# NCBVA NEWSLETTER

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# CONTRADICTION IN OSHA'S CRANES AND DERRICKS CONSTRUCTION STANDARD

#### **OSHA'S CRANE RULING**

The NCBVA was instrumental in reaching <u>a ruling in our favor 10+years ago</u> to OSHA's Cranes and Derricks in Construction standard. This ruling stated that the movement and placement of burial vaults is **not** a construction activity and that the specialized equipment used to move/place burial vaults (in a grave) at the cemetery is **excluded** by the Cranes and Derricks in Construction standard.



#### WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

This ruling equated to a savings of thousands of dollars per burial vault company - EACH YEAR – by avoiding specialized training per vault man. Even a plant with only one vault man would have saved \$22,000 to date.

#### HOWEVER...

In <u>a recent OSHA release</u>, there is a contradiction to the directive in the online version (only) of "OSHA's Cranes and Derricks Construction standard." On page 13, the online version now appears to define the movement/placement of vaults as a construction activity (instead of not a construction activity). <u>VIEW FULL LETTER</u>

#### **JOIN US FOR THE ANNUAL MEETING 8/11**

We are less than a month away from the NCBVA annual meeting in Kansas City, MO August 10-11! <u>Join us</u> and experience the benefits of connections and friendships within the industry regardless of product or brand affiliations. As NCBVA President Jeff Hardy said, "We are truly a UNIFIED VOICE for the industry."

Meeting attendee: \$400 (member) and \$625 (non-member)

• Guest: \$100

• Child (14 and under): \$50

Sponsorship: +\$300

# PLANT TOUR & SUPPLIER WORKSHOPS

On the agenda Friday is an offsite visit to Wilbert Funeral Services, Grandview, MO for lunch and a plant tour. We will get a sneak peek at their operations and enjoy some educational demonstrations from some of our suppliers.

#### The tour will include:

- Pole Base casting
- Redi-Rock production
- Septic tanks
- Feed bunks
- · Vault personalization
- Crematory

#### Supplier demonstrations include:

- Graveside equipment panel with <u>Holland Supply</u> & <u>Cemetery Funeral Supply</u>
- The Pros of batching your own concrete with Mixer Systems
- Benefits of volumetric concrete for your operations with Cemen Tech



# MEETING SPEAKERS: POUL LEMASTERS (LEGAL & OSHA) & PATRICK LEWANDOWSKI (CONCRETE SPECIALIST)



**AGENDA (TENTATIVE)** 



7:10

August 10 - 11, 2023   Annual Meeting called by Jeffrey Hardy Crossroads Hotel, Kansas City, MO – Crossroads Ballroom			
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THURSDAY			
5:30-6:30pm	Cocktails and Networking	Percheron East	
	Dinner on your own		
FRIDAY			
7:00-8:00am	Continental Breakfast - Hotel Restaurant	Lazia	
8:30	Welcome and Introductions	Jeffrey Hardy	
8:05-8:30	Business Meeting and Elections	Committee Chairs	
8:30-9:00	Fundamentals of a Concrete Specialist	Patrick Lewandowsk	
9:00-10:00	Legal and OSHA Crane Update	Poul Lemasters	
10:00	Break		
10:20	Depart for Wilbert Funeral Services - hotel lobby		
10:45	Wilbert Funeral Services Plant Tour, Grandview, MO	Royden Wood	
11:15	Volumetric Concrete for Your Operations	Jared Evers	
		Cemen Tech	
	12:00pm Sandwiches	71.07 TB2 71.7 C-44.70 TT 71	
12:45	Batching Your Own Concrete	Stephen Nelson	
	<ul> <li>types of mixers</li> </ul>	Mixer Systems	
	<ul> <li>benefits to batching your own concrete and ROI</li> </ul>		
2:00	Tent Safety, Liability & Maintenance Panel with	Stan Scruggs, Jr.	
	Show & Tell	Cemetery Funeral	
	<ul> <li>proper care and maintenance</li> </ul>	Supply	
	<ul> <li>top items to be inspected daily/monthly/quarterly</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>installation procedures</li> </ul>	Jordan Weaver	
	<ul> <li>why it is impossible to have a wind rating</li> </ul>	Holland Supply	
3:00	Closing	Jeffrey Hardy	
3:30	Depart for Hotel		
	Meet in hotel lobby for shuttle departure to baseball		
	game. If you are not riding the shuttle with the shuttle		

**QUICK LINK: REGISTER FOR ANNUAL MEETING** 

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS NOMINEES**

We have three nominees slated to join the Board of Directors and will hold a vote at the annual meeting.



#### **Todd Dean, Richards Wilbert:**

Todd Dean of Richards Wilbert (Hagerstown, MD) is an active multi-site member of NCBVA with three manufacturing plants and one distribution warehouse. With locations in Maryland and Virginia, Richards Wilbert onboarded Todd as its director of marketing and sales over 20 years ago. Todd is a licensed funeral director, and his organization manufactures and services vaults. In addition, they have a grave digging operation in Salem, actively sell caskets and urns, and recently sold a pet crematory business. Their sister company, Montgomery Vault, proudly serves Arlington National Cemetery.

#### Paul Evans, Evans Burial Vaults, Inc.:

Paul Evans is the current owner of Evans Burial Vaults, Inc., a diversified pre-cast concrete/funeral services business with manufacturing facilities located in Lancaster, Lebanon, Harrisburg, and Gettysburg, PA. He has more than 10 years of experience as an environmental/engineering consultant and serves as an expert investigator for the Department of Labor (OSHA). Paul holds a B.S. in geology/environmental studies from Dickinson College and an M.S. in environmental pollution control (engineering) from Penn State University. Among his many



leadership positions, Paul has served on the Board of Directors for Eagle Burial Vault Association and PA Concrete Burial Vault Association.



#### **Craig Harms, Lenox Cement Products:**

Craig Harms grew up in the business. Lenox Cement Products started in 1910, and his grandfather purchased it in 1955. They primarily manufactured concrete septic tanks, and expanded to burial vaults in the early 80s. Lenox Cement Products began as an Eagle dealer for a few years and then switched to Trigard. As a child, Craig looked forward to Saturdays with his father and grandfather helping with graveside services at all the local cemeteries. By 16, he was working after school, weekends and summers with the business. After Craig graduated from Oakland University, he began working full time with a focus on sales and marketing for burial vaults. In 2016, in partnership with his father, they opened a stand alone crematorium.

# THANK YOU TO OUR OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS







**Steve Handley** 

**Brett Henery** 

Dan Welzenbach



## **ROYALS VS. CARDINALS GAME**

Join us for an optional group outing to the Kansas City Royals baseball game on Friday, August 11 at 7:00pm. If you did not purchase your ticket during registration, <u>email us</u> to join in on the fun! Tickets are now on a space available basis.

Transportation information will be sent to all baseball game attendees prior to the meeting.

## **SEE WHO'S COMING**

See who's coming to the annual meeting!

Last Name	First Name	Company Name	
Domingo	Steve	Accurate Wire & Strip Forming, Inc	
Durante	Jeff	Accurate Wire & Strip Forming, Inc	
Payment	Joey	Atlas Concrete Products	
Payment	Adair	Atlas Concrete Products	
Babylon	Donna	Babylon Vault Company	
Flater	Samantha	Babylon Vault Company	
Forney	Sean	Babylon Vault Company	
Koontz	Steven	Babylon Vault Company	
Baker	David	Baker Landscaping and Excavation Inc	
Bickes	Cory	Bickes, Inc.	
Evers	Jared	Cemen Tech	
Scruggs	Stan	Cemetery Funeral Supply	
Cooper	Richard	Central Burial Vaults	
Cooper	Polly	Central Burial Vaults	
Hedgepeth	Clinton	Clinton Excavation LLC	
Viens	Jim	CVI Funeral Supply	
Viens	Sharon	CVI Funeral Supply	
Evans	Paul	Evans Burial Vaults	
Evans	Melissa	Evans Burial Vaults	
Handley	Steve	Handley Precast Systems, Inc.	
Handley	Kelly	Handley Precast Systems, Inc.	
Hardy	Gerald	Hardy Doric Inc	
Hardy	Jeffrey	Hardy Doric Inc.	
Atwood	Brandon	HD Williams	
Veaver	Jordan		
Lemasters		Holland Supply  Lemasters Consulting	
	Poul		
Foley	Brian	Means Precast Co. Inc.	
Ricciardi	Brian	Means Precast Co. Inc.	
Nelson	Stephen	Mixer Systems	
.ewandowski	Patrick	NCBVA	
Anderson	Lisa	NCBVA I Peacock Marketing	
Harms	Craig	Plastic Plaque Products	
Harms	Vanessa	Plastic Plaque Products	
lefferson	James	Southside Grave and Vault Inc	
Leach	Ethan	Superior Vault Company	
Mathews	Whitney	Superior Vault Company	
Signor	Ann	The Fort Miller Service Corp.	
Darby	Ethan	Trigard	
Miller	Jeff	Trigard Vault	
Delle Chiaie	Bruce	Whitman Burial Vault	
Sannipoli	Freddie	Wilbert	
Fachorn	Jason	Wilbert Funeral Services	
Welzenbach	Andrew	Wilbert Funeral Services	
Wood	Royden	Wilbert Funeral Services, Inc.	
Anderson	Boyd	Wilbert Greenville	
Anderson	Colt	Wilbert Greenville	
Pierson	Catherine	Wilbert Vault Company of Paducah, Inc.	
Sanders	Dennis	Wilbert Vault Company of Paducah, Inc.	
Sanders	Lisa	Wilbert Vault Company of Paducah, Inc.  Wilbert Vault Company of Paducah, Inc.	
Henery	Brett	Wilbert Vaults of Houston	
Valker	James	Wilbert Vaults of Houston Wilbert Vaults of Houston	
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## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

• <u>Doric</u> • <u>Eagle</u> • <u>Trigard</u> • <u>Wilbert</u>

• <u>Cemen Tech</u> • <u>Cemetery Funeral Supply</u> • <u>HD Williams</u> • <u>Holland Supply, Inc.</u>

• Mixer Systems • Plastic Plaque Products















### RECENT CERTIFICATIONS



### **MEET OUR CONCRETE SPECIALISTS**



Patrick Lewandowski: Patrick has 31 years of industry experience and education in civil engineering construction materials working directly in the cement, ready-mix, governmental specification, mining, tunneling, precast, and macro-synthetic fiber industries.

Mike Barry: Mike has worked in the concrete industry since 1978, in QC and operations. He is certified as concrete field technician, flatwork finisher, pervious concrete installation technician, compressive strength testing, windsor probe testing, and nuclear density testing.



# IS YOUR PLANT NCBVA CERTIFIED OR HAS YOUR CERTIFICATION EXPIRED?

NCBVA certification is renewable every 5 years. The schedule for certification is based on certification date and geographic location. View the full <u>member directory</u> along with each plant's certification status.

- All certifications will be conducted by a concrete specialist.
- Areas observed during a certification visit include maintenance and cleanliness, production, employee safety, and concrete load testing (performed by a third-party testing facility).
- In order to be added to the certification schedule, your plant must be an active member of the NCBVA (up-to-date with dues).
- Plant certifications are \$1500 per site. For Doric plants, fees are direct billed to Doric. As always, each plant is responsible for their cylinder testing fee of \$125.

<u>Let us know</u> if you are interested in becoming an NCBVA Certified Plant or renewing your certification.

### DEALER INCENTIVES TO JOIN NCBVA



# JOIN/RENEW NCBVA MEMBERSHIP AND RECEIVE A \$225 DISCOUNT.

Doric will pay \$225 towards NCBVA membership dues.

Email rtrout@doric-vaults.com





#### JOIN/RENEW NCBVA MEMBERSHIP AND RECEIVE A \$225 CREDIT.

Trigard will credit any dealer \$225 towards their NCBVA membership dues.

Email custserv@trigard.com



## JOIN/RENEW NCBVA MEMBERSHIP AND RECEIVE 50% OFF WFSI REGISTRATION\* FEES.

\*WFSI will apply a 50% discount towards attendance at 2023 QC School, WFSI meeting, or sales meeting.

Email rwood@wilbert.com

DOWNLOAD/PRINT NCBVA MEMBERSHIP FORM

#### **MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS**

Every major brand affiliation of concrete vault manufacturer is represented as a member of the organization. As an association, the NCBVA represents groups that provide 90% of all outer burial receptacles interred within the boundaries of its membership.

Click here to view our membership directory.

#### WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN:

- 3 articles/year on a trending legal topic
- 3 Q&A conference calls with NCBVA legal counsel
- Ready-to-use legal templates such as:
- disinterment legal form
- social media policy sample
- employee handbook including a write-up of the 10 key elements
- job application form
  - Access to NCBVA plant certification program with a concrete specialist
  - Quarterly email updates on industry news and education
  - Unified voice of the industry to address industry regulations

Single-Site Membership - \$450 Vendor/Supplier - \$450 Multi-Site (manufacturing) Membership - \$1,000

### **JOIN NCBVA - THE UNIFIED VOICE**

#### **MEMBER LOGO**

Add the **new NCBVA Member 2023 logo** to your website. <u>Send us an email</u> and we will respond with the logo, ready to insert to your marketing materials.



View all members.



# DID YOU MISS THE LAST LEGAL CALL ON NON-COMPETE AGREEMENTS?

NCBVA members have access to the recordings of all of the legal calls. Listen to "Non-Compete vs Non-Solicitation" through the <u>members only page</u>. <u>Email us</u> if you need access.

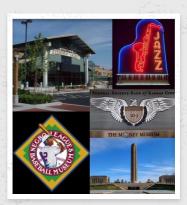
Register for the next legal call on Wednesday, November 1, at 2:00pm ET. The topic is "Breaks and Vacations in the Workplace."

#### THINGS TO DO IN KANSAS CITY

Kansas City has alot to offer! From the riverwalk, markets, museums, and arts district, to breweries, BBQ, and jazz, you will be amazed at all the things to do! Click on this link for some unique activities in Kansas City!

If you're a big fan of museums, you will not be disappointed! There are several interesting museums to visit as well:

- The National WW1 Museum and Memorial
- The Negro Leagues Baseball Museum
- The American Jazz Museum
- The Arabia Steamboat Museum
- The Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas Money Museum





### HOTEL INFORMATION

The Crossroads Hotel 2101 Central Street Kansas City, MO 64108 (P) 866-531-2400

<u>Email us to reserve your hotel room</u> and to check availability in our room block.

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<u>Download/Print</u> a copy of this newsletter and share it with others who may be interested.

#### **FORWARD TO A FRIEND**

Feel free to **forward this newsletter to a colleague**. They can join NCBVA or sign up for upcoming communication on the <u>NCBVA website</u>.



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