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**FPA Announces 2026 Emerging Leadership Council Leaders to Help Drive Industry Progress**

*New and returning leaders will guide initiatives that strengthen  
the future of the U.S. flexible packaging industry*

**Annapolis, Maryland: April 9, 2026** – The Flexible Packaging Association (FPA), the leading advocate and voice for the growing U.S. flexible packaging industry, is pleased to announce the election of its 2026 Emerging Leadership Council (ELC) leaders. Alana Carr, Inside Sales and Marketing Manager for Hosokawa Alpine American, Inc., will continue to serve as Co-Chair. She is joined by newly elected Co-Chair James Rosenberger, Product Manager, Sustainable Solutions for Charter Next Generation.

FPA also announces the appointment of two new ELC committee Vice-Chairs. Kimberly Weiss, Director of Sales and Marketing for Glenroy, Inc., has been named Vice-Chair of the ELC Advocacy Committee, and John England, Territory Manager, Converter Films for Berry Converter Films, has been appointed Vice-Chair of the ELC Education & Recruitment Committee.

The ELC is committed to cultivating a strong network of future leaders who will help shape the issues, opportunities, and long-term advancement of the U.S. flexible packaging industry.

“As we welcome a new group of talented professionals into the ELC, I’m energized by the passion and fresh perspectives they bring,” said Co-Chair James Rosenberger. “We’re grateful for the members who have rolled off after contributing so much, and we’re ready to build on that foundation as we execute another impactful year of programs, including the Summer Internship Program, expanded site visits, and the FlexPack Crash Course at PACK EXPO International as major highlights.”

Co-Chair Alana Carr added, “The ELC continues to grow as a collaborative, forward-thinking group of leaders, and I look forward to working alongside both new and returning members as we advance key initiatives that will strengthen the future of our industry.”

The 2026 Emerging Leadership Council includes:

- Alana Carr, Hosokawa Alpine American, Inc., ELC Co-Chair
- James Rosenberger, Charter Next Generation, ELC Co-Chair

- Natalie Jardell, Flint Group Packaging Solutions, ELC Advocacy Committee Chair
- Kimberly Weiss, Glenroy, Inc., ELC Advocacy Committee Vice-Chair
- Patrick Clark, Bryce Corporation, ELC Education & Recruitment Committee Chair
- John England, Berry Converter Films, ELC Education & Recruitment Committee Vice-Chair
- Jarod Artman, Osterman & Co.
- Jake Branyon, TOPPAN Packaging Americas
- Justinian Broughton, Pregis
- James Bryant, Revolution Sustainable Solutions, LLC
- Matthew Dickerson, Mid South Extrusion
- Prakriti Gupta, Siegwark
- Maddie Hahn, PAXXUS, Inc.
- Eric Hair, Henkel Corporation
- Lindsay Hernandez, Westlake Corporation
- Jim Krueger, Profile Films
- Todd Krupa, Windmoeller & Hoelscher Corporation
- Wayne Lam, Polykar
- Shea Logan, Novolex
- Joe Murphy, Reifenhauer Inc.
- Michael Rincon, Emerald Packaging, Inc.
- Megan Robison, Printpack
- Dave Shockey, Fres-co System USA, Inc.
- Ellen Smith, Bostik, Inc.
- Josh Smith, PPC Flex
- Karen Stenger, Mica Corporation
- Kyle Vafiadis, PPC Flex
- Kayla Wiesemann, Garlock Flexibles

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#### **About the Flexible Packaging Association (FPA)**

The [Flexible Packaging Association](http://www.flexpack.org) is the voice of the U.S. manufacturers of flexible packaging and their suppliers. The association's mission is connecting, advancing, and leading the flexible packaging industry. Flexible packaging represents \$51.5 billion in direct economic impact in the U.S. and is the second largest and one of the fastest growing segments of the U.S. packaging industry. Flexible packaging is produced from paper, plastic, film, aluminum foil, or any combination of those materials, and includes bags, pouches, labels, liners, wraps, rollstock, and other flexible products.