

Mayor of Marietta, Ga., proclaims Jim Voss Day

he annual PCI Foundation Professors Seminar was held this year in Marietta, Ga., near the campus of Kennesaw State University. The mayor of Marietta, Steve Tumlin Jr., proclaimed May 19, 2022, Jim Voss and PCI Foundation Appreciation Day.

The proclamation honoring Voss and the PCI foundation, which he founded, was delivered during a dinner on Marietta Square for "making a difference at our own Kennesaw State University and the future architects who will be designing tomorrow's buildings."



Jim Voss (left), seated next to PCI Foundation executive director Marty McIntyre, holds a document from the Marietta Georgia mayor proclaiming May 19, 2022, Jim Voss and PCI Foundation Appreciation Day. Courtesy of PCI Foundation.

Wells announces Walker as Mountain States director of business development

Vells has added Phillip Walker in the role of director of business development for the Mountain States region. Walker is returning to the industry after working as director of operations for FB20 LLC for the past several years.

Working closely with Dan Parker, vice president of sales, Walker's primary job duties will be expanding Wells' position in the marketplace.





Phillip Walker

Metromont promotes Gleich, Aultman

etromont has promoted Harry Gleich to senior vice president of engineering and Suzanne Aultman to vice president of engineering.

"Harry has been one of the most innovative minds in the precast industry over the past 40 plus years. His contributions to Metromont and to our industry are unparalleled," says Rick Pennell, Metromont president and CEO. "As we look forward to Harry's eventual retirement, we are thankful to have someone as qualified and as passionate about our industry as Suzanne Aultman be able to lead our corporate engineering function in the future. Both promotions are well deserved and long overdue." Gleich joined Metromont in 1986 as



Harry Gleich

Suzanne Aultman

chief engineer and has become an industry-renowned expert in the field of precast concrete engineering. Gleich has been honored as a PCI Titan of the Industry for providing exceptional contributions to the industry, demonstrating outstanding leadership and service in innovation, and advancing the growth of the precast concrete industry.

Aultman has been with Metromont for 19 years, quickly making her mark as a trusted source for all things engineering and as a mentor for young engineers. She is a PCI Fellow and

was the inaugural award winner of the Irwin J. Speyer Young Professional Engineer Award presented by PCI. This award was established to recognize young engineers who not only excelled technically but also excelled in serving their communities and their fellow engineers. Aultman is heavily involved in ACI standards development and was most recently recognized as 2021 Engineer of the Year by the Piedmont Chapter of the South Carolina Society of Professional Engineers.

—Source: Metromont

Smith-Midland's Krick finalist for Virginia CFO of the Year

officers (CFOs) throughout Virginia, Smith-Midland's CFO, A. J. Krick, was named a finalist in the 17th Annual Virginia Business CFO Awards.

With four categories ranging from small nonprofit/government to large company, there was a diverse group for the publication to review and choose from.



A. J. Krick

"The job of chief financial officer is a challenging one. They champion both growth and down-sizing; they take on risk through acquisitions. They must have the highest degree of accountability, and they must provide CEOs with solid advice, whether the news is good or bad," said *Virginia Business* president and publisher Bernie

Niemeier during the awards presentation on June 16, 2022, in Richmond, Va.

Krick earned his degree at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Va., and worked as a certified public accountant for several years before joining Smith-Midland as the accounting manager in 2014, later accepting the CFO position in 2018.

Last year, Krick led a team that worked on improving the productivity and quality of one of Smith-Midland's strongest product lines. Along with two associates, he worked hands-on in the production shop to break down the manufacturing process and rebuild a more efficient work procedure, decreasing product labor 25% while improving product quality. Krick also heads the human resources department, which includes safety and environmental.

Under Krick's tenure, Smith-Midland has seen 26% revenue growth and 350% net income growth. He has also been instrumental in consolidating processes within the accounting department to take days off turnaround time and created a daily huddle to connect and go over any issues or concerns, among other improvements. It has helped make it more team oriented and more efficient, benefiting both internal and external customers.

"It is no surprise to us that AJ was a finalist in his first year being nominated," says Ashley Smith, Smith-Midland president and CEO. "Not only does he have a keen eye for financials and business, but he is always learning, open to new ideas, and is a strong team player. I can count on his advice to always be in the best interest of the company and the employees."

—Source: Smith-Midland Corp.

Loei Badreddine

Loei Badreddine, former PCI professional member, died May 29, 2022.

Badreddine received a BS in civil engineering in 1986 and an MS in 1988 from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He went on to receive his MBA from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee and was part of the graduating class of the American Council of Engineering Companies' Senior Executives Institute.

In 1994, Badreddine began his career at GRAEF as a structural engineer and was later named a prin-

cipal, vice president, a director of the board, and the firm's Madison, Wis., office leader. He was also an adjunct professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Milwaukee School of Engineering. One of Badreddine's most well-known projects was the Milwaukee Art Museum addition, where he was the lead project engineer. He worked closely with architect Santiago Calatrava on this project.

Badreddine participated on the PCI Joint and Connection Design Committee and the Hollow Core Committee.

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.

- SJC in Pedricktown, N.J.: B2, C2
- JWR Erectors LLC in Hillsboro, Tenn.: S2

Hazard joins sales team at Hamilton Form

ary Hazard has joined Hamilton Form Co. as a sales consultant. He comes to Hamilton Form with an extensive background in construction and precast and prestressed concrete products.

Most recently Hazard was with Flexicore of Texas in the position of industrial/special products sales manager.

"I am happy to be here because Hamilton Form Co. is progressive and has a great reputation," Hazard says." Already I have been to industry meetings and events and have been proud to represent our quality products and customization to the needs of every customer. The team here is very committed, deeply knowledgeable, and works collaboratively to provide an outstanding product and service."

—Source: Hamilton Form Co.

Northeast Precast hosts Vineland grand opening

Northeast Precast held a grand opening event July 27, 2022, for its new 225,000 ft 2 (21,000 m 2) production facility in Vineland, N.J.

More than 300 customers, suppliers, and other guests attended the grand opening, including the mayor of Vineland and New Jersey state senator Michael Testa. The grand opening included lunch and a guided tour of the facility, which features eight prestress beds, a foam shop, a carpentry shop, double-tee forms, and a batch plant. The grand opening also featured a raffle for anyone who registered for the event by July 1.

-Source: Northeast Precast

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