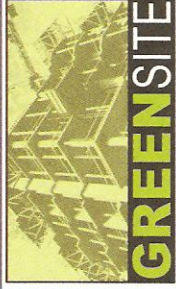




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WOMEN LEAD THE WAY AT FOURTH ANNUAL CONCRETE INDUSTRY FORUM

Women gathered at this year's World of Concrete to commune, eat, and discuss at the fourth annual Women in Concrete Luncheon and Forum. "This has been a year of more downs than ups for many, which is why events such as these are so important," said Kari Moosmann, managing editor for CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION magazine, welcoming all in attendance. "The time you take here is an opportunity to gain new ideas and insights."

Co-hosted by CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION and THE CONCRETE PRODUCER magazines and sponsored by LaFarge (Booth S12648), the two-hour program brought together female professionals from all segments of the concrete construction industry, and provided them with a unique opportunity to connect with peers.

The 2009 program consisted of a panel of experts discussing hot industry trends.

Tanya Wattenburg Komas, Ph.D., from California State University, Chico, recounted her research team's efforts in investigating historic concrete at Pointe du Hoc, Normandy, France. The student team is evaluating WWII concrete bunkers using onsite in-situ testing methods and nondestructive testing equipment, and is also working with Texas A&M University and the American Battle Monuments Commission with related cliff stabilization and site survey projects. The goal is to

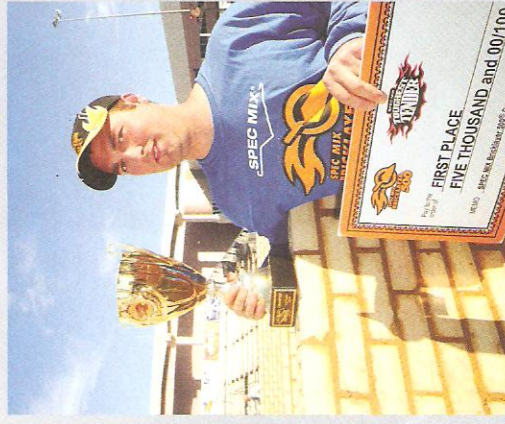
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Tanya Wattenburg Komas, Ph.D. from California State University, Chico, was one of three guest speakers at the Women in Concrete Luncheon. She explained the work being done to preserve the historical D-Day landing site, including 20 concrete bunkers and a cliffside monument, at Pointe du Hoc, Normandy, France.

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North Carolina mason wins "World's Best Bricklayer"



Tyke Mangum of McGee Brothers Co., Monroe, N.C., took home the gold after laying 990 bricks in one hour in the SPEC MIX Bricklayer 500 competition. Even with a 100-brick deduction, this bricklayer won by a 20-brick lead.

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