



Cactus Comments

SEPTEMBER 2010 CSI PHOENIX NEWSLETTER

Chapter News

Welcome Back Members!

The summer is over, the weather is starting to cool down, and it is time to get back to work. This month's meeting is Thursday evening. We hope to see everyone at the meeting. In addition to the work that needs to be done, we also need to

remember to take time to relax. Don't forget the old saying "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." Never forget to have fun. We may work to live, but we should not live to work.



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Whitetanks Library and Nature Center Construction Site.

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Tamara Sanders
February 2010

Mortenson Construction

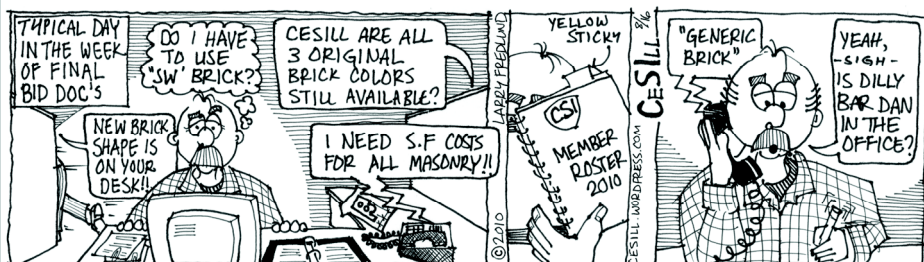
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PUBLICATION DEADLINES

Publication deadline for the October 2010 issue of the Phoenix Chapter Newsletter is September 27th, 2010.

Articles and items of interest should be submitted to Tamara Sanders at tamara.sanders85@gmail.com or Alex Devereux at adevereux@itt-tech.edu We welcome member articles and ideas/ suggestions.





PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I hope everyone had a pleasant summer even with the high humidity and temperatures that some of us forget about in the other six months of the year. We have a great lineup of programs for the 2010-2011 monthly meetings and Don Stone and his committee promise something for everyone.

We found out from National that Phoenix will be hosting the 2012 CSI National Convention. This means we have to put our best foot forward and help the incoming team of Steve Smith and Angie France put together a committee to start planning our part of the convention. We will be discussing this at our September board meeting and will be asking for help in various areas to make this a great success.

Speaking of the National and Regional conventions, I would like to see as many as possible attend that are on various committees or board members in order to help the incoming board work towards our 2012 convention. The national meeting will be in Chicago next fall and the SW regional will be in Albuquerque. Those who attended the regional meeting in Colorado Springs had a great time and learned much about CSI and our part as committee and board members. Please set aside time if you can and help us do so long term planning.

Our education committee has many interesting activities and programs coming up for those who need education credits and those who would like to further their understanding of what CSI really is. I was told that there might even be a "Let's Get Dirty" event this fall where you can learn about a section of the industry that may be foreign to you.

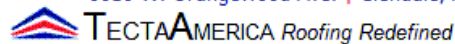
Gary Mittendorf CSI, CDT

Phoenix CSI Chapter President

About the President

Gary Mittendorf CSI CDT has been active in the roofing and waterproofing industry for over 42 years. Gary has worked as a roofing contractor, roofing/waterproofing manufacturer's representative and taught roofing and waterproofing classes for the US Apprenticeship Council through Maricopa Technical College. He currently is Executive Director of AZ Jack Russell Rescue, the only full time terrier rescue agency in the western US. Gary has been involved with CSI since 1973 and has served on several committees and boards with the Phoenix and Tucson Chapters over the past years. You may email Gary at gmittendorf@tectamerica.com.

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The Reference Library

New Location!!!

We are beginning our breakfast program at a new location this month!

THE TROPHY ROOM
ASU KARSTEN GOLF CLUB
1125 EAST RIO SALADO PARKWAY
TEMPE, AZ 85281
480-921-8073

Please make note - our first seminar will be THIS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, "Roof Mounted Solar Photovoltaics", 7:30-8:30 with Johns Manville, Brian Dembowski 602-524-4847.

RSVP if you are able to attend!



Construction Documents Technology Seminar:

Understanding Construction Contract Documents

Earn 24 LUs that qualify for HSW!

A 3-day seminar for design and construction professionals seeking knowledge in the relationship between and application of construction contract documents

* AND *

For candidates of CSI's Construction Documents Technologist (CDT) certificate examination

Sponsored by the
Construction Specifications Institute
Phoenix Chapter

Where:	The Reference Library (see map on reverse side)								
Dates:	September 16 th , 17 th , and 18 th , 2010								
Times:	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Lunch provided) Registration at 7:30 a.m. on September 16 th								
Cost:	<table> <tr> <td>CSI Members/Nonmembers</td> <td>\$275.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2nd employee in same firm</td> <td>\$150.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Each additional employee</td> <td>\$100.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Students (12+ credit hours)</td> <td>\$85.00</td> </tr> </table>	CSI Members/Nonmembers	\$275.00	2 nd employee in same firm	\$150.00	Each additional employee	\$100.00	Students (12+ credit hours)	\$85.00
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Program Overview

This course is designed for entry level and experienced readers and writers of written Construction Contract Documents. Each session is intended to be 8 hours in duration. The fundamental information is intended for readers and writers of construction documents and presents an understanding of how the documents are organized and specific procedures for following certain requirements.

This course is also beneficial to candidates taking the CSI Construction Documents Technologist (CDT) exam. Registration for the exam is independent of this seminar. The cost defined above is for this seminar only and does not include any fees for the certification exams, or for the CSI *Project Resource Manual (PRM)*, which serves as source material for the exam.



INFORMATION FOR INTERN ARCHITECTS!

Intern architects who take and pass the CDT exam can earn **40 supplementary education hours towards their NCARB Certification.**

The course content will also prepare intern architects for the *Construction Documents and Services Division* of the **Architectural Registration Examination (ARE®)**.

Program Content

Fundamentals – Concepts applicable to the basic understanding of the construction document process

Planning & Pre-Design – Activities and documents related to project conception and project delivery

Design – Activities and documents related to converting an owner's program into written and graphic documents

Procurement – Process of bidding, negotiating, and contracting to purchase the work

Construction – Activities and procedures related to the administration of the contract

Post-Construction – Activities and documents related to transition from construction to ongoing facility management



Registration Form

Name: _____ Occupation: _____
 Company: _____ Work Phone: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ ZIP: _____
 E-mail address: _____ CSI Member No.: _____

Registration: CSI member - \$275 Non-member - \$275 Student - \$85
 2nd Employee, Same Company - \$150

Name: _____ CSI Member

Each Additional Employee, Same Company - \$100 each

Name: _____ CSI Member

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TOTAL REGISTRATION FEE: \$ _____

(SEATING IS LIMITED)

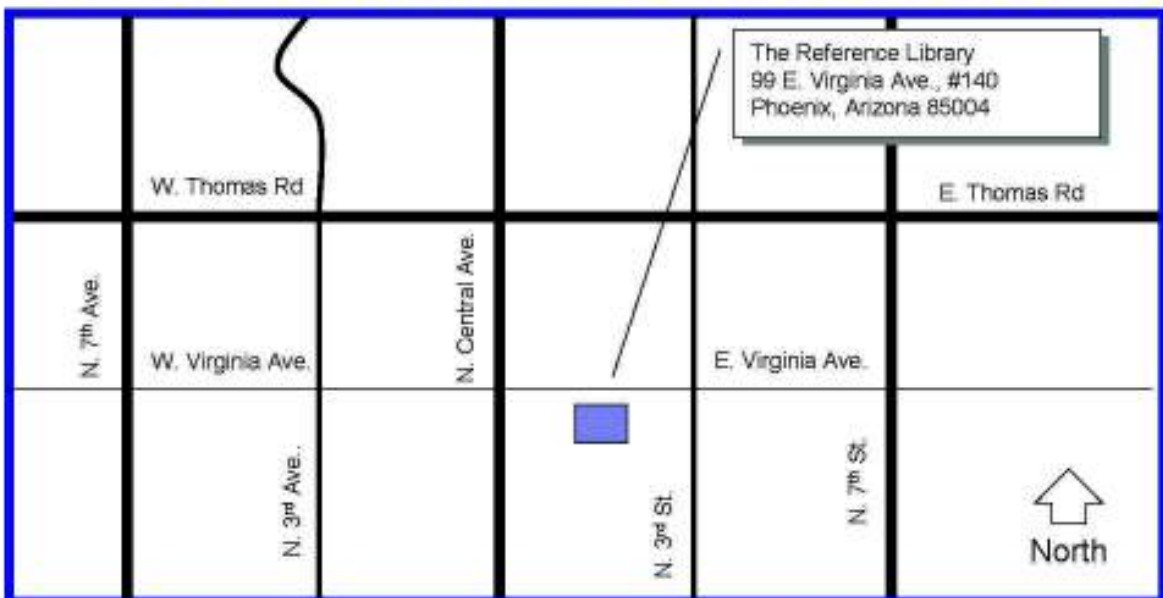
This seminar will be based on, and supported by, the CSI *Project Resource Manual (PRM)* and AIA General Conditions. Although study materials will be handed out in the seminar, it is highly recommended that you purchase a copy of the *PRM* if you plan on taking the CDT Examination. It is the essential study guide for the CSI certification exams and a valuable office resource. A limited number of copies of the *PRM* are available for checkout at The Reference Library. AIA Document A201 General Conditions will be a part of the handout materials. Information on purchasing the *Project Resource Manual* is available on the CSI web site at www.csinet.org and within the CSI catalog.

Make Checks Payable to: CSI Phoenix Chapter

Send Registration and Checks to:

CSI Construction Documents Seminar
 % The Reference Library
 99 E. Virginia Ave.
 Phoenix, AZ 85004

For Additional Information, Contact Jill Anderson at
jill@thereferencelibrary.com or 602.258.7499





CSI PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETING PROGRAMS

Location: Radisson Hotel Phoenix City Center
3600 North Second Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85013

- September 9, 2010 Dinner 5:30pm networking/ table tops, 6:30 to 8:00pm dinner/ meeting and program, table tops 8:00pm to 8:30pm.

LEED Award Winning Project, Tempe Transportation Center; An exploration in sustainable desert architecture.
Presentation by John Kane, FAIA LEED AP with Architekton +Otak and Richard Herges with Adolphson & Peterson Contractors.
- October 14, 2010 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

New Technologies in Access Control - Making the Right Decision
Presentation by Derek Hileman, Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies
- November 11, 2010 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

Taliesin Frank Lloyd Wright School of Architecture
The Past and Future
Presentation by Victor Sidy, Dean of the FLLWSA
- December 2010 CSI Christmas Party (Date and location to be announced) – No table tops
- January 13, 2011 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

The Journey using BIM from Design through Construction
Presentation by Russ Sanders, AIA, Orcutt Winslow and Daniel Russell, Sundt Construction Employee Owner
- February 10, 2011 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

Life Safety Systems, Security Systems and Communication Systems
Panel Discussion



CSI PHOENIX CHAPTER MEETING PROGRAMS continued:

- March 10, 2011 Dinner 5:30pm networking/ table tops, 6:30 to 8:00pm dinner/ meeting and program, table tops 8:00pm to 8:30pm.

Scottsdale Appaloosa Library; Effective Sustainable Products
Presenter: Douglas Sydnor, AIA, Douglas Sydnor Architect and Associates
- April 14, 2011 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

Alternative Energy
- May 12, 2011 Lunch 11:30am networking/ table tops, 12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops 1:00 to 1:30pm.

Design Innovation
- June 2011 CSI Awards Banquet (Date and location to be announced) – No table tops

For more information contact:

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CSI PHOENIX CHAPTER EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- September 16 - 18, 2010 - CDT Seminar and Prep Course at The Reference Library
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Lunch provided)
Registration at 7:30 a.m. on September 16th

The following Education Programs the location date and time to be announced:

- October 2010 – “Let’s Get Dirty” host The Sherwin William Company
- November 2010 – Award Winning Design
- December 2010 – “Let’s Get Dirty” Habitat for Humanity
- January 2011 – Pitfalls of Sustainable Design
- February 2011 – “Let’s Get Dirty”

For more information contact:

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space 99, LLC
99 E. Virginia, Suite 140
Phoenix AZ 85004
602.258-7499- Voice
602.297-6613 – Fax

- OR -

Jolene Jones, CSI
Twenty-One Tech
602 568 2792



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Times and information:

Dinner 4:40pm table top set up, 5:30pm networking/ table tops,
6:30 to 8:00pm dinner/ meeting and program, table tops again at 8:00pm to 8:30pm.
Tear down is 8:30pm to 9:00pm.
Lunch 10:30am table top set up, 11:30am networking/ table tops,
12:00pm to 1:00pm lunch/ meeting and program, table tops again at 1:00 to 1:30pm.
Tear down is 1:30pm to 2:00pm.

Each table top will be draped and is 6' long.

If you need power for your display let us know, a power strip can be provided at no additional cost.

Cost:

CSI Member: \$55.00. Non-CSI Member: \$75.00. Price is for one (1) draped table.

Price includes one lunch or dinner for non-CSI member guest.

If you need more than one (1) table let us know.

Sign up:

Sign up first for availability before payment:

See separate sign up form, E-mail to don_stone@irco.com.

For questions call Don Stone (602)538-7839

Payment:

Sign up first for availability before payment:

By Credit card click here www.csiphoenix.org click on shopping and then payment

Under description enter Table Top, enter all information required.

By Check bring to the meeting.



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PRODUCT BRAND NAMES OR SERVICES YOU WILL BE DISPLAYING

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PHONE NUMBER: Office _____ Cell phone _____

NUMBER OF TABLE TOPS: _____ POWER REQUIRED _____

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Note: Price includes lunch or dinner for one non-CSI member.

Payment type: Credit Card ___ Pay on Line (see below)

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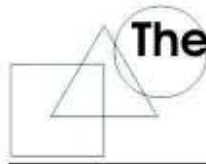
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<p>SEPTEMBER 01 Rulon, Douglas Wright, 480-789-9193 1 AIA LU "Suspended Wood Ceilings and Acoustical Wood Walls" Have you thought about using wood for a decorative finish? With new technology available, creative designs are encouraged. Learn about wood species, colors, suspension methods, specification sections, acoustical performances, seismic zones, material savings and many more qualities.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 08 Vaughan Architectural Products, Terry Vaughan, 602-418-9704 1 AIA LU "Dispelling Daylighting Myths" Learning Objectives: Daylighting costs more Daylighting is complicated Daylighting lets in too much heat Daylighting causes glare For daylighting to work, you need sunny, clear days.</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 15 Western Wall & Ceiling Contractors Assoc., Albert Carrillo, 480-829-9133 1 AIA LU with HSW and SD "Interior Steel Stud Framing & Gypsum Wallboard" We'll cover interior metal stud framing, fire resistance, types of gypsum wallboard, levels of gypsum wallboard finish, sustainable design, and problems.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 22 Vero, Vince Overmyer, 714-984-3439, Rocio Israel 1 AIA LU "Plaster Design Ideas-From Cement to Lime" We will cover how to specify and utilize plasters in your projects. We'll discuss the difference between seasoned slaked lime, bagged lime, cement and acrylic plaster products. You'll learn the difference between dragged, scratched, swirled and polychromatic looks along with their costs.</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER 29 Westcoat, Marc Di Zinno, 760-802-6374 1 AIA LU "Deck Coatings over Concrete and Plywood" Objectives: Correct applications of deck coatings and details, Proper preparation over concrete and wood substrates for coatings, Common construction mistakes on walking decks, and The impact of doing it wrong when it comes to deck coatings</p>	
<p>PLEASE MAKE RESERVATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING SEMINARS: Phoenix</p>	
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location: Marie Callender's, 865 S. Dobson, Mesa, Arizona

<p>SEPTEMBER 09 Johns Manville, Brian Dembovski, 602-524-4847 1 AIA LU</p> <p>"Roof Mounted Solar Photovoltaics" We will discuss roof mounted solar photovoltaic (PV) systems covering the fundamental basics and components of PV systems including: main components, solar electricity, and the different PV technologies. We will also cover typical applications of PV systems including roof penetrating systems, ballasted racking systems, and roof integrated systems. Finally, we will touch briefly on the economics of solar PV systems, covering the key drivers that make solar feasible.</p>	<p>SEPTEMBER 23 Tyvek, Drake Nelson, 480-415-6629 1 AIA LU with HSW</p> <p>"Design Considerations for Commercial Weather Barrier Systems"</p> <p>We'll cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The importance of moisture management and air leakage control in building envelope design and the role of weather-barrier systems, • The main types of weather-barriers based on application methods, • Key advantages and limitations of each weather barrier system and application examples.
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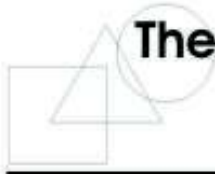
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The Reference Library - Scottsdale

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location: Fox Sports Grille, 16203 N. Scottsdale Road, Scottsdale, AZ 85254

<p>September 16 UltraKote, Tim Wilson, 602-619-3483</p> <p>1 AIA LU with HSW</p> <p>"Unique Interior Finishes"</p> <p>We will present a program to introduce interior finishes that are unique in color, extremely durable and very cost effective. These finishes allow the design professional to express accents in bold colors on the interior as well as on the exterior. You are limited only by your imagination!</p>	<p>September 30 Field Trip to Ferguson Bath, Kitchen & Lighting Gallery – Kohler is hosting!</p> <p>8340 E Raintree Drive Scottsdale, AZ 85260</p> <p>"Universal Design" 1 AIA LU with HSW 0.1 CEU for Interior Designers</p> <p>Michelle Fray, 480-287-2554 Learning Objectives: understand universal design and how plumbing fixtures and faucets impact our life cycle, and applying that knowledge to the clients' project. After this course, an architect or designer should feel comfortable recommending and specifying plumbing fixtures and faucets that help created universally designed rooms for their clients. After the presentation, you are invited to take a tour of the showroom.</p>
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OTHER PERSPECTIVES, OPINIONS, EXPRESSIONS, IMPRESSIONS, THOUGHTS AND IDEAS ABOUT THE NOBLE PROFESSION OF SPECIFICATIONS WRITING-- OPEN FOR, AND SEEKING DISCUSSION

No. 96

INDIFFERENCE

by Ralph Liebing, RA, CSI
Cincinnati, OH

In architecture, engineering and construction mere indifference can be fatal—literally, figuratively and professionally! You simply have to know what to do, what you are doing, why and how best to achieve your end in a safe, serviceable and stable manner. It is more instinct, insight, experience and understanding than anything else.

Anybody else ever say it to you in those terms— say, like a prof? Say like an employer? Say like in the admonishment of a judge or court? More than likely not, because in a way this is the “dirty” side of the professions— the nifty-gritty, bottom line concept— No! Not concept, reality!

Day by day we all are immersed in work that often we take as routine, perhaps, mundane, too familiar and some lucky one, in startling new and exciting ways. Some aspects of project simply do not invoke a spirit of adventure, or excitement of the creative juices— they are just “there” and need to be done. In this we cast no dispersions, but rather highlight the idea that much of what we do and have others do is never seen once the project is completed— so who really care? Therein is born indifference, our stark enemy and the threat to all we are and wish to be.

Flat out, you simply have to maintain, at a high level, the dedication and commitment to the right thing, in the right way, in the right place. Others may scowl at your suggestion when in reality it may be the saving grace of their career. Others may discount your concept and approach only to follow [and invite you along] a narrower and more risky path— watch your step!].

This is no slam at innovation or cutting edge whatever, but merely a watch-out that what you do to achieve something very new and quite different is not all that different from what you do for a more sedate solution. Fire burns anywhere; soil fails or collapses anywhere; faulty design, miscalculation, and bad assumption prevail everywhere— there is no forgiveness. To know and assume is perhaps the worst; to be ignorant of fact is a very close second— and the more heinous and absolutely unforgivable is indifference [as in, “Oh, it wouldn’t make that much difference any way!!!] Uh, see you in court—one day!

Vigilant and diligent we must be. Not overbearing, but professional; not imposing and grouchy, showing courage of conviction; and acting correctly even when others choose a far less prudent path [but we can save the world or those who simply— well.....are indifferent!] Such a crude and insidious attribute, but one that can easily slip into any life at any time over any circumstance whether caring for an infant or topping out a skyscraper! Driving a car recklessly for no discernable reason, or peeling out on a “hog” sans helmet!

What do you wink and nod at all too often? What do you re-prioritize to lower status without a link of the eye? Or better, what you do care least about, so being indifferent really fits the situation?

Don’t e-mail me your answer[s]— but for Pete’s sake think about all this.....please!



LOOK WHAT'S NEW!

From The CSI Phoenix Chapter Technical Committee



The **CSI Phoenix Chapter Technical Committee** has created a **“Technical Resources”** webpage on its website for technical information related to the construction industry.

Material located on the webpage has been prepared by the Technical Committee or has been prepared by other sources and are considered of value to share with the building design and construction community.

Although the webpage is in its early stages of development, the materials are organized using CSI's **UniFormat™**.

The following documents are currently posted: *(Click on the title to open the document)*

Construction Systems and Assemblies

B Shell

B30 Roofing

[Roof Design Resource for Energy and Environmentally Efficient Roofs in Arizona](#)

C Interiors

[Indoor Air Quality PowerPoint: Materials and Design](#)

Presented by: Shannon Newton, MPH, CIH
Health Effects Group, Inc.

Visit **www.csiphoenix.org** to find these technical documents as well as other information about the Phoenix Chapter.

Committee's Current Project: The Technical Committee is currently undertaking topics on the building envelope as they relate to the multitude of environments within Arizona. The Committee welcomes anyone with an interest in this subject matter to participate. Contact the Committee Chair for meeting dates and location.

About the CSI Phoenix Chapter Technical Committee

The responsibilities of the Technical Committee include:

1. Develop, implement, and administer the Chapter's technical program.
2. Accomplish projects assigned by the Chapter President and Chapter Board.
3. Coordinate activities with Chapter certification and education committees.
4. Publicize the Chapter's, Region's and Institute's technical programs to create better understanding and promote greater participation.

For more information about the Technical Committee, or you have questions, please contact the Committee Chairman:

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The Construction Specifications Institute



Focusing on "The Main Thing"

By Dennis J. Hall, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, FCSI

CSI President

Welcome to my monthly President's message. It seems that everyone is always looking for the next big thing and CSI is doing that, too. The only problem with looking for the next big thing is that you sometimes lose focus on the main thing. One of my jobs as CSI President is to keep the Board focused on the main thing. What is this main thing? Quite simply, it is creating CSI membership value. I hope each of you can say "the value of my membership in CSI far exceeds the cost of my dues". If you can't, then I am not doing my job.

During August, the new CSI fiscal year is just getting kicked off. But, below are a few things that we have done this month. Hopefully, some of these activities are increasing the value to you membership.

Operations Plan

The Board Planning Committee is making good progress on a three year operations plan. We have established the major areas of monitoring the health of the organization and they are working out the details of the plan.

Membership Support

Member Classification

The Membership Classification Task Team has almost completed their work on a series of Bylaws amendments, which will align membership with the CSI Strategic Plan. These recommendations will be voted upon by the Board at the October meeting, for placement on the ballot in the spring.

CSINet Microsites

With the new CSINet CSI chapters and regions can now have a free website through CSI. The goal was to have 20 chapters participating by the end of the first year - there are now more than 30! Examples include metrony.csinet.org, greatlakes.csinet.org, batonrouge.csinet.org, raleighdurham.csinet.org, chicago.csinet.org and several others. For more information, visit the "demonstration" microsite at demo.csinet.org, or contact webmaster@csinet.org.

Practice Groups

The Construction Administration Practice Group has conducted a survey of its 180 members and has established the top priority of topics of interest. They expect to begin webinars in the next 45 days.

Standards and Formats



MasterFormat 2011 Update:

The MasterFormat Maintenance Task Team approved about 60 new numbers and title and well as other changes for the 2011 Update, which will be published in early 2011.

UniFormat 2010

The UniFormat Task Team has completed their work and the new document was published and is available for sale in the CSI Store.

Education and Certification

Practice Guides

The Practice Guide Task Team continues to make good progress on working with John Wiley & Sons, towards a publication date of January 2011 for the Project Delivery Practice Guide, the Construction Specifications Practice Guide, and the Construction Contract Administration Practice Guide.

National CAD Standard

The Uniform Drawing System Task Team completed work this month on a new NCS educational program. They are currently working on technical production of a series of PowerPoint presentations.

BIM Practice Tools and Collaboration

MasterFormat Adoption

The Information Management Collaboration Task Team had its first meeting and is working on ideas to get better industry wide adoption of the 50 division - version of MasterFormat. This month the Ohio Department of Administrative Services issued a directive requiring that "Project Manuals shall be organized according to the latest edition of CSI/CSC MasterFormat."

MasterFormat Licensure

The Board also discussed MasterFormat licensure policy at its August teleconference and plans to take action at its October meeting. The Board also discussed expanded benefits to members through collaboration and strategic partnerships with external organizations.

ConsensusDOCS

In July 2010, CSI and four leading construction industry associations signed onto the ConsensusDOCS effort, joining 24 other construction industry organizations. CSI members receive a direct benefit of a 20% discount on all ConsensusDOCS products at www.ConsensusDOCS.org (Partner Code: CSI and Promotional Code: 100). At this point in time CSI is not endorsing any of the documents. However, CSI is participating in the review of the new proposed ConsensusDOCS, which is currently out for organizational review. The Technical Committee is presenting the Board with a recommendation for action by the Board in October.

Wow, I have barely scratched the surface of the work of the CSI Board, Committees, Task Teams, and liaisons in August, but have exceeded the number of words allowed for my President's message. More next month



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