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Construction Specifications Institute

December 2018



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President's Message

by Martin (Marty) Thornton II, CCS, CSI

First, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Holidays.

I would also like to thank those who attended our November Chapter Meeting at Carnegie Mellon University and our Student Outreach program. We had a successful turnout through the efforts of our own Student Outreach Chair, Colleen Difilippo, and Carnegie Mellon's Kristen Frambes.



I admit at first we were nervous we had the wrong room as no students had yet arrived, but they showed in full force and I lost track of how many were in attendance! We had dynamic discussions about architecture and current trends, and this was an excellent opportunity to present the benefits of CSI.

The next generation of young professionals are ready to take the lead and I was more than impressed with the questions and interest in sustainable design. Thanks to Colleen for her hard work coordinating this successful event..

Our December meeting is our Holiday Gala and Product Show at the Chadwick in Wexford. Jim Geist has been working diligently to ensure this event is once again a hit. We encourage everyone to help us promote this great networking opportunity by posting flyers on your office bulletin boards, via social media avenues, and even the office kitchen refrigerator; you can be sure everyone visits that location!

In January, our meeting will be at Cefalo's in Carnegie, PA. The Green Building Association will be presenting the latest information on LEED.

And in February, our "Speed Dating" event will also take place at Cefalo's. Be sure to look out for more information in the new year.

I look forward to seeing you all in Wexford!

"America is never wholly herself unless she is engaged in high moral principle. We as a people have such a purpose today. It is to make kinder the face of the nation and gentler the face of the world." - George H. W. Bush, 41st President of the United States.

Highlights from the Board

December 2018

August 14, 2018 LGA Architects Office

PRESIDENT

LEAD Regional conference was held August 3-4, 2018.

MARC 2019 will be May 2-5, 2019 in Center Valley, PA hosted by the Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter. CONSTRUCT will be October 2-5, 2018 at the Long Beach Convention Center, Long Beach, CA.

PROGRAMS

Keener/Lander provided a updated list of monthly seminars. Some months still need to be finalized.

HOSPITALITY

Golf outing – Fall outing at Birdsfoot Golf Club September 20, 2018.

Holiday Party – Holiday Party will be December 11, 2018. Sponsors are being recruited.

PUBLICITY / ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Website – Meeting Minutes and Specigrams have been updated on the website.

MEMBERSHIP

Total Membership increased 1 to 111 in July. A copy of the unaffiliated list will be obtained for review.

TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Next Seminar scheduled is the CSI/MBA SSPC Technical Seminar
Advertise ICRI

AWARDS

Outstanding Chapter Award – due December 31, 2018.

STUDENT OUTREACH

Defilippo reported that the November meeting will be at Carnegie Mellon University with students from several local universities.

60th ANNIVERSARY - SEPTEMBER

Edgewood Country Club September 15, 2018

Theme is Oktoberfest.

Sponsors are still being sought.



Highlights from the Board

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November 13, 2018 Conference Call

PRESIDENT

Impressed with CONSTRUCT. There were energetic young professionals and new direction from new executive director.

The institute has hired a consultant to advise chapters on improving member outreach. We will be implementing some changes in January.

MARC 2019 will be May 2-5, 2019 in Center Valley, PA hosted by the Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter.

PROGRAMS

Carnegie Mellon Student Event. Catering for 50 including students, faculty and members will be provided. Zell provided list of members attending. Defilippo will forward list of architecture firms to school to encourage student attendance.

January – Green Build is confirmed for presentation Carty/Thornton at Cefalos

February – Speed Dating Jordan will take lead again this year at Cefalos

May - Potential walking tour

HOSPITALITY

Holiday Party – Geist reported 21-22 firm commitments and 3-5 likely commitments for table sponsors. Joe Marini band will provide entertainment. A flyer for event to be placed in professional offices. Geist needs copy of last year's flyer. Thornton to touch base with Trimble.

PUBLICITY / ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

Website – President updates posted

Postcards – Received for November meeting

Specigram – New editor needed

MEMBERSHIP

Total Membership decreased 6 to 105 in November. Follow up with six lost members.

Carnegie will look to identify members who are coming up for renewal and put together reminder email.

AWARDS

Strayer to take lead. Vernon to assist.

Region Awards – due December 31, 2018.

Outstanding Chapter Award – due December 31, 2018.

60th ANNIVERSARY - SEPTEMBER

The 60th Anniversary Dinner was held at Edgewood Country Club September 15, 2018. The event was a success.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: To approve reimbursement for CONSTRUCT 2018 as submitted by Thornton proposed by McNamee seconded by Bosco. Motion unanimously approved.

Member News

December 2018

November 2018 Chapter Membership Report

Membership Committee members: Damian Carnegie, Matt Lander

Membership Totals:

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Professional Retired: | 0 |
| Emerging Professionals: | 8 (-3) |
| Professional Emeritus: | 2 |
| Student: | 0 |
| Professional: | 95 (-2) |
| Total Members: | 105 |

Action:

Volunteers to contact 6 members lost.

Prospective New members:

Courtney Giel, Karndean Designflooring. Recruited by Jim Geist.

New Members 2018:

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|---------------------|------------------------------|--------------|
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Member News

December 2018

December Anniversaries

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| 37th | Sandra Hundley | Sandra A. Hundley, Architect |
| 36th | Jeffrey Anderson | Mistick Construction |
| 16th | Michael Konkle | Mak Sales Inc. |
| 8th | Matthew Lander | AVT, Inc. |
| 8th | Kevin Shinton | Easley & Rivers, Inc. |
| 3rd | Chuck Biasucci | CertainTeed Ceilings |

November Anniversaries

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|------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 40th | James Gerard | Gerard Associates Architects, LLC |
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| 27th | Philip Dorenkott | ATAS International, Inc. |
| 22nd | Matthew Matlak | |
| 19th | Bruce Pollock | RSSC Architecture |
| 15th | Steve Nearhoof | Cannon Design |
| 12th | Dawn DiMedio | Gerard Associates Architects, LLC |
| 12th | Michaeleen Vargo | LGA Partners |
| 7th | Thomas Christiansen | ASSA ABLOY |
| 1st | Jeanne Marsili | Stantec |

New Members

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|-------------------|--------------------------|
| David Mosovsky | Daltile |
| Chad Chapman | Crane Composites |
| Jeremy Perchinsky | Chicago Metallic |
| Bobby Chestnut | Standard Bent Glass Corp |
| Jacob Bowser | Standard Bent Glass Corp |

Current Membership: 105

Region Report

December 2018

October was a busy month for our Region. Construct started us off. Our new website was introduced to the Board, and our Education Committee kicked off TeleTalk.

The Region had its first TeleTalk in November. For those those who do not know it's a mini seminar via a teleconference call taking less than one hour during a lunchtime. You eat and listen and earn one learning unit. Topics will vary but it's free and you only need to preregister have a time. Watch for emails coming soon for the next one in January. Participation is open to everyone including non-CSI members.

Have you checked your profile on the Institute website lately? If it's been more than three months please do so. Elections are coming up soon after the new year and you don't want to be left out. Don't assume your profile is correct. When I was mailing invitations to the 60th anniversary party in September I discovered several with incorrect addresses. Worse yet, a couple of invitations were returned as undeliverable. Please check your profile.

On behalf of the entire Executive Committee of the Middle Atlantic Region I wish you happy and safe holidays and a prosperous 2019.

-Gail Nagie, CSI Mid Atlantic Region President



Region Conference 2019

December 2018



2019 Middle Atlantic Region CSI Conference
Back From The Future **May 2 - 4, 2019**
Hosted by Greater Lehigh Valley Chapter of CSI

(formerly known as Allentown Chapter of CSI)

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Set your clocks ahead for “Back From the Future”

2019 CSI Mid-Atlantic Region Conference

May 2-4, 2019
Center Valley PA

Top Ten Reasons to attend MARC 2019

10. Time Travel is cool.
9. No mind reading necessary.
8. It's more than “Enchantment Under the Sea.”
7. See if Biff will buff your ride.
6. Try to find Emmitt Brown.

**BE SURE TO CHECK BACK
AS WE COUNT DOWN
TO THE BEST REGION CONFERENCE!**

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