

Specigram

Newsletter of the Pittsburgh Chapter,
Construction Specifications Institute

January 2018



January 9, 2018 meeting

3:30 pm: Meet at
Hamburg Hall entrance
(across the street from
construction site)

****Arrive early as there is
limited parking****

Dinner following:
Porch at Schenley
221 Schenley Plaza
Pittsburgh, PA 15213

\$35.00/person



Tour of Tepper Quad, Carnegie Mellon University

The Tepper Quad Project consists of a new 315,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art building that will house the Tepper School of Business, a University Welcome Center, Multi-use HUB/ Forum, 600-seat auditorium and a Fitness Center. Come learn more about this new addition to CMU's campus.

Meet for the Tour at the front of Hamburg Hall at 3:30 pm!

Remember to wear/bring:

- hard-soled, closed-toe shoes/boots
- hardhat (limited number of loaners)
- high visibility vest (limited number of loaners)

RSVP to Marc Zell
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412-951-8715

President's Message

January 2018



By Richard Strayer
President, CSI Pittsburgh

Dear Chapter Members,

As we leave 2017 in the rear-view mirror and look forward to 2018 I want to thank all of you that made this past year a great success for CSI, Pittsburgh. The highlight of the year was definitely hosting the MARC17 conference in Pittsburgh. The planning and hard work of a dedicated group of volunteers resulted in a memorable event for all attendees. Our tours and educational events were outstanding. The Gateway Clipper dinner cruise was the ultimate crowning jewel of the meeting. Thanks again to all those who made this a great event!

The Pittsburgh Chapter remains one of the strongest chapters in all of the Mid-Atlantic Region of CSI. We have an active membership, a strong financial base, and a group of dedicated leaders that have a keen interest in the continued success of our Chapter. During the past year we began to focus on reaching out to new potential professional members and to introduce our organization to students who may become future professionals. This is a long-term plan to maintain our chapter's strength. Clearly we need to continue to grow the organization with new and younger members to position Pittsburgh CSI for continued success.

We need your help to make our plan a success! Contact others in your office. Invite them to a monthly meeting dinner or tour. I am buying their dinner!

Monthly meetings are a great way to learn some technical information and meet other members. By the way, the food at Cefelo's in Carnegie is really good! Come out and join us every 2nd Tuesday of the month. Watch the Specigram and other chapter announcements for monthly meeting details.

Thanks for your continued support.

Highlights from the Board

January 2018

December 12, 2018 at The Chadwick, Wexford

HOSPITALITY: All sponsors covered - 26 tables for tonight - 40 reservations.

PUBLICITY: Waiting for A.L. Harding advertising (has been paid for).

MEMBERSHIP: down to 113. Board to review. At Institute, incomplete information goes to "Non-Affiliated" category.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION: no response from professionals for last seminar. Dorenkott looking for topic ideas.

AWARDS: Vernon, Thornton and Strayer met to review awards for presentation - to be presented tonight for signature.



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Member News

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January Anniversaries

33rd	Robert Bailey	IKM Incorporated
23rd	Donna Radock	Ross Schonder Sterzinger Cupcheck, P.C
21st	Mike Desiderio	Caldwell's Windoware Co., Inc.
21st	Patrick Starr	ATAS International, Inc.
18th	Raymond Stander Jr.	The Wiremold Company
15th	Leisa McNamee	Dodge Data & Analytics
12th	Bruce Miller	Stantec
12th	William Vernon	Renaissance 3 Architects
12th	Courtney Watson	Won Door
5th	Stacy Jordon	Armstrong World Industries
5th	Robert Ober	YKK AP
4th	Kelly Brown	Radelet McCarthy Polletta
4th	Fred Smith	Allegheny Millwork & Lumber
1st	David Hohman	
1st	Brian Antal	Dimensional Metals, Inc.

New Members

Jeanne Marsili Stantec

Current Membership: 109

CSI Speed Dating!

January 2018

7th Annual CSI Pittsburgh Speed Dating

Come join us Tuesday, February 13, 2018 for our seventh annual CSI Speed dating event.

Design Professionals: Meet new contacts and learn about the latest products and technologies for your current projects.

Product Representatives: Meet design professionals who would benefit from learning more about your products.

CSI Speed dating works like this: Each "couple" will have 4 minutes to meet and talk about their current projects and products to see if they are compatible, and when the buzzer sounds, the design professional will move to the next table.

Come join us for a fun and informative networking event - AND a chance to win door prizes at the end of the evening.

If you are interested in participating as a "date" or donating a door prize, please fill out the form and return it to:

Stacy Jordon, smjordon@armstrongceilings.com

Registration Open to CSI Members: January 5, 2018
All other registrations open: January 12, 2018
Last Day to register is February 9, 2018
Only 20 spots available for Product Reps, so register soon!!

Hors d'oeuvres will be served during the speed dating event

Where: Cefalo's Restaurant
428 Washington Ave Carnegie, PA 15106

Times:
4:45 Registration
5:30 Speed Dating
7:00 Dinner
8:00 Board Meeting

Cost: \$35/person at the door

Name:

Organization:

Email:

CSI member: Yes / No

Region Report

January 2018

Hopefully everyone enjoyed the holidays of December and are looking forward to 2018.

The Middle Atlantic Region is beginning to make plans for our annual LOS weekend in August. We are starting off with a name change of this event from LOS to LOS/LEAD (Leadership, Education and Development.)

Our desire is to improve and expand this weekend to include additional topics which will be driven by what the individual chapter members want. LOS has been around for about thirty years and my desire is to expand it into a more useful tool for all Chapter Leaders.

Our event this year will again be held at the Heritage Hills Golf Club in York, Pa. Our dates are August 3-4. The Board Meeting and a Tour will be held on August 3rd. The Education Sessions will be Held on August 4th. Please consider coming for at least the Saturday sessions. I will keep you posted as more details become available.

In the near future you will see even more Region changes.

The Institute Convention, Construct 2018 will be held in Long Beach, California this year October 3-6. Hope to see Pittsburgh well-represented again this year.

Gail Nagie, CSI, CDT
President Middle Atlantic Region



MARC 2018

April 19-22, 2018

at the

**The George
Washington**

A Wyndham Grand Hotel

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Winchester, VA

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Chapter 60th Anniversary

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