I am thrilled to experience the continued growth of the CIM program in enrollment, industry involvement, and the great support and increase in awareness in the NJIT community. The program has tripled in 2.5 years from 22 to 66 students. The quality of the students have also been inspiring moving forward.

Internship and jobs appear on my email inbox as well as by phone calls nearly every other day. This great blessing has been the source of our continued statistic of 100% job placements. CIM students continue to work arduously with our ACI NJIT Student Chapter. Their hard work has helped them achieve third place in the ACI 2012 Egg Protection Device Competition held in Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

Our NSC accreditation visit on October 22, 2012 included the great efforts of the NSC Board of Directors, Northeast CIM Patrons, CIM Program Faculty and Staff, NJIT Administration, CIM Graduates and Students. The visit was a success and yielded great feedback from all parties all geared to the continuous improvement of the CIM program.

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I would like to thank all CIM students for their much appreciated effort. I would also like to thank Mr. Anlee Orama, CIM Specialist, for his tireless effort helping this program gain new grounds every day. Also, I would like to thank Dr. Ronald Rockland for his great and continuous support and advice. Finally, I would like to thank our NE Patrons Chairperson Jamie Gentoso, Larry Silvi, Bill Layton, Mike Gentoso, and all our Patrons for their great support and sincere effort. Without all of these people, the CIM program would not be as successful as it is today.

This year's event promises to once again be a who's who of industry participants as well as political decision makers. Last year Governor Corbett of Pennsylvania attended and we are hoping to add Governor Christie to the list of attendees in 2013.

This year we have attained a special rate at a gorgeous boutique hotel in lower Manhattan, The Standard, giving guests an opportunity to spend a fantastic weekend in The City! For more information about the benefit dinner, the program at NJIT, and/or how you might get involved contact Bill Layton at wflayt01@comcast.net or at 609-393-3352. You can also contact Anlee Orama at orama@njit.edu or 973-596-6067.

The NJIT CIM program continues to increase in enrolment heading into the new year. We have achieved an enrollment of 66 students and looking forward to working with several potential students. Extensive recruitment and marketing has substantially increased the awareness among the NJIT community. The CIM program has never been so far reaching at NJIT and has become the talk of the university quite commonly. Internal transfers into CIM continues to be the primary source for recruitment.

The CIM student ambassadors have contributed significantly to the increase in enrollment. The students take ownership of the program and are committed to its growth and expansion. Some of our exceptional students have taken the initiative to become presenters for high school students in our NJIT Open House. The results were remarkable with the energy created among the visiting students listening to our CIM student ambassadors character and professionalism after being in the program only for one year!

The program is on its way to further expand into the Northeast region and New England territories. I am scheduled to attend the 14th Annual Northeast Precast Concrete Association Winter Meeting in Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Mr. Dave Dimmick, NEPCA President, has welcomed the CIM program and looks forward to becoming involved.

October 14, 2012
NJ Engineering & Science Festival

December 7, 2012
NJIT Career Day
November 29, 2012
Scotch Plains, NJ
NJACI Dinner Meeting

ACI Student Chapter President Featured on Cover of Concrete International

CIM student pictured: Andrew Canon


A Successful and Busy Semester for NJIT Students Enrolled in Concrete Industry Management (CIM) Program


December 5, 2012
Manhattan, NY
ICRI Metro NY Chapter Dinner

CIM Students Awarded 3rd Place at International Competition


NJIT Professor Promotes Building Material of Millennium: Autoclave Aerated Concrete

Industry guest speakers have been highly enthusiastic to come and speak to the CIM students about their companies and the concrete industry. In only three months eight guest speakers have taken the time to share their expertise in their field and have contributed greatly to the enhancement of the CIM core courses and overall CIM program. Even the Executive Director of the CIM National Steering Committee (NSC), Eugene Martineau, took the offer of shedding his wisdom to a group of CIM students while visiting NJIT for the CIM Accreditation Visit and Board of Directors Meeting.

**CIM National Steering Committee**
**October 18, 2012**

Eugene Martineau, CIM NSC Executive Director

**Eastern Concrete Materials Inc.**
**October 18, 2012**

Mike Gentoso, President and General Manager of the Northeast Region

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**Advanced Concrete Technologies**
**November 15, 2012**

Max Hoene, President, and Jeff West, Sales Engineer

**Mapei**
**November 19, 2012**

Monica Rourke, Concrete Restoration Division

**Titan America**
**November 20, 2012**

Thomas Cerullo, Vice President and General Manager, and Sherif Girgis, Sales Representative and CIM 2010 Graduate

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**em[Power] Energy Group**
**November 26, 2012**

Ryan Integlia, Executive Director

**Sika Corporation**
**November 29, 2012**

Karin Franz, Recruiting Manager

**Intelligent Concrete**
**November 26, 2012**

Jon Belkowitz, President

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Interested in establishing a field trip, social, or becoming a guest speaker for CIM students???

Please contact: Mahgoub@njit.edu or Orama@njit.edu
Industry Socials

Industry socials continue to be a wonderful experience for the CIM students as well as potential visiting students and guests. The CIM NE Patrons Group have been involved more than ever in volunteering to come and share their industry experience knowledge. Moreover, in this quarter two out of the three companies that hosted a social brought along a current CIM student and a CIM graduate, currently employed at their company, to represent the company along with their supervisors. This has been an invaluable experience for our current students, whom can see firsthand the great opportunities awaiting them upon graduation and during their studies.

County Concrete Corp.
October 10, 2012

John Post, VP of Sales & Marketing, and Nicholas Denicoli, Assistant QC Manager and CIM Student

Grace Construction Products
November 28, 2012

Ken Yuhas, District Sales Manager, and Bob Perrier, QC Manager

Titan America
November 28, 2012

Thomas Cerullo, Vice President and General Manager, Brooke Perry, Human Resources, and Sherif Girgis, Sales Representative and CIM 2010 Graduate
CIM students had one of the greatest experiences ever. They had an opportunity to witness and receive training on a state of the art Concrete Volumetric Mixer. Mike Rozga, Regional Sales, and Kevin Smith, Service Assistant, of Cemen Tech Inc. has transported the brand new $70,000 machine from Iowa for two days in the heavy rain to NJIT Campus to teach our students free of charge. Cemen Tech is the world's largest manufacturer of volumetric concrete mixing systems. Volumetric mixers are portable concrete batch plants. This was a once in a life time experience for the students!!! Cemen Tech offered to leave the machine at NJIT pending utilization of the mixer for pervious concrete research proposals.

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CIM students participated in a concrete pour (Composite Flooring Research Project) that took place in the Structures Laboratory in the Architecture Building. Aside from the Civil Engineering graduate students, the CIM students were the only undergraduate students present. They arrived at 7 am and worked until 1pm. They performed quality control testing on the concrete delivered, students performing tests hold ACI Level 1 Testing Certification, and also assisted with the finishing of the concrete deck. Special thanks goes to Frank Golon, President of DWD Metro Construction Company., Dr. Hsu, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Tom Rizzo from Tannis Ready Mix for donating the concrete, Rivas Concrete Inc, and the Local Union concrete finishers.

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CIM students participated in a joint project with graduate students from the Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE) Department. The project is under the supervision of Dr. Hsu Thomas and Dr. Pedro Munoz. The project entailed the design and construction of a two storey concrete house in the structural laboratory of the CEE department. The floor of the house will be made of a composite section (concrete and steel) which is an NJIT patent. CEE graduate students worked on the design and the CIM students built the CMU wall samples to be implemented in the research.

Photos:
CIM Students Shine in the NJ ACI Chapter Dinner

December 6, 2012
NJIT

Larry Silvi, President of the Silvi Group Companies, presented the successful Wine Tasting Dinner event and also honored the CIM program on behalf of the NE local Patrons with a check for $50 thousand dollars matching their commitment with the CIM National Steering Committee. Also in attendance was Mr. Bill Layton, Executive Director of New Jersey Concrete and Aggregate Association and board member of the NE Patrons committee. In this meeting two of our CIM students, Andrew Kelemen and Andrew Canon, presented about their student project and internship experience. CIM Alumni, Michael Ciallella presented on his experiences as a CIM student and current position at BASF.

Congratulations to CIM students Michelle Ghanime, Mohamed Mohamed, Walter Cevallos, and Matthew Valencia, whom were this year’s CIM Scholarship recipients honored in the meeting.

The success of the CIM program could not have been possible without the support of the NJIT administration. We were honored to have with us Dr. Ian Gatley, NJIT Provost, Dr. Sunil Saigal, Dean of the Newark College of Engineering, Dr. Ronald Rockland, Chairman of Engineering Technology, and Vincent Lombardo, Development Director for NJIT. We would like to give special thanks to Edna Randolph, Assistant to Chair of Engineering Technology, and Marcia Eddings, Administrative Assistant of Engineering Technology for coordinating the event preparations and food catering. Once again we thank everyone that made this extraordinary event possible and we look forward to seeing each and every one of you including many more in our next Patrons meeting.

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We are extremely pleased to announce that the NJIT ACI Student Chapter has been awarded the third place prize in the American Concrete Institute (ACI) Student Competition that took place in Toronto, Ontario, Canada on October 21 and 22. NJIT was among 33 teams/universities from all over the world. The students spent months designing and working on an Egg Protection Concrete Frame. This is the highest ranking NJIT students have been awarded in an international concrete related competition. Texas State University ACI Student Chapter won the third place award in the optional durability contest. CIM students include Andrew Canon, Fabian DeLaHoz, John Te, Evan Hoff, Tyler Hanson, and Robert Goncalves. Brian Neves, Construction Engineering Technology (CET) student was also part of the ACI team. Congratulations everyone!

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The CIM program has traveled far and wide throughout the years. However, Dr. Mahgoub’s trip to China may have topped the CIM sky miles record. D. Mahgoub was invited to attend a conference in China to speak about the CIM program and aerated autoclave concrete. We have been connected with the U.S division of Bo’ao Corporation, specializing in stone masonry products and more in China and currently extending their operations in the U.S. They have embraced the CIM program and have expressed interest in providing internships to our students in the future as well as opportunities abroad.

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The NJIT CIM program once again attended the International Concrete Repair Institute (ICRI) bi-annual conference. The event took place at the Rancho Las Palmas Resort. It was a great opportunity for the student’s to network and meet new people in the industry. ICRI even invited the students on stage to say a few words. We thank Dr. Tanya Komas for coordinating our student participation at the conferences as well as the great support from ICRI.

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The Concrete Industry Management (CIM) program is seeking donations for their seventh annual auction to be held at the World of Concrete. The auction is scheduled for Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Las Vegas Convention Center. The silent auction will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the live auction begins at 1 p.m. According to Michael Philipps, Chairman of the CIM Auction Committee, “The proceeds from the 2013 Auction will benefit the CIM National Steering Committee (NSC) and support the current CIM programs, the new Executive MBA program, as well as help fund future program expansion.”

Organizers hope the 2013 Auction is even bigger than the 2012 Auction, which raised over $617,750. The money raised from the CIM Auction will benefit the NSC and support the CIM programs at Middle Tennessee State University, Arizona State University, New Jersey, Institute of Technology, Texas State University, and the California State University—Chico. “The NSC was pleased that the 2012 World of Concrete Auction surpassed the previous year’s total proceeds by more than $100,000,” commented Philipps. “This is yet another example of the high value the concrete industry places on the CIM program. The NSC appreciates the record number of 155 donated items and all the bidders that helped make last year’s auction a huge success.

Those interested in making a donation should contact CIM Auction Committee Chairman Michael Phillips at michaelf.philipps@cemex.com or (713) 722-2969.

You can also visit the CIM NSC Website Auction link here: www.ConcreteDegree.com/auction/index.html