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ICPI NEWS

ICPI Silica Update



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ICPI, as a member of the Construction Industry Safety Coalition (CISC), recently sent a [request](#) on behalf of the CISC to extend the flexible enforcement policy for an additional 45 days. CISC believes that this request will likely be denied, but we thought it appropriate to make given the lack of guidance forthcoming from OSHA. [READ MORE](#)



HNA 2017 was the Biggest Show Yet!



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The Hardscape North America trade show, Oct. 18-20, drew record numbers of contractors and dealers in Louisville, Kentucky. HNA saw an increase in attendance and in exhibit space sold this year over last.

In addition to the increase in both the attendance and exhibit space sold, HNA welcomed 57 new exhibiting companies to the trade show floor.



Cheers to another successful Hardscape North America! Be sure to mark your calendars and save the date for HNA 2018 which will take place Oct. 17-19 in Louisville, Kentucky.

Hardscape Industry Announces Winners of 2017 HNA Awards



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At the 2017 Hardscape North America trade show, the U.S. and Canada hardscape industry honored the winners and honorable mention recipients of the 2017 HNA Awards for hardscape projects built between Nov. 1, 2013 and June 30, 2017. The awards are the industry's top honors for contractors designing and installing projects using concrete pavers, segmental retaining walls, clay brick, porcelain and combinations of hardscape products. **READ MORE**

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CG Paving Declared HNA 2017 Installer Champion



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On Oct. 19-20, 21 teams from across the United States and Canada



competed in the fifth HNA Installer Championship. In the preliminary round each team was given 60 minutes to construct an 8 ft x 10 ft interlocking concrete patio with a small seat wall as detailed in the drawings provided to each team. Each installation was judged based on criteria related to safety, craftsmanship and compliance to industry best practices. The teams with the top four scores moved on to the final championship round where they were given 90 minutes to construct their own creative design. **READ MORE**

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ICPI would like to say thank you to all of our HNA 2017 Sponsors! Without each of the sponsoring companies, we wouldn't be celebrating the biggest and best year yet. ICPI truly appreciates all that our members do to support Hardscape North America and look forward to seeing everyone Oct. 17-19, 2018 in Louisville, Kentucky.

New ICPI Paver Pros Blog Answers FAQs about Silica



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A new Paver Pros Blog post on the ICPI website answers the frequently asked questions about silica following the "Preventing Silica Exposure on the Jobsite" webinar on Sept. 28.

The blog post contains links to useful documents and responses to questions that were submitted after the webinar. Click [here](#) to read the Silica FAQs by ICPI's Director of Engineering, Robert Bowers, P. Eng.

PICP Demonstration with Congressman David Price



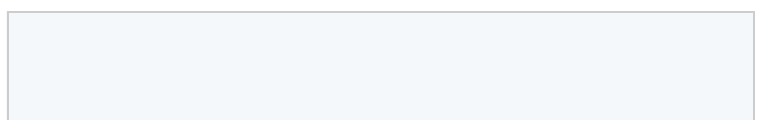
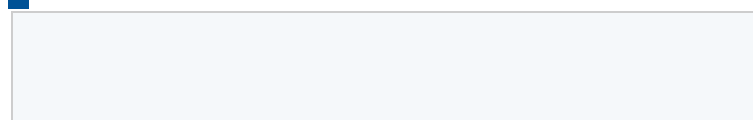
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ICPI would like to invite you to a special event — a meeting and demonstration of permeable interlocking concrete pavement systems with U.S. Rep. David Price at the Greens on Nov. 20 at Centennial Campus, North Carolina State University in Raleigh, North Carolina.

This event is more than a meeting. It is an important part of ICPI's government relations strategy to access the federal government to increase the adoption and routine use of concrete pavers — to increase sales and market share. **READ MORE**



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ICON EXPO 2018: Featured Plants & Virtual Tour Announced



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The always-popular Featured Plant & Virtual Tour, 7:30 - 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 10 during ICON EXPO is scheduled to feature five concrete masonry and paver production facilities. The tour will include: Basalite Surrey — Manufacturing in British Columbia presented by Pathfinder Systems/Tiger/Merts; CPM Frederickson an Oldcastle Company, Tacoma, Washington, presented by MASA; D’agostino Building Blocks Inc., Schenectady, New York, presented by Besser Company; Firth Industries, Auckland, New Zealand, presented by Columbia Machine; Persimmon PLC in Doncaster, UK, presented by Rekers (NA) Inc. Refreshments will be served before and during the tour and there will also be prize drawings for producers in attendance. Must be present to win. This is only one of the exciting events happening at ICON EXPO 2018. Click [here](#) to see more.



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MEMBER NEWS

Besser Company and Slab Innovation Establish Marketing Alliance



Besser Company

Kevin Curtis, Besser Company President and CEO, and Benoit Slavinski, Slab Innovation President, announced that the companies have established a marketing agreement. Under the agreement, Besser Company's sales team will introduce and promote Slab Innovation's progressive robotic solutions to concrete products producers worldwide. **READ MORE**

ICPI Members: Got News to Share?



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Add ICPI to your news distribution list and have your news shared in the Paver Express. We encourage news about your company, new products, community service projects or key employees. Send press releases and other new items to [Reba Miller](#), Marketing & Meetings Coordinator. **READ MORE**

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Executive Order Brings New Health Care Options for Manufacturers



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President Trump signed an executive order (EO) on Thursday that expands association health plans (AHPs) and possibly creates a pathway for the sale of health insurance across state lines through AHPs. A summary of the EO can be found [here](#) and a frequently asked questions document can be found [here](#). For more than a decade, the NAM has supported efforts to increase small businesses' health insurance options through AHPs. Legislation to enable AHPs passed the House of Representatives earlier this year and was supported by the NAM. The EO is a positive step and gives the NAM a new tool as our members continue to seek more affordable health care options. The appetite is strong and while a lot of details are still required to move forward on what the EO outlines and directs, today's presidential action will incentivize needed relief that introduces more choice, increased

competition and greater efficiencies to benefit manufacturers and other small businesses around the country. Manufacturers look forward to working with Congress and President Trump to not only implement the EO but also to repeal the job-killing Affordable Care Act taxes set to raise health care costs in 2018.



University of Michigan and Thomson Reuters Consumer Sentiment Index, 2004-2017



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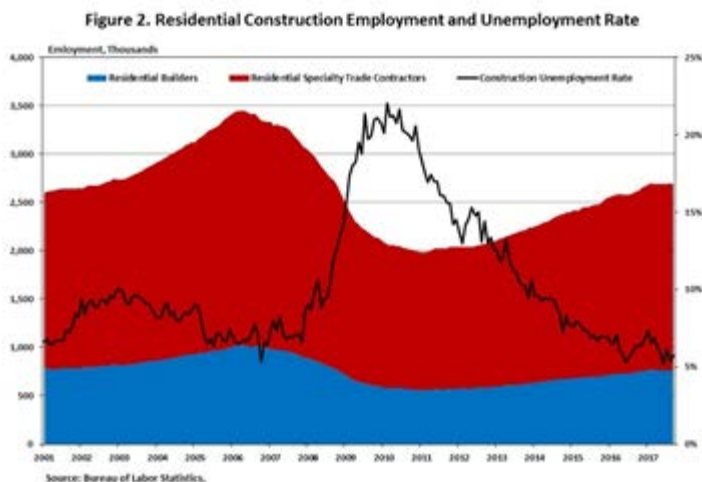


The University of Michigan and Thomson Reuters reported that consumer confidence soared in October, rising to its highest point since January 2014, according to preliminary data. Overall, the report was encouraging and a sign that consumers felt more upbeat in their views on the economy and in their expectations for spending in the months ahead. Along those lines, retail spending rose sharply, up 1.6 percent in September, buoyed by hurricane-related purchases of motor vehicles and home repair supplies and by higher gasoline prices. Beyond the monthly acceleration in activity, Americans have been generally more willing to open their pocketbooks this year than last. Retail sales have risen a relatively strong 4.4 percent over the past 12 months. **READ MORE**

Hurricanes Impact Job Numbers in September



NAHB



According to the Employment Situation for September 2017, reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS),

total nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 33,000 in September. According to the BLS, "A sharp employment decline in food services and drinking places and below-trend growth in some other industries likely reflected the impact of Hurricanes Irma and Harvey." Employment growth has averaged 148,000 per month so far this year, compared with the average monthly growth of 171,000 over the first 8 months of 2017 and 187,000 over all of 2016. Meanwhile, the unemployment rate declined to 4.2 percent in September, from 4.4 percent in August.

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INDUSTRY BUZZ

Environmentally: The Benefits of Permeable Pavement



Vanderbilt Hustler

The sidewalks and parking lots on Vanderbilt's campus are made of an impermeable concrete, which is exactly what it sounds like. Water can't seep in, so it has nowhere to go but in little rivulets. This runoff can find its way into streams, into rivers and eventually into our ocean. While the water travels over the land, it collects other waste, pesticides and pollutants, all of which are then deposited into our ocean. [READ MORE](#)

Green Streets: Sustainable Stormwater Solutions for Greener Communities and a Cleaner Bay



SFEI

As the Bay Area continues to grow — through development of roads, revitalization of neighborhoods and construction of new offices and homes — we must work to ensure that the relationship between communities and the estuary is strong, healthy, and mutually beneficial. [READ MORE](#)

Green Infrastructure Designs Scalable Solutions to Local Challenges



Delta Institute

Many municipalities struggle to effectively address stormwater and flooding issues that impact their communities, and they are increasingly interested in green infrastructure as a tool for stormwater management. However, these municipalities often face barriers to green infrastructure installation, such as the lack of capacity and technical expertise for implementation. [READ MORE](#)

ASCE Continuing Education: Lessons Learned from the Design, Construction and Maintenance of Permeable Pavements for Stormwater Management



Webinar

ASCE

The use of permeable pavements for stormwater management is gaining rapid acceptance across North America. While permeable pavements have been around for decades, their continued performance relies on critical design and construction considerations, and on regular surface cleaning. This webinar highlights best practices for the design, construction and long-term maintenance of asphalt, concrete and interlocking concrete permeable pavements. Lessons learned from the preparation of a new ASCE Standard for the Design of Permeable Pavements are presented. Attendees will learn how to design lasting permeable pavement and effectively manage stormwater at the source.

Join David Hein, P. Eng., at noon EST on Monday, Dec. 4 for the live webinar. Click [here](#) to register.

Give Their Regards to Broad Street: A Celebration of Boise LIV District



Boise Weekly

When Boise Mayor Dave Bieter and a flurry of other public officials took the stage for the Oct. 12 grand re-opening of Broad Street, they will undoubtedly regale audiences with their vision for the revitalized Central

Additional neighborhood, now the first so-called "Lasting, Innovative, Vibrant" or "LIV" District, a brand touted since 2014. [READ MORE](#)

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ICPI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
Nov. 7-8	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard	Nashville, TN
Nov. 9	PICP Specialist Course — Belgard	Nashville, TN
Nov. 13	2017 Canadian Planning Meeting	Toronto, ON
Nov. 15-16	Concrete Paver Installer Course — SiteOne Landscape Supply LLC	Asheville, NC
Nov. 16-17	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Ewing Irrigation	Phoenix, AZ
Nov. 20	PICP Demonstration with Congressman David Price	Raleigh, NC
Nov. 29-30	Concrete Paver Installer Course — SiteOne Landscape Supply LLC	Richmond, VA
Dec. 4-5	Concrete Paver Installer Course — R.I. Lampus Company	Pittsburgh, PA
Dec. 5-6	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard	Rockland, MA
Dec. 5-6	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard	Montrose, CO
Dec. 5-6	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Pavestone	Henderson, CO
Dec. 6-7	Concrete Paver Installer Course — SiteOne Landscape Supply LLC	Charleston, SC
Dec. 6-7	Advanced Residential Technician Course — R.I. Lampus Company	Pittsburgh, PA
Dec. 11-13	ICPI-NCMA Commercial Sales Course	Chicago, IL
Jan. 8-9	Concrete Paver Installer Course — County Materials Corporation	Wausau, WI
Jan. 10-11	Concrete Paver Installer Course — County Materials Corporation	DePere, WI
Jan. 15-16	Concrete Paver Installer Course — Indiana Green Expo	Indianapolis, IN
Jan. 15-16	Concrete Paver Installer Course — County Materials Corporation	Minneapolis, MN
Jan. 15-16	Concrete Paver Installer Course — County Materials Corporation	Oconomowoc, WI

Jan. 17	PICP Specialist Course — County Materials Corporation	Minneapolis, MN
Jan. 23-24	Concrete Paver Installer Course at 2018 World of Concrete	Las Vegas, NV
Jan. 24	PICP Specialist Course — Greendell Landscape Solutions	Noblesville, IN
Jan. 24	PICP Specialist Course — County Materials Corporation	Oconomowoc, WI
Feb. 9-10	2018 ICON EXPO	Indianapolis, IN
Feb. 9-13	2018 ICPI Annual Meeting	Indianapolis, IN
Sept. 10-13	2018 ICPI Summer Meeting	Vancouver, BC
Oct. 16-19	2018 International Conference on Concrete Block Pavement	Seoul, Korea
Oct. 17-19	2018 Hardscape North America Trade Show	Louisville, KY
March 3-6	2019 ICPI Annual Meeting	Charleston, SC

To check out more ICPI Events, click [here](#).

ICPI WEBINARS

Date	Webinar	Time
Oct. 12	Green Design and Low-Impact Development in Stormwater Regulations Addressed by ICPI — David Smith, ICPI Technical Director	1 p.m. EST
Nov. 2	Long-Term Performance of PICP — David Smith, ICPI Technical Director	1 p.m. EST
Nov. 9	Setting Up Your Mobile Office with New Innovative Tools, Apps and Resources to Increase Profits and Efficiency — Frank Bourque, Greenmark Landscaping & Development, Inc.	1 p.m. EST
Nov. 14	Understanding Soil Types and Their Impact on a Project — Dan Moreland, Anchor, an Oldcastle Company	1 p.m. EST
Dec. 5	Build Raised Patios that Last with Proper Construction Techniques (Members Only) — Tim Huinker, Anchor Block, an Oldcastle Company	1 p.m. EST
Dec. 19	Engaging Your Employees for Improved Performance — Randy Anderson, E3 Professional Trainers, LLC	1 p.m. EST
Jan. 11	Designing Rooftop, Pedestal and Deck Overlays Applications with Slabs — David Smith, ICPI Technical Director and Robert Bowers, P. Eng., ICPI Director of Engineering	1 p.m. EST
Jan. 22	Win the Job and Increase Profits: Using ICPI Certification to Differentiate Yourself from the Competition (Members Only) — Carl Peterson, Nicolock	1 p.m. EST
Feb. 6	Effective Use of Geosynthetic Materials in Hardscape Construction for Long-Term Performance — Robert Bowers, P. Eng., ICPI Director of Engineering	1 p.m. EST

Feb. 22	Modern Day Marketing of Contractors: Using Social Media and Tools like Drones, YouTube and Apps — Tom Gardocki, Interstate Landscape Co., Inc.	1 p.m. EST
March 13	How to Present a Lunch and Learn (Members Only) — Mark Dooley, Basalite and Dan Moreland, Anchor, an Oldcastle Company	1 p.m. EST
April 17	7 Key Principles (Everyone Should Know) for Sales Success (Members Only) — Randy Anderson, E3 Professional Trainers	1 p.m. EST
May 8	ICPI Foundation Projects Update (Members Only) — David Smith, ICPI Technical Director and Robert Bowers, P. Eng., ICPI Director of Engineering	1 p.m. EST

To check out more ICPI Webinars, click [here](#).

TRENDING ARTICLES

Missed last week's issue? See which articles your colleagues read most.

- [Besser Company and Slab Innovation Establish Marketing Alliance](#) (Besser Company)
- [Be Sure to Stop By These ICPI Member Companies Exhibiting at HNA 2017](#) (ICPI)
- [ICPI Welcomes New Members in September](#) (ICPI)

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