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**PENNSYLVANIA AGGREGATES AND CONCRETE ASSOCIATION WELCOMES
2022 EMERGING LEADERS ACADEMY TO STATE CAPITOL AND GETTYSBURG BATTLEFIELDS**

HARRISBURG, Pa. (Aug. 17, 2022) – The Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association (PACA) was proud to welcome its 2022 Emerging Leaders Academy (PELA) to the state Capitol for a day of advocacy and grassroots training during its annual PA Politics Initiative, followed by a day on the Gettysburg Battlefields.

PELA is a 10-month hybrid program consisting of both online and in-person educational sessions and networking opportunities aimed at elevating potential leaders in the aggregates, concrete and cement industries, along with industry partners the consulting engineers, equipment dealers and manufacturers, admixtures, service providers and more. Class members have the opportunity to meet key industry and legislative leaders throughout the commonwealth, tour industry plants and facilities, and learn valuable leadership and life skills they can bring back to the benefit of their company and peers.

“The beautiful thing about this program is that it allows participants the opportunity to develop at any point in their career,” said Pennsylvania Aggregates and Concrete Association PACA Board Chairman Robert Housel. “There are no limitations on who can participate in the program that, by design, has a key component of educating participants outside of the classroom through trips to places like the state Capitol and Gettysburg battlefields. We are proud to offer PELA to our industry’s future leaders.”

Led by instructor and facilitator Greg Coker, class size is limited to 20 students as selected by the members of the PELA board of trustees. The curriculum is exceptional and includes mandatory participation in a cornerstone project to be presented at the PACA annual meeting in November.

The 2022 class includes:

- Michael Beury, Kemper Equipment
- Aaron Christ, New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. Inc.
- Ted Fegely, New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. Inc.

- Ryan Fink, Keystone Cement Company
- Michael Forte, Delaware Valley Concrete Co. Inc.
- Joe Kim, Earthres Group Inc.
- Dillyn Lyons, Centre Concrete Company
- Richard Masters, Masters RMC Inc.
- Nicky Morrison, Allan Myers
- Chris Rodkey, Union Quarries Inc.
- Sunni Snyder, Central Builders Supply Company
- Jenifer Spang, Civil & Environmental Consultants Inc.
- Adam Veldhuizen, Mellott Company
- Nicholas Whitaker, Keystone Cement Company
- Greg Willi, New Enterprise Stone & Lime Co. Inc.
- Tasha Williams, Centre Concrete Company
- Eran Willis, Byler Materials Group
- Andrew Wittle, York Building Products
- Taylor Young, Specialty Granules LLC

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About PACA

PACA is Pennsylvania's leading voice for the crushed stone, ready mixed concrete, sand and gravel, and cement industries' community. PACA safeguards the industry from common threats; expands market opportunities; trains a productive workforce; educates and communicates the value of construction materials to all Pennsylvanians; serves as the gathering place for industry stakeholders; and unites divergent interests into a shared platform for action to benefit the aggregates, ready mixed concrete and cement industries in Pennsylvania.

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