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# Chapter News



#### **FOUNDERS AWARD**

The ACI Pittsburgh Area Chapter established the Founders Award Fund in 1988 for undergraduate students, including seniors, who have an interest in the areas of cement technology, or concrete technology, design or construction. The student should be studying Civil or Materials Engineering/Technology, or Architecture/Architectural Engineering.

The awards are offered in the amount of \$3,000, \$2,000 and \$2,000.

At this time, we are accepting applications for the 2020/2021 academic year. The student is required to submit: an ACI application, a letter of transmittal, an official copy of their transcript of grades; and two letters of recommendation. **Applications must be received by January 31, 2021.** 

If you would like to obtain an application form or have any questions, go to **www.acipgh.com**, then click on 'Scholarships and Awards.'

# Concrete In the Steel City



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# President's Message By David Thomas



I have enjoyed being part of the Pittsburgh Area ACI Chapter for many years now and made many friends with kindred spirits. One of our Past-Presidents commented that our group is a "unique bunch." We have the privilege of gathering Contractors, Concrete & Aggregate Producers, Material Suppliers, Engineers, and many more with a shared passion for deepening their knowledge of concrete. While 2020 may look a little different than our past 58 years as a chapter, the vision of our officers and Board of Directors has continued to focus on advancing our mission, "Progress Through Knowledge." I am grateful to have served with our Past President, Tricia Ladely, and look forward to serving with my fellow-board members.

The ACI fall convention is being held virtually, Oct. 25th through the 29th. More information can be found at <u>concrete.org</u>. Maybe you have thought about attending an ACI convention and wondered what it would be like. Well, this year you can look through the virtual convention window. Our first chapter meeting is also going to be held online, during this time of social distancing and limited indoor gatherings. Certification classes for Grade 1 launch in December and more information can be found at <u>acipgh.org</u>. Can I encourage you to be an active member and attend the conference, meeting, or class?

Thank you to Bob & Andy Lawrence for many years of service to the education and certification of our members. The host companies and many volunteers enable our certification classes to develop the next generation of engineers and technicians. A virtual cheer is extended to you all! May GOD bless you and keep you safe. I anticipate our next meeting and hope to join together in-person when it is safe.

Best regards, Dave Thomas

### ACI Certification Program Update

Due to the uncertainty of the Covid virus, and government restrictions, we will be limiting our certification schedule. At this time we have two classes scheduled. **Protocols recommended by the CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health will be followed.** This includes wearing a cloth mask or face shield, answering a series of COVID exposure questions, having your temperature taken and signing a Waiver and Release of Liability form.

We are tentatively planning to schedule additional certification classes in January-March if the demand requires it. Please continually check the website for updates. If you are interested in certification, please email <a href="mailto:bethaci@zoominternet.net">bethaci@zoominternet.net</a> to be added to a tentative registration list.



## 6th Annual

### Excellence in Concrete Project Award



We encourage you to submit a project for the 6th Annual Excellence in Concrete Project Award — and share the opportunity with others in the Pittsburgh area concrete community — whether they are a member of ACI or not.

Please be on the lookout for the latest application in the upcoming weeks.

Your help is needed to make this program successful!

## Job Openings

#### **CONCRETE INSPECTORS**

KTA is actively recruiting Concrete Inspectors for a contract that is effective January 2021. We are seeking reliable and competent ACI and/or PCI Certified employees for full-time work (benefits included!) providing QA inspection of the fabrication of precast panels and prestressed bridge beams throughout Pennsylvania and neighboring states. All applicants must be willing to travel and available to work irregular or extended work hours (night shift and/or weekend work). This position is open to candidates with ACI Certified Concrete Field Testing Technician – Grade I and/or PCI Level II or III certification. Please visit <a href="www.kta.jobs">www.kta.jobs</a> to learn more and submit your resume for consideration! EOE/AA.

#### **CLASS A AND B CDL TRUCK DRIVERS**

DuBrook, a member of the M and B Group, is looking for qualified Class A and B CDL Truck Drivers that are hardworking, dedicated and professional to join our team as concrete mixer drivers at our Butler or Evans City Plants. As an employee you will receive wages and benefits that are amongst the highest and best in our industry, with wages starting at \$21.75/hr. Mixer Drivers with an excellent driving record, suitable industry experience and good work history start at \$25.00/hr. Additional benefits offered include health, dental and vision insurance, 401K, and vacation. Applications are available at the M and B Group office located at 15303 Route 322 Clarion, PA, or by calling 844-DUBROOK.

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### **Upcoming Events**

Visit our website for a list of upcoming events at www.acipgh.com/calendar.shtml.

Be sure to check the website frequently for updates. In addition, our meeting minutes are posted there for review. When possible, members are welcome to observe board meetings, for a better understanding of our Chapter and its activities.





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