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President's Piece

Dear SBOC Members, Friends and Colleagues:

This month I will start off by saying "thank you" for allowing me to represent this great organization at the 2017 ICC Annual Convention in Columbus, Ohio, held in early September. Many of the regularly scheduled events, Regional Meetings, Training Sessions and Networking Opportunities were held. However, due to the devastating effects of both hurricanes Harvey and Irma, several scheduled events were cancelled. During the convention, in a most gracious effort to support those in need, ICC announced that they started two American Red Cross funds to assist them. Additionally, these two funds would match dollar-for-dollar any Chapter's Donation. At this time, I am proud to announce that your SBOC Board voted to donate \$1,000.00 towards each fund, whereas in the end \$4,000.00 was pledged to those desperately in need of any form of assistance.

SBOC also held its Precast Concrete field trip this past week, September 28th. The event was great and went off as planned, and I believe that everyone in attendance took something away that they will forever use in their careers. I need to thank many different people for putting this event together. Dale Engebretson of Warrenville, our acting Program Chair this year, worked feverishly with our host, Amy Holliday, Executive Director of PCI of Illinois & Wisconsin. Amy & Dale put together an excellent program that started with a great buffet lunch at the Two Brothers Roundhouse restaurant in Aurora. While there, Dukane Precast's own Brian Bock, and our very own Jay Hoover, presented a masterful presentation on the groundbreaking and massive North Central College Fieldhouse & Dormitory Building in Naperville. At the time of construction, Jay was a Superintendent on the project. Jay stressed the importance of the municipalities coalition with them to work at the many issues that seemingly arose day in & day out, and to work through them together as a team. Brian discussed details of the many and varied factors involved in the design, build, installation and inspection of the panels for a building like this. Then we were coached off to the ATMI precast facility where we were within an arm's length of several types of panels being created. It was a working assembly line, very active and dynamic. We were able to gain direct access to every portion/element of their operation. From start to finish, it was an amazing eye-opening experience to see how easily they were able to make this overall challenging process appear. We also went to a Dukane precast facility, as we arrived later in the day - the operation had ceased and we were able to walk quietly through their assembly lines & operation; and again, Brian walked us through *their* manufacturing techniques. Thank you to all our Field Trip attendees. Thank you to the Roundhouse for working with Amy & Dale. Once again, it was a fantastic experience that you should not have missed!

It has been a while, but please note that our regular Luncheon Membership Meeting & Seminar will resume on Thursday, October 19th. It will be right back at Buca di Beppo in Lombard. We have a great topic 'Cold Weather Concrete' scheduled for this month. Additional details below & on CVENT.

As always you can keep up-to-date by visiting our website, www.sbo-7.com, where you can obtain a plethora of information including membership meeting information, training opportunities and other important announcements.

Lastly, "Volunteerism" is a **vital part of the SBOC organization**. If you have ever considered serving on the SBOC Board of Directors, right now is a perfect time to reach out to a current Board Member & let them know. There may be some open positions for the 2018 Board. We are always looking for additional input, and we can always use a bit more help with various events & issues throughout the year. Many past Board Members have stated that it is a very rewarding experience. Keep in mind that your voice & your thoughts can be heard! Who else would like to pitch in? Just give us a call.

OCTOBER 2017 MONTHLY MEMBERSHIP MEETING & TRAINING SEMINAR INFORMATION:

Date/Time: Thursday, October 19th, 2017 at 12:00 Noon

Place: Buca di Beppo, 90 Yorktown Mall Drive, Lombard, IL 60148, (630) 932-7673

Topic: Fundamentals of Concrete & Cold Weather Concrete

Speaker: Jack Gibbons, Director, Code Advocacy, Portland Cement Association

Cost: \$20 payable on CVENT and/or upon entry (includes mini seminar and lunch)

RSVP: "October" Meeting Link: <http://www.cvent.com/d/ytqkqg>

Sincerely, Roy Giuntoli, SBOC President 2017



Suburban Building Officials Conference



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Course Description:

A discussion on concrete materials and recommendations for cold weather placing.

Course Objectives:

To better understand the need for added inspection for cold weather concrete construction.

Course Presented By:

Jack Gibbons, Director, Code Advocacy, Portland Cement Association

Biography:

Jack Gibbons is Director, Code Advocacy at the Portland Cement Association. He has over thirty-five years' experience in the concrete construction industry. Jack started his career at Master Builders working in several capacities eventually becoming National Account Manager. He then moved to Euclid Chemical where he served as Director of Technical Services, with a focus on educating designers and contractors on the proper use of a variety of concrete specialties as well as providing field service. In 1995 Jack joined Central Ready Mixed, the Wisconsin Division of Chicago based Prairie Materials, managing the cement laboratory and the Quality Control Dept. While at Central, Jack developed a series of practical high-performance mixes for various applications: low shrinkage mixes for slabs on ground, low heat mixes for mass concrete, high strength concrete for structures and self-consolidating concrete. Some of the notable projects that Jack has influenced include the Al McGuire Center at Marquette University (Concrete Construction, Jan 2001), the Santiago Calatrava designed Milwaukee Art Museum, the 35 story Kilbourn Tower (Milwaukee's first use of 12K PSI high flow concrete), and the 100 story Trump Tower in Chicago (16K PSI SCC). Jack was designated an "Influencer of the Year" by Concrete Construction magazine, and in March of 2013 he was presented with the Richard Stehly Industry Advancement Award by the Minnesota Concrete Council. Jack is a long-time member of ACI and serves on several technical committees, and has been a regular speaker at the World of Concrete. Jack is a Fellow of the American Concrete Institute.

