

Reorganization of Governance and Approval of Three New Trustees

The ACI Foundation serves a complementary role to ACI's consensus process. Distinguished volunteers and staff work together to provide a process to facilitate the introduction of innovation, new information, and technologies to ACI to develop into consensus-based documents. The ACI Foundation also provides leadership in finding solutions to industry-wide issues, encourages students to enter the concrete industry and join ACI, supports needed research, and takes part in collaborative fundraising.

Over the last few years, the ACI Foundation has been working to create more opportunities for research, engage in more activities to improve the concrete industry, and better support the ACI vision. One of the ways the ACI Foundation has positioned itself to become a more robust organization, and as identified in its strategic plan, was to reorganize its governance. Within the last 6 months, the ACI Foundation's bylaws were revised to reflect a new governance.

One of the key outcomes was an increase of the number of trustees by three. The ACI Foundation announces the nomination and approval of three new trustees. Jeffrey W. Coleman, The Coleman Law Firm, LLC; Antonio Nanni, University of Miami; and Michael J. Schneider, Baker Concrete Construction, will serve as trustees beginning at the close of The ACI Concrete Convention and Exposition – Spring 2017.

The current ACI Foundation Board of Trustees comprises:

- Chair, Debrethann R. Orsak, Cagley & Associates, Inc.;
- President, Ronald G. Burg, ACI;
- Vice Chair, Joseph M. Bracci, Texas A&M University;
- Treasurer, Donna G. Halstead, ACI;
- Secretary, Ann M. Daugherty, ACI Foundation; and
- Trustees, Khaled Awad, Advanced Construction Technology Services; David A. Lange, University of Illinois; and Joseph C. Sanders, Combined Creek Consulting.

The ACI Foundation congratulates the three new trustees and thanks the current trustees for their continued commitment and leadership.

2017 ACI Foundation Awardees

The 2017 ACI Foundation Award winners have been announced. The Robert E. Philleo Award and the Arthur J. Boase Award are presented by the Concrete Research Council for outstanding research in the fields of concrete materials and concrete structures respectively. The Jean-Claude Roumain Innovation in Concrete Award is awarded by the Strategic Development Council to a visionary engaged in moving the industry forward.

The 2017 Robert E. Philleo awardee is **Chiara (Clarissa) F. Ferraris**, who is recognized for her leadership of and

contributions to the advancement and use of rheology to scientifically measure the flow of cementitious materials using methods standardized for industrial use.

The 2017 Arthur J. Boase awardee is **Gustavo Parra-Montesinos**, who is acknowledged for research on the use of fiber-reinforced concrete for earthquake-resistant structures and for his work on the shear behavior of slab-column connections.

The 2017 Jean-Claude Roumain Innovation in Concrete Award winner is **Kamal Khayat**. He is recognized for over 25 years of research, teaching, innovation, and leadership contributing to the advancement of self-consolidating concrete; and for his relentless pursuit of knowledge transfer by organizing numerous conferences covering the science, performance, design, and testing standards of self-consolidating concrete.

“Having worked very closely with Jean-Claude, this award is very special for me,” stated Khayat. “Jean-Claude's tireless efforts to champion sustainability in our industry was remarkable, and I am deeply touched by this honored bestowed by the SDC Board of Directors.” More information about each award, including nomination forms, can be found at www.concretesdc.org and www.concreteresearchcouncil.org.

Stehly Memorial Hockey Game in Detroit

The fifth annual Richard D. Stehly Memorial Hockey Game will take place at 7 p.m. Monday, March 27, 2017, at the Dearborn Ice Skating Center in Dearborn, MI. This installment of the game has been organized by the Greater Michigan Chapter – ACI and coincides with The ACI Concrete Convention and Exposition, March 26-30, 2017 in Detroit, MI.

The Stehly Game has become an annual tradition due to the efforts and commitment of ACI members, many of whom are hockey aficionados, to honor the legacy of former ACI President Dick Stehly. Stehly believed that investing in ACI's youngest members was crucial for the future of both the concrete industry and ACI; this conviction led him to bequest a portion of his estate to fund future ACI Foundation scholarships and fellowships.

Stehly was an avid hockey player, often organizing games for ACI members to participate in during conventions. After his passing, his friends and colleagues decided that the creation of a memorial game to raise funds for student scholarships would be an ideal way to honor his legacy. Last year's game was sponsored by the Wisconsin Chapter – ACI during The ACI Concrete Convention – Spring 2016.

“I'm glad to see this event progressing into a formal tradition,” stated Nick Popoff, ACI member and organizer of this year's game. “Raising money for students and lacing up our skates is the best way to honor Dick. I hope this event can be passed from local chapter to local chapter in a spirit of

friendly competition.” Popoff also expressed his hopes that the local sponsoring chapter for every ACI Spring convention will raise more money than the previous sponsoring chapter.

The Greater Michigan Chapter – ACI encourages all to attend and come out to support this event. Free, round-trip bus transportation from the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center will be available for players and fans. The event itself is also free; however, in memory of former ACI President Dick Stehly, donations will be greatly appreciated.

All funds raised by this event will help to fund the Richard D. Stehly Memorial Scholarship. Donation forms will be available on site. However, supporters are encouraged to make advance sponsorship arrangements by contacting either Larry Sutter, Michigan Technological University (l@sutter@mtu.edu) or Nick Popoff, St Marys Cement (nick.popoff@vcimentos.com). Your company can be directly invoiced by the Greater Michigan Chapter – ACI. The chapter will compile the sponsorships into a single donation to the Richard D. Stehly Memorial Scholarship fund.



Participants in the fourth Richard D. Stehly Memorial Hockey Game

The Richard D. Stehly Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually through the ACI Foundation to an outstanding student enrolled in an undergraduate degree program studying concrete with an emphasis on structural design, materials, or construction. More information about the Richard D. Stehly Memorial Scholarship as well as the ACI Foundation’s other scholarship and fellowship programs and awards can be found at www.ACIFoundation.org.



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