: County Prestress LLC

Smith-Midland produced and installed SlenderWall and traditional architectural precast concrete panels on The Lumen in Tysons, Va. The project has received several awards. Courtesy of Smith-Midland.

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