

## SW Patrons Program Update June 2011

### Happy Summer Everyone!

The **HEAT** is here!

And things are **Cooking** in the CIM program!

### Student Headcount

We now have **53** declared CIM students and with a little luck we could be pushing **60** by the start of the fall semester. The average cumulative GPA of the CIM students now stands at **3.15**. We currently have **10** students enrolled in CIM 105 for fall 2011 semester (5 non-CIM students) and 3 of them are planning on joining the program in December after raising their GPA.

We passed two graduates out the door in May both of which are employed – one with a small concrete contractor and the other with the Casa Grande Fire Department.

I anticipate one graduate this December and 5-10 next summer.

### Summer Internships

All I can say is

## THANK YOU PATRONS!

We had **26** students needing internships as part of their curriculum path to stay on schedule for graduation and I am pleased to say **23** are currently working in the industry this summer! (**88%**)

Below is a list of the employers:

ACI-ARPA  
Adolphson-Peterson  
Baker Concrete  
Cal Portland (2)  
Cemex (2)  
Drake Materials (2)  
Hanson Aggregates  
Hensel Phelps (2)  
Holder Construction  
Home Builder in  
SoCal  
LaFarge (2)  
McCarthy Building C.  
Perini Building Co.  
Quikcrete  
SRMG  
Sundt Construction(2)  
Turner Construction

We will find a way to catch up those students who were not able to secure one this summer

### Classroom Updates - Education in the Field

Planning is underway for the fall semester for and we plan again to take advantage of our urban location and your generosity with **many** field trips completed during the fall. **Ken Riley** with **WR Grace** volunteered his services this spring in the CIM 105 to demonstrate the art and science of creating concrete countertops! The result was a great hands-on in-class experience for the students with decorative concrete that resulted in two permanent pieces of beautiful concrete

furniture for the CIM classroom. **Tamryn Doolan** with Surface Geltek showed the students how to acid etch beautiful designs into the tops. There are plans to add more concrete countertops to the CIM concrete lab this fall. We also added **Mesa Precast** to the field trip list this spring where the students got to get some hands on experience casting some concrete benches. Many thanks to **Bob Bogle** and his staff there! This fall semester we will be offering CIM 205, and CIM 305 taught by Ed Weaver and CIM 105 and 405 offered by Jim Ernzen and Jim Willson plus a new class on Post-tensioned concrete taught by Jim Rogers. **Each of these courses will offer multiple avenues for your industry participation so if you are a regular participant, we look forward to having you in the classroom and if you are not yet involved with us simply contact me and we will look for a way to make that happen.**

### **Concrete Community Service Activities**

CIM student Josh Marriott is continuing his effort to create an annual activity in which the CIM 105 students cast **concrete furniture** for use in various locations around the Valley. The School worked with **Bob Bogle** from **Mesa Precast** who hosted the CIM 105 class at his facility this spring where they cast **two** benches. The beneficiaries of this student effort will be the Ventana Lakes community in the West Valley whose members are active with ARPA. The School met with the community this summer and after some modifications, the 2 benches cast this spring will be delivered this October.

The plan is for this service activity to continue each semester giving the students some hands on experience with concrete materials and donating their time to create something for others.

### **ACI Student Club Activities**

The CIM students in the ACI Student Club was extremely active this past semester as a new group of students moved into leadership positions.

Despite the fact that the students are now off for the summer, there were several students in attendance at the June AZ-ACI meeting and the student leadership is already making plans for events to occur upon their arrival back on campus in August. Among the events planned you can expect to see our students participating this fall are the following:

- The AZ-ACI Bowling Tournament in Tempe August
- A CIM student sponsored gathering to welcome back students
- A CIM student sponsored Homecoming Football Game Tailgate
- A CIM Sponsored float in the ASU Homecoming parade.
- AZ-ACI meetings in Tempe in September, October, and November
- NRMCA National Convention in San Diego in September
- ICRI Fall Convention in Cincinnati in October
- ACI Fall Convention in Cincinnati in October
- PCI meeting in Salt Lake City in October

As you may remember, my **2011 News Year Resolution** was to have **60 declared CIM students** by December 2011. We are getting close and you can help! Just send me one!

### **July 4 Celebration**

I would like to wish each and every one of you and your families a Blessed July fourth holiday. As a 21 year military veteran our freedoms mean more to me the older I get. As we celebrate with our families this weekend please remember our military members who are currently away from theirs.

**Thank you for your continued support of the CIM program at ASU!**

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