



Phoenix Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute

# Cactus Comments

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## PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Publication deadline for the March 2008 issue of the Phoenix Chapter Newsletter is February 22, 2008.

Articles and items of interest should be submitted to Darlene Moore at [dablmo@hotmail.com](mailto:dablmo@hotmail.com) or Alex Devereux at [adevereux@itt-tech.edu](mailto:adevereux@itt-tech.edu).

We welcome member articles and ideas/suggestions.

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# CHAPTER NEWS



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## Monthly Chapter Meeting

The February Chapter Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at the Airport Hilton, 2435 S. 47th Street, Phoenix, AZ. Please read the program information on page 3 for more detail. **For dinner reservations, call 602-258-7499 by February 8th at noon.** Dinner is served at 6:30 p.m. and the Program begins at 7:30 p.m.

## Monthly Technical Meeting

If you would like to join the CSI Technical Committee, their next meeting is February 12th from Noon until 1:00pm at FM Solutions; 4001 N. 3<sup>rd</sup> St., Ste. 250; Phoenix, AZ 85012; 602.824.5347. The topic of discussion is Heat Island Effect—Roof.

## *Mr. Wolfe Goes to Washington*

We are pleased to add *Mr. Wolfe Goes to Washington* as a regular column in our newsletter. See page 4 for his informative synopsis of what to expect in the coming year. Thank you, Mr. Sheldon Wolfe, for a wonderful addition to our newsletter!

## CHECK OUT THE NEW WEBSITE!!

Our updated website has been a huge success!! Check out the new format and interesting items of interest at <http://csiphoenix.org>.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

*Ronald L. Geren, CSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, SCIP  
RLGA Technical Services  
Phoenix Chapter President*

## **A Chapter on the Verge of a Crisis?**

Is the Chapter having money-related problems? No, the Chapter is financially sound.

Is the Chapter losing members at an alarming rate? No, the Chapter has seen a healthy increase in new members these past few months.

So, what is it? What could possibly push the Phoenix Chapter into a crisis?

It's Chapter **leadership**. Up until a few days ago we had no person in the position of president-elect to assume the position of president this July. Although finding that person (who we'll announce at the February meeting--I believe you'll be happy with the candidate), has addressed our immediate need, it hasn't addressed the underlying problem that seems to be growing: the decline in members seeking leadership positions in the Chapter. A chapter without leadership is like the proverbial boat without a rudder.

It has been Chapter tradition to bring in president-candidates at the 2<sup>nd</sup> vice president position so they can learn about chapter and Institute policies and procedures as they progress up the leadership ladder. However, starting the presidential ladder at that

level and working their way up (through 1<sup>st</sup> VP, president-elect, president, and then past president) essentially requires a five-year commitment on the Chapter's board--a substantial chunk of time by any measure. For those willing to do it, my hat's off to you.

But, there are times when life changes for people, for better or worse, making it difficult to stay on that ladder once they begin the climb. It is for that reason the Phoenix Chapter is experiencing the problem it is facing. Although it has been Chapter tradition to follow the leadership ladder mentioned above, it is not a requirement in our Chapter bylaws. The absence of such a requirement is how the Chapter is able to respond to the problem by finding candidates that haven't gone through our informal leadership ladder.

Responding to fires is not a way to run an efficient organization. However, to stay with the analogy, practicing fire prevention is. In other words, having a qualified and willing pool of candidates to run for chapter leadership positions ensures a healthy future for the organization.

Therefore, I ask you: Do you want the CSI Phoenix Chapter to remain a viable part of your professional career? If you answer "yes," then I strongly encourage you to consider running for a board position. Speaking of running for board positions...

## **Elections at the March Meeting**

During the March meeting, the Chapter will hold its elections for new board positions. Positions that will be open for nominations are:

President-Elect  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President (Open to Professional members)  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Professional Director (2008-2010)  
Industry Director (2008-2010)

If you have an interest in a position, but would like additional information about what the position's duties entail, either contact the incumbent or me. A formal nomination committee will be established this month, so a decision to run for a position is not required immediately, but this is a good time to start thinking about it and become fully informed.

*About the President: Ronald L. Geren, CSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, SCIP, is an Certified Construction Specifier, and is the principal of RLGA Technical Services located in Scottsdale, Arizona, which provides specifications and code consulting services to architects, engineers, owners, and product manufacturers. A 1984 graduate of the University of Arizona, Ron has over 23 years of experience with military, public, and private agencies. You can contact the author at [ron@specsandcodes.com](mailto:ron@specsandcodes.com)*

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# PROGRAM INFORMATION

## Code Enforcement and Working With Your Building Department

Building departments: the fear of many architects and owners. But code enforcement is necessary in an increasingly complex building environment. Building codes provide minimum requirements to ensure the safety of the public and the protection of property.

To ensure compliance with those requirements, the plan review and inspection processes are established by the building department. Building officials, plans examiners, and building inspectors are the people tasked to implement those processes. But like any other process that involves people working with other people, there are ways to do things right...and ways to do things wrong.

During our February meeting, we'll have a panel of presenters from the range of positions found in a typical building department to discuss ways to make the building code compliance process proceed smoothly. Additionally, they'll provide those things that hinder the process, whether it's during plan review or during construction.

Date: February 13, 2008

Place: Hilton Phoenix Airport  
2435 South 47th Street  
Phoenix, Arizona

Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Social Hour

6:30 p.m.  
Dinner

7:30 p.m.  
Program



## Santa's helpers

As we head into a new year, I'd like to take one more look back at 2007, and talk about a few things we'll see in the coming year. All of the things we'll look at are done by CSI staff as indicated, with help from other staff. Even though we have officers, directors, and various committees, much of a typical member's contact with CSI beyond the chapter is through our full time staff.

Our local chapters handle most issues with membership, certification, education, and day-to-day activities, but sometimes a member may need or want to "go to the top".

As a primarily volunteer organization, we don't have nearly the staff as AIA. While AIA has permanent offices in Washington, individual states, and even cities, we have but one office with paid, full-time staff, in Alexandria, Virginia.

Along with the rest of CSI, our staff has seen a lot of change over the years. I

recall the first time I visited our Alexandria office. At that time, our membership was still growing, and near its peak. We owned our own office building, and occupied all of one floor and part of another; at its peak, our staff numbered about sixty. Since then, we sold our building (at a loss), and have been reducing staff more or less continuously. Our full-time staff now stands at about thirty.

And yet, through all the changes, my experience with CSI staff has always been that they are responsive and professional. An interesting thing about the current staff is that most of them grew up with computers, and have a better feel for computer technology than, dare I say, the majority of our members. In the last year, the *CSI Weekly* and *CSI NewsBrief* have been reformatted to provide brief summaries of industry news, with links that quickly bring up more information. *CSI Weekly* is produced in-house, with Christine Tanner in charge, and support from Joy Davis and Jennifer Zimmermann. Staff is able to track how

many *CSI Weekly* e-mails are opened and how many links are followed; both rates are increasing. The *NewsBrief* is assembled by a vendor who pulls information from industry sources, then adds CSI content. Circulation is in excess of 10,000, many of whom are non-CSI members.

The *CSI Construction Minute* series, which gives nutshell summaries of construction industry news items, is produced by Josh Spiler and Jennifer Zimmerman. Both *Construction Minutes* and *How Not to Screw Up* are available for download as podcasts, so you can download them into your iPod or mp3 player and listen at your leisure. I recently downloaded all of both series - more than 150 at the time - and have been listening to them on the way to work. As of this writing, there have been over 70,000 downloads. If you haven't been listening to *How Not to Screw Up* podcasts, you're missing some interesting, real-life tales of construction projects gone wrong. It may seem an odd way to learn how to do

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things the right way, but my experience indicates a horror story is a better instructional tool than a lecture on the right way to do something, and attendance at forensic engineering seminars supports my conclusion. Aaron Titus is the “voice of CSI” for most of the *Screw Up* series, and he is the one who made it possible to access CSI’s audiocasts from other websites. If you have had an unusual experience on one of your projects, call Joy Davis, the “booking agent”, and maybe you can have your fifteen minutes of fame!

In the coming year, we’ll see more examples of our staff at work. For CSI leaders, there will be a special newsletter, similar to the *CSI Weekly*, produced by Jennifer Zimmermann. There will be more free webinars for leaders, to help them keep up on what’s happening in CSI. Registration links

for some of them have already been posted to our website, CSINet.org. And, there will be more webinars for both members and non-members, and a CSI blog. One of the most exciting things will be the introduction of the CSI construction wiki, currently under construction by Joy Davis, Eric Kestler, Aaron Titus, and Greg Ceton. A wiki is a collaborative website that is maintained by its users, who add content, modify what has been posted, and document statements with references to other sources. The result should be information that reflects the best knowledge of the participants, vetted by their peers. A freely available resource, it will benefit everyone in the construction industry, as design professionals, industry professionals, contractors, and suppliers alike will be able to update and obtain the

same information. Soon, all *Construction Specifier* articles will be available online, arranged by MasterFormat Division number, thanks to Marie Willett and Eric Kestler. And the online forums, despite what I consider to have been sluggish performance and a poor interface, continue to be popular, with more than 2,100 posts and 325,000 views.

I have mentioned only a few of CSI’s staff, those involved in technology. Having worked with many of the others in the past couple of years, I can tell you that *all* of them are doing a great job. A few of them are new, and still learning what it is CSI is and what needs to be done, but I believe we can look forward to more good things in 2008.

*Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, Institute Director, North Central Region, CSI*

“A wiki is a collaborative website that is maintained by its users, who add content, modify what has been posted, and document statements with references to other sources.”

# NATIONAL CSI NEWS

**New Version of the United States National CAD Standard® Now Available**

The American Institute of Architects (AIA), CSI, and National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS) has released the United States National CAD Standard® (NCS) Version 4.0, the first update to the Standard since

**FREE CSI Leader Webinar: CSIWiki How-to for Leaders  
Wednesday, February 13, 2-3pm**

CSI's Technical Committee is launching CSIWiki, which focuses on construction documentation and industry best practices. This webinar will give CSI leaders an overview of the project and its goals, and give detailed directions on editing the wiki. If you have no or little experience with wikis, make time to attend this session. To learn more about this session, go to [http://www.csinet.org/s\\_csi/sec.asp?CID=30&DID=15317#WIKI](http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/sec.asp?CID=30&DID=15317#WIKI).

**FREE CDT Certificate Informational Webinar  
February 7, 2-3:30pm ET**

Join us for a FREE webinar on the CDT Certificate and how it can advance your career. This session provides an overview of the CDT program, its history, industry and professional benefits, and exam procedures. If you have been considering pursuing a CSI certification, the CDT exam is where it begins. To learn more or register for this free webinar, go to [http://www.csinet.org/s\\_csi/sec.asp?CID=1330&DID=14783#CDT](http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/sec.asp?CID=1330&DID=14783#CDT).

**FREE Governance Webinars for All Members!**

Join Gary Betts, FCSI, CCS, AIA, former Institute President and current chairman of CSI's Governance Review Task Team, for an overview of the bylaws amendments on the 2008 CSI election ballot. This session will explain the intent behind each ballot item and allow ample time for questions from CSI members. Click on a date to learn more or to register.

- For the February 11, 2-3 p.m. ET webinar, go to <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/559733065>.
- For the February 20, 2-3 p.m. ET webinar, go to <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/387391813>.

**Get involved! Volunteer for a CSI Committee or Task Team!**

Are you interested in advancing your career, improving your professional skills, broadening your construction industry knowledge and increasing your professional network? If the answer is YES, consider volunteering for a CSI national committee or task team! Go to [http://www.csinet.org/s\\_csi/sec.asp?TRACKID=&CID=30&DID=15358](http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/sec.asp?TRACKID=&CID=30&DID=15358) to learn more.

# Chapter News Around the State

## **Northern Exposure – Top 10 GREEN New Year Resolutions**

*Stephen J. Andros, AIA/  
FCSI/CCS/LEED-AP*

Greetings from the northern territories of Arizona and Happy 2008! So, you made (and perhaps have already broke) your “new year resolutions.” How about a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance? Here’s a “Top 10” list of resolutions that you might consider.

#10 – Think before pushing “print”. I have a client that includes the following tag on the bottom of each of his e-mails:

**✉ Please consider the environment before printing this e-mail**

How much paper do you throw away (recycle) each year simply to have a “hard copy” of an e-mail? Do you ever look at them again? Does your legal department require you to keep these? How much file space is being used up saving old e-mails that won’t mean anything a week, a month or even a year later?

#9 – Housekeeping. It’s appalling the number of “air freshener” products are used when it would be simpler not to allow the smell to be created in the first place

by simple cleaning. Cleaning with a rag and good ol’ H<sub>2</sub>O probably is just as good as any of the fancy sprays and potions sold in that smelly cleaning products aisle at the store.

And... the rag (which has been recycled from an old cotton t-shirt) can be cleaned in the washing machine. One cleaning product we were introduced to while driving to Tucson one day... the ostrich feather duster... has become one of our favorites around the home and office.

#8 – Buy Local. That ostrich feather duster was made by a big bird living in the desert near Picacho Peak, so it is locally grown and “manufactured.” We live very near I-40 and it is FULL of diesel gobbling 18-wheelers 24/7 taking “stuff” from coast to coast and everywhere in between. The ever popular internet shopping is easy and lots of choices are available to us; but someone still has to deliver the “stuff” and UPS, Fed Ex, DHL use a lot of fuel in ships, airplanes and trucks to get it to us. Of course, getting in the car to go shop also is problematic (see #4).

#7 – Buy Energy Star. If you need to buy something that uses electricity, try to chose the one that has

been Energy Star rated at <http://www.energystar.gov/>. This rating system identifies those products that have been tested and identified as using LESS energy. There might even be a rebate for choosing an Energy Star product!

#6 – Change a light bulb. Compact fluorescent lamps (CFL’s) save energy and reduce carbon emissions. There are even floodlights available that provide the equivalent of 65W of light for only 40W of power. Yes, the quality of light is different, we’ve experimented. We did find one that is pretty similar to the conventional incandescent. (Contact us, we’ll tell you which on it is.) I noticed that the NAU ARD building uses CFL’s exclusively and the light quality is just fine.

#5 – Buy recycled products. We’ve been using recycled paper for years. At first it was a problem because it would “lint up” the printers, fax and copy machines. We are using the stuff from Staples and it doesn’t seem to have the same problem that the “old” stuff did. It’s important to buy recycled products because if there isn’t a marketplace for recycled goods, there isn’t a market for recycling waste.

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An example is recycled glass which is collected by the City of Flagstaff, pulverized and then piled up in the back of the Recycling Center because there isn't a market for recycled glass. We are planning to use recycled glass sand as a base course under our locally purchased flagstone paving that we will install (after the snow melts).

#### #4 – Is this trip necessary?

Most of us commute to our work each day and there probably isn't much that can be done about that (except perhaps to use mass transit). Whether by car, plane or any other mode of travel, energy is used up and carbon is produced. In this country, there are 3 cars for every 4 people... which means that we are all constantly traveling. Try to consolidate and plan those trips so that you don't travel any more than you have to. When planning meetings, I try to line them up to minimize backtracking, which means that sometimes I have to reschedule a meeting.

#3 – Consider LEED. There are now rating systems available for just about every building type and size. When considering an office move, look for buildings that are LEED certified. There aren't many now, but; that should change shortly based upon the number of LEED projects that we

are working on in the office.

#### #2 – Recycle in the Office.

Depending where you are, this could be easy or hard. It may simply require providing a few extra containers in the office (we use an old moving box for recycling paper in our office). Where recycling isn't available locally, it may require actually gathering up the waste and taking it to the recycling center. Williams has curbside recycling for #1/#2 plastic, paper and metal, but doesn't recycle glass, so we take it to Flagstaff when we go to Sam's Club since the Recycling Center is across the street.

And...

The #1 Green Resolution for 2008 – Join USGBC. Yes, I know, this is the CSI newsletter and we should be supporting CSI. But, USGBC is a great adjunct to CSI. I find that both organizations have "their place" and I don't believe that these 2 groups conflict at all. The local Chapter is extremely active. Check out the website at [www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org).

One last "tidbit": You often wonder if your kids appreciate what you do in your job. My oldest son has always been a computer "geek" so I never really expected him to follow in Dad's footsteps in the environmental building industry. His new job is working with a software development company in

Tucson. He went house hunting in December and found a home near his workplace so that he could bicycle to work and keep the Jeep in the garage. The home he found is a sustainable one built by Pulte in the Civano area of Tucson. I actually had to learn how to work a dual-flush toilet when we went to visit him. I guess what it is that I do HAS sunk in with him!

And, that's the latest from Arizona's "Northern Exposure."

*Steve Andros and his wife Vicki relocated GrEn A/E Consultants, LLC to Williams, Arizona from Phoenix in March of 2007. GrEn A/E Consultants, LLC provides specification and LEED consulting to architects, owners, engineers and manufacturers in Phoenix, Las Vegas and throughout the US and has been directly involved in providing consulting on many LEED certified projects. They can be contacted at 928-635-0104 or through their website at [www.grenspecc.com](http://www.grenspecc.com)*

**To Be or Not to Be Vapor Permeable! Selecting the Proper Envelope Barriers Based on Climate, Codes and Design Criteria - February 26, 2 - 3:30pm ET**

Three important components of the building enclosure include: air barriers, water-resistant barriers and vapor barriers. While the function of individual barriers is relatively well understood, there is confusion about the consequences of combining two or more functions into a single membrane. This seminar will describe the fundamental principles for moisture control to help answer the question. To learn more, go to [http://www.csinet.org/s\\_csi/sec.asp?CID=1330&DID=14783#Vapor](http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/sec.asp?CID=1330&DID=14783#Vapor) or to register for this webinar, go to <https://webportal.csinet.org/Events/CalendarEventsListView.aspx>.

**Better Manage a LEED Project** (PDF: [http://www.csinet.org/s\\_csi/docs/15000/14989.pdf](http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/docs/15000/14989.pdf))

“The CSI certified professional possesses the unique skills necessary to develop the technical documents that permit the seamless integration of LEED’s specific requirements into a project.

In addition, because the CSI certified professional prepares and works with the documentation process every day, they are well-suited to orchestrate the process necessary to submit for LEED Certification at the completion of the project’s construction.”



- Ross Spiegel, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, LEED AP  
CSI Liaison to the U.S. Green Building Council

Puzzle Solution from January Newsletter

**Save the Date and Book Your Travel – CONSTRUCT2008**

CONSTRUCT2008 is just around the corner. Plan now to attend this key industry event!

- Choose from close to 100 educational sessions
- Attend special CSI events and programs
- Find hundreds of products and services in the Exhibit Hall
- Online Registration opens early February 2008

Visit [www.CONSTRUCTshow.com](http://www.CONSTRUCTshow.com) for current details and the Schedule-at-a-Glance.

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# BOARD MINUTES

## MEETING MINUTES - Board of Directors

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**GENERAL**

DATE: December 11, 2007  
 TIME: 4:00 PM  
 LOCATION: The Reference Library, Phoenix

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**ATTENDANCE** (P = Present; A = Absent)

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Programs	Angie France	A
Membership	Alan Minker	P
Publications	Alex Devereux	A
Education	Joe Volinsky	P
Certification	Neil Davison	A
Technical	Tim Garver	P
Awards	Carlos Murrieta	P
Academic Liaison	Open	
Kenn Lockhart Fund	Neil Davison	A
Fundraising	David Spice	P
Imagination Cube	Tim Garver	P

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

President	Ron Geren	P
President Elect	Clark Benson	A
1st Vice President	Cary Stoneman	A
2nd Vice President	Andrea Grum	P
Secretary	Mary Grace Maglio	P
Treasurer	Teri Hand	A
Director P 06-08	Steve Smith	P
Director I 06-08	Tim Garver	P
Director P 07-09	Jorge Pierson	P
Director I 05-07	Bob Trimble	A
Past President	George Wadding	P

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**PROCEEDINGS**

Meeting Opening: 4:24 PM by Ron Geren

Adoption of Agenda: Agenda item added for Stop Payments for checks. Motion to accept agenda by George Wadding, second by Andrea Grum. Motion carried.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Motion to accept November minutes by George Wadding, second by Andrea Grum. Motion carried

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## Board Minutes (continued)

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Treasurer's Report: Teri Hand  
No report.

### Committee Reports

Programs: Angie France  
Working with Deborah Flowers at the City of Phoenix to secure a speaker for next month on the topic of Phoenix Downtown development.

Education: Joe Volinsky  
Ron Geren will conduct Master Format 2004 training sometime in January and Ron Geren, Paul Simonsen and others will be doing CDT training sometime in March.

Certification: Neil Davison  
No report.

Fundraising: David Spice  
The CSI Golf Tournament is scheduled for Saturday, April 19th at the Vistal Golf Club with a 7:30 am shotgun start. Flyers for the event will be sent out beginning in the first half of January.

I-Cube: Tim Garver  
Waiting to hear from Tony Evans (Lanton Associates) for a decision to be the next Featured Product Sponsor. Will give him until mid-January to make a decision before looking for another sponsor.

Academic Liaison: Open  
Committee still needs a chairman, possibly a CSI member-at-large who teaches at ITT.

Membership: Alan Minker  
Total membership is 194, up from 182 last month, with a very strong mix of Associate, Industry and Professional members. Not expecting much growth over the holidays; planning on hitting the recruitment path hard in late Jan / Feb.08. Tammy Stevens is the official Vice Chair for the Membership Committee.

Technical: Tim Garver  
Looking at Mitigation of the Heat Island effect as it applies to roofing systems. Some sales have taken place for the Moisture Vapor and Photovoltaic Green Sheets. Brian McClure is the Tech Comm Vice-Chair.

Awards: Carlos Murrieta  
Email blast was sent to CSI members, however some addresses are out-of-date. Louise Rehse is helping with updates and will resend to her mailing list. A series of messages, general overview and explanation of specific awards will be sent. Committee needs a vice-chair.

Publications: Alex Devereux (by Louise Rehse)

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# Board Minutes *(continued)*

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The committee wants feedback on the web site. General reaction is positive. Committee meeting dates on website need to be corrected. Paypal access needs to be more obvious.

Kenn Lockhart: Neil Davison  
No report.

Southwest Regional Conference: George Wadding

A revised budget from the Tempe Mission Palms is expected. It will be updated with expected sponsorship. Attendance of 120 is expected. Need to set program and solicit sponsors' tentative commitments. Fee of \$250 for 3-hour trade-show. Key is to get interesting educational program. Will have schedule at end of month. Goal is to produce a flyer with fees and programs in January.

## Old Business

Student/Retired Membership Dues – Feedback from Albuquerque chapter is that they charge \$30 chapter fee. Would like to establish a budget item to sponsor student members. There is a lot of interest in encouraging student membership. In January, board will develop proposal and vote.

## New Business

Stop Payment of Checks – Since bank will not honor outdated checks and will reimburse chapter if they are cashed, stop payments do not need to be renewed. Motion to not renew stop payments for outdated checks by George Wadding, second by Mary Grace Maglio. Motion carried.

President-Elect Office – Clark Benson has indicated that because of workload related issues, he will be unable to devote the necessary time to assume the presidency next year. Cary Stoneman has stepped up to assume the president-elect position, which is an Industry representative position. Therefore, Board will recruit a Professional representative to assume the 1<sup>st</sup> vice-presidency position.

AIA Documents – The AIA issued new documents in November. Their website shows comparison of the old vs. new documents.

## NEXT BOARD MEETING

December 9 at 4:00 P.M. at Airport Hilton.

## Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:06

## **Certification of Minutes**

I certify that the Minutes presented here are a true and accurate representation of the proceedings to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Respectfully presented

\_\_\_\_\_ Mary Grace Maglio, Secretary

END OF MINUTES

# The Reference Library

The Reference Library conducts regular weekly breakfast and lunch meetings offering a wide range of information on various products and companies in the industry. Breakfast and lunch is provided and there is no charge for the seminars. Check out their website at <http://www.thereferencelibrary.com/main.htm> for more information. The Reference Library is located in Phoenix, Mesa, and Scottsdale.

**Phoenix February Lunch Schedule: (Location: 99 E. Virginia Ave., Suite 140, [½ block east of Central] Phoenix, AZ 85004)**

February 6: Cultured Stone, Dale Lee, will discuss the topic “What is Manufactured Stone Veneer?”, explaining modular systems vs. individual stones, how it is installed and how to plan the project from specifications to detail drawings, to mock-ups and grouting techniques.

February 13: ProSpec, Dave Endres and Scott Springs, will demonstrate concrete repair and restoration products for horizontal, vertical, and overhead repairs, with focus areas on underlayments and wear toppings for flooring repair.

February 20: Heenie & Co., Fred Heenie, will discuss “Wood Wallcovering, Today’s Best Wallturnative”. The discussion will include the process of manufacturing of face veneer, face cuts available, definitions of the terms used in the industry, processes used in cutting the logs, etc. Also included will be the correct guidelines for writing wood wallcovering specifications.

February 27: CertainTeed, Sharon Whittington, will discuss “Acoustic Ceilings: For the Eye, the Ear & the Mind”. They will take a critical look at how acoustic ceilings absorb sound, the value of Ceiling Attenuation Class, and light reflectance.

**Mesa February Breakfast Schedule: (Location: Marie Callender’s, 865 S. Dobson, Mesa, AZ)**

February 7: Ancient Stone, Danny Speros, will discuss the variety of concrete and natural stone pavers available and how to use them to create beautiful and functional hardscape design.

February 21: Amsler & Associates, Kevin Amsler, will conduct an overview of architectural door hardware, proper sequencing and basic codes as related to each component discussed.

**Scottsdale February Lunch Schedule: (Location: **NEW LOCATION**—Gordon Biersch, 18545 N. Allied Way [one block west of Scottsdale Road & Mayo Blvd.], Scottsdale, AZ)**

February 14: Surfas, Kurt Penniman, will discuss stone walls and ceilings that are not made of stone. He will present alternative solutions to traditional masonry that allow the Architect/Designer to create interiors that copy old world European and modern masonry walls and ceilings quickly and cost effectively.

February 28: Cooper Stone (Marvel), Frank Bartucci, will present “Understanding Natural Thin Stone & Comparing it to Manufactured Stone”. Learn proper installation, detailing, flashing, and lathing as well as the pros and cons of natural thin stone versus manufactured stone.

# Chapter Officer Points of Contact 2006-2007

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