



Chapter News

Congrats! 2020 Founders Award Winners



Ryan Hess (\$3,000)

The Ohio State University

Major: Civil Engineering

Year: Junior

Expected Graduation Date: May 2022

Plans after Graduation: Work as a Highway Design Engineer in the greater Pittsburgh area, Pursue a Masters degree in Business Administration (MBA), Obtain a P.E. License.



Christopher Joseph (\$2,000)

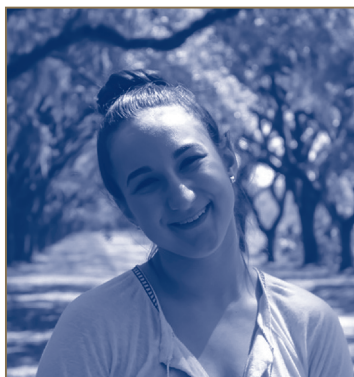
University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown

Major: Civil Engineering

Year: Senior

Expected Graduation Date: April 2021

Plans after Graduation: My plan for after college is to get a job using my degree in the construction industry. I would like to travel around the world and experience just a bit of what this world has to offer.



Katey Paraskiewicz (\$2,000)

University of Pittsburgh

Major: Civil Engineering

Year: Senior

Expected Graduation Date: November 2020

Plans after Graduation: After graduation I'll be moving to Washington DC to work as a field project engineer for Baker DC, a large concrete contracting company.



Mark Kosky (\$2,000)

University of Pittsburgh

Major: Civil Engineering

Year: Senior

Graduation Date: April 26, 2020

Plans after Graduation: I am excited to begin my career with Hatch Consultants in Pittsburgh, PA as a Junior Structural Engineer.



President's Message

By Tricia G. Ladely

Dear ACI Pittsburgh Chapter Members,



I hope this newsletter finds you well. It has certainly been an unusual and stressful year.

However, I am proud of the resiliency of our Pittsburgh region, and I hope for the best for all of you, your families, and your businesses. Not being able to meet in-person was challenging and disappointing, but if social distancing continues for the long term, we will research the best way to virtually connect and "meet" with all of you.

The Board decided to postpone the Awards Banquet until the beginning of our next season (early fall). We do hope to be able to meet in person at that time. Even though the Banquet is delayed, please know that we look forward to sharing highlights from the past year, celebrating our newly elected Chapter Officers and Directors and congratulating the new Founders Awardees!

To the Board – thank you for letting me serve with all of you! It was a pleasure and an honor. Last, but not least, I would like to congratulate and welcome Dave Thomas as the next Chapter President! I know you will be an effective and gracious leader.

Best Regards,

Tricia G. Ladely

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Upcoming 2020/2021 Certification Season

The ACI Pittsburgh Area Chapter fully anticipates resuming certification sessions in the Fall of 2020. The current Board of Directors is still working on the details on how the Chapter will facilitate exams amid the COVID-19 Pandemic. Some protocols being evaluated are reduced class sizes, necessary protective equipment, modifications to existing review and exam day sessions. As the situation evolves, so will the Chapter to ensure attendees are protected.

Please check acipgh.com frequently for more information. We hope to have changes and requirements for Pittsburgh ACI Certification session posted by September 2020, for the fall session to begin in November 2020.



Support ACI Code Proposals In Pennsylvania

As part of the American Concrete Institute's mission to advocate for the adoption of its consensus-based knowledge, ACI submitted proposed modifications to update the Pennsylvania Uniform Construction Code (UCC).

The proposed modifications include adding qualifications for concrete testing technicians and special inspectors; establishing minimum tolerances for concrete construction; and referencing the ACI 562-19 Code Requirements for Evaluation, Repair and Rehabilitation of Concrete Structures.

Assistance is needed from ACI members and industry allies, especially those located or doing business in Pennsylvania. There are multiple and simple ways to assist. Two specific ways include:

- **Foster support** - You could contact organizations and code officials involved in building code development in Pennsylvania and encourage them to support the ACI proposed modifications.
- **Testify** - You could voluntarily participate in the code modification process by providing testimony at the Pennsylvania Review and Advisory Council (RAC) hearings. Testimony regarding reduced costs and public health safety and welfare will have the most impact.

The success in achieving adoption of ACI codes, standards, and certifications in Pennsylvania will be greatly increased through support by members, industry allies, outside organizations and code officials within Pennsylvania.

A meeting to collaborate on code advocacy and coordinate efforts will be scheduled for early to mid-July. Individuals and organizations looking to participate should reach out to Kerry Sutton at kerry.sutton@concrete.org, by **June 26, 2020**.

Kerry E. Sutton, P.E.
Code Advocacy Engineer, ACI
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2019-2020 Election Ballot Results

We currently have 260 members and a total of 62 ballots were returned.

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Dave Thomas, Golden Triangle

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Newly Elected Board of Directors

P.J. Donoghue, Separation Technologies

Carly McGee, KTA-Tator, Inc.

Thank You!

Thank you
to the 2019-2020 Board
for all of their efforts.

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Pittsburgh Area Chapter Upcoming Events



ACI GOLF OUTING

Monday - July 27, 2020 ~ Quicksilver Golf Club

Register online at www.acipgh.com.



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