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ICPI Seeking Industry Leaders to Serve on Standing Committees 2017



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2017 Northeast Hardscape Awards



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The Northeast Hardscape Awards of Excellence recognizes outstanding hardscape projects by contractors building residential and commercial walkways, patios, driveways, retaining walls, commercial plazas and more. Award winners will be recognized during the 2017 Northeast Hardscape Expo at the NEHExpo Awards Recognition Ceremony and will be featured in the NEHExpo website and several other industry publications.

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ICPI regularly broadcasts live webinars. Most webinars offer 1 Continuing Education Credit to ICPI Certified Installers. Recorded webinars are also available for download to view at a later time.

ICPI Director of Engineering, Robert Bowers, P. Eng., is presenting a webinar, "Tech Spec 5: Cleaning, Sealing and Jointing," at 1 p.m. EST on Thursday, Feb. 2. To register for a webinar or to view a list of upcoming live broadcasts or recordings, click [here](#).



MEMBER NEWS

ICPI Members: Got News to Share?



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GOVERNMENT/ECONOMIC INDICATORS

ICPI Government Affairs Update



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This report will contain a high level of conjecture given the broad, deep uncertainty regarding 1) the priorities and sequence of priorities that will be pursued by President Trump; 2) the interplay of President Trump and the GOP majorities in the House and Senate; the uncertainty over how the Hill Democrats will attempt to "deal" with Trump on some issues or will block in the expectation that the president not succeed; 4) uncertainty whether President Trump can raise his approval ratings to the extent that it would be politically risky for Hill antagonists in both parties to oppose him. This is a short list of only the most apparent uncertainties. Things are changing on an hourly basis, and in ways the defy forecasting. **READ MORE**

Holding Us Back: Regulation of the US Manufacturing Sector



NAM

As the momentum builds in Washington for reform — to make regulations smarter, simpler and streamlined — the NAM is out with a new study that demonstrates the urgent need for change. **READ MORE**

Manufacturing's Value-Added Contributions to the US Economy, in Trillions



of Dollars

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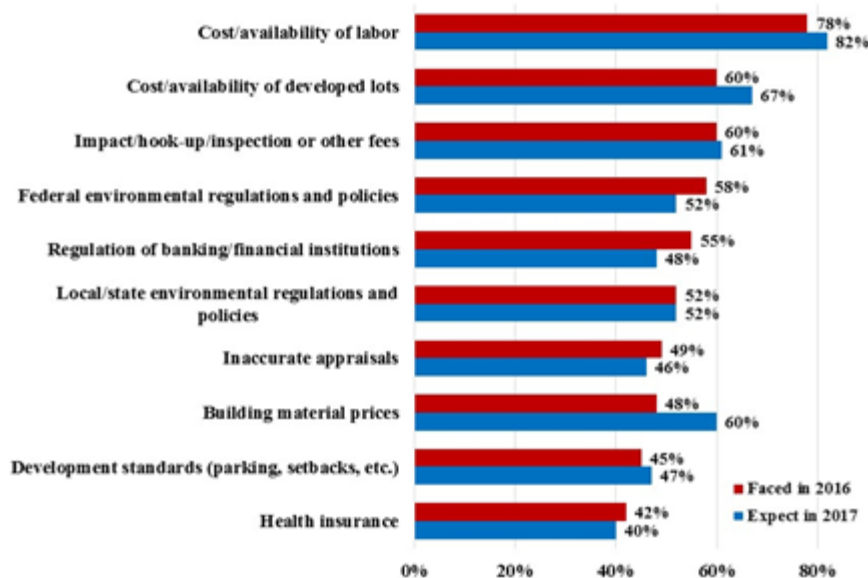
The Federal Reserve reported that manufacturing production rebounded in December after pulling lower in November, with output in the sector up 0.2 percent in the latest release. Manufacturers have struggled to increase demand over the past couple years, with a strong dollar and global headwinds dampening overall activity, but recent data have started to reflect a turnaround in sentiment. In that regard, manufacturing production grew 0.2 percent year-over-year in December, its first positive reading since June but still indicating essentially stagnant growth over the past 12 months. Similarly, manufacturing capacity utilization edged up from 74.7 percent to 74.8 percent, which, despite some progress, remained below the 75.2 percent utilization rate observed one year ago. At the same time, total industrial production jumped 0.8 percent in December, boosted by a spike in utilities output. It marks the largest monthly gain since March 2014. **READ MORE**



Top Challenge for Builders Is Labor Cost/Availability

NAHB

Top 10 Significant Problems Faced in 2016 and Expect to face in 2017



Source: HMI Survey, NAHB EChp.

The monthly NAHB/Wells Fargo Housing Market Index includes a set of "special" questions on a topic of current interest to the housing industry. In December 2016, the special questions asked builders about the problems they faced in 2016 and expect to face in 2017. **READ MORE**

INDUSTRY BUZZ

OSHA under Trump: A Closer Look



Safety + Health

A new presidential administration almost certainly will mean a new direction for OSHA, legal experts agree. Regulations could be undone. Funding could decrease. Strategies for worker safety could shift 180 degrees. **READ MORE**

Trump Team Compiles Infrastructure Priority List



The Kansas City Star

President Donald Trump's team has compiled a list of about 50 infrastructure projects nationwide, totaling at

least \$137.5 billion, as the new White House tries to determine its investment priorities, according to documents obtained by McClatchy's Kansas City Star and The News Tribune. **READ MORE**

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ICPI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Date	Event	Location
Feb. 2-3	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — ICPI Southwest Chapter	Albuquerque, NM
Feb. 6-7	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Anchor Block	Minnetonka, MN
Feb. 8-9	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Nicolock	Fairfield, NJ
Feb. 14-15	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Eagle Bay Hardscapes	Charlotte, NC
Feb. 14-15	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course (Spanish Course) — Eagle Bay Hardscapes	Charlotte, NC
Feb. 14-17	ICPI 2017 Annual Meeting	Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 15-16	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Techo-Bloc & Sauder's Hardscape LLC	New Holland, PA
Feb. 18-19	ICON-Xchange	Phoenix, AZ
Feb. 20-21	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Amcor Masonry Products & Belgard	Salt Lake City, UT
Feb. 21-22	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard	Pensacola, FL
Feb. 21-22	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — New Jersey Landscape Contractors Association	Elmwood Park, NJ
Feb. 22-23	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Lowcountry Paver	Hardeeville, SC
Feb. 22-23	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Nicolock	Lindenhurst, NY
Feb. 23-24	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard & Miller Material	Overland Park, KS
Feb. 23-24	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — SiteOne	Miramar Beach, FL
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Feb. 23-24	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Belgard	Idaho Falls, ID

Feb. 27	PICP Specialist Course — Alliance	Washington, DC
Feb. 27-28	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Landscape New Brunswick	Fredericton, NB
Feb. 28 - March 1	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — CPS Distributors, Inc. & Borgert Product	Westminster, CO
March 1-2	Advanced Residential Paver Technician Course — Landscape New Brunswick	Fredericton, NB
March 1-2	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — CST Pavers & Pavestone	Leesburg, VA
March 1-2	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course – Midwest Block & Brick	Bridgetown, MO
March 1-2	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course – Williamette Graystone	Bend, OR
March 1-2	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course – ICPI Northern California Chapter	Campbell, OR
March 2-3	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course – Amcor	Boise, ID
March 6-7	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Michigan Green Industry Association & Belgard	Novi, MI
March 7-8	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Nicolock	East Syracuse, NJ
March 8-9	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — CST Pavers	Philadelphia, PA
March 9-10	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course – Barkman Concrete	Regina, SK
March 13-14	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — ABC Delaware	New Castle, DE
March 15-16	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Nicolock	North Haven, CT
March 28-29	Certified Concrete Paver Installer Course — Landscape Ontario Hardscape Committee	St. Jacobs, ON
April 4	2017 Montreal PICP Workshop	Montreal, QC
April 6-7	Northeast Hardscape Expo	Providence, RI
Aug. 22-25	ICPI 2017 Summer Meeting	Toronto, ON
Oct. 18-20	Hardscape North America	Louisville, KY

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ICPI WEBINARS

Date	Webinar	Time
Feb. 2	Tech Spec 5 — Cleaning, Sealing and Jointing: Robert Bowers, P.Eng — Director of Engineering, ICPI	1 p.m. EST
Feb. 28	Tech Spec 15 — Specification of Mechanically Installed ICP: Andrew Vear — Director, PaverCrafters Ltd. and Robert Bowers, P.Eng — Director of Engineering, ICPI	1 p.m. EST
March 8	Upselling to Homeowners (<i>Members Only</i>): Donny Duke — Director of Design, Engledow Estates	1 p.m. EST
March 21	Tech Spec 11 — Mechanical Installation of ICP: Robert Bowers, P.Eng — Director of Engineering, ICPI	1 p.m. EST
April 12	Providing Value and Selling to Design Professionals (<i>Members Only</i>): Mark Dooley, RLA — Architectural Sales, Basalite	1 p.m. EST
May 11	Inspection of PICP: David Smith — Technical Director, ICPI	1 p.m. EST
June 8	PICP Design Using Permeable Design Pro: David Smith — Technical Director, ICPI and Robert Bowers, P.Eng — Director of Engineering, ICPI	1 p.m. EST

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- [Toronto City Council Approves Paver Maintenance Fee](#) (ICPI)
- [ICPI Webinar: Long-Term Performance of Permeable Interlocking Concrete Pavement \(PICP\)](#) (ICPI)
- [Video: The Power of Permeable Pavers](#) (SBCreeks via YouTube)
- [ICPI Annual Meeting Social Event Location Announced](#) (ICPI)

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