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## CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE



# Get involved again

I hope everyone has had an enjoyable and productive summer. It seems as if I have mentioned in every Chairman's Message I've written that we can be hopeful that a federal transportation bill is just around the corner. Three seasons have passed now, and still no bill, but I choose to remain hopeful that our elected representatives can do what is needed to maintain and improve our country's aging infrastructure.

I encourage members to attend the PCI Committee Days in Rosemont, Ill., in September in person. If the PCI Convention at The Precast Show was an indication, we are expecting attendance to be high. Come to Chicago and get involved in the committees of interest to you and help guide the institute and the industry forward. There is always room for new faces and fresh ideas. You will find the folks sitting on the committees very welcoming and enthusiastic to share the work they do.

Here is some more good news. The Productivity Tour is back on again! It is scheduled for October 19 to 21 in Charlotte, N.C. After several postponements, expectations are great for a highly attended and educational tour. The tour will kick off with a quality summit created by the Quality Enhancement Committee. The Productivity Tour itself is planned and supported by the Productivity Committee, which is near and dear to my heart because I was a chair for that committee and my son Andrew Fink is the current chair. It is gratifying to see these two committees working together with the PCI staff to provide real value and learning opportunities for our industry associates.

It remains a core value at PCI to foster strong relationships with our industry partners. During the PCI summer Board of Directors meeting in Alexandria, Va., we met with the leaders of the National Precast Concrete Association to discuss and plan The Precast Show and review our Joint Concrete Products List. In addition, the PCI Executive Committee will attend the ACI Fall Convention in October in Atlanta, Ga., and meet with ACI's leadership to discuss our common interests and strategies.

I am approximately at the midterm of my year as PCI chair. By the time this is printed, I will have attended at least six chapter or affiliate meetings, with the intention of getting to at least one meeting in all regions before my term expires. The hospitality and willingness to share best practices and ideas have been overwhelming in a good way. Thank you!

I look forward to seeing you at Committee Days in September. [D](#)



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