

NoteVault Named a Top Company Making Construction More Productive and Profitable by *Construction Executive*

NoteVault was named a top company in the construction industry by *Construction Executive* magazine. The magazine recognizes the top 25 companies that are helping construction businesses increase ROI by transforming the way they make bids, create invoices, manage projects, and plan enterprise resources.

Bechtel Inspires Schoolchildren to “Dream Big” About Careers in Engineering

Bechtel, the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), and the University of Bath hosted the international finals of FIRST LEGO® League, a global robotics competition designed to encourage schoolchildren to take up careers in engineering and technology. More than 700 children ages 9 to 16 representing 36 countries worldwide participated in the FIRST LEGO League International Open Championship 2017. The 4-day science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) challenge included the European premiere of the Bechtel-sponsored three-dimensional film, “Dream Big, Engineering Our World,” which highlights engineering feats from around the globe.

FORTA Corporation Acquires Assets of VM Fiber Feeder, Inc.

FORTA Corporation acquired the assets of VM Fiber Feeder, Inc., a privately owned manufacturing entity. VM Fiber Feeder, Inc., was established in 2003 in Sarasota, FL, producing fiber feeders and fiber for the volumetric concrete market. VM expanded by adding a line of dispensers for the dispersion of synthetic fibers. VM also offered a line of both roving and pre-cut fibers that work in conjunction with the feeders. VM’s bulk dispensers add pre-chopped fibers to ready mixed, precast, and shotcrete applications.

NAWIC 2017 Award Recipients

The 2017 National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) Future Leader of the Year Award winner is Romina Byrd, Greater Washington, DC Chapter – NAWIC President. Byrd is the Director of Education and Training for Miller and Long Concrete Construction. During her 20 years at Miller and Long, she has created and facilitated various programs to promote careers in construction as well as personal and professional development. Just months after joining NAWIC, Byrd served as her chapter’s President, growing its membership more than 600% in under 2 years.

Shelie Gaffron was recognized as NAWIC’s 2017 Member of the Year. Gaffron, a member of Fort Worth, TX Chapter – NAWIC, is a Pre-Construction Specialist/Estimator at AUI

Partners, LLC. Since joining NAWIC in 2012, she has served as her chapter’s President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Director. Gaffron has also chaired numerous chapter and regional committees. She was selected as her chapter’s 2016 Woman in Construction, and she is a member of the Construction Management Advisory Board at Tarrant County College.

NAWIC’s 2017 Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Linda Young. A member of NAWIC since 1985, Young is a member of the San Diego, CA Chapter. She has served as NAWIC national President, President-Elect, Vice President, and Treasurer. She has also served as a NAWIC region Director and President of the NAWIC Education Foundation. She has held every office on her chapter’s board and previously served as Chair of numerous chapter, region, and national committees.

Viewpoint Acquires Dexter + Chaney

Viewpoint acquired Dexter + Chaney, a cloud-based construction enterprise resource planning (ERP) software provider. The addition of Dexter + Chaney’s product suite enhances Viewpoint’s strategy to drive further the adoption of technology in construction. Viewpoint ERP and project delivery software, including Vista and ProContractor, run mission-critical processes for construction companies around the world. Dexter + Chaney’s product suite, which carries the Spectrum brand, helps construction companies manage business, operations, and project management needs.

Bermanto Oy and Etelä-Suomen Imubetoni Oy Announce Merger

Finnish concrete flooring companies Bermanto Oy and Etelä-Suomen Imubetoni Oy (ESIB) merged to form the country’s largest concrete flooring company, with turnover of over 20 million euros and 100 employees. ESIB brings a new sector, concrete pumping, to Bermanto’s flooring business. Bermanto Oy was established in 2016 when three family-owned companies—Lattia-Miredex Oy, Piimat Oy, and Dyny Oy—combined. The company retains the Bermanto Oy name, and it has three offices in Lahti, Vantaa, and Ylöjärvi. The main owners are Max Vuorio and Harri Aalto.

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