



Arkansas Ready Mixed Concrete Association

ARMCA NEWS



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2008 ARMCA Convention
Hot Springs Embassy Suites and Convention Center
March 6th - 8th, 2008

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR TODAY.....

ARMCA's Annual Convention will be held at the Embassy Suites and Hot Springs Convention Center on March 6 - 8, 2008. **The Embassy Suites will sell out so room reservations must be made before February 4th.** Registration packets will be sent out this month.

The First Annual Ready Mix Driver Competition will be held on Thursday March 6th. The winning driver will represent Arkansas at the NRMCA Competition. Friday morning we will hold an educational seminar, followed by our Golf Tournament, Sporting Clays and Friday night the Trade Show and Hospitality Dinner. On Saturday we will hold the General Business Meeting, followed by the Oaklawn Luncheon, horse races. The convention will conclude with our banquet Saturday night. **Hope to see you there !!!!!!!!!!!**

CCFTT Certification

ASU - Jonesboro November 1 & 2, 2007

ARMCA had their Concrete Field Testing Certification on November 1 & 2, 2007 in Jonesboro, AR. There were 5 industry personnel and 8 ASU Students. ARMCA would like to thank all of the proctors, instructors and the examiner Dr. Parsons.

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ARMCA held their Concrete Field Testing Certification in Fayetteville, AR on November 6 & 7. There was a record breaking attendance at this certification, there were 41 industry personnel and 21 U of A students. ARMCA would like thank the instructors, proctors and J.C. Ray the examiner for all their hard work and time. We would also like to thank Frances Griffith and the CTTT/U of A Engineering Research Department for their hospitality. This was a very successful certification class, we could not have done it without all of our volunteers. THANK YOU!!!!!!

ARMCA Would Like to Thank Our Instructors and Proctors!

Instructors

J.C. Ray	Arkholia Sand & Gravel
Mike Bailey	Arkholia Sand & Gravel
Ed Newlin	Newlin Consulting



Proctors

Tom Bearden	Buzzi Unicem
Al Campbell	Arkholia Sand & Gravel
Roselee Conley	CTTP
Mary Flex	CTTP
Frances Griffith	CTTP
John Hickel	Concrete Consulting
Steve Horton	Razorback Concrete
Glenn Howard	Razorback Concrete Co.
Jason Hoyt	Razorback Concrete Co.
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Dave Leininger	Beaver Lake Concrete
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REMINDER—Please Fax Promotion Yardage Survey Reports

Thank you to the members that have submitted surveys!

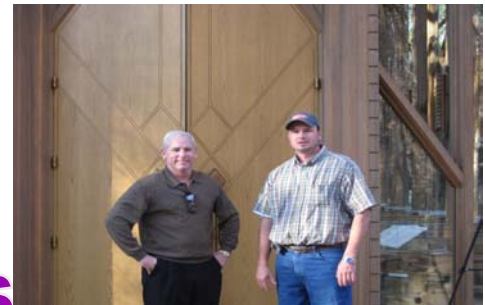
This is an ongoing survey that will assist in benchmarking our promotional efforts. The reports are completely confidential and should be faxed to Burris & Company, P.A., attention Ann McClure at fax number (501) 954-9301. Blank forms may be obtained from the ARMCA website, www.concretearkansas.org.

ARMCA held a Flatwork Finisher Certification on November 29 at the Parker Community Center in Jonesboro. The City of Jonesboro contacted Rita Madison and requested the certification program. There were 18 city employees that were in attendance. ARMCA would like to thank the examiner and instructor Joey DeRoe with Holcim US.



Hix Smith, Smith's Ready Mix accepting STEPS Certificate during NRMCA Fall Conference in Phoenix, AR. Congratulations to Hix Smith for completing this certification.

Michael Maloney, Martin Marietta Materials & John Horner, C. J. Horner Company provide Pervious Pavement presentation to Garvan Woodland Gardens on Thursday, November 28th.



Industry News

IRS Reports 30% PTO Credit Rate for Concrete Mixers

The much anticipated IRS report on Power Take Off fuel use required by Section 11144 of SAFETEA-LU has been completed and delivered to Congress. Section 11144 directs the IRS to estimate the amount of tax paid fuel consumed due to the PTO operations of ready mixed concrete trucks and to determine if its technically and administratively feasible to exempt PTO related fuel use from the federal excise tax. Using a weighted average of state allowances for mixer trucks, the IRS determined that 30.2 % of their fuel use is due to PTO off highway business use. Applying this percentage to data derived from the Department of Commerce's - 2002 Vehicle inventory and Use Survey (VIUS) the IRS determined that the ready mixed concrete industry annually consumes 87,951,308 gallons for its PTO operations or 1,142 gallons per truck per year. Multiplying the 1,142 gallons by the current rate of \$0.244 would provide an average per truck credit of \$278 per year.

Missouri Driver Wins National Mixer Driver Championship

Veteran driver Kenneth Blair of Conco Companies in Springfield, MO, took top honors at this week's second annual NRMCA National Mixer Driver Championship held in Phoenix as part of the Fall Conference. Blair out scored 37 competitors in the three part event: six - section challenge course, timed walk - around - visual inspection of a mixer truck and two hour written examination. Blair, who received the \$2500.00 first prize, finished second in last years competition. In an extremely tight competition, the second place trophy winner was Bill Emerson of Irving Materials in New Albany, IN, who received \$1000.00. Close behind in third place was Kenny Ainsworth of Lafarge in Cartersville, GA, who received a check for \$500.00.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

December 3, 2007

Pervious Contractor Certification
Little Rock, AR

December 5, 2007

Board of Directors Meeting
Wyndham Riverfront Hotel
North Little Rock, AR

December 6, 2007

Parking Lot Committee Meeting
ARMCA Office - Little Rock

December 10, 2007

ACI Flatwork Finisher Certification
ARMCA Office, Little Rock, AR

December 11, 2007

Quality Concrete Presentation
Little Rock National Airport

December 11, 2007

Driver Competition Committee Meeting
ARMCA Office - 1:00 p.m.

January 21 - 25, 2008

World of Concrete
Jan 23 - Women in Concrete Forum &
Luncheon
Shana Young, Smith's Ready Mix
Presenting Pervious Pavement
Las Vegas, NV

February 6, 2008

Board of Directors Meeting
Wyndham Riverfront Hotel
North Little Rock, AR

February 11, 2008

NRMCA Pervious Seminar & Demo
Little Rock, AR (ARMCA co-sponsor)

February 14, 2008

**Today's Competitive Parking Lot
Seminar**, Jonesboro, AR

February 19, 2008

Concrete Pavement Analyst Seminar
Texarkana

March 6, 7 & 8, 2008

ARMCA Convention 2008
Embassy Suites, Hot Springs, AR

March 11 - 14, 2008

ConAgg Expo
Las Vegas, NV

March 26 & 27, 2008

CCFTT Certification
AHTD Materials Building
Little Rock, AR

April 8 & 9, 2008

CCFTT Certification
U of A Engineering Research Center
Fayetteville, AR

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3KC Concrete
 Alessi Keys Construction Co.
 Allen Engineering Corporation
 Anderson Engineering Consultants, Inc.
 Arkansas Building Authority
 Arkansas Environmental Federation
 Arkansas Home Builders Association
 Arrow-Magnolia International LP
 Ash Grove Cement Company
 Baldwin & Shell Construction
 Barnes Industrial Group, Inc.
 Bartholomew Investments
 Bemberg Iron Works, Inc.
 BFK Technologies, Inc.
 Big River Industries Inc. - Arkalite Division
 Buzzi Unicem USA
 C & W Manufacturing and Sales
 Cashion Company
 Clark Machinery Company
 Command Alkon, Inc.
 Concrete Construction, Inc.
 Construction Materials Testing Services, Inc.
 Continental Manufacturing Company
 Crow-Burlingame Company
 Darragh Company
 Data Testing Inc.
 Degussa Admixtures Inc./Master Builders
 Durafiber, Inc.
 ENCO Materials
 E TTL Engineers and Consultants
 Evans Concrete
 Firestone Tire & Service
 First Arkansas Insurance
 Flynco, Inc.
 G. W. Van Keppel Company
 Glover's Truck Parts & Equipment
 Grace Performance Chemicals
 Granite Mountain Quarries
 Grubbs, Hoskyn, Barton & Wyatt
 H & E Equipment Services
 Hanson Aggregates
 Hartlazenby Construction, Inc.
 Headwaters Resources
 Holcim (US) Inc.
 Hugg & Hall Equipment
 Hydco, Inc.
 Innovative Equipment Solutions
 Insurance Center, Inc.
 J. A. Riggs Tractor Company
 Jeffrey Sand Company
 Kay Construction Supply, Inc.
 Kenworth (MHC) - Little Rock
 Knox Nelson Oil Company
 Lafarge North America
 Martin Marietta Aggregates
 Mineral Resource Technologies
 McClelland Consulting Engineers
 McConnell & Son Inc.
 McNeilus Truck & Manufacture, Inc.
 NPC - Bidco Fiber, Inc.
 Nabholz Construction Company
 Noacon, Inc.
 Peterbilt of Memphis
 Peterson Concrete Tank Company
 Precision Packaging, Inc.
 Propex Concrete Systems
 Purcell Tire & Rubber Company
 Ramsons, Inc.
 Razorback Screen Services, Inc.
 Rebsamen Insurance
 Robert M. Stone Construction
 Rogers Group, Inc.
 Saint-Gobain Vetrotex
 Scott Construction Equipment Company
 Scotwood Industries, Inc.
 Scurlock Industries
 Sicalco Ltd.
 Sika Corporation
 SMART Structures Distributing
 Smith and Company
 Sooner Construction Equipment
 Souther Equipment Sales
 Superior Spring Clutch & Gear
 Standard Gravel Company
 Systech, Inc.
 Terracon
 Trans-American Tire
 Trimble Mobile Solutions
 Tri-State Truck Center, Inc.
 United Engines, LLC
 United Insurance Agency, Inc.
 Vulcan Materials Company
 W. Supply Company
 Warrior of Arkansas Inc.
 Webco Mining, Inc.

Support Your Producer Members

Contact information located on ARMCA Website: www.concretearkansas.org

American Concrete LLC.
Apex Redi-Mixed Concrete, El Dorado
Arkansas Concrete Co. Forrest City
Arkholia Sand & Gravel Co., Fort Smith
Austin Ready Mix, Jacksonville
Beaver Lake Concrete, Springdale
Block USA, Memphis, TN
C. J. Horner Company, Inc, Hot Springs
Carter Building Supply, Inc., DeWitt
Chrisman Ready-Mix, Inc, Ozark, AR
Coreslab Structures of Ark., Conway
Crete Cast Products, Nashville
DeQueen Sand & Gravel, DeQueen
Gill's Backhoe Service, Ash Flat
Greenbrier Ready Mix, Greenbrier
Hedger Brothers Inc., Jonesboro
Hope Concrete Products, Hope
King Ready Mix, Inc., Mountain Home

Levy Concrete Co., North Little Rock
Mallard Ready Mix, LLC, Conway
Martin Marietta Materials, Hot Springs
Mid Continent Concrete
Mobley Construction Co., Morrilton
Mountain Home Conc., Mtn. Home
Mountain View Ready Mix, Mtn. View
Pierce and Company, Inc., Stuttgart
Pine Bluff Sand & Gravel, Pine Bluff
R & R Ready Mix, Inc., Hardy
Ravenden Redi-Mix, Hardy
Razorback Concrete, West. Memphis
S & B Ready Mix, Inc., Charleston
Select Concrete Company, Monticello
Smith's Ready Mix, Inc., Nashville
Transit Mix Concrete, Texarkana
White River Materials, Batesville
Zebcon Ready Mix, Inc.