

IN MEMORIAM

**Former AISC President Neil Zundel Dies**

Neil Zundel, AISC's president from 1984 to 1995, passed away on March 15 at the age of 90. Zundel is widely credited for revitalizing the Institute, creating a pathway for increased market share for structural steel and forging closer ties between fabricators and steel producers.

"Neil brought an era of dynamic leadership and professional management to the office of AISC president during a period in which the industry experienced a severe and prolonged recession," said H. Louis Gurthet, Zundel's successor as AISC president. "His optimism and confidence guided AISC to maintain our high standards and capabilities for the structural design and construction community during this critical time. Neil's legacy of professional management positioned AISC for dynamic growth in the years following his tenure."

A graduate of Princeton University, where he excelled not just academically but also on the football and baseball fields (he was even offered a contract by the Detroit Tigers), he forged a long career with Reynolds Aluminum, eventually becoming group vice president and then president of the company's German division.

Zundel's imprint is widely felt in many of AISC's successes, including the revitalization of the *Code of Standard Practice*, clarification of the long-standing controversy

over design responsibility and the development of new seismic standards following the Northridge earthquake. But he often said his proudest development at AISC was the growth of the Institute's university programs. As Zundel once explained, "We've developed design guides on the university level to help professors teach steel design. And we've helped create excitement among students through the [National Student Steel Bridge Competition]. We need to continue this effort to help convince students that steel is not a mature industry but instead is still exciting and evolving."

For more information on Zundel, please visit [www.aisc.org/zundel](http://www.aisc.org/zundel).



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**Former AISC Chair Robert P. Stupp Dies**

AISC, its Board of Directors and the entire fabricated structural steel industry was saddened by the passing of an industry giant, Robert P. Stupp.

Stupp was the longest serving board member in the Institute's history and the former president of one of the largest fabricators in the United States, Stupp Bros., Inc. A former chair of the AISC Board, he was instrumental in every successful initiative during the past four decades, but especially the creation of the National Steel Bridge Alliance. The Institute's highest honor, the Robert P. Stupp Excellence in Leadership Award, is named for him and he was its first recipient, earning it in 1998.



**People and Firms**

• **Modjeski and Masters** has appointed **Zolan Prucz**, P.E., Ph.D., as its new Chairman of the Board, effective immediately. In this new role, Prucz will help guide strategic direction of the firm following the retirement of **John Kulicki** (the 2012 recipient of AISC's J. Lloyd Kimbrough Award for his significant achievements in bridge analysis and design).



• **Carney Engineering Group**, a multidiscipline structural engineering firm serving the Mid-Atlantic region, has opened a new office in Timonium, Md., in order to strengthen its customer reach throughout the greater Baltimore area. The office was strategically selected to support the company's anticipated growth opportunities in Maryland over the next five years.

• **FabSuite LLC** announced today that it has appointed **Integrus Steel Software Solutions, LLC**, as its distributor for FabSuite steel management software products in North America.

## SAFETY

**AISC Names 2013 Safety Award Winners**

Forty-six structural steel facilities have earned an AISC Safety Award for their safety record during 2013, in the categories of “Shop and Office” or “Field Erection.” Thirty-five reporting facilities earned the Safety Award of Honor, the Institute’s top award for safety, presented for a perfect safety record of no disabling injuries. The Safety Certificate of Merit was won by four reporting facilities and the Safety Certificate of Commendation was won by seven reporting facilities. Here are the winners:

**Shop and Office Category****Honor Awards**

- B & B Welding Company, Fort Howard, Md.
- Champion Bridge Company, Wilmington, Ohio
- Davis Iron Works, Inc., Walled Lake, Mich.
- Douglas Steel Fabricating Corporation, Lansing, Mich.
- G. A. West & Company, Inc., Chunchula, Ala.
- Glenco, Inc., Clovis, N.M.
- Highway Systems, Inc., Sumterville, Fla.
- J.R. Hoe and Sons, Middlesboro, Ky.
- Master Steel, LLC, Bluffton, S.C.
- Mid-City Steel, LaCrosse, Wisc.
- Myers & Company Architectural Metals, Basalt, Colo.
- National Steel City, LLC, Plymouth, Mich.
- NOVA Group, Inc., Napa, Calif.
- Peterson Beckner Industries, Inc., Richardson, Texas
- Pikes Peak Steel, LLC, Colorado Springs, Colo.
- Prospect Steel – Blytheville Plant, Armorel, Ark.
- Ritner Steel, Inc., Carlisle, Pa.
- Romak Iron Works, Benicia, Calif.
- S & R Enterprises, LLC, Harrisburg, Pa.
- Scott Steel Services, Inc., Crown Point, Ind.
- Shure Line Construction, Kenton, Del.
- Steel Service Corporation, Jackson, Miss.
- Woerner Wire Works, Inc., Omaha, Neb.

**Field Erection Category****Honor Awards**

- American Steel Fabricators, Inc., Green Field, N.H.
- Cooper Steel, Shelbyville, Tenn.
- Davis Iron Works, Inc., Walled Lake, Mich.
- Douglas Steel Fabricating Corporation, Lansing, Mich.
- JPW Structural Contracting, Inc., Syracuse, N.Y.
- Master Steel, LLC, Bluffton, S.C.
- Myers & Company Architectural Metals, Basalt, Colo.
- National Steel City, LLC, Plymouth, Mich.
- North Alabama Fabricating Company, Inc., Birmingham, Ala.
- Rochester Rigging & Erectors, Inc., Bloomfield, N.Y.
- Shure Line Construction, Kenton, Del.
- Steel Supply & Engineering Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Shop and Office Category****Merit Awards**

- Cianbro Fabrication & Coating Corporation, Pittsfield, Maine
- SteelFab, Inc., Charlotte, N.C.

**Field Category Merit Awards**

- G.A. West & Co., Inc., Chunchula, Ala.
- Peterson Beckner Industries, Inc., Houston, Texas

**Shop and Office Category****Commendation Awards**

- Chief Industries, Inc., Grand Island, Neb.
- Grunau Metals, Oak Creek, Wisc.
- JPW Structural Contracting, Inc., Syracuse, N.Y.
- North Alabama Fabricating Co., Birmingham, Ala.
- Steel Supply & Engineering Co., Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Field Category****Commendation Awards**

- Grunau Metals, Oak Creek, Wisc.
- Padgett, Inc., New Albany, Ind.

“AISC’s annual Safety Awards program recognizes excellent records of safety performance, and we commend these facilities for their effective accident prevention programs,” said Tom Schlafly, AISC’s director of safety. “Periodic recognition of safety in the workplace has been demonstrated to provide worker incentive and a reminder of the importance of safe practices.”

The AISC Safety Awards program is open to AISC fabricator and erector members. To qualify for an AISC Safety Award, a plant or the reporting unit must report a minimum of 300 hours of work in each of the four quarters of a year.

For more information on AISC’s Safety Awards program as well as safety resources for the fabricated and erected structural steel industry, visit [www.aisc.org/safety](http://www.aisc.org/safety).

## CONTEST

**Steel Selfies**

Selfies are a part of modern life, thanks to the ubiquity of camera phones and social media and the photo-crazy world they promote.

So why not use them to communicate the beauty, strength and resilience of structural steel as well? Starting with May, AISC is holding an ongoing Steel Selfie Contest that restarts the first day of each month.

It’s simple: Take a photo of yourself with someone or something related to the structural steel industry, upload it via our Facebook app (available at [www.aisc.org/steelfelfie](http://www.aisc.org/steelfelfie)) and share it with your friends. Submitters of the top five photos with the most likes each month will earn a prize: a \$10 gift certificate for Amazon, Chipotle or Starbucks (your choice).

Keep in mind that the contest is for college students only. If you aren’t a student, you can still submit your selfies; you just won’t be eligible to win a prize.

And remember: Keep it classy. While we love to see creativity in your photos, we don’t want to see anything offensive.

Good luck, have fun and check out the ever-growing stream of steel selfies at AISC’s Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/aiscdotorg](http://www.facebook.com/aiscdotorg))!