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Braddock's Turnaround

Lunch, talk and walking tour

A departure from our norm... We'll meet early and avoid rush-hour traffic woes. Instead of dinner we'll meet in Braddock for lunch at 1 pm. There will be a detailed presentation by experts directly involved in the planning and execution of Braddock's turnaround, followed by a walking tour of the Civic Plaza and other points of interest. Come learn how this can work in other communities!

****Note time for this event!!****

1:00 pm Portogallo Peppers n'at 28 Braddock Ave. Braddock, PA 15104 (412) 660 0600

\$20.00/person

RSVP to Marc Zell

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President's Message

by Martin (Marty) Thornton II, CCS, CSI

Time of the year for ghost and goblins and other scary things. Looking forward to hearing the Monster Mash and Time Warp on my Pandora Halloween Mix.

Our 60th anniversary Gala was a huuugh success. Thanks to all the committee members and sponsors. A big "pat-on-theback" to Gail Nagie for all her hard work on coordinating the evening events.

Also held in September was our Fall Golf Outing at Birdsfoot. Mark Womer and Dan Barra did another fantastic job with the weather and the outing. Thanks again to all the



sponsors and to those that attended. Missed Denny and the pink lady. Already looking forward to spring's event.

As I am writing this, members of our chapter including Gale, Matt Lander, Charlie Brown, and myself are heading to the Construct Show and CSI Convention in Long Beach, CA. Looking forward to seeing old friends and other members from across the country. It is a good time collaborating with other professionals.

The Chapter Meeting for October will be a lunch time event with a walking tour of Braddock celebrating the borough's turnaround and re-vitalization. Looking forward to this event and hope turnout is good. Other chapters in our region have been going to the lunch hour for their meetings. I would like to have your input if this is something we should do for future meetings.

Looking Into the Future: We will be meeting with CMU and Pitt students for our Student Outreach in November at location yet to be determined but somewhere on the CMU campus. We will be having our Holiday Gala and Product Show in December and our popular "Speed Dating" in February. Be sure to look for information in the coming months. January we are planning a presentation with the Green Building Association.

Well, I am off to Kaleefornya. Looking forward to seeing everyone on the the 9th of October for our chapter meeting in Braddock.

Thank you

"Don't dream it, be it." -- Tim Curry, British actor, from "The Rocky Horror Picture Show"

October Anniversaries

- 36th Timothy Fyock
- 23rd Joel Cluskey
- 18th Barbara Smith
- 12th Toby Knight
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Current Membership: 104



Region Report

The Region is preparing for "Construct 2018 in Long Beach California". We will convene the first week of October. I hope to see Pittsburgh well represented in Long Beach.

Once again I suggest all members pull up their profiles on the Institute website. When we mailed out the invitations to our 60th anniversary dinner several were returned undelivered. OOPS!!!! That means their information is outdated. Please review your information and make any needed changes. The Region will be holding elections shortly after the new year and those with outdated information will not get a ballot. Don't wait, fix it now before you forget.

After we return from Long Beach the Region will roll out its new website. We have totally scrapped the old site and have developed a new and hopefully more user-friendly site. More information coming soon. I will be interested to hear your comments on the new site. Feel free to drop me a note.

-Gail Nagie, CSI Mid Atlantic Region President



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