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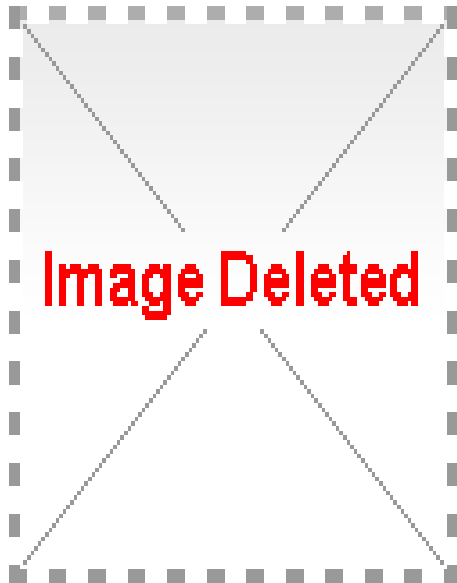
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John W. Mitchell, principal of M&H Economic Consultants, served as Chief Economist, then Western Region Economist of US Bancorp from 1983 to 2007. He has been making much sought-after economic presentations on the nation and the region via numerous publications, media appearances and personal presentations for over 40 years.

Don't Miss It!

Come and join us for one of the most energetic presentations you will experience as we review vital factors of 2012 that shaped our economy and which sectors will influence economic growth and change in 2013! Register today to experience Portland's world-renowned economist.

The event will take place at the Governor Hotel starting at 5:30 PM. The cost is \$40 for members and \$50 for non-members.

Registration

[Click here to register.](#) Reservations and cancellations are due by noon on Thursday, January 3rd. Space is limited!

This presentation is jointly presented by CSI Portland Chapter and the **[American Society of Professional Estimators \(ASPE\)](#)**, Columbia Pacific Chapter 54



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI members and friends.

We ended 2012 on a high note with the December Chapter Meeting/Silent Auction. It was a very fun and successful event. Ellen Onstad, Programs Committee Chair, did a great job! During the meeting, a vote on the chapter by-laws was held to ratify the by-laws accepted by CSI National. It was of course unanimous! Also during the meeting, a PowerPoint presentation was rolling showing the CSI Brand Revitalization. Unfortunately, our equipment had already gone on holiday. For those of you who did not adequately view the presentation and those of you who were unable to attend the December meeting, log on to **www.csinet.org** for more information.

Just prior to the meeting we held a New Members Orientation. There were 28 new members in 2012 for the Portland Chapter CSI invited to the New Member Orientation. The following new members present were John O'Brien-Western Partitions, Rebecca Littman Smith, Mark Miller-Firestone Building Products, David Steen-the Western Group, Dave Chatburn- Arcadia inc. and Alicia Clark from Emerick Construction. The board members and committee chairs were introduced. Each person described their activities in the chapter, the functions of the committees in the chapter with invitations encouraging new members to join a committee of their interest.

Although the holiday time should be a slower and enjoyable time of the year, it does get pretty hectic before Christmas. But after Dec 26th there is a lull where one can reflect on the year 2012 and make some plans for the New Year 2013. Come January 1st, I believe it will become very busy. I highly

recommend attending the January meeting at the Governor Hotel with Mr. John W. Mitchell (former chief economist for US Bancorp). He will enlighten us with a analysis of what happened in 2012 and how it will affect the economic forecast of 2013. Hopefully this will give us all some confidence in understanding what may happen in the year 2013.

The Portland Chapter CSI Board continues to meet each first Tuesday of the month (except this January Board meeting is on Thursday) to guide/help all committees keep on track. The major committees of Industry Forum, Programs, Education, Certification and Golf are working hard to meet their goals. I encourage you to contact one of these committees to help. What you give you will get back two-fold! For contacts and additional information, go to the Portland Chapter CSI website.

See you at January's Meeting!

SERIAL KILLER

Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA

If your grade school English teacher taught the same lessons as mine, you probably learned about the "optional comma" that you could use before the conjunction in a series of items. If this is true, either of the following sentences would be correct.

- Johnny brought a baseball, a bat, a glove, and a brick.
- Johnny brought a baseball, a bat, a glove and a brick.

CSI's Manual of Practice has a different view. [Read more>>](#)

NEW CHAPTER BYLAWS APPROVED

Corey Morris, Secretary

At the December 11 meeting, revised Chapter Bylaws were adopted by a majority of those in attendance. This vote represents a culmination of months of hard work by our Bylaws committee, including John Lape, Chris Irwin and Skip Brown - thank you to them, and for everyone that participated and voted during the election. Our newly-adopted Bylaws can be found on the Chapter website.

EDUCATION EVENTS

**Water Efficiency Fixtures
January 11, 2013 12-1 PM**

ASPE Portland presents Brett Weymouth, Water Efficiency Fixtures at Interface Engineering. [More information>>](#)

**CSI Academies, Charlotte, NC
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[Sign up now>>](#)

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CERTIFICATION - WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

Why get your certification? Ask Matt Jackson from Intel:

"I received the CDT and CCCA certifications in 2010 and I thought the exam material was very applicable to my job as a construction procurement manager. I have recommended the certifications to other members of my organization as a great way to demonstrate understanding of industry practices. I view the CSI certifications as a great step in my professional development."



Why Certification Matters

- Getting certified will differentiate yourself and your firm from others by recognizing your achievements.
- Certification establishes professional credentials, earns industry recognition, demonstrates professional commitment, credibility and reliability, and improves communication among project team members.
- These certifications are recognized throughout the industry as evidence of a proven level of education, knowledge, and experience in construction documents.

Register Today!

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SUCCESS SHOULD BE CELEBRATED

The Portland Chapter CSI would like to congratulate the following people who passed their Fall certification exams. Well done!

- Certified Construction Specifier (CCS)
- Marlene Gillis (Soderstrom Architects)
- Construction Documents Technologist (CDT)
- Cindy Lundeen (BOORA Architects)
- Alicia Clark (Emerick Construction)

INTRODUCING LOCALPRODUCTREPS.COM

David Axt, AIA, CCS, CSI

As a professional architectural specifier, my job is to know hundreds or maybe thousands of products. I regularly contact local product representatives with questions or concerns about their products. Often I find myself digging through piles of business cards, email contacts, or seemingly endless manufacturer's websites looking for the right rep for my projects. Once I do find the rep, I have to hope the information is up to date, as the reps may have moved companies, changed phones, etc. This leaves the information out of date and useless to not only me, but to my client, to the contractor, and to the rep him or herself! I knew there had to be a better way to organize and keep up to date product rep information.

With that in mind, I created LocalProductReps.com. Here product reps can enter their relevant contact information, CSI MasterFormat division, the manufacturers/brands they represent, their territories, etc. Specifiers and design professionals can then visit the site and search for the local product reps. By using an advanced search engine and filters, LocalProductReps.com can help you find a rep on the website even if you only know the area code of their phone number! Originally, I had intended the site to include only those product reps whose territories are in the Pacific Northwest, but I have expanded the website to include reps from all across the country and Canada!

Signing up is quick, simple, intuitive, taking no longer than 5 minutes in most cases, and most of all, FREE! That's right, this website will not cost members a single dime! Even though the site has only been up a short while through the holiday season, it has already had nearly 100 reps sign up. The site is growing fast, and garnering lots of attention. Be sure you don't miss out on the most useful networking tool design professionals and product reps have ever had!

ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS

Design

[American Institute of Architects, Portland Chapter](#)

[American Society of Interior Designers](#)

[Building Owners and Managers Association International - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Cascadia Region Green Building Council](#)

[International Facilities Management Association - Oregon](#)

[National Association of Office and Industrial Properties - Portland Chapter](#)

[Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter](#)

Technical

[American Society of Mechanical Engineers - Oregon Section](#)

[American Society of Plumbing Engineers, Columbia Pacific Chapter 54](#)

[Portland Building Enclosure Council](#)

Construction

[Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter](#)

[Construction Management Association of America - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Design-Build Institute of America - Northwest Region](#)

[Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland](#)

INSTITUTE AND REGION NEWS

[The Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#)

[Northwest Region CSI](#)

Northwest Region Chapter Meetings and Contacts

Big Sky Chapter (Last Tuesday) Jan O'Brien, CSI 406-245-6363

Capital Chapter (Third Thursday) Chris Veit, CSI, CCS 503-390-0291

Cook Inlet Chapter (Third Tuesday) Mark Hughes, CSI 907-267-5163

Idaho Chapter	(resuming January 15, 2013) Karen Morris, CSI	208-343-3620
Mt. Rainier Chapter	(First Thursday) Bob Kenworthy, FCSI, CCS	253-931-4904
Puget Sound Chapter	(Second Thursday) Andrew Estep, CSI	206-382-3393
Spokane Chapter	(Second Thursday) Georgia Spencer, CDT	509-328-2771
Willamette Valley Chapter	(Last Thursday) Alorie Mayer	541-485-0922

Portland Oregon Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute
P.O. Box 6683, Portland, Oregon 97228 | 503-805-2500 | portlandcsi@gmail.com



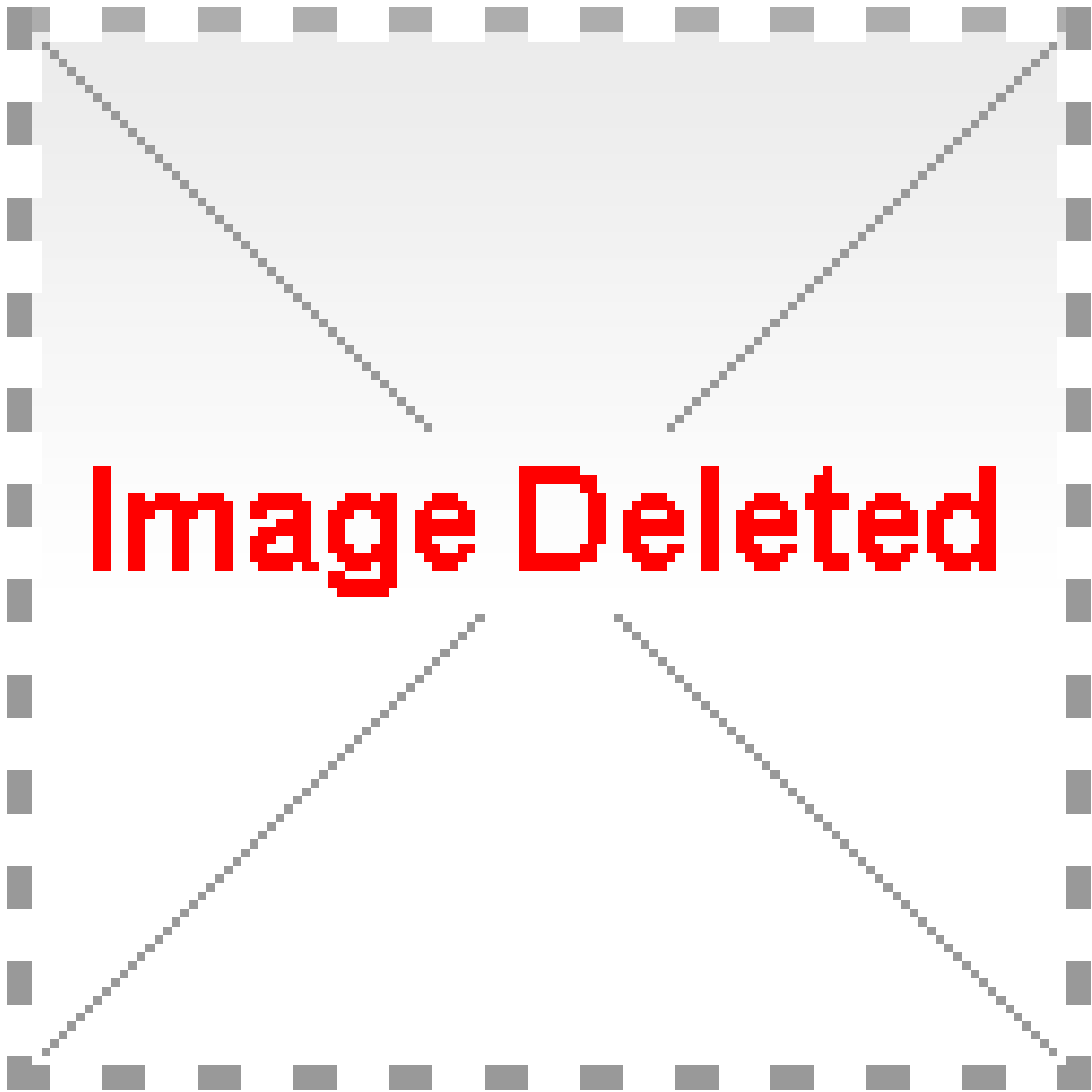
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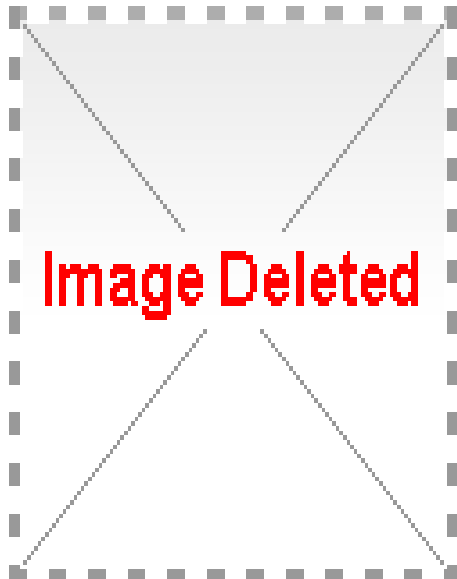
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wanted answers to but never had the opportunity to ask! Submit your question early via email to ellen_onstad@mcgraw-hill.com or ask on the fly at the meeting.

Tweet your comments during the meeting or follow the presentation on our Twitter TweetChat via #GrillCSI

Our Panel will include:

- Rick Heiserman, FCSI, CCCA, AIA - Ankrom
- Moisan Architects LLC
- Isaac Tevet, CSI, AIA - Ankrom Moisan
- Architects LLC
- John Lape, FCSI, CCS, AIA, CSC - John Lape Architecture
- Ken Mouchka, CSI, CCS, AIA - Mouchka
- Architecture LLC
- Jim Wilson, CSI, CCS - SRG Partnership PC

Moderated by Brian Keil, CSI, CCPR, NW Region President Elect - The Sherwin-Williams Company #GrillCSI Tweet Chat Moderated by Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT, CSI Portland Board of Directors - Interface Engineering

Details

February 12, 2013 from 5:30-8:00 PM
Govenor Hotel, 614 SW 11th, Portland, OR 97205
Cost: \$40 CSI members/\$50 Non-members

Registration

[Click here to register.](#) Reservations and cancellations are due by noon on Thursday, February 7th. Space is limited!

This presentation is sponsored by McGraw-Hill.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI Members & Friends

Well, I guess we survived the cliff. During the January chapter meeting, Mr. John Mitchell again gave us a robust presentation outlining the events of 2012 and revealing the possibilities of 2013. Although I am very challenged in understanding the numbers, it is always a pleasure for me to listen to John's presentation and actually learn a bit about economics. I hope we will have him back again next year to review and understand 2013, as it is anticipated to be a (slow) recovery year.

The board and committees have been very busy and effective this month! Ellen Onstad, chair of the Programs Committee, and Cherise Schacter (our own Twitter expert) have put together what may be an (inter)national chapter meeting event. If you are on LinkedIn, you may already be aware of the scope of

this month's chapter meeting, Grill the Specifier. Please review the information above and make your reservations early! This should be an exciting February Chapter meeting. It has been a cold/cool winter. You may be bundled up for the cold weather, but attending this month's chapter meeting will definitely cheer you up!

The Education Committee, chaired by Michael Thraikill, has just completed a scholarship process that will soon result in an award to two PSU students. Also, Cherise Schacter has completed the CDT scholarship award process. You can read more about their efforts later in this newsletter.

The Certification Committee, chaired by Michael Madias, has developed and distributed information on CDT preparation classes. I hope you already registered for this year's exam. See the Certification article for more information.

And the Industry Forum Committee, chaired by Tony DiVincenzo, is quickly planning this annual event set to occur in May. More announcements and details will follow soon! Mark May 22nd on your calendar to save the date; it is going to be an event that you won't want to miss.

The rest of the board and other committees have also been busy with perhaps less exciting, but necessary work to keep the chapter on course. But there is always a need for more volunteers, more members to lighten the load. If you have suggestions, if you wish to make a valued contribution to your Portland Chapter CSI, please contact anyone on the board or committees listed in the leaders directory tab of the Portland [Chapter CSI website](#)

See you at this month's chapter meeting for some early 'grilling'.

SAVE THE DATE

MARCH CHAPTER MEETING - March 12, 2013

Topic: OHSU/CLSB project discussion, building information modeling/management plan and how it has influenced final project deliverables

Location: Governor Hotel

Time: 5:30-8:00 PM

INDUSTRY FORUM 2013 - May 22, 2013

The Joy of Architecture!

This year we welcome keynote speaker Bjarke Ingels, internationally renowned architect and principal of BIG, based in Copenhagen. An alumnus of Rem Koolhaas' OMA practice, Ingels takes a similar approach: experimenting with pure space, but never losing sight of the building as a solution to a real-world problem.



His manifesto "Yes Is More" takes the form of a giant cartoon strip, 130 meters long, that reminds people to keep thinking big -- to see all our modern problems as challenges that inspire us. His deeply thought-out and often rather large works include several skyscrapers and mixed-use projects in a developing section of Copenhagen and New York.

Bjarke has given two very engaging Ted talks - you can watch them here:

http://www.ted.com/talks/bjarke_ingels_3_warp_speed_architecture_tales.html

http://www.ted.com/talks/bjarke_ingels_hedonistic_sustainability.html

Plus a return of the 6x10 presentations, new and innovative thinking in the world of construction and design.

Sponsorships available now! Exhibitor opportunities and Tickets coming soon!

CHILI! BEER! FUN! - June 2013

Now that we have your attention, CSI Portland Chapter is pleased to announce a very special event in June 2013. The Chapter will be hosting our very first CHILI COOKOFF. The event will be held at The Commons Brewery in Southeast Portland and include a tour with beer available. Start your recipe plans, decide on a theme and line up your team members if you are interested in entering. Space will be limited as too many chefs will ruin the chili or something like that! If you are interested in sponsoring a team, being on a team or helping to organize this event, please contact Tim Cockburn timc@ross-ins.com or Chris Irwin christineirwin@comcast.net. Details to follow.

ANNUAL CSI PORTLAND GOLF TOURNAMENT - August 22, 2013 **Stonecreek Golf Club, Oregon City**

Registration opens at 11A, shot gun start at 1:30P

Email Erica Bitterman-Ryon, Golf Committee Chair at ebitterman@precisionimages.com for more information.

DECEMBER CHAPTER MEETING & SILENT AUCTION

Ellen Onstad, Programs Committee Chair

The December Chapter Meeting was a fun evening featuring a silent uction to benefit the CSI Portland Chapter Scholarship fund and REFIT, a nonprofit volunteer organization providing home modification services for physically and financially challenged who wish to remain in their homes. Fundraising helps to underwrite the cost of projects so that REFITcan make a difference in the lives of the Portland disabled.

Representatives from the REFIT organization presented a program showing what their organization does in the tri-county area. They are a great organization doing work in the area and CSI is proud to support their work. The chapter has already awarded six scholarships to CDT candidates and will be awarding two scholarships to PSU students later this spring. Many thanks to everyone for their donations. We had a great variety of items and we couldn't have done it without our generous chapter members. Many thanks to the following for their donations:

- Festive Wine Basket donated by Fred Larson, Mercer Windows
- Two Patriotic Tole Painted Figures, Donated by Skip Brown, Melvin Mark
- 5th Row Portland Trailblazer Tickets Donated by Chris Ferguson, Atlas Supply
- Starbucks Gift Card & Tumbler, Donated by: Colleen Cameron, NRG/Pilkington Glass
- Higgin's \$100 Gift Card, Donated by: Justin Norman, Woodfold Manufacturing
- Cambria Cutting Boards (2) with wine and goodies, Donated by: Linda Joens, Cambria USA
- Two Night Stay at the D-Sands Resort, Lincoln City, OR Donated by Ralph Holland, Mohawk Industries
- Portland Aquarium Family Pass, Donated by Chris Irwin, Weller Associates
- Deluxe Wine Gift Basket, Donated by Amy Cathcart, Interface Engineering
- 2 Pairs of Portland TrailBlazer Tickets, Donated by Al Weller, Weller Associates, Inc.
- 4 Deluxe Folding Chairs, Donated by: Rick Sauer, Virco Furniture
- Lewis River Golf Outing for 4, Donated by Erica Bitterman-Ryon, Precision Images
- Outdoor Fire Pit Kit, Donated by Blair Carter, Basalite Concrete Products
- Two Homemade Gourmet Desserts Delivered, Donated by Amy Cathcart, Interface Engineering
- Kindle Fire, Donated by: Dave Chatburn, Arcadia, Inc.
- Deluxe Wine Gift Basket, Donated by Kathy Hempel, DeaMor Associates
- 3 Portland Timbers Tickets, Donated by John Lape, John Lape Architecture
- Derrick Pouliot Signed Portland Winterhawks Hockey Stick Donated by The Portland Winterhawks

PSU SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

The Portland Chapter was pleased to receive several applicants for the new PSU Scholarship. The selection group will be reviewing the applications over the coming weeks, and will announce the recipients

in mid-February.

Applicants are Portland State University students in their senior year or graduate programs of the Architecture, Civil & Environmental Engineering, Mechanical & Materials Engineering or Electrical & Computer Engineering programs (engineering programs with focus on the construction industry).

The applications demonstrate innovation and creativity in the conceptual, material, systems and detailing qualities of building design and construction. The two selected recipients will be awarded \$1,500 each and may be selected to present their year project or thesis at the annual Industry Forum event, providing a unique exposure for senior and graduate students to the Portland construction community.

Look for the announcement of this award winners next month.

CSI BRAND REVITALIZATION PROJECT

CSI launched a brand revitalization in 2013. While a new logo and tagline are part of this process, the goal of the project is to help CSI's chapters and members revitalize CSI's BRAND - the experience delivered to members and potential members through chapter and region events, CSI's publications and education, and other outreach.



CSI's brand is based on the mission described in [CSI's strategic plan \(PDF\)](#):

CSI's brand is also based on the core values - the paths CSI uses to execute its mission:

- A diversified membership base of allied professionals involved in the creation and management of the built environment
- Continuous development and transformation of standards and formats
- Education and certification of professionals to improve project delivery processes
- Creation of practice tools to assist users throughout the facility life-cycle

CDT EMERGING PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED

The Portland Chapter is pleased to announce the recipients of our very first CDT Emerging Professional Scholarships. Our Scholarship winners will receive a contribution toward one year of national and chapter dues (if they are not already members), enrollment in our Portland CDT education classes, a Project Delivery Practice Guide, a copy of the newly released CDT Study Workbook and reimbursement of their exam fees upon passing the CDT exam.

Each Scholarship recipient has agreed to participate on a committee of their choice within the Portland Chapter for one year.

Please welcome and congratulate our recipients:

- Katie Kniesteadt, GBD Architects
- Josh Sharp, The Garland Company
- Justin Rebitzke, Interface Engineering
- Robin Shane Best, CASE Forensics
- Patrick Kennedy, Skanska Construction
- Michelle Neidiger, Interface Engineering

WHAT LIES AHEAD FOR ARCHITECTS?

By Sheldon Wolfe, FCSI

The profession of architecture has changed significantly, but the perception of what an architect does has remained much the same. So what's the big deal? As is often said, perception is reality, and therein lies the problem. What architects do now no longer agrees with what the public, and even architects themselves think they do.

[Read more>>](#)

CSI'S MEMBERSHIP REFERRAL CAMPAIGN

CSI BOGO is the latest version of the CSI Member Referral program, taking the place of "Member-Sponsor-AMember." It is a campaign rewarding those members who are recruiting others to join CSI. When you recruit one professional member who joins, CSI will provide you with one membership to GIVE to a potential new member as well as 25 CSI Bucks to be used to purchase CSI products, services, programs, or dues renewal.

What Do I Do?

Step 1: Recruit a new member to join at the professional level:

Make sure they enter your name and member number under "Member Referral Information." (They need to have the right information about you!) Forgot your number? Look it up: Log onto www.csinet.org. Click "Update Profile," Find your number under "Supplementary Information." If they successfully credited you with their referral you will be eligible to participate.

Step 2: CSI staff will contact you about being a participant:

Eligible members, you will receive an email letting you know you've successfully recruited a member to join. This email also includes your CSI Bucks certificate number and expiration date.

Step 3: Receiving the BOGO Packet:

We will mail you a special membership certificate to give to someone who is not a CSI member, good for one full year of membership.

Step 4: Give the gift of membership:

Make someone's YEAR and introduce them to the CSI experience. Give this membership certificate to someone you think should be a CSI member and make sure they turn it in by the deadline listed. Tell them why CSI membership is valuable. Let your recruits know how valuable this gift is, why you gave it to them, and what they can get out of it. Encourage them to join a chapter, invite them to meetings, introduce them to other members, and help them start taking advantage of CSI.

Step 5: Do it again!

There is NO LIMIT to the number of new members you can recruit!

CSI & REAL LIFE

Taken from the Blog: IndioArchitect.com

By *Tara Imani, AIA, CSI*

Transitioning from architectural school to working at an architecture firm can be more of a learning curve than some of us might have anticipated. And sometimes, there aren't always clear cut business systems to follow, let alone a personal guide to sit down and specifically lay out "the big picture." Enter The Construction Specifications Institute.

If you'd like to better understand the process of how to put together a quality, professional set of working drawings- even if you've been a part of the process for years- then I highly recommend you consider reading the book, *The CSI Project Delivery Practice Guide*. This book is:

- A starting point for understanding the core values of CSI
- An excellent introduction to the construction process for the new practitioner
- A ready reference for the experienced construction professional
- PROJECT DELIVERY: A BASELINE UNDERSTANDING

As the aforementioned book states, "Every individual that is a stakeholder or participant in the design and construction of anything in the built environment should have a foundational understanding of how projects are delivered." And if you decide to join CSI and embark on preparing for CSI's first exam, the CDT (Construction Documents Technology) certificate, that is precisely what you'll learn.

EDUCATION EVENTS

MercyCorps, EXTREME BY DESIGN: FOLLOWING A NEW GENERATION OF INNOVATORS

February 5, 2013 7-8:30pm

A documentary following three graduate students and their designs from idea to fruition.

Mercy Corps Action Center, 28 SW 1st Avenue, Portland.

[More info & RSVP here>>](#)



The White Box at University of Oregon, REMAINS TO BE SEEN

February 7, 2013 Opening Reception 6-9pm

A solo exhibition by Clarie Zitzow and GOLDFIELDS, a video installation by Dawn Roe. The exhibitions run through March 23.

White Stag Block, 70 NW Couch Street, Portland.

AIA Portland Center for Architecture, OIL, INK & WATER: ARTISTIC INTERPRETATIONS OF THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

February 7, 2013 Opening Reception 5:30-8:30pm

With work by Shawn Demarest, Beth Kerschen, and Bill Sharp.

Center for Architecture, 403 NW 11th Avenue, Portland.

The Oregon Chapter of the American Planning Association and University of Oregon and Portland State University, REBUILDING COMMUNITIES

February 7, 2013 5:30-7:30pm

A symposium presented by leaders in the rebuilding of the cities of Detroit, Michigan and Joplin, Missouri., University of Oregon White Stag Building, 70 NW Couch Street. PSU/UO Planning Program Students, Free; Non-students, \$15. [Information and registration here>>](#)

AIA Portland Chapter, a ForWARD monthly gathering

February 12, 2013 No-host Breakfast, 8am

ForWARD is the 'FORum for Women in Architecture and Related Design'

Cheryl's on 12th, 1135 SW Washington Street, Portland. [Please RSVP here>>](#)

ASSE & ASPE, The 2013 Technical Products Show

February 13, 2013 at NW Natural in Portland, OR

4:00-7:00 PM

Contact Phil Roach, proach@mazzetti.com or Dan Buck, danielb@interfaceeng.com for more information

Defunkt Theatre presents 3 DAYS OF RAIN

February 15, 2013 8pm shows, Fri, Sat & Sun, through March 23

Richard Greenberg's Pulitzer Prize-nominated play, exploring architectural and emotional legacies. Set design by 2012 Van Evera Bailey Fellow, Bill Tripp.

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MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

The following people joined as new members or renewed in October 2012. Take a moment to welcome them or thank them for renewing.

- Bill Coady, CSI, CCPR; Guardian Industries Corp.; member since 1994
- Amy K. Hjelte, CSI, CCS; LRS Architects, Inc.; member since 2002
- Jeff R. Humphreys, CSI, CDT; Group MacKenzie; member since 2004
- Richard D. Jermain, CSI, CDT, AHC; Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies; member since 2004
- Neil Y. Lee, CSI, CDT, AIA, LEED GA; LEEKA Architecture and Planning; member since 1994
- Alan Loftness, CSI; A-Tech/Northwest, Inc.; member since 1979



- Corey L. Morris, CSI, CDT; Clark/Kjos Architects; member since 1998
- Ian A Murphy, CSI, CDT; Exterior Allied Systems LLC; member since 1992
- Chuck Page, CSI, CDT; Dealers Supply Co., Inc.; member since 1986
- Patrick T. Ravins, CSI; Maxxon Northwest; member since 1982
- Josh Sharp, CSI; The Garland Company; member since 2012 - **NEW**
- Michael Steffen, CSI; Walsh Construction Co.; member since 1999
- Toby C. White, CSI; Forensic Building Consultants; member since 2004
- Terry Wildeboer, CSI; Isolatek International; member since 1991
- Stephen Wobber, CSI, CDT; Great Northwest Construction Products; member since 1993
- Nick Wutzke, CSI; Halfen USA; member since 2012 - **NEW**
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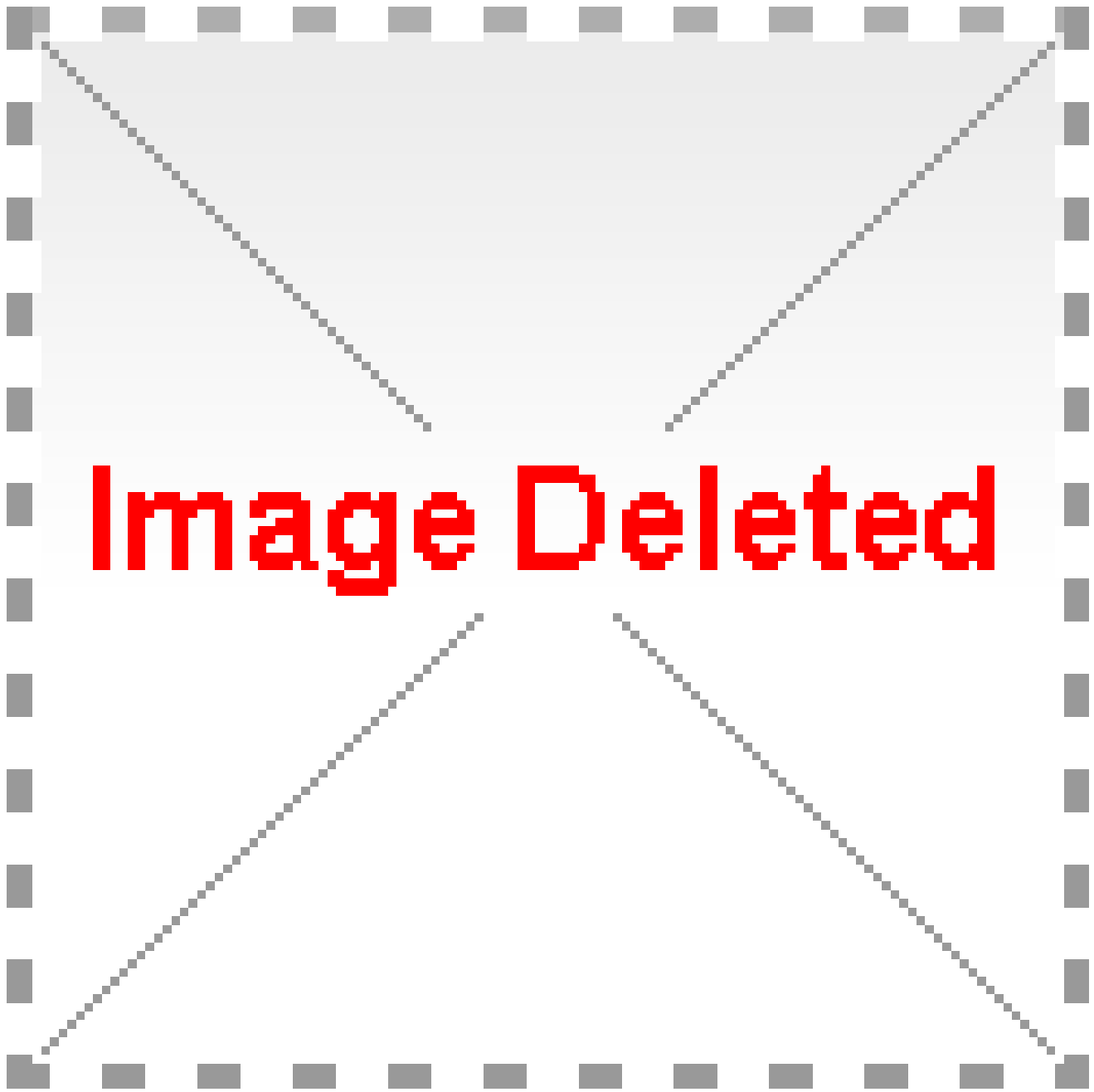
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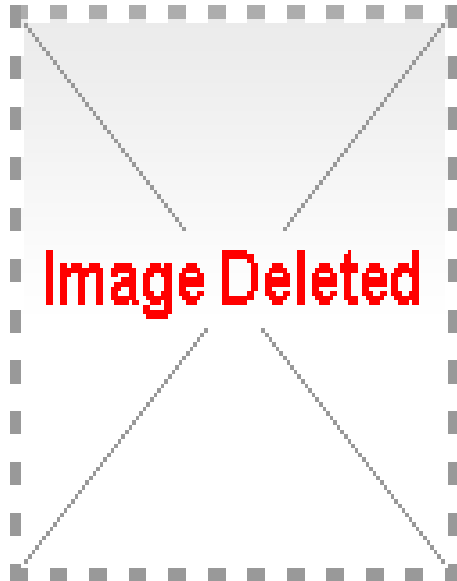
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- Don Eggleston, AIA, CSI - Principal-in-Charge, SERA Architects
- Dustin Liljehorn LEED AP - Senior Project Manager, JE Dunn Construction
- Jason Schaumberg ASSOC, AIA - BIM Specialist, JE Dunn Construction
- Henry Alaman - Project Manger, DAY CPM

Details

March 12, 2013 from 5:30-8:30 PM

Govenor Hotel, 614 SW 11th, Portland, OR 97205

Cost: \$40 CSI members/\$50 Non-members/\$300 Table (8)

Registration

[Click here to register.](#) Reservations and cancellations are due by noon on Wednesday, March 6th. Space is limited!

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI Members & Friends

February's meeting *Grill the Specifier* certainly was an exciting event. I think all who attended were pleased and took advantage of having five experienced specifiers to put on the spot. Our program chair, Ellen Onstad, sponsor Erica Bitterman-Ryon (Precision Printing Images) along with our very own twitter 'twit' Cherise Schacter orchestrated a very well-run event of dare I say International scope? Also, many thanks to Brian Keil for fielding questions from the audience and keeping the Grillee specifiers on track. There has been backstage talk of repeating this 'Grilling' event next year perhaps with a different group of grillees (contractors? product reps? consultants? architects?).

Chapter education continues forward with certification classes in progress. Certification scholarships have been awarded, and PSU scholarship applications received and under review for award next month.

The Programs Committee, Industry Forum Committee, Golf Committee and other active programs have been busy. I recommend you check in; open it up once a week just to keep up with us!

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Volunteerism!

The Board and other committees continue to be busy with necessary work to keep the chapter on course. In June, a number of board members will have completed their terms and new board members will be needed to carry on this work. If you have suggestions, if you wish to make your contribution to your Portland Chapter CSI, please contact anyone on the board or committees listed in the Chapter Leaders Directory tab of the Portland Chapter CSI website - <http://portland.csinet.org/>

See you at the March meeting.

PORTLAND CANSTRUCTION NEEDS YOUR HELP



Since its inception in 1997, the Portland canstruction event has raised 777,750 meals for Oregon Food Bank (OFB). Portland's canstruction goal for 2013 is to raise 270,000 meals; enough to provide an entire month's worth of meals to those seeking assistance through OFB.

Canstruction is a volunteer run event which is committed to keeping operational costs low and direct donations high. Axiom has committed to covering all hard costs associated with the canstruction event; making every dollar you donate go 100% to Oregon Food Bank to fight hunger in Oregon and Southwest Washington. **We are asking for your assistance to help the fight against hunger.**

We have coordinated with Oregon Food Bank for a dedicated canstruction donation page through their

website where you can help us reach our goal of 270,000 meals provided through construction this year!
<https://community.oregonfoodbank.org/canstruction>

The structures will be open for viewing April 22-28 at Pioneer Place downtown Portland. There will be voting for People's Choice through Facebook "Likes" per structure picture and new this year, Most Meals, will be tallied by amount of food donated and funds raised per team.

So please donate NOW or LATER to support your favorite team through OFB and during the week of April 22-28 vote for People's Choice on Facebook! www.facebook.com/canstructionpdx

Kim Dorris CDFA
SDA Portland Chapter President
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FEBRUARY CHAPTER MEETING: Grill the Specifier

Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT

On Tuesday February 12th, we got out the BBQ sauce and prepared to grill our favorite specifiers. Our members from all disciplines came out in force to take the opportunity to ask the questions they a burning desire to know.

In addition, the Portland Chapter hosted their first national tweetchat. This enabled CSI members from across the country to participate in our chapter meeting, ask questions and make comments. The tweetchat was so popular that the #GrillCSI hashtag is going to continue on Twitter to bring members together and get answers to questions.

Our brave panel included:

- Rick Heiserman, FCSI, CCCA, AIA - Ankrom-Moisan Architects
- Isaac Tevet, CSI, AIA - Ankrom-Moisan Architects
- John Lape, FCSI, CCS, AIA, CSC - John Lape Architecture
- Ken Mouchka, CSI, CCS, AIA - Mouchka Architecture
- Jim Wilson, CSI, CCS - SRG Partnership PC

Moderator: Brian Keil, CSI, CCPR, NW Region President Elect - The Sherwin Williams Company
Tweetchat Moderator: Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT, PDX Board of Directors, Education Committee, Institute Education Committee - Interface Engineering

OK, really, these guys are seriously funny, very good sports and doled out a lot of great information not only locally but across the country. Three days later and Twitter questions are still coming in. (No Ken, you are not getting a boat!) If you would like to see a recap of some of the interchanges, search for #GrillCSI on Twitter or go to [Storify](#) for a full transcript of the event.

Thank you to our panel for your time and sense of humor. The meeting was well worth the time.

CSI Academies - February 7-9, 2013, Charlotte, N.C.

Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT

I have just returned from yet another CSI Academies chock full of good information, good connections and new friends.

Between the opening session "Risk v. Reward: Why the Construction Industry Needs an Integrated Approach to Project Delivery" to the closing (and entertaining) panel session on "Exterior Envelope Integration, It's More Than Pieces and Parts", were a wide variety of educational sessions in three different tracks (Contract Administrator, Construction Specifier and Product Rep).

I attended classes ranging from "The Role of a Specifier in a Green Building Project" and "Documenting Design Intent with Preliminary Project Descriptions" to "Real World Applications of various construction and design situations" and a host of others in between.

What I like best about CSI Academies is the flexibility to choose what you want to learn (you can jump tracks regardless of which one you signed up for), the knowledgeable professionals willing to share their expertise and the great tools you can bring back to your day-to-day work.

Don't be fooled that there isn't some fun in there as well. The connections I made were invaluable and will be friends for years to come.

If you would like to see some of the action going on at this year's CSI Academies, log on to Twitter, search for #CSIAcademies and read the many posts coming from a variety of the classes. CSI Academies 2014 will be held in Indianapolis, IN. I highly recommend this great educational event to anyone.

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ALWAYS, everyone is welcome, member or not. Please consider CSI a resource for knowledge and networking in the A/E/C Industry.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

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- Mike L. Beeson, CSI, CDT; Western Architectural; member since 1989
- Loren Boeckman, CSI; Alliance Window Co. Inc.; member since 2012
- Brian Butterfield, CSI, CDT; DeaMor Associates; member since 2008
- Dan Elliott, CSI; Spec Products, Inc.; member since 2000
- Lee Fleming, CSI; Portland Public Schools; **NEW MEMBER**
- Devin H. Follingstad, CSI, CDT; Myhre Group Architects, Inc.; member since 2007
- Nick Haluschak, PE, CSI, ASCE; Civil Engineer; member since 1988
- Stephen L. Haner, CSI; Mid -Valley Glass and Millwork; member since 2007
- Eric R. Hansen, CSI; Advanced Entry Systems; member since 1997
- Brian A. Hjelte, CSI; Waterleaf Architecture; **NEW MEMBER**
- Brent H. James, CSI, LEED AP; **NEW MEMBER**
- Linda Joens, CSI; Cambria; member since 2007
- Marvin Kaplan, CSI, LC; Harry L. Stearns, Inc.; member since 1993
- Jeff Kirsch, CSI; Industrial Design Corporation; member since 1990
- Scott Jeffrey Krug, CSI-EP, BS; Evergreen EDC; **NEW MEMBER**



- Carl Morris Lee, CSI; Masonry and Ceramic Tile Institute of Oregon; member since 2009
- Edward P. Macsisak, CSI; Spacesaver Specialists, Inc.; member since 2005
- Kenneth J. Mouchka, CSI, CCS, AIA; Mouchka Architecture LLC; member since 1980
- Ron Ogden, CSI; R. J. Ogden Associates, Inc.; member since 1986
- Sarah Pasini, CSI-EP; Dow Corning; **NEW MEMBER**
- Jerry L. Pozo, CSI, CDT, BS; BMI Products of Northern CA; member since 1995
- Keith Pyeatt, CSI; Giffin Bolte Jurgens, PC; member since 2007
- Justin Thomas Rebitzke, CSI-S; Interface Engineering; **NEW MEMBER**
- Mark L. Reeves, CSI; Hanset Corp.; member since 1999
- Raymond Ted Schlanser, CSI, PE, LEED AP; Interface Engineering; **NEW MEMBER**
- David Schulman, CSI; Portland Millwork; **NEW MEMBER**
- Tim Shinnors, CSI; Da-Lite Screen Company; member since 2007
- Jeffrey D. Spencer, CSI; Lease Crutcher Lewis; member since 2008
- Danny Sullivan, CSI; Sullivan Architectural Products; member since 2006
- Amy L. Tacke, CSI, LEED AP, ASID; Miller Paint Co.; member since 2011
- Isaac Tevet, CSI, AIA; Ankrom Moisan Associated Architects; member since 1989
- Michael J. Watson, CSI, CDT; Pacific Architectural Products; member since 1990

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ASPE 54 Training Seminar, Portland, OR March 15, 2013 from 8:30A-4:00P

ASPE Columbia Pacific Chapter presents general conditions and electrical estimating.

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APRIL CHAPTER MEETING MORRISON BRIDGEHEAD PROJECT: Active. Vibrant. Sustainable.



Join us on Tuesday, April 9th to learn more about the Morrison Bridgehead Project, a new development at the foot of the bridge that will include an iconic tower and the James Beard Public Market. Craig Lewis from [Melvin Mark Development Company](#) and Ron Paul from the [Historic Portland Public Market Foundation](#), and Paul Jeffreys of [SERA Architects](#) will present the history of the process, current design concept, economic impact and vision for adding what will become "Portland's kitchen and pantry".

Successful Public Markets define and nourish a city's soul. Many cities across our country and around the world have thriving public markets. Portland's long history of public markets began in 1870 but the city now has been without a central market for two generations. Reestablishing a public market can improve the quality of life in Portland and the surrounding region.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI Members & Friends

Wake up from winter! Keep up this spring!

Spring arrived 'in like a lion' this year. And our spring chapter meetings and upcoming Industry Forum are looking like excellent events! I urge you all to keep up with the events through the chapter website, email announcements and this newsletter. I would not want you to miss the good stuff!

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THE INDUSTRY FORUM

By Tony DiVincenzo



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Sponsorships still available!

Better yet, join over a dozen others in sponsoring the event including these Platinum Sponsors. There are several sponsorship levels to fit every budget. [Click here for sponsorship information >>](#)

APRIL CDT EXAM TIPS & TRICKS

Cherise Schacter, Board of Directors, Education Committee

Another year has passed and it is time once again for the April Construction Document Technologist exams. I am thrilled to report that I am aware of 24 industry professionals taking the exam this month. Sixteen of those folks participated in our Chapter CDT Class. Five people at Portland School District are participating in the Project Delivery Education Program with additional support from me, and a few have been studying on their own.

Attached are just a few study tips to help you achieve success on your exams. I would like to wish each and every one of you the best. [Read tips >>](#)

DOORS, HARDWARE, AND CODES

By Scott J. Tobias, AHC/CDC, CDT, CSI, LEED AP

When it comes to doors and hardware, understanding the purpose of building, fire, life safety, and other codes can help design professionals select the proper products as well as enable them to create clear, of which may very well be the ones the owner wanted secured) must shunt their alarm, unlock, and release during a fire, leaving the opening unprotected. [Read more >>](#)

24/7; GONE FISHING

Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, CSC

My, how things have changed! The brave new world of 24/7 interconnectivity certainly is marvelous; each day brings new ways to learn more about everything, sometimes too many. I'm not going to give you the old line about "When I was a kid, we had to walk two miles to school, through the snow, uphill both ways!" And I'm not going to rail against progress. I am fascinated by new technology and new products, and I still enjoy learning about everything possible.



But I do wonder if we're giving up much of the adventure and fun of life in favor of trying to do as much as possible. [Read more >>](#)

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FLOSSING CHAPTER FINANCES

By Alexander Lungerhausen, Treasurer

After having been a Treasurer for cumulatively seven years for various non-profit organizations (AIA, CSI, PTA) I was confronted with the biggest challenge in my volunteering career.

Last June, at the beginning of the fiscal year, the Portland Chapter decided to initiate a change in personnel and ended the relationship with the then executive director, who had managed the chapter finances for the last 11 years. At that time we inherited a highly personalized and vastly atomized accounting system (overall we had about 130 accounts, the golf tournament alone had 18 subaccounts). This was mostly the result of having created ever more subaccounts for all the chapter committees, mostly at their requests. You can imagine that, for the uninitiated, book keeping took a long time, trying to spoon all monetary flow into the right places. The accounting software at this time was localized and did not allow any outside supervision. At the end of each month the executive director would summarize the various accounts into larger groups. These were then manually transferred into a spreadsheet that had been designed to the current treasurers liking with the goal to produce a report for the chapter board meeting. There was never any question of the truthfulness of our accounting as all account back up was provided for the treasurer to review. However it took a long time to get into the details and truly review all the transactions. The system was complicated and required a lot of time for cross checking, and paging through account minutiae.

Having been exposed to a more successful accounting process at one of my other non-profits, I decided to clean this up (we are talking a lot of work here). The first thing we did was to transfer all our accounts into an online accounting system. After the new executive director was hired and with the help of our tax accountant, we identified all subaccounts and summarized them under their respective committees. On recommendation of the treasurer the board initiated policy for each committee to be responsible for their own financial details. Each committee got two accounts (one incoming, one outgoing) at the chapter level book keeping. This act freed up a considerable amount of time for the executive director, who now has to work with only 40 accounts, instead of 130, not to mention not having to investigate where each transaction was meant to be booked.

The Portland CSI Chapter has now a transparent accounting system in place that will allow future treasurers to oversee the chapter financials and quickly pull reports needed to convey the fiscal standing to the board. We are in the process to further take advantage of the tools available to us to continue to minimize the time it takes to run the chapter books. We hope that future chapter treasurers have an equal understanding of chapter finances and accounting.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Lee Kilbourn, Membership Committee Chair

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- Robin Shane Best, CSI, AIA; CASE Forensics; member since 2013 -



NEW

- Jon Bouffleur, CSI-EP; SprayLock; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Jody E. Cross, CSI, AHC; Ingersoll Rand Security Technologies; member since 1998
- Terry L. Decker, CSI, CDT, LEED AP; Glidden Professional; member since 2001
- Mark D. Evans, CSI; Cornell Iron Works Inc.; member since 2011
- Dennis Gladis, CSI, LEED AP; Benson Global; member since 2012
- Clifford M. Hood, PE, CSI; Hood-McNees, Inc.; member since 1996
- Douglas G. Isaacs, CSI; Crawford Roll-Lite Door Sales of Oregon; member since 1988
- Scott G. King, CSI; NW Solar Solutions; member since 2009
- Katie Kniesteadt, CSI; GBD Architects; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Sean A. Langton, CSI; member since 2004
- Peter J. Lowry, CSI, CCCA; member since 2005
- Alexander Lungershausen, CSI, CDT, LEED AP, AIA; Thomas Hacker Architects; member since 2003
- Randy A. McAdams, CSI; Atlas Supply; member since 2010
- Rev. Lee J. McKinley, CSI; iProject, LLC; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Cherie M. McNabb, CSI, CDT; Forbo Flooring Systems; member since 1993
- Mark Miller, CSI-EP; Skoler Building Resources; member since 2012
- Michelle D. Neidiger, CSI; MDN Studio; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Brian Lee Nelson, CSI, CCCA, AIA; Venerabl Properties; member since 2011
- Larry M. Payne, CSI-S; member since 2010
- David Posada, CSI; GBD Architects; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Janet L. Spriggs, CSI; Balzhiser & Hubbard Engineers; member since 2009 - **NEW TO PORTLAND**
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AFO DINNER WITH AN ARCHITECT

Anne Monnier and her Dinner With An Architect Committee are putting final touches to this year's schedule. There is space for a couple more events. If you are interested in hosting, or know someone who is, contact them right away.

This series of dinners, cocktail parties, brunches, poker parties, and other events provides public awareness about architecture in Oregon, and builds friendships among AFO, dinner hosts and guests. The

much anticipated series has become an important way to support AFO, its educational, scholarship and advocacy programs.

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4 TO 8:30 PM . PORTLAND ART MUSEUM . 1219 SW PARK AVE

Featuring the work of

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Kai-Uwe will present the exciting approach and creative energy that drives BIG work, both playful and practical, bringing JOY to Architecture.

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Six ten-minute presentations about the Joy of Architecture.

- KLARA JOLESZ *PSU Architecture* Thesis - Maximum House: The Home For The New Dreamers.
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- ANDREA HEKTOR Structural Engineer, *KPFF Consulting Engineers* - Structural Analysis of Architectural Visions.
- GRACE AARAJ *University of Oregon Architecture* Thesis - Is There a Universal Language of Architecture?
- CHRIS MORGAN BIM Manager, *PAE Consulting Engineers* - Augmented Reality.
- NELSON LOWRY Senior Production Designer, *Laika Studios* - Designing a World for Animated Film.

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THE 2013 INDUSTRY FORUM

I'm sure you've heard the buzz already - the **2013 Industry Forum** is in just a few weeks, on **May 22** at the Portland Art Museum!

We are excited to welcome internationally-renowned architecture firm, **BIG - Bjarke Ingels Group - from Copenhagen, Denmark**, as our Keynote presentation. Known for their innovative and ambitious designs and projects, many of their buildings defy traditional architectural conventions and dimensions and are often highly photogenic, ranging from representations of mountains to snowflakes. BIG often incorporates sustainable development ideas and sociological concepts into their designs, but often tries to achieve a balance between playful and practical approaches to architecture.

Bjarke Ingels was planning to be here for the Forum, but just last week he was given the date to be in Beijing for a very large project for the Chinese government - it had to be on May 22! Every effort was made to select another date, but to no avail. So we are very pleased to welcome BIG's managing partner, **Kai-Uwe Bergmann**.

Kai-Uwe brings his expertise to proposals around the globe, including work in Asia, Europe, the Middle East and the United States. He heads up BIG's business development which currently has the office working in over 17 different countries. In addition to these duties, Kai-Uwe is also Head of Communications. Registered as an architect in four states-- including Washington, where they are actively pursuing work - the UK and Denmark, Kai-Uwe is also LEED AP certified, and compliments his professional work through teaching assignments at IE University in Madrid and at the New School of Architecture in San Diego. Kai-Uwe sits on numerous international juries and lectures on the works of BIG worldwide.

Kai-Uwe has strong ties to the Northwest (he lived in Seattle for eight years) and will surely provide us with a passionate, dynamic look at BIG's work and the Joy it brings to Architecture.

As if our keynote presentation was not exciting enough, our dynamic "**6x10**" - six ten-minute presentations about innovation - continues with a variety of topics.

- Both Portland State and the University of Oregon are bringing top **architecture students** to present their theses - last year, the students were the most popular presenters!
- PAE and KPFF Engineering will each present the latest developments in **BIM and engineering technologies**.
- We'll hear about the **rapidly-evolving world of 3D printing** and what it might mean for the construction industry in the near future.
- And finally we'll hear from Portland's own **Laika Studios**, creators of the movies *Coraline* and *ParaNorman*.

Sponsorships for this stellar event are still available to put you there in the action with your best clients! There are several levels to fit your budget. A big "Thank you!" to our Platinum, Gold and Silver sponsors who have already committed to supporting this event. Visit the Chapter website for sponsorship details (see link below). If sponsorship is not an option for you, **consider buying individual tickets** for your favorite client or customer - those are also available on the website.

The 2013 Industry Forum - bringing all the parties together at the industry event of the year!

We look forward to seeing you - and your clients and customers - there on May 22!

[Click for tickets and sponsorships >>](#)





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI members and friends.

Don't miss the Industry Forum on May 22nd

We will not have a regular chapter meeting this month; but don't despair! The Industry Forum occurs on May 22nd at the Portland Art Museum featuring BIG (Bjarke Ingels Group)! It looks to be a great event and the May weather might just hold out to give us all an enjoyable evening for the event. The Industry Forum committee has been very busy arranging for speakers, sponsors, catering and all that goes with orchestrating an event of this size. Attendance is expected to be 300+, and the PAM (Portland Art Museum) space is a spectacular venue. Read more in this newsletter and coming announcements throughout the month.

Chili, brew and laughs

In June, we have the first (annual I hope) Portland Chapter CSI Chili Cook off. I think this fun event in June is just the thing we all need to kick off summer. I have been drafted on a chili team (someone remind me what the name of that team is?) and you too can be drafted or enlist for a chili cook off team. Tim Cockburn and the Programs Committee are in charge, so if you want to find out more, just contact them, and stay tuned for further announcements.

Applicants pass CDT exam

CDT Certification testing is complete and we have received feedback about successful candidates. But, we will wait for the official word before we publish a list of those successful candidates in next month's newsletter (it's a bit superstitious). Five of those who have been rumored to pass were CDT Scholarship recipients. Michael Madias and Cherise Schacter have done a wonderful job in shepherding these applicants towards CDT Certification. Congratulations to Michael and Cherise and a big thank you for their dedication and expertise!

Let your voice be heard and vote!

The balloting for new board members recently was sent to all member via email. There were no 'run off' positions, but write-in candidates are possible. Notification of the new officers and directors of the board are required to be turned into CSI National by May 1, so we were really hustling to get the information together. I hope you all had a chance to review the ballot at least to see who were to be your next year's Board members.

The Portland Chapter CSI is a volunteer organization. All our committee chairs, officers and directors are devoted volunteers. The volunteers over the past year have done an exemplary job, and the new officers/directors/committee chairs for the coming year show great promise too. But, I still ask that you reflect on YOUR Portland Chapter CSI and think about how you could contribute by joining a committee or assisting for an event. How well the chapter goes depends entirely on volunteerism - your involvement!

Ok - stop and smell the roses.....er the Chili Cook off next June. But first see you at the Industry Forum.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS, SUMMER FUN AHEAD

Annual Chili Cook-off - June 11th, 2013

What do your chili specifications taste like? Meet the teams and the people behind the best chili specs in Portland! Beef, chicken, goat, vegetarian - the sky is the limit. Pick a theme and run with it. The event will be held at the Commons Brewery, one of Portland's up and coming brewery's and taste their products as well! Chili, beer and networking - does it get any better than that? [Read more >>](#)

[Download chili team instructions here >>](#)

[Download a registration form here >>](#)

July Historical Adventure / Scavenger Hunt - July 9th, 2013

We will gather at Henry's Tavern (American Bar & Grill) located at 10 NW 12th beginning at 5:30p.m., divide into teams. The Historical Adventure and Scavenger Hunt will begin at 6:00p.m., when the teams take to the streets of the Pearl District to discover old and new architectural treasures of Portland, perhaps learning little known facts about the city along the way. After following all of the clues, the teams will again join together at Henry's to recap the hunt, share stories, receive awards and have a bite to eat and possibly sample one of the 100 beers available at this historic venue. You are invited to bring your own team or join one at the event.

Chapter Member Appreciation Picnic - August 13th, 2013

Join us once again at Historic Oaks Park at the foot of the Sellwood Bridge. Did you know that Oaks Park has the largest Skating rink in the country? Bring your family to experience all of the fun. Glide (or inch) your way around the roller rink, catch up with old friends, network or just enjoy the company of fellow CSI Members. Play games and win prizes. This is a no cost event for the entire family and this year will feature burgers and hot dogs catered by Oaks Park. Discount ride bracelets will be available. Registration forms will be available soon so that we can get a head count for the Park.

Annual Golf Tournament - August 15th, 2013

This years Annual CSI Golf Tournament Is scheduled for August 15th at Stonecreek Golf Club. It will be a 1:30 shot gun start. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, KP, and LD. There will be Raffle tickets sold as well for some great prizes donated by our sponsors. The CSI Annual Golf Tournament is a fund raising event for Scholarships. We give scholarships to colleges and to CSI members who want to study and take the CDT exam or other CSI exams. Your sponsorship and participation in this event allow CSI to help CSI members and those emerging professionals that someday may be working with us. Please help make this year a success and participate in the golf tournament. If don't have to be a pro to play, just have to know how to have fun. If you are just not a golfer in any way, you can be a sponsor, come out and network, man a tee box, play games and give out prizes. It is a lot of fun, you're out of the office, in the sun, networking, laughing and enjoying the day.

[Download sponsorship packages here >>](#)

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PORTLAND JAPANESE GARDEN TO EXHIBIT WORKS BY ACCLAIMED ARTIST

By Isamu Noguchi

Portland, Ore. - April 22, 2013 - The Portland Japanese Garden will present the exhibition Isamu Noguchi: We Are the Landscape of All We Know, from May 3-July 21, 2013. The exhibition, organized in collaboration with The Isamu Noguchi Foundation and Garden Museum in Long Island City, New York, will feature 22 works by acclaimed sculptor Isamu Noguchi amid the setting of the most authentic Japanese garden in North America.

"Although Isamu Noguchi is primarily known as a sculptor, it's safe to say his career was a response to what he saw as a reductive view toward sculpture. His choice in materials spoke to both nature and the urban environment, and his approach seamlessly integrated his work in other areas like ceramics, theater sets and industrial design, and what he termed sculptural spaces, including gardens and playgrounds," says Matt Kirsch, Associate Curator of The Noguchi Museum. "His work reflects so much from the Eastern, European and American cultures he encountered, and like so many artists, he merged their commonalities into a singular and personal vision."

[Read more >>](#)

SAVE THE DATE: 2014 NW REGION CONFERENCE

The 2014 Northwest Region Conference will be held in May at the Hilton Hotel in beautiful downtown Portland. We will be having back-to-back events with the Portland Chapter's Industry Forum to kick off the excitement on Thursday night with a special keynote speaker, vendor booths and networking. All

conference attendees are welcome to attend the event. The festivities will be carried over to the NW Region Conference on Friday and Saturday, with speakers, seminars, LU/HSW credited/technical/professional development, awards banquet, and a rousing round of CSI Jeopardy. We are also hoping to tour the new Elephant Exhibit at the Oregon Zoo. Check the Portland Chapter website for more updates and details as we add speakers and seminars to the program. We look forward to seeing you in 2014.

CSI SECOND ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION - DEC 2013

On Tuesday December 10, 2013, the Portland Chapter will be hosting our 2nd Annual Silent Auction to benefit the Portland Chapter Scholarship Fund and REFIT. Our successful auction last year benefitted the built industry by providing three PSU Scholarships and six CDT scholarships that also included membership for new emerging professional members.

We are starting to accept donations for the Silent Auction such as memorabilia, wine baskets, trips, tickets, etc. Many exciting items were auctioned off last year including a stone fire pit, sports tickets, a Kindle Fire, gourmet desserts, weekend retreat at the coast, a signed Winterhawks hockey stick, a set of deluxe folding chairs and a number of gift baskets. This year the auction will be even bigger with your help.

Our goal is to have donations to be submitted by November 15, 2013 so that that we can publicize the event well in advance. Last year's event was a tremendous event and we are hoping to make this year even better with your generous support.

If you would like to support the Chapter Scholarship Fund and REFIT please contact portlandcsi@gmail.com for more information or to make arrangements for you donation.

Thank you for your support

PORTLAND CANSTRUCTION ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 17TH ANNUAL COMPETITION

One of the most visually stunning demonstrations of talent and creativity within the architectural and engineering communities provided a much-needed source of food for Oregon Food Bank.

Portland Canstruction® announced Tuesday night the five winners who received awards for the 17th Annual Portland Canstruction competition. The seven members of the jury toured the structures and deliberated Tuesday afternoon immediately prior to announcing the winners at the Canstruction® Gala and Awards Ceremony held at The Nines in Downtown Portland.

[Read more and view event photos >>](#)

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Lee Kilbourn, Membership Committee Chair

The following people joined as new members or renewed in December 2012. Take a moment to welcome them or thank them for renewing.

- Erica L. Bitterman-Ryon, CSI; Precision Images; member since 2000
- Keith V. Blodgett, CSI, CDT; Building Material Specialties; member since 1994
- Amy Lynnette Cathcart, CSI; Interface Engineering, Inc.; member since 2012
- Alicia Clark, CSI-EP, CDT; Emerick Construction Company; member since 2012
- Brett Laron Cole, CSI; Pacific Stair; member since 2012 - **NEW MEMBER**



- Natalie E. Cordova, CSI; Natalie Cordova; member since 2012
- Colin P. Doherty, CSI, CCS; Port of Portland; member since 2009
- Scott L. Finlinton, CSI, LEED AP, USGBC; USG Building Systems; member since 1991
- David A. Grigsby, CSI; ZGF Architects LLP; member since 2012
- Clarke Jewell, CSI, CDT; Olympian Precast, Inc.; member since 1999
- Bassam Khalifeh, CSI; Washington County - Facilities; member since 1989
- Rebekah L. Kilgore, CSI, CDT; Rebekah Kilgore; member since 2012
- Donald Long, CSI, CCPR; Grace Construction Products; member since 1999
- Scott Martin, CSI, CDT; Tremco Inc. Vulkem Paraseal; member since 1995
- Jeff McIntyre, CSI, CDT; Rodda / Cloverdale Paint Company; member since 2006
- Joseph S. Mecalis, BA, CSI, CDT; Myhre Group; member since 2007
- Bryan Monroe, CSI, CCCA; member since 2012
- Julie A. Nielsen, CSI; DeaMor Associates; member since 2006
- Elaine M. Ott, CSI, MBA; Metal Sales Manufacturing Corporation; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Mark P. Schneider, CSI; Schneider, Kempker, & Clark, Inc.; member since 1997
- Robert B. Sharman, MBA, CSI, CDT; Rowe Fenestration, Inc.; member since 2008
- Walt Suman, CSI, CDT; TekTerior Systems; member since 1985
- Randy E. Tessman, CPA, CSI, CDT; Benjamin Moore Paints; member since 1995
- Michael W. Thrailkill, CSI, AIA, LEED AP; Yost Grube Hall Architecture; member since 2004
- Ramona M. White, CSI; Interface Engineering; member since 2012

EDUCATION EVENTS

Need continuing education credits? Can't risk missing the latest episode of Dancing with the Stars? Check out this site. Most of the opportunities are free and they are on demand, which means you can still rendezvous with your favorite sequins-clad NFL player and get your credits done. [Go to the site >>](#)



Zen and the Art of Building Enclosure Design, Seattle, WA

May 21, 2013 from 8:45A-4:00P

[Read more >>](#)

Bid Day Simulation presented by American Society of Professional Estimators Columbia Pacific Chapter 54 & NAWIC Portland Chapter

May 21, 2013

Participate in the drama and suspense of The Bid Room without the risk! Moderated by Walt Lemon, CPE (Lifetime), Master Bidder

[Register by May 10th.](#) There is no "pay at the door"

CSI West by Northwest Region Conference "Gateways", Spokane, WA

June 13-15, 2013

[Register here >>](#)

[Check out the Education Opportunities page on the website for more events >>](#)

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CHILI COOK-OFF RECAP

Christine Irwin, President Elect FY12/13

The Portland Chapter of CSI held it's first Chili Cook-off at The Commons Brewery. Many thanks to owner of The Commons Brewery, Mike Wright, for allowing us to use his facilities. It was a great venue and the beer was very good. If you get a chance, swing by the tasting room located at 1810 SE 10th Ave Unit E, Portland, OR 97214. Thank you to Precision Images for printing banners, ballots and drink tickets.

- **FIRST PLACE - GRAND CHAMPION & BEST THEME:** Hawaii 4 0 Chili
Sponsor: Mercer Industries - Division 8/CSI Board of Directors
Team: Fred Larson - Mercer Industries, Chris Irwin -Weller Associates Inc., Cherise Schacter - Interface Engineering, Alicia Clark - Emerick Construction
- **THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE WINNER:** Atlas Firecaulkers Chili
Sponsor: Atlas Supply - Divisions 3, 7, & 9
Team: Tiel Fox, Cody Hakala, Tim Garrett and Chris Ferguson
- **Texas Chili**
Sponsor: Pacific Mat - Division 9
Team: Nora Vivarelli, Steve Miller, Austin Green - Pacific Mat, Rick Heiserman - Ankrom Moisan Architects
- **Timber Army Chili**
Sponsor: Ross & Associates Insurance Services Business Insurance, Professional Liability, Life, Health
Team: Tim Cockburn, Jason Jordan, David Gourley - Ross & Associates, Skip Brown - Melvin Mark Properties

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This event was great fun! If you missed it - put it on your calendar for next year and it is never too early to start planning for your team.

We have so great summer events planned so don't miss the Architectural Scavenger Hunt - July 9, 2013 and the Member Appreciation Picnic - August 13, 2013



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

David R. (Skip) Brown III AIA/CSI-CCS

Greetings fellow CSI Members & Friends:

I write this last President's Message and look back at the fiscal year 2012/2013 as a year of great change and challenge for the Board.

- **New Chapter Staff** - We began a search for an Administrative Coordinator, interviewed several candidates and hired Jaci Amend for the Chapter's Administrative Coordinator position.
- **Education Scholarships** - With Michael Thraikill's assistance as our Education Chair, we developed an academic scholarship program and awarded two \$1,500 scholarships.
- **CDT Exam Scholarships** - Cherise Schacter, Education Committee Member, and Michael Madias, Certifications Chair, developed a certifications incentive scholarship program for the CDT Certification exams which resulted in many successful registrants passing their exams and new chapter members as well.
- **New Events & Programs** - Ellen Onstad, Programs Committee Chair, worked constantly throughout the year developing excellent programs and hopefully creating annual events, such as the December Silent Auction benefit and this month's Chili Cook-off, headed by Tim Cockburn. Other notable programs of the past year: September: Tri-Met Bridge presentation, October: Color Foundations by Randy Tessman, November: 2030 Challenge for Products by Beth Stroshane, January: Economic Forecast by John Mitchell, February: Grill the Specifier, March: BIM and the OHSU Collaborative Life Sciences Building and April: The Morrison Bridgehead Project + the James Beard Public Market
- **Social Media** - Thanks to our resident Tweeter, Cherise Schacter, many of our programs have been presented live via Twitter feed and then "storified" for all to review post event.
- **The Industry Forum** - Wow, what a great event in the Portland Art Museum Kridel Grand Ballroom! Many thanks to Tony DiVincenzo, Committee Chair, Bud Henson, Jody Moore, Alexander Lungershausen, Chris Ferguson, Mark Miller, Corey Morris, Don Stastny, Ellen Onstad, Kathy Hempel, and Cherise Schacter as our never-tiring committee members. There was much behind the scenes work and scheduling challenges that were resolved to make the event a very smooth and seamless night of education and entertainment. The 6x10 presentations were stellar! (Thank you, Alexander) and Kai-Uwe Bergmann gave us all a real eye opening view of how BIG "(En)-Joys Architecture".

We still have some great events ahead this summer. Our Annual Golf Tournament, led by Erica Bitterman-Ryon in August and another City Scavenger Hunt (Randy Tessman, head honcho). Note that last year I was NOT on the winning team, but intend to change that this year!

The yearly planning meeting took place Wednesday, June 5th. It brought together new, old and recruitable

board officers to discuss and plan for fiscal year 2013/14. We want to hear from you, so take advantage of the opportunity to voice your suggestions and recommendations as to how the Portland Chapter can better respond to the needs of the membership. You may email your comments to me at

dbrown@melvinmark.com

It has been a roller coaster ride for me this year. I thank you all for being patient with me. Next year Chris Irwin will be your captain and lead the chapter in its next voyage.

CERTIFICATION UPDATE

The Construction Specifications Institute and the Portland Chapter are proud to announce that the following members and non-members have obtained their Construction Document Technologist (CDT) Certification. This is a prestigious, nationally-recognized credential that demonstrates superior knowledge and understanding of the roles, responsibilities, and activities involved in good construction document administration.

Patrick Kennedy, CSI-S, CDT, Skanska
Katie Kniesteadt, CSI, CDT, GBD Architects
Eric Miles, CSI, CDT, Ingersoll Rand
Michelle Neidiger, CSI, CDT, Private Practice
Larry Payne, CSI-S, CDT, Student, Private Practice
David Schulman, CSI, CDT, Portland Millwork
Robin Shane-Best, CSI, CDT, Catena Engineers
Josh Sharp, CSI, CDT, The Garland Co.
Michael Thrailkill, CSI, CDT, Yost Grube Hall Architects
Eric Bressman, CSI, CDT, Ankrom Moisan Associated Architects
Brian Hjelte, CSI, CDT, Waterleaf Architects
Brent James, CSI, CDT, West Coast Air Products
David Posada, CSI, CDT, GBD Architects
Raymond Schlanser, CSI, CDT, Interface Engineering

To earn this designation, candidates must pass a rigorous exam based on CSI's Project Delivery Practice Guide, the industry's model for best practices in the design/construction industry. The Chapter conducted a study group/prep class to assist candidates before the exams. This achievement is considered a milestone in an individual's professional development and proof of commitment to continuous improvement in the construction industry. This credential further demonstrates credibility and reliability to employers, colleagues, and clients.

The Portland Chapter will again offer the CDT prep sessions for the Spring 2014 exams. However, CSI also conducts the exams in the fall (September.) For more information about CSI's Certificate/Certification Program, visit www.csinet.org or contact the Chapter Certification co-chairs, Kathy Hempel and Michael Madias.

IT'S ALMOST GOLF TIME

By Erica Bitterman-Ryon, Golf Committee Chair

If you are not thinking about golf when we are actually getting nice beautiful weather, I'm dazed and confused. IT IS GOLF TIME EVERYONE; FIND YOUR GOLF MOJO! I would like to thank those that have found their golf MOJO this year.



DeaMor Associates	Fortifiber	Otis Elevator
Forbo Flooring	Weller Associates	Contractor Plan Center
ARC Oregon	KPFF Consulting Engineers	Atlas Supply
Schindler Elevator	Woodfold	CPI Daylighting -NW
TOTO USA, Inc	Harper Houf Peterson Righellis	Masonry & Ceramic Tile
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The Portland CSI Chapter Annual Golf Tournament is up and running and looking for players and sponsors who want to come out and have fun, net work and play in the sun. Proceeds raised at this tournament go to the CSI scholarship programs. We were able to give \$6,000 in scholarships away last year and we would like to double that. Please help us with our goal.

All in the A/E/C Industry are welcome--owners, architects, consultants, engineers, contractors, suppliers and product reps. Why wouldn't you want to have fun with us? You don't have to be a pro, you just have to have a smile on your face and know how to have fun. That is all the requirements needed!

Please see visit the Portland Chapter CSI web site for registration and sponsorship opportunities www.portland.csinet.org. Or call Erica Bitterman-Ryon with Precision Images for more information on signing up ebitterman@precisionimages.com or 503-274-2030. See you on the greens!

ARE YOU ORDINARY OR ARE YOU UNFORGETTABLE?

Cherise Schacter, President-Elect, Education Committee Chair

The title of this article was the opening line that really caught my attention at the weekend long NW Region Leadership Training at Edgefield in May. This training is hosted by the Region to help incoming officers with all of the skills necessary to have a successful term of service to their respective chapters.

Let's face it, CSI has a wealth of opportunities for education in specifications, contract administration, project delivery and product representation. It is important to also remember ongoing personal development. Mr. John Hersey was our keynote speaker and is a professional leadership coach. The following are some highlights from John's presentation:

- *Be Unforgettable*
- *Be Bold*
- *Be a Heretic - The status quo will not stand up*
- *Reach out and Connect*
- *Update your Perspective, Look at the World from Different Angles*
- *Find Something worth Changing and Build a Movement*
- *Be Distinctive, Do Everything Uniquely*
- *Define your Culture*
- *Innovate*
- *Create Contagious Leadership*



John was awesome and motivating, and his presentation especially resonated with me. The last five years or so have been tough for many in our field. We have lost jobs, been asked to do more for less, and have

struggled as we waited for the economy to improve. Now, as things are starting to look up, it is easy to go back to doing things the same way we always have. Should we?

Have you considered reinventing yourself? Trying something totally out of your comfort zone? Exploring a new technology? Being UNFORGETTABLE? Being DISTINCTIVE? The old tried and true is not always going to hold up in our changing times. Are you going to stand out in the midst of this ever evolving environment? Everything is changing from the way we communicate to the way we collaborate. Take a moment and consider where you fit into all that and where you want to go in the future.

In addition to John's great presentation, we received training, guidance and advice from Region leadership Martin Powell, Brian Keil, Perry White and Cherie McNabb. We learned how to develop and maintain a strategic and long range chapter plan, how our region can support our chapter and how to build an effective team.

The weekend was well worth the time and effort and I look forward to bringing these newfound skills and ideas back to our chapter in the year to come. Thank you to the Region Leadership for their time, efforts and great company.

Remember: Leadership is not a spectator sport!

I am honored to be starting my next term on the Board as the President-Elect of the Portland Chapter as well as the Chair of the Education Committee. I look forward to sharing our vision for the year ahead and am always open to new ideas, comments and ways we can improve. I hope to see you all at the upcoming Chili Cook Off in June (rumor has it that some teams may be providing amusement).

ABSOLUTE NONSENSE

By Sheldon Wolfe

A few weeks ago, while patiently waiting in that a.m. parking lot we call a freeway, I was listening to a drive-time talk show. "Not many specifiers calling in today," I thought. Caller after caller would agree with the host's comments by saying "Exactly!" - even when the stated position was complex, and the callers appeared to grasp only part of the issue.

Our language is a rich one, with many words available to express a wide range of meaning for most ideas. In writing, this gives the careful writer a way to accurately communicate with the knowledgeable reader. A multitude of synonyms, adjectives, and adverbs makes it possible to express fine distinctions of meaning. Properly used, our language becomes a scalpel, which can be used with surgical precision. [Read more >>](#)

INDUSTRY FORUM: THE JOY OF ARCHITECTURE

Industry Forum 2013 was a BIG success!

Kai-Uwe Bergmann, partner of Bjarke Ingels Group, told us that "Yes is More" and over 350 attendees agreed!

"The 6X10 had the best line-up yet with interesting presentations and thought-provoking ideas."

"Kia-Uwe and BIG blew us away!"

"Great networking with colleagues and industry firms."



"We loved the students in the 6X10-and the other presentations were really interesting- 3D printed buildings?!"

"The Industry Forum has become an annual event I really look forward to attending -great that we have this in Portland!"

[Read the Storified Twitter Feed from the event here >>](#)

[View images from the event here >>](#)

SUMMER FUN AHEAD

July Historical Adventure/Scavenger Hunt - July 9th, 2013

We will gather at Henry's Tavern (American Bar & Grill) located at 10 NW 12th beginning at 5:30p.m., divide into teams. The Historical Adventure and Scavenger Hunt will begin at 6:00p.m., when the teams take to the streets of the Pearl District to discover old and new architectural treasures of Portland, perhaps learning little known facts about the city along the way. After following all of the clues, the teams will again join together at Henry's to recap the hunt, share stories, receive awards and have a bite to eat and possibly sample one of the 100 beers available at this historic venue. You are invited to bring your own team or join one at the event.



Chapter Member Appreciation Picnic - August 13th, 2013

Join us once again at Historic Oaks Park at the foot of the Sellwood Bridge. Did you know that Oaks Park has the largest Skating rink in the country? Bring your family to experience all of the fun. Glide (or inch) your way around the roller rink, catch up with old friends, network or just enjoy the company of fellow CSI Members. Play games and win prizes. This is a no cost event for the entire family and this year will feature burgers and hot dogs catered by Oaks Park. Discount ride bracelets will be available. Registration forms will be available soon so that we can get a head count for the Park.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Lee Kilbourn, Membership Committee Chair

Renewed and New Members of Portland Chapter CSI March 2013

- Bryan H. Ackler, CSI; member since 2012
- Josiah M. Ball, CSI; Interface Engineering; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Brian D. Carleton, CSI; Carleton Hart Architecture, PC; member since 1995
- William R. Clark, Jr., CSI, CDT; Sika Sarnafil; member since 1991
- Jerry Cunningham, CSI; Cold Spring Granite Company; member since 2009
- Ken L. Dzioba, CSI, CDT; Parex USA Inc.; member since 1996
- Etta Goerl, CSI-EP, CDT; Port of Portland; member since 2010
- Alexei Holstein, CSI-EP, PMP; Veris Industries; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Christine Irwin, CSI, CDT; Weller Associates, Inc.; member since 1995
- Ron Jackson, CSI; Advanced Technology Group; member since 1985
- Patrick Rainville Kennedy, CSI-S, CDT; member since 2012
- John B. Lape, FCSI, CCS, AIA, CSC; John Lape, Architect; member since 1986
- Fred M. Larson, CSI; Mercer Industries, Inc. Mercer Commercial Windows; member since 2003
- Ronald R. Lee, CSI, AIA; ARCHITECTS Barrentine.Bates.Lee AIA; member since 1985



- Jim Mitchell, CSI, USGBC; Koroseal Interior Products Group; member since 1992
- Zack Mitchell, CSI-EP; Schindler Elevator Corporation; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Ellen M. Onstad, CSI, CDT; McGraw Hill Construction Dodge; member since 1995
- Russell L. Pitkin, CSI, CDT, AIA, LEED AP; SERA Architects; member since 2004
- Jeff Rubino, CSI; Oldcastle Building Envelope; member since 2003

The following people joined as new members or renewed in April 2013.

- Mark T. Barney, CSI, CDT, AHC; Northwest Hardware Consultants; member since 2002
- Julie A. Bronder, CSI, AIA; ZGF Architects LLP; member since 1993
- Dennis A. Brown, CSI; Capitol City Door, Inc.; member since 1992
- David Byrne, CSI, CDT; Hennebery Eddy Architects; member since 2007
- Jason R. Chupp, CSI; Swinerton Builders; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Mark C Cooney, CSI, CDT; Hubbell; member since 2005
- Dan J. Crates, CSI; STO Corp.; member since 2009
- Russel R. Donohue, CSI, CDT, NCARB, LEED GA; CH2MHill; member since 2007
- Richard Dusa, CSI; MKE & Associates, Inc.; member since 1996
- Jon R. Grasley, CSI, CDT; Hoffman Construction Co.; member since 1997
- Jim Hanset, CSI; Hanset Stainless; member since 1997
- Kathy Hempel, CSI, CCCA; DeaMor Associates, Inc.; member since 2009
- Trasi Hogenhout, CSI; Contractor Plan Center, Inc.; member since 1988
- Bryce Jacobson, CSI; Metro Solid Waste & Recycling; member since 1997
- Dale A. Kuykendall, CSI, CDT; JR Merit, Inc.; member since 1986
- Michael Madias, CSI, CCS; DiBenedetto/Thomson/Livingstone; member since 1990
- Don W. Pieschel, CSI; Behr/KILZ Paint Companies; member since 2012
- Steve M. Popkes, CSI, CDT; AEP Span; member since 1999
- Joshua Prewitt, CSI; Keene Building Products/Dependable Flooring Materials; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- Gene Robinson, CSI, CDT; Architectural Systems, Inc.; member since 1992
- Brian R. Ross, CSI, CCS; Architect; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**
- David H. Sommer, CSI; Interra Architectural Products; member since 2008
- David K. Stephenson, CSI, LEED AP, AIA; SERA Architects; member since 2007
- Brad Stotts, CSI; DryVit Systems, Inc.; member since 2012
- James M. Sullivan, CSI; Dur-A-Flex; member since 2011
- Anna Todd, CSI, LEED AP; Todd Construction, Inc.; member since 2012
- James A. Wright, CSI, CCS; Architect ; member since 1995
- Susan Wurdeman, CSI, NCARB; Dull Olson Weekes - IBI Group Architects; member since 1997
- Cyrus Yamin, CSI, CDT, AIA; Multnomah County Facilities and Property Mgmt.; member since 2005
- Stephen Yeager, CSI; Armstrong World Industries; member since 2013 - **NEW MEMBER**

Take a moment to welcome them or thank them for renewing.

EDUCATION EVENTS

IIDA Monte Carlo Masquerade

June 20, 2013

[Download invitation here >>](#)



FROM OUR NORTHWEST REGION, MADE UP OF LEADERS LIKE YOU

Brian Keil, CSI, CCPR, CSI Northwest Region President FY14

Congratulations, and a huge Northwest Region thank you to the Spokane Chapter for hosting a truly

memorable Conference! Well done!

This year, Spokane conference organizers decided to join forces with the CSI West Region, made up of Chapters throughout California and Hawaii. It was a hit with all who attended. Old and new friends joined Northwest Members from as far away as Hawaii, San Diego and, of course, from Institute in Alexandria Virginia.

The setting was spectacular and first class. All activities and events started and ended at the city's historic Davenport Hotel, a truly awesome display of 1914 style Architecture and design. This huge complex in the heart of Spokane is a spectacular jewel of privilege and Titanic elegance. Once experienced, there is no wonder it is considered a four and a half star destination unto itself.

Organizers conducted fun and interesting programs, tours and events that were well thought-out and professionally executed, with plenty of time to socialize with friends and family alike.

Ask anyone who attended. It was fabulous! Regardless, please take a moment to email or drop a note to the Spokane Chapter, and let them know how much you appreciate all of their hard work on this Conference, one that puts CSI's best face forward and will be remembered as one of the best in years. Thanks Spokane. You've made us all proud. Lead on!

NEW USERS GROUP: BSD SPECLINK-E

The Portland Chapter of CSI is organizing a BSD SpecLink-E users group to bring together users and interested parties in the Portland metro area. The intent is a quarterly gathering for users to discuss issues, tips, and tricks, and to ask questions of each other.

An organizational meeting will be held on Thursday, July 25th, 2013 at the offices of Interface Engineering, 708 SW 3rd Ave, Suite 400 Portland, OR 97204, from 12:00 to 1:00. Lunch will be provided if you RSVP! To RSVP, or if you have any questions, contact Corey Morris, (email coreymorris@ckarch.com, phone 503-224-4848).

ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS

Design

[American Institute of Architects, Portland Chapter](#)

[American Society of Interior Designers](#)

[Building Owners and Managers Association International - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Cascadia Region Green Building Council](#)

[International Facilities Management Association - Oregon](#)

[National Association of Office and Industrial Properties - Portland Chapter](#)

[Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter](#)

Technical

[American Society of Mechanical Engineers - Oregon Section](#)

[American Society of Plumbing Engineers, Columbia Pacific Chapter 54](#)

[Portland Building Enclosure Council](#)

Construction

[Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter](#)

[Construction Management Association of America - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Design-Build Institute of America - Northwest Region](#)

[Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland](#)

INSTITUTE AND REGION NEWS

The Construction Specifications Institute (CSI)
Northwest Region CSI

Northwest Region Chapter Meetings and Contacts

Big Sky Chapter	(Last Tuesday) Jan O'Brien, CSI 406-245-6363
Capital Chapter	(Third Thursday) Chris Veit, CSI, CCS 503-390-0291
Cook Inlet Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Mark Hughes, CSI 907-267-5163
Idaho Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Karen Morris 208-343-3620
Mt. Rainier Chapter	(First Thursday) Bob Kenworthy, FCSI, CCS 253-931-4904
Puget Sound Chapter	(Second Thursday) Andrew Estep, CSI 206-382-3393
Spokane Chapter	(Second Thursday) Georgia Spencer, CDT 509-328-2771
Willamette Valley Chapter	(Last Thursday) Alorie Mayer, CSI-S 541-485-0922

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CHAPTER MEETING SCAVENGER HUNT

July 9, 2013

Henry's 12th Street Tavern, 10 NW 12th Avenue, Portland
5:30 PM (teams will be formed and begin)



Join a group of explorers and test your skills in finding Portland area landmarks with clues about history and exterior elements. Find your inner Sherlock Holmes, find the clues, and enjoy a fun social event.

Bring comfortable walking shoes, be ready to learn something new, share a libation, win a prize, and have a great experience with your colleagues in the industry.

This year we will focus on the "Old Pearl" district- the area in and around Powell Books & Henry's Tavern.

Register at: <http://portland.csinet.org>

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Christine Irwin, President FY 2013/2014

As I assume my duties of President of the Portland Chapter I first want to say "thank you" to the people I have had the honor of working with on the Board the past few years. Outgoing Directors Randy Tessman, Chris Ferguson, Michael Thraikill and Cherise Schacter have been a pleasure to work with and really made things happen this year. Fortunately, Cherise is not leaving the Board but is moving up to the position of President-Elect and I look forward to working with her on some exciting educational opportunities through the coming year. Education is one of our main goals this year and plans are underway to offer opportunities outside of our Monthly Chapter meetings.

Also on our list of goals for the year is to revitalize the Specifiers Share Group and reestablish the Product Rep Share Group and the Contractors Share Group. Anyone interested in participating in any of these groups can email me directly at christineirwin@comcast.net and I will keep you up to date on the progress of this goal and let you know of future meetings and topics.

Welcome to our new Board Members:

- Director: Ellen Onstad, CSI, CDT, McGraw Hill Construction Dodge
- Director: Tim Cockburn, CSI, Ross & Associates Insurance Services, Inc.
- Director: Alicia Clark, CSI, Emerick Construction Co
- Director: Tony DiVincenzo, CSI, LEED GA, Ideate Inc

And a very special thank you to:

- Director: Fred Larson, CSI
- Director: Brian Nelson, CSI, CCCA, AIA
- Secretary: Corey Morris, CSI, CDT
- Treasurer: Alexander Lungershausen, CSI, CDT, LEED AP, AIA
- Past President: David "Skip" Brown, CSI, CCS, AAIA
- Administrative Assistant: Jaci Amend

[Click here to meet the board >>](#)

These returning Board members have been a great asset in the past and their knowledge and willingness to get things done knows no bounds.

The Programs Committee, headed by Ellen Onstad, has programs planned through next Spring. A tour is planned for September and this summer we have fun social programs planned. Be sure to watch for registration information on the Architectural Scavenger Hunt in July. The Hunt this year will take you through the Pearl District. On August 13, Oaks Park will be the setting for our 3rd Annual Member Appreciation Picnic. Be sure to register for these fun networking/social events.

This coming May, 2014, the Portland Chapter will be hosting the Northwest Region Conference back-to-back with the Industry Forum. This will be a great event and will give us a chance to show off what makes Portland a special place. If you would like to be involved with the planning and execution of this undertaking please send an email to ebitterman@precisionimages.com

MEMBER APPRECIATION PICNIC

August 13, 2013

Join the CSI Portland Chapter on August 13th for the Third Annual CSI Member Appreciation Picnic at Historic Oaks Park, at the east end of the Sellwood Bridge, from 4:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. (Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m.). We will be in Section 12.

What to do

- Ride bracelets are 2 for 1 on Tuesdays
- Experience rides for the entire family or the daredevils can take a chance on the thrill rides
- Try your luck on the Midway and dazzle others with your skills
- Games and prizes will be available in the picnic area for CSI members and their guests
- Ride the historic Herschell-Spillman Carousel
- Eat until you feel like you are going to explode
- Catch up with old friends and network in a relaxed, casual setting surrounded by the beauty of Portland
- Jump on a ride and listen to your colleagues scream like little kids

This is a family event

Please register in advance so we know how much food to provide - Oaks Park will cater the dinner. Please also let us know the ages of children that you are bringing. We have special treats planned for them. Hope to see you there. Check the website and The Predicator for details on this free family event. Register at <http://portland.csinet.org> by August 11th.



IT'S ALMOST GOLF TIME

By Erica Bitterman-Ryon, Golf Committee Chair

If you are not thinking about golf in this beautiful weather, I'm dazed and confused. IT IS GOLF TIME EVERYONE - FIND YOUR GOLF MOJO!

Join us for the Portland Chapter CSI Annual Golf Tournament on August 15, 2013. We are looking for players and sponsors who want to come out and have fun, network and play in the sun. Proceeds raised at this tournament go to the Portland Chapter CSI Scholarship Programs. We were able to give \$6,000 in scholarships last year - this year, we



would like to double that! Please help us reach our goal.

I would like to thank those that have found their golf MOJO this year:

Professional Roof Consultants	Precision Countertops	Precision Images
DeaMor Associates	Fortifiber	Otis Elevator
Forbo Flooring	Weller Associates	Contractor Plan Center
ARC Oregon	KPFF Consulting Engineers	Atlas Supply
Schindler Elevator	Woodfold	CPI Daylighting -NW
TOTO USA, Inc	Harper Houf Peterson Righellis	Masonry & Ceramic Tile
Hoffman Construction	Skoler Building Resources	KONE
Ross & Associates	INLINE Commercial Construction	Tice Industries
Interface Engineering		

Anyone in the A/E/C Industry is welcome - Owners, architects, consultants, engineers, contractors, suppliers and product reps. You don't have to be a pro, or a CSI member. You just have to have a smile on your face and know how to have fun.

Visit the Chapter website for registration and sponsorship opportunities <http://portland.csinet.org>. Contact Erica Bitterman-Ryon with Precision Images for more information on signing up ebitterman@precisionimages.com 503-274-2030. See you on the greens!

2013 AIA AAJ EMERGING PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP

The AIA Academy of Architecture for Justice Knowledge Community is holding a conference September 18-21, 2013 at the Hilton Hotel in Portland, Oregon that may be of interest to our members in the AIA Northwest & Pacific Region.

In addition, we want you to know about the Emerging Professionals Scholarship opportunities available to attend this conference from AIA.

The three-day conference provides engaging panel discussions and intimate networking opportunities with over 200 justice architects and allied professionals.

Deadline: August 2, 2013

Eligibility: AIA Young Architects (licensed less than 10 years), Associate AIA members, AIAS members and all full time students with a valid student ID are invited to submit an application.

[Click here for the Conference website >>](#)

CERTIFICATION

The deadline for fall Certification exams is approaching fast - July 31, 2013. Visit the Certification section of the Institute website for more information about Certification, Certification Exams and the benefits of becoming certified. [Click HERE>>](#)

ADVERTISE WITH US

The Predicator is sent to over 430 people in the region's construction industry - architects, engineers, contractors, product representatives and suppliers. Advertising in The Predicator is a great way to reach

them, and to support your CSI Chapter! Rates are affordable and competitive, and we can track who, when and where your ad is read. Advertising rates are as follows:

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Half width ad: \$155

Small ad: \$25 (\$200 per year)

Premium placement surcharge \$100 (Max 2 per issue)

Buy a sidebar, full-width or half-width ad for 10 months and get two additional months (totaling a full year) for free. Call the Chapter office to arrange your advertisement today. 503-805-2500

AND THE AWARD GOES TO...

The following people received awards this year. They were presented during The Chili-Cook-off. Thanks to all of you who spend your time making Portland an outstanding Chapter.

- Jaci Amend, Certificate of Appreciation
- Amy Cathcart, CSI, Certificate of Appreciation
- Tony Divincenzo, CSI, LEED-GA, Certificate of Appreciation
- Chris Ferguson, CSI, President's Service Award
- Kathy Hempel, CSI, CCCA, Certificate of Appreciation
- Bud Henson, CSI, Certificate of Appreciation
- Rick Heiserman AIA, FCSI, CCCA, Certificate of Appreciation
- Lee Kilbourn, FCSI, Member Emeritus, CCS, FAIA, Certificate of Appreciation
- John Lape, FCSI, CCS, AIA, CSC, Certificate of Appreciation
- Dennet Latham RA, CSI, CCS, LEED-AP, Certificate of Appreciation
- Michael Madias, CSI, CCS, Certificate of Appreciation
- Jody Moore, CSI, CDT, Certificate of Appreciation
- Corey Morris, CSI, CDT, President's Service Award & Certificate of Appreciation
- Pat Murphy, CSI, CDT, Certificate of Appreciation
- Ellen Onstad, CSI, CDT, Certificate of Appreciation
- Russ Pitkin AIA, CSI, CDT, LEED-AP, Certificate of Appreciation
- Erica Bitterman-Ryon, CSI, Certificate of Appreciation
- Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT, President's Service Award & Certificate of Appreciation
- Randy Tessman, CPA, CSI, CDT, President's Service Award
- Michael Thraikill, CSI, CDT, AIA, LEED AP, President's Service Award
- Alexander Lungershausen, CSI, CDT, LEED AP, AIA, President's Service Award & Certificate of Appreciation

EDUCATION

Cherise Schacter, Interface Engineering, President-Elect, Chair: Education Committee

In June, the main focus for the Portland Chapter Board of Directors is welcoming new leaders and planning for the year ahead. We have yet another amazing group taking the reins and ready to make a difference. This year, it was unanimously decided to focus heavily on education, share groups and emerging professionals.

Just some of the ideas/goals presented:

- A low cost CSI Lecture Series on any number of topics
- Reigniting the Specifiers Share Group
- Restarting the Contractor and Product Rep Share Group
- Providing a First Class Educational Event at next year's Region Conference hosted by our Chapter
- Emerging Professional Education Sessions and Events
- Hands On Technical/Product Demonstrations

- Videotaped Presentations for CSI Portland YouTube Channel

With your help, WE CAN DO IT!

In my opinion, the very best thing about CSI is that all areas of our industry are represented equally as members. We bring everyone to the table to develop the standards and processes that make sense and work for the entire project team. Each member has unique qualities and skills to share.

My message this month is WE NEED YOU!

Do you have an interesting topic for a lecture? Want to teach a class about BIM? Lead a group of Emerging Professionals in a class about submittals? Want to teach a group of Design Professionals on how to polish a concrete floor? The sky is the limit! No topic is off the table. Showcase your talent and share your expertise with our members. If you have an idea, a lecture or a skill to share, please contact me at cheriseschacter@gmail.com.

SpecLink-E User Group

On another note, the Portland Chapter will be hosting the inaugural Portland SpecLink-E User Group on July 25, 2013 at Interface Engineering, 708 SW 3rd Avenue, Suite 400, Portland, Oregon. The meeting is free and lunch will be provided but please RSVP: <http://portland.csinet.org>
If you use SpecLink and would like to network with other users for ideas, troubleshooting and recommendations to BSD, this group is for you.

CONSTRUCT 2013

This year, CONSTRUCT will be held in Nashville from September 24th to 27th. If you have never attended, I strongly encourage you to consider a visit to Nashville. The schedule is crammed with a wealth of educational opportunities, tours and events. The networking with thousands of people in our industry is unparalleled. Please note that, after July 15th, fees for CONSTRUCT go up. Get signed up now!

Speaking of CONSTRUCT 2013, I am pleased to have been accepted to present at CONSTRUCT this year. My presentation is "Architect/Consultant Coordination: Closing the Gap." I am very interested in getting feedback, stories, examples, etc. on this topic and your experiences related to this age old issue. I would like feedback from both Architects and Consulting Engineers to use as a part of my presentation. An overview of my presentation is below.

This presentation will address the issue of conflicts between the consulting engineers specifications and the Architects Contract, Division 01 and Drawings. Collaboration and Coordination tools will be provided that can be used by the Architect or the Engineer to eliminate these conflicts and improve collaboration. There is an overwhelmingly positive response to the need for improvement in this area. This presentation will provide suggestions as to what you can do to help close this gap hole.

1. Identify the areas in specs that have a potential for conflict between the Architect and consulting engineers
2. View real life examples of conflicts and discuss the ramifications and lessons learned
3. Discuss different methods to coordinate this information
4. Establish and customize procedures to use in your firm to eliminate these conflicts

If you are interested in contributing your feedback or receiving a questionnaire on this topic, please email me at cheriseschacter@gmail.com. No projects or names will be identified in the presentation without permission. Please feel free to ask any Architects or Consultants you know to contribute their input.

CSI National Practice Groups

Join the discussion! CSI offers several web-based practice groups focused on issues in construction industry communication. Most practice groups meet monthly by webinar and encourage group discussion. Group members often make presentations. [Join a CSI Practice Group!](#)

- Contract Administration Practice Group
- Sustainability Practice Group

- Specifying Practice Group
- Product Representation Practice Group
- BIM Practice Group

Bonus

Interesting video worth sharing - The Fallacy of Design Intent - An Awesome BIM Presentation:
<http://www.globalpres.com/mediasite/Viewer/?peid=7cb5d1bfe71443dab9007e0f6c4de6ee>

I hope to see you all at the July 9th Annual Architectural Adventure and Historical Scavenger Hunt for a fun education on buildings and landmarks in Portland's Pearl District followed by food and libations at Henry's.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Lee Kilbourn, Membership Committee Chair

Renewed and New Members of Portland Chapter CSI March 2013

- Terry M. Becerra, CSI; GAF Member since: 2012
- Kevin Bower, CSI; Columbia Green Technologies **NEW MEMBER**
- Craig L. Cody, CSI; Architextures Member since: 2011 (New to Portland)
- Brett Laron Cole, CSI; Pacific Stair Member since: 2012
- Jerry Davis, CSI, CDT, AHC; Bell Hardware of Eugene, Inc. Member since: 1986
- David C. Haug, CSI; Insulfoam Member since: 2005
- William N. Keefer, CSI, CDT; Mulvanny G2 Architecture Member since: 2003
- John Kouba, CSI Malarkey Roofing Company Member since: 2001
- Robert C. Lecher, CSI, CDT, AIA, NCARB Architect Member since: 2012
- Glen A. Miller, CSI; GA Miller Architecture Member since: 1997
- Jim Mowery, CSI; L + W Supply Member since: 2012
- Mark B. Moyes, CSI; KPFF Inc. Member since: 1995
- Patrick M. Murphy, CSI, CDT; Basalite Concrete Products Member since: 1977
- Solvei Neiger, CSI, AIA; ZGF Architects LLP Member since: 1995
- Austin Sloat, CSI, AIA; Neumann Sloat Architects LLP Member since: 2009



Take a moment to welcome them or thank them for renewing.

SPECLINK-E USER GROUP NEEDS YOU!

July 25, 2013

Calling all SpecLink-E users! Do you use BSD's SpecLink-E software to write specifications? If so, we want to talk to you.

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[Click here to register >>](#)

EDUCATION EVENTS

AIA Portland: <http://aiaportland.org/education/upcoming-classes>
 October 11th, 8am to Noon: Post Occupancies and Occupant Behavior





- Registration opens in September.

American Society of Interior Designers: www.asidoregon.org

July 17th, Designer's Business Boot Camp

BOMA Oregon: <http://www.bomaoregon.org/events>

July 17th, The Changing Face of Real Estate

July 18th, BOMA Golf Tournament

International Facilities Management Association: <http://ifmaoregon.org/calendar.cfm>

July 24th, 23rd Annual Moodhe Memorial IFMA Golf Event

August 21st, Oregon State University Stadium Renovation and Athletic Facilities

September 18th, Indoor Air Quality, Air Filters and Energy Savings

November 20th, Psychology of Sustainability - Ecopsychology

National Association of Office and Industrial Properties, Portland Chapter: <http://naioporegon.org>

August 5th, Annual Golf Tournament

September 12th, NAIOP Bus Tour - Exploring new projects on the inner east side.

October 17th, Financial Markets Breakfast

Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter: <http://www.smpsoregon.org/Events/events.html>

July 17th, Free Education Event "Your Marketing Career"

August 20th, SMPS Oregon GOLF

Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter: <http://www.agc-oregon.org/events/>

July 12th, AGC Golf Tournament

August 8th to 10th at Salishan, 2013 Summer Convention "Riding the Wave of Change"

August 24th, Southern Oregon Top Shot

November 2nd, Black Tie Blue Jeans Dinner Auction

Construction Management Association of American, Oregon Chapter: <http://orechapter.cmaanet.org/event/pcm-course-northern-vadc>

July 24th to 26th, PCM Course - Northern VA/DC in Northern Virginia

Design-Build Institute of America, Northwest Region: <http://www.dbianwc.org/events>

July 25th, Annual Meeting and Networking

August 13th, DBIA Breakfast Meeting

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland: <https://builderfusion.hbapdx.org/bf/website/simple/calendar.jsp>

July 10th, Residential Energy Code Class - Codes Update Class

July 11th, Lunch, Learn, Link - Speaker: Rudy Kadlub of Costa Pacific Communities on Master Planned Communities Orengo Station and Villebois

July 12th, Lead Based Paint Renovation and Repair Certification

July 17th, PRO Monthly Meeting

July 24th, NW Natural Street of Dreams Summer Block Party

23rd ANNUAL MOODHE MEMORIAL IMFA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Camas Meadows Golf Club, Camas, WA

July 24, 2013

As an affiliate organization to Portland Chapter CSI, we encourage you to check out the IMFA's Annual Golf Event. Registration deadline is Friday, July 12, 2013. There are sponsor opportunities still available.

Register online by clicking [HERE >>](#)

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AUGUST CHAPTER MEETING Membership Appreciation Picnic

August 13th, 4:30 pm to 8pm -
Picnic Area #9
Oaks Park, 7805 SE Oaks Park
Way, Portland, Oregon 97202



This is a free, fun event for CSI Members and their family and friends. We will have food, refreshments, special treats for the kids, games and prizes. Also, amusement park ride bracelets are two for one on Tuesday's. Please join us for good company and a lot of fun at Portland's historic Oaks Park.

While the event is free, you still must register to attend.
<http://portland.csinet.org/>. Dinner will be served at 6 PM.

SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING OHSU/CLSB Site Tour Dinner September 10, 2013

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Design/Construction Presentation as a follow up to the BIM deliverables presentation in March 2013. Limit of 100 registrants. Hard hats and safety goggles will be provided

Registration Deadline September 5th, 2013

Schedule

- Gather at Building/Sign-in - 4:30 PM
- Welcome/Overview
- Tour stops with speakers
- Travel to Spaghetti Factory - 6:15 PM
- (0715 SW Bancroft St - Portland, OR 97239)
- Dinner - 6:30 PM
- Presentation on Building/Questions - 7 PM

Cost

\$40 - Members

\$50 - Non-Members

\$10 - Students (Limited Student registrations available.

Students must email the Chapter to register. Do not register on website.)

Sponsorships still available. [Register here >>](#)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Chris Irwin



August already? It's hard to believe that summer is almost over and school will be starting again soon. I hope that you have had a chance to enjoy the great weather that we have been having and to spend some time away from the office.

July Chapter Meeting: Scavenger Hunt

On July 9th, a group of adventurous souls gathered at Henry's Tavern to set out on our Chapter's second annual Architectural Scavenger Hunt. Over 20 people joined in the adventure this year that had three teams searching a six block radius for answers to clues. After the hunt, we all returned to Henry's to sample the fare and socialize. Many thanks go to Randy Tessman of Benjamin Moore for organizing the event again this year.

Committees hard at work

- The Programs Committee has been hard at work and has programs outlined for the year. This information will be posted on the website so that you can beat the rush, register early and get them on your calendar.
- Are you looking to get the most out of your CSI Membership? You will get more out of your membership by selecting a committee and getting involved. The Chapter has many opportunities. The Membership Committee (Pat Murphy & Lee Kilbourn - Co-Chairs) and Programs Committee (Ellen Onstad & Linda Joens - Co-Chairs) always welcome new members to help the Chapter grow stronger and to work to provide strong Programs every month.
- Cherise Schacter and the Education Committee are been working on a lecture series that will address many aspects of the Built Environment. We hope to hold these at the U of O White Stag Building and are still firming things up. Watch The Predicator for more information and contact Cherise if you would like to assist on the Education Committee. One of the Chapter goals this year is to provide more educational opportunities so this committee should be busy. Are you an Emerging Professional? Contact Alicia Clark to assist in increasing opportunities for networking and mentoring, any and all ideas are welcome.

Northwest Region Conference 2014

In 2014, the Portland Chapter will be hosting the Northwest Region Conference at the Downtown Hilton May 8 - May 10. This will be held back-to-back with the Industry Forum, the Premiere event of the Portland Chapter. The keynote speaker has been booked but these events will take a lot of work to pull off. Your help is needed to make these events a success. If you have a few hours to spare, please contact me at christineirwin@comcast.net and we will find a place for you on a committee where you can share your talents.

I hope to see you at our upcoming events.

2013 GOLF TOURNAMENT - AUGUST 15th Stonecreek Golf Club, Oregon City By Erica Bitterman-Ryon, Co-Chair Golf Tournament Committee

More opportunities to support CSI

Event is completely SOLD OUT except for a couple of top level sponsorships. This is your chance to sponsor and get your name in front of a sold out crowd! If you are interested in one of the few remaining sponsorship opportunities, contact Erica right away to snap them up. You can also donate raffle prizes to be given away after the dinner. Got some swag you want to get in front of industry professionals? Here is how you can do it!

ebitterman@precisionimages.com



Golf for a Cause

The CSI Annual Golf Tournament is a fundraising event for our University and new CDT scholarships. Your sponsorship and participation in this event allows Portland CSI to help members and emerging professionals expand their knowledge and be better prepared to enter the workforce. Last year, the Portland Chapter gave \$6,000 in three PSU Scholarships and six Emerging Professional CDT Scholarships.

Prizes

We are in the home stretch, and the golf tournament is just a couple weeks away. The tournament will be a 1:30 PM shot gun start. Prizes will be awarded for first, second, and third, KP, LD, and Straight Drive and of course, a prize for the team that tries the hardest. There will be raffle tickets sold for some great prizes donated by our sponsors.

I would like to thank those that have found their golf mojo and have signed up to participate in this year's

event:

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Professional Roof Consultants - Tee Box Sponsor, 4 Teams

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Forbo Flooring - Team
Cascade Windows - Team

NEW CSI DESIGN LECTURE SERIES

Design Build: A Request for Redefining the Term in a Contemporary Epoch

At the Portland CSI Board Planning Session in June, one of our Board goals was to expand educational opportunities for our members and emerging professionals. Our objective was to create a low cost CSI Lecture Series (at least quarterly) and classes covering a gamut of ideas and interests in our industry. The Education Committee is dedicated to this goal and is proud to launch our very first in the new CSI Lecture Series.

September 19th, 6 PM to 7 PM

Columbia Square, 111 SW Columbia, 8th Floor Conference Room, Portland, OR 97201

[Register here](#)

Cost

\$10 CSI Member

\$15 Non-CSI Member

FREE UofO Architecture and Allied Art Students (please register on the website and bring student body card)

Design/Build: A Request for Redefining the Term in a Contemporary Epoch

Depending on whom you talk to in the building industry, the term design-build takes on many different meanings. This lecture looks at the term's history, the most popular definition, and a possibility of it being on the fringe of a revolutionary change in definition, which may bring craft back into the arena of building design and construction.



About the Presenter: Troy Lowell, Interface Engineering

Troy is a registered professional engineer with focus on mechanical systems and their integration with architecture in a craft approach. He has 17 years' experience in the building industry and holds a Master's Degree in architecture. He has assisted in research to develop integrated sustainable energy systems in building materials, taught graduate and undergraduate level courses in Statistics & Strengths of Materials, and Environmental Control Systems, and he often volunteers his time in architectural critiques. Troy makes his work his pastime and his pastime his work; operating a small furniture build shop in order to keep his craft-mind fresh and to use as a catalyst for systems integration.

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By Corey Morris, Board Secretary and Digital Media Chair

The Predicator is sent to over 430 people in the region's construction industry - architects, engineers, contractors, product representatives and suppliers. Advertising in The Predicator is a great way to reach them, and to support your CSI Chapter! Rates are affordable and competitive, and we can track who, when and where your ad is read. Advertising rates are as follows:

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EDUCATION

Cherise Schacter, President-Elect, Education Committee Chair

What an exciting and busy month for the Education Committee. As part of the Board's 2013/14 objectives, we are looking for more low cost opportunities to offer education to our members.



New CSI Lecture Series

I am particularly excited to be launching the first of our New Portland CSI Lecture Series. "Design-Build: A Request for Redefining the Term in a Contemporary Epoch" (see above for detailed information) presented by Troy Lowell, Interface Engineering. Troy is unique in that he is a registered professional engineer with a focus on mechanical systems as well as a Master's Degree in Architecture. I can't wait to attend this lecture and hope that you will all join me. Sign up early, registration will be limited due to room size at the White Stag Building.

Institute Education Committee Meeting, July 19-21

I spent last weekend in Alexandria, VA for our annual Institute Education Committee Meeting. The Committee did a lot of work this past year on our certification materials and education programs. This coming year's charges look just as, if not more, ambitious. We will be spending the next year implementing the CSI Academies in Indianapolis, revisions the Project Delivery Education Program and CDT Study Workbook to align with changes to the Body of Knowledge Analysis, refine education programs for CCA and CCS to better align with study workbooks, develop new education initiatives, identify opportunities to expand existing programs and support member participation in CSI communities including practice groups. That is the short list.

I urge any member who is interested to get involved on one of the many National Committees. There is a list on the Institute website with application instructions. The experience has been rewarding and worthwhile and I look forward to the next year and accomplishing the new charges.

Construct 2013, September 24-27

If you have never attended CONSTRUCT, I strongly encourage you to consider a visit to Nashville this September. The schedule is crammed with a wealth of educational opportunities, tours and events. The networking with thousands of people in our industry is unparalleled. Get signed up now!

Please Share your Input with me for my Construct2013 Presentation:

On another note, I am pleased to have been accepted to present at CONSTRUCT this year. My presentation is "Architect/Consultant Coordination: Closing the Gap."



I am very interested in getting feedback, stories, examples of conflicts, etc. on this topic and your experiences related to this age-old issue. I would like feedback from both Architects and Consulting Engineers to use as a part of my presentation.

Course Overview

This presentation will address the issue of conflicts between the consulting engineers specifications and the Architects Contract, Division 01 and Drawings. Collaboration and Coordination tools will be provided that can be used by the Architect or the Engineer to eliminate these conflicts and improve collaboration. There is an overwhelmingly positive response to the need for improvement in this area. This presentation will provide suggestions as to what you can do to help close this gap.

1. Identify the areas in specs that have a potential for conflict between the Architect and consulting engineers
2. View real life examples of conflicts and discuss the ramifications and lessons learned
3. Discuss different methods to coordinate this information
4. Establish and customize procedures to use in your firm to eliminate these conflicts

If you are interested in contributing your feedback on this topic, please email me at cheriseschacter@gmail.com. No projects or names will be identified in the presentation without permission. Please feel free to ask any Architects or Consultants you know to contribute their input.



Education Committee

We need your help and would love to have your participation. We have some aggressive goals this year to provide a wide variety of educational opportunities to our members. Some of our goals are as follows:

- A low cost CSI Lecture Series on any number of topics related to the built environment.
- Reigniting the Specifiers Share Group and restarting the Contractor and Product Rep Share Groups
- Providing a First Class Educational Event at the 2014 Region Conference hosted by the Portland Chapter.
- Emerging Professional Education Sessions and Events
- Hands On Technical/Product Demonstrations and Classes
- Videotaped Presentations for a CSI Portland YouTube Channel

In my opinion, the very best thing about CSI is that all areas of our industry are represented equally as members. We bring everyone to the table to develop the standards and processes that make sense and work for the entire project team. Each member has unique qualities and skills to share.

Do you have an interesting topic or skill to share? Showcase your talent and share your expertise with our members. Contact cheriseschacter@gmail.com for more information.

Students and Chapter Meetings

We offer a limited number of drastically reduced registration fees for chapter meetings to local design industry students. We also offer the opportunity for our members to sponsor student involvement in Chapter Meetings and Events. If you are interested in hosting a student for meetings, send us an email for more information.

Note to Students - Do not register on the website. To receive the reduced rate, you must email portlandcsi@gmail.com to register and then bring your student ID to the meeting when you sign in.



CSI National Practice Groups

Join the discussion! CSI offers several web-based practice groups focused on issues in construction industry communication. Most practice groups meet monthly by webinar and encourage group discussion. Group members often make presentations. Join a CSI Practice Group!

- Contract Administration Practice Group
- Sustainability Practice Group
- Specifying Practice Group
- Product Representation Practice Group
- BIM Practice Group

And some other items of interest

- The Architect's Questionnaire: Profile of Local Architect Bruce Brown, GBD Architects. [Click here](#)

[for more information >>](#)

EDUCATION EVENTS

Aug. 1 - CFA "The Big and Awesome Bridges of Portland"

Opening Night Reception of the PDX Bridge Festival

[More information here >>](#)



Aug. 7 - AIA Continuing Education Seminar: Building Science & Sustainable Design

8:30 AM to 4 PM

Get 6 AIA + 1 GBCI Credits for \$20 [Sign up here >>](#)

Aug. 16 - CSI Mt. Ranier Chapter Annual Family Night with the Tacoma Rainiers Baseball Club

Party deck opens at 6:05 PM, Game starts at 7:05 PM

[Click here for more information >>](#)

7:30 AM to 1 PM

This first-time event connects women associated with the fields of architecture, engineering and/or construction with other accomplished women and the organizations that want to work with them. Make new connections, discuss perspectives and share opportunities available at all levels of the AEC Industries. Portland CSI will be hosting at booth at this event. Stop by and say hello. [Register here >>](#)

Sept. 19-22 - 2013 ASPE Technical Symposium, Orlando, FL

[More information here >>](#)

INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION DATES OF NOTE

[Architectural Foundation of Oregon](#)

Aug. 7 - Dinner with an Architect Series- Hosts: Carol Mayer-Reed, Mayer/Reed, Alan Osborne, AIA, Henneberry/Eddy Architects, Erin Storlie, Anderson Construction

Aug. 15 - Dinner with an Architect Series- Hosts: Bart Ricketts, Lease Crutcher Lewis

Aug. 18 - Dinner with an Architect Series - Host: Lee Kelly, Sculptor, Oregon City

Sept. 9 - Deadline for applications for the Van Evera Bailey Fellowship

[International Facilities Management Association](#)

Aug. 21 - Oregon State University Stadium Renovation and Athletic Facilities

Sept. 18 - Indoor Air Quality, Air Filters and Energy Savings

[Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter](#)

Aug. 20 - SMPS Oregon GOLF

[Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter](#)

Aug. 8-10- at Salishan, 2013 Summer Convention "Riding the Wave of Change"

Aug. 24 - Southern Oregon Top Shot

[National Association of Office and Industrial Properties, Portland Chapter](#)

Aug. 5 - Annual Golf Tournament

Sept. 12 - NAIOP Bus Tour - Exploring new projects on the inner east side.

[Design-Build Institute of America, Northwest Region](#)

Aug. 13 - DBIA Breakfast Meeting

Sept. 19 - 2013 Women's Business Expo, Governor Hotel

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER & PRACTICUM FAIR

Wednesday, September 25th 4pm to 6pm



UofO at the White Stag Building is holding a Community Volunteer and Practicum Fair welcoming back students who have work featured in the thesis show, and

giving new students an opportunity to meet some of UofO's most successful graduates. UofO is eager to connect Architecture and Allied Arts students to the larger professional community. They are ready to contribute and enhance their education through hands-on work alongside creative professionals like you, who are willing to offer guidance and mentoring.

Our new Portland CSI Emerging Professional Chair, Alicia Clark from Emerick Construction along with Skip Brown, Brian Nelson and others will be hosting a table at this event to share experience and interact with UofO student in our field. Some of the most knowledgeable in the industry are members of CSI. Please consider joining this group at the White Stag building and sharing your expertise, advice and good will with the students at the University of Oregon.

Community Volunteer Fair

Thursday, September 25, 4-6 PM

UO in Portland, White Stag Block, 70 NW Couch, First Floor Event Room

Contact: Pam Macki and Kassia Dellabough at www.pods.uoregon.edu to reserve a spot. Please RSVP!

CSI COMMITTEE SPOTLIGHT: PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

By Ellen Onstad, Programs Committee Chair

Committee Members

Ellen Onstad, Chris Irwin, Chris Ferguson, Fred Larson, Cherie McNabb, Randy Tessman, Tim Cockburn, Rick Sauer, Amy Cathcart, Linda Joens, Erica Bitterman-Ryon, David "Skip" Brown, Brian Nelson, Cherise Schacter, Jaci Amend

Our Programs Committee has been hard at work this year, and their efforts are paying off in the way of interesting and educating programs that have been very well attended. Some recent highlights have been:

- The Grill the Specifier meeting in February was such a hit that we are planning a "Grill the Contractor" meeting in the spring.
- The OHSU CLSB effect on project deliverables using BIM presentation in March that will now be followed up by a tour and design presentation of the building in September.
- The Morrison Bridgehead and James Beard Public Market presentation was very interesting and we hope to tour that someday.
- Our summer adventures at the Chili Cook-Off and Architectural Scavenger Hunt were, once again, a darned good time. The Chili teams are already talking about next year and ribbing the competition.

The good news is, it is only getting better. The committee is busy planning into spring of next year. Some teasers for meetings/events you might see in the near future:

- Moody Avenue Housing Presentation (tentative)
- LEED Version 4.0 Panel
- Silent Auction/Christmas Party
- Grill the Contractor
- Twitter for Dummies
- McGraw Hill Construction Outlook Forecast

- Plan Reading Class for the Non-Technical
- Public Subsidized Housing

Remember, if you have a great project or expertise to share, don't be shy. Contact Ellen Onstad, Chair of the Programs Committee with your great idea. And, next time you see one of the Programs Committee Members listed above, take a moment to thank them for their tireless efforts to bring us interesting, innovative and educational programs each and every month.

IT'S NOT JUST THE PERSON YOU MET, IT'S THE PEOPLE YOU MEET

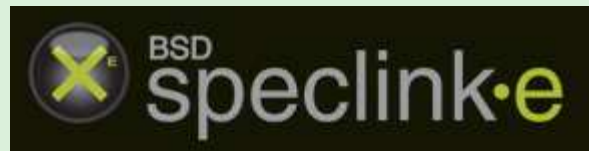
By Eric D. Lussier, CSI, CDT

Once upon a time, not so terribly long ago, our methods of communication varied greatly from what we have now. Pre-smartphone, Facebook, LinkedIn and even email (we're going WAY back here), most of our In Real Life (IRL) interactions were originated by telephone, traditional pen to paper or sheer happenstance. Many relationships were culled much differently than they are now. Our instant gratification, constant connectivity lifestyle has sped up the relationship cycle monumentally, going from ice breaker to "nice to meet you" to "it's so great to see you again" at what seems like a World Record pace.

There is no denying that it can be difficult to meet new people at times, especially in new surroundings or under new circumstances. However, the ways that we can meet new people have multiplied exponentially due to the technology and our ever-sharing lifestyle that many of us now surround ourselves with. MeetUps, TweetUps, chat rooms and too many social media mediums to list have given us a virtual water cooler that at one time was impossible to even conceive. No longer do you need to feel that you are the lone member of any given club when you are a Google search away from finding not only a local person with your same interests, but even a support group to perhaps help cope. [Read more >>](#)

THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT FOR NEW SPECLINK USER GROUP

SpecLink is a software program used to write and manage specifications, and is used by many design and engineering firms in our region. The newly-formed SpecLink Users Group held its inaugural meeting July 25th, and we can officially call it a success! A big "Thank You" to Interface Engineering for generously hosting this meeting!



As one of several action items related to the chapter's education initiative this year, volunteers finally stepped forward to organize a long-requested users group for this technology-oriented angle to specification writing. With the help of BSD Speclink, local users were contacted and Interface Engineering volunteered a meeting space. Fourteen people from twelve firms responded, although summertime conflicts kept a few people from attending the gathering.

The group will be meeting bi-monthly in the Portland downtown area. The agenda will likely be open-discussion format, with attendees posing questions or challenges about SpecLink for the group to solve with their advice or experience. Meeting features might also include members sharing a "best practice", quick tips or lessons learned. Issac Tevet, clearly the most experienced user in the group, shared several valuable tips with those attending - thanks, Issac!

Watch future issues of The Predicator, check the Chapter website, or contact Corey Morris at coreymorris@ckarch.com for details of the next meeting (likely to be scheduled for the first week in October).

CERTIFICATION

July 31st is the early registration deadline for CSI's CDT, CCCA, CCS and CCPR Fall exams. Exams will be offered September 30th to October 26th in the U.S. and Canada.

CSI's Construction Document Technologist (CDT) program is a prerequisite to CSI's advanced certifications:

- Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA)
- Certified Construction Specifier (CCS)
- Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR)

If you need additional guidance on Certification, email PortlandCSI@gmail.com and we will put you in touch with Kathy Hempel, Certification Committee Chair.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

By Lee Kilbourn, Membership Committee Chair

Lifetime, Emeritus and Retired Members of Portland Chapter CSI July 15, 2013. These folks do not have to pay chapter dues, if you think you are eligible to join this club, please contact [Lee Kilbourn](#).



- Neal S. Brady, CSI, Member Emeritus; GVA, Inc.; member since 1995
- John Brockamp, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1982
- Inge Annelise Carstanjen, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT; Weller Associates, Inc.; member since 1983
- James A. Chaney, FCSI, Lifetime Member, CCS, CCCA, Esq.; member since 1983
- J. Laurence Chew, CSI, CCS; JLC Architectural Consulting; member since 1989
- Fred Chomowicz, CSI, Member Emeritus; Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Architects LLP; member since 1983
- Robert K. Cloud, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1976
- James E. Davidson, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1977
- Robert C. Easton, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT; member since 1992
- Edward F. Fatz, CSI, CDT; Consultant; member since 1992
- H. Curtis Finch, CSI, Member Emeritus, FAIA; member since 1978
- Richard L. Gessford, CSI, Member Emeritus, AIA; member since 1993
- Richard Gira, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT; member since 1978
- Ron L Huld, CSI, LEED AP; member since 1997
- Richard P. Hurley, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT; member since 1988
- Lee Kilbourn, FCSI, Member Emeritus, CCS, FAIA; Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Architects LLP; member since 1967
- Robert R. Klas, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1974
- J. Knott, CSI; member since 1983
- J. Min Luey, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1968
- Ivan H. McCormick, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT; member since 1971
- Philip R. McCurdy, CSI; member since 1996
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- Arnie Schmutz, CSI, Member Emeritus; Buckaroo-Thermoseal Inc.; member since 1979
- Les Seeley, CSI, Member Emeritus; member since 1977
- Deane L. Smith, CSI, Member Emeritus; Deane L. "Bud" Smith & Associates; member since 1959
- Paul R. Wilson, CSI, Member Emeritus, CDT, AIA (Emeritus); member since 1985

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SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING OHSU Collaborative Life Science Building Site Tour Dinner September 10, 2013




Design/Construction Presentation as a follow up to the BIM deliverables presentation in March 2013. Limit of 100 registrants. Hard hats and safety goggles will be provided.

Registration Deadline extended to September 6th, 2013. A \$10 late fee will be applied after this deadline and registration will be on a space availability basis.

Schedule


- Gather at Building/Sign-in - 4:30 PM
- Welcome/Overview
- Tour stops with speakers
- Travel to Spaghetti Factory - 6:15 PM
- (0715 SW Bancroft St - Portland, OR 97239)
- Dinner - 6:30 PM



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- Presentation on Building/Questions - 7 PM - 8:30 PM

Cost

\$40 - Members

\$50 - Non-Members

\$10 - Students (Only 6 spots left)

[Register here >>](#)

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Chris Irwin



CSI - What is in it for me?

Have you ever asked yourself that question? I can tell you from personal experience that CSI offers you many opportunities and like everything else in life, you get more if you engage.

Region Conference + Industry Forum - May 2014

The Portland Chapter is also hosting the Northwest Region Conference this coming May 8-10, 2014 at the Downtown Hilton. This event will be held back-to-back with our Annual Industry Forum. A keynote speaker from Snøhetta has been booked for the Industry Forum.

Snøhetta is an international architecture, landscape architecture, and interior design firm based in Oslo, Norway and New York City. They are currently working on the San Francisco Museum of Modern Art Expansion that is due for completion in 2016. If you have attended the Industry Forum in the past, you know it is a great event. The Chapter is excited to share our premier event with visitors from around the NW Region for the Region Conference.

The Conference will feature full days of Education on three tracks - Technical, Professional Development and Social, in addition to opportunities for networking with people from around the Region and some fun events for good measure. Both the Industry Forum Committee and the Northwest Region Conference Committee have opportunities for you to sponsor and/or volunteer. These two events are some of the largest of the year and require many hands to be successful and run smoothly. Please consider this opportunity to get more involved in the Portland Chapter.

Benefit for ReFit - December 2013

In December, we will be hosting our second annual Holiday Dinner and Silent Auction. The proceeds of this event benefit our Chapter Scholarship Fund and ReFIT Portland. ReFIT, Remodeling for Independence Together, is a volunteer organization dedicated to helping people struggling with illness, injury, disability or the aging process to live independent lives at home. By providing essential remodeling services such as access ramps and bathroom modifications, they help homeowners who want to stay in their homes but lack the resources to make necessary updates. This is a great local organization doing good work in our community and I'm pleased that we are partnering with them again this year.

More Scholarships Available in 2014

The Chapter also plans to offer more scholarships this year for a total of \$10,000 dollars. These will be made available to students in Construction and Design studies at local universities and community colleges, as well as chapter members seeking CSI certification.

We are in the process of collecting donations of items for the auction to support these two efforts. The auction will be held on December 12th. We are looking for gift baskets, products, event tickets, weekend getaways, services and anything else you may have to offer. Think outside the box. If you have something you would like to donate please contact Fred Larson (FLarson@merceroindustries.com) or Amy Cathcart (amyc@interfaceeng.com). All donors will be acknowledged at the event. Opportunities to get involved in the Chapter abound.

Welcome to our team of dedicated committee members

Our many committees - Membership, Share Groups, Emerging Professionals, Certification, Golf Tournament, NWRC, Education, Industry Forum - and more, are looking to welcome you into the fold. I urge you to get the most out of your CSI Membership by engaging with our Chapter. The time commitment is up to you, but you will get more out of your membership if you take the time to get involved. If you would like to lend a hand or increase your participation, please contact me directly at christineirwin@comcast.net, and I can point you in the right direction for the area of your choice.

UPCOMING CSI EVENTS

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6:00 - 7:00 PM, Columbia Square Building, 111 SW Columbia, 8th Floor Conference Room, Portland, 97201

Presenter: Troy Lowell, Interface Engineering

Cost: \$10 CSI Member, \$15 Non-CSI Member, UofO Architecture students FREE

[Register here >>](#)

October 3rd - CSI SpecLink User Group

Join us for our next meeting at the Columbia Square Building, 111 SW Columbia, 8th Floor Conference Room, Portland, 97201. [Please pre-register here >>](#)

Watch future issues of The Predicator, check the Chapter website, or contact Corey Morris at coreymorris@ckarch.com for details.

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Marriott Hotel - City Center

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Annual Member Appreciation Picnic

Fun was had by all at the Member Appreciation Picnic at Oaks Park last month. Good food, good friends, fun prizes and great conversation. Thank you to Chris Irwin, Ellen Onstad, Malika Onstad and all who helped make this happen.

Annual Golf Tournament

The 2013 Portland CSI Golf Tournament was a smashing success! The tournament sold out; we had a full roster of sponsors and everyone had a great time. [Check out all the details and photos here >>](#)

We would be remiss if we didn't throw out a big "High Five" and thank you to Erica Bitterman-Ryon and Fred Larson and the committee for all of their incredible hard work and dedication to make this the best golf tournament we have had in quite some time.

ADVERTISE WITH US

By Corey Morris, Board Secretary and Digital Media Chair

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EDUCATION

Cherise Schacter, President-Elect, Education Committee Chair, Institute Education Committee

Are you a CSI Kraken?

A new movement is afoot in the Portland Chapter that is quickly spreading across the country. Find out if you qualify as a CSI Kraken [here](#), and consider supporting this effort and proudly wearing your Kraken colors by ordering your very own CSI Kraken Committee shirt or sweatshirt. Many of us will be sporting our Kraken colors at the convention and encouraging other chapters to join in bringing their passion and experience to another level. Check it out now - this is a limited edition item for a long term movement. Orders received by September 7th will be available for CONSTRUCT!

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Troy is unique in that he has his Masters Degree in Architecture and is also a practicing registered professional engineer with a focus on mechanical systems. Join us for what I know will prove to be a very interesting presentation. Sign up early, registration will be limited due to limited room size at the Columbia Square Building.



Construct 2013

If you have never attended CONSTRUCT, I strongly encourage you to consider a visit to Nashville this September 24th-27th. It is not too late to sign up and attend this unparalleled event that is full of a wealth of educational opportunities, tours and events. The networking with thousands of people in our industry, from all areas of the project team, is unmatched. Don't miss out! [Get signed up now!](#)

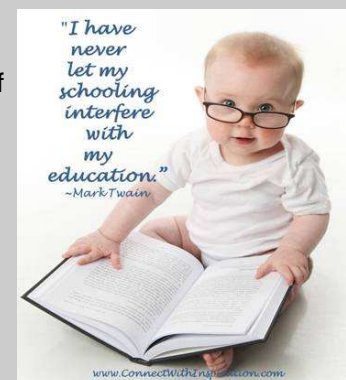


If you just can't make it to CONSTRUCT this year, you can follow the action on Twitter. Just follow #CONSTRUCT for tweets from classes and events throughout the convention. This is also a great way to connect with very active CSI Members on Twitter. If you are attending CONSTRUCT, I would love to see you at my presentation on "Architect/Consultant Coordination: Closing the Gap", Session #H10. This will be my first time presenting at the convention and it would be great to see some local, friendly faces in the crowd. Rick Heiserman, FCSI, CCCA, AIA, Ankrom Moisan Architects has kindly agreed to be my introducer for the presentation. Thank you, Rick!

I am also honored to have been invited by the Institute to help host the CONSTRUCT First Timers event on Wednesday afternoon and co-host the CSI Twitter Tweetup Event on Thursday afternoon. Both events will be on the show floor after the educational sessions. Come by and see me and take advantage of these great opportunities to meet like-minded professionals in our industry and see your Twitter friends IRL (in real life.)

LinkedIn and Twitter for Dummies

When I first signed on (not all that long ago) to LinkedIn and Twitter, I have to admit I felt more than a little lost. I did not want to read pages of pages of instructions to get started and I longed for someone to give me a "Twitter/Linked for Dummies" version to get me moving. After a class with Joy Davis from Institute at the CSI Academies, I figured out the basics and the rest is history. Oh boy, I had no idea what I was missing. If you think Twitter is only about posting a comment that you are at Starbucks or that LinkedIn is only for job hunting, this class will be for you. If you are not engaged in Social Media, you are missing the boat. We aim to change that and help bring you up to speed!



Keep your eyes peeled for an announcement in October or November for this class that will be taught jointly by myself and our wonderful Jaci Amend, marketing/communication manager for Melvin Mark Companies, that will include everything you need to get started. Join us and get engaged!

Speakers/Teachers

We are looking for speakers and great, exciting topics for our lecture series and additional educational events outside of our chapter meetings. Do you have something to teach or share? Please let me know! cheriseschacter@gmail.com

And some other items of interest Meet your official CONSTRUCT Per-Specs Bloggers: Eric D. Lussier, Lori Greene and Marvin Kemp: <http://www.csinet.org/Get-Involved/Show--Convention> Follow these great CSI member bloggers for a wealth of great CONSTRUCT information.

Are you studying for the CDT this Fall? A great resource - Follow #CDTStudyNotes on Twitter

YouTube Library of past CSI Presentations: <http://www.youtube.com/user/CSIConstruction>

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@EricDLussier
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EDUCATION EVENTS

Sept. 10 - ForWard: A Forum for Women in Architecture

Communication Skills for Success in Challenging Situations
12:00 PM, Alexis Restaurant

[Sign up here >>](#)



Sept. 13, 20, 27 & Oct. 4 - AIA Portland 4 Part Series

Skin: Pushing the Envelope (6 CEHs/HSWs)

Join AIA Portland on for a four part series from 8 am to 12 for an exploration in how to design dynamic building envelopes. [Sign up here >>](#)

Sept. 19 - 2013 Women's Business Expo

Governor Hotel, 7:30 AM to 1 PM

This first-time event connects women associated with the fields of architecture, engineering and/or construction with other accomplished women and the organizations that want to work with them. Make new connections, discuss perspectives and share opportunities available at all levels of the AEC Industries. Portland CSI will be hosting at booth at this event. Stop by and say hello.

[Register here >>](#)

Sept. 19-22 - 2013 ASPE Technical Symposium, Orlando, FL

[More information here >>](#)

Sept. 25 - University of Oregon Volunteer and Practicum Fair

4:00-6:00 PM

UO in Portland, White Stag Block, 70 NW Couch, First Floor Room

Contact Pam Macki and Kassia Dellabough at www.pods.uoregon.edu to reserve a spot.

Our new Portland CSI Emerging Professional Chair, Alicia Clark from Emerick Construction along with Skip Brown, Brian Nelson and others will be hosting a table at this event to share experience and interact with UofO student in our field.

Oct. 3 Architectural Record Innovation Conference 2013, New York City

[More information here >>](#)

INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION DATES OF NOTE

AIA Portland

Oct. 11, 8A-12P - Post Occupancies and Occupant Behavior - Registration opens in September.

Architectural Foundation of Oregon

Sept. 9 - Deadline for applications for the Van Evera Bailey Fellowship

Oct. 9 - AFO Annual Honored Citizen Dinner. This year's Honored Citizen: Benson Industries.

International Facilities Management Association

Sept. 18 - Indoor Air Quality, Air Filters and Energy Savings

Nov. 20 - Psychology of Sustainability: Ecopsychology

Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter

Nov. 2 - Black Tie Blue Jeans Dinner Auction

National Association of Office and Industrial Properties, Portland Chapter

Sept. 12 - NAIOP Bus Tour - Exploring new projects on the inner east side.

Design-Build Institute of America, Northwest Region

Sept. 19 - 2013 Women's Business Expo, Governor Hotel

American Concrete Pavement Association

Sept. 26 - Concrete Overlays, A Long Life Rehabilitation Alternative, Crowne Plaza Lake Oswego

[Download brochure here >>](#)

Society of Design Administration

Sept. 10 - 60 Minutes of Microsoft Excel Secrets, 11 AM. [Sign up here >>](#)

CERTIFICATION

Final registration closed on August 31, 2013 for CSI, CDT, CCCA, CCS and CCPR fall exams. Exams will be offered September 30th to October 26th in the U.S. and Canada.

CSI's Construction Document Technologist (CDT) program is a prerequisite to CSI's advanced certifications:

- * Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA)
- * Certified Construction Specifier (CCS)
- * Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR)

If you need additional guidance on Certification, email portlandCSI@gmail.com and we will put you in touch with Kathy Hempel, Certification Committee Chair.

INSTITUTE AND REGION NEWS

The NW Region Dinner at CONSTRUCT will be held on the evening of Tuesday, September 24th in Nashville. Time and location TBD. If you are not already receiving this information, email Bob Kenworthy, bkenworthy@auburn.wednet.edu to get on his email list so you don't miss this great opportunity to connect with members of our Region at the Convention.

September 10th - CSI Webinar: Collaborative Web Tools, Apps and Connectivity Are Changing the AEC Landscape <http://www.csinet.org/Main-Menu-Category/Education/Webinars/14AX03.html>

CSI National Practice Groups

Join the discussion! CSI offers several web-based practice groups focused on issues in construction industry communication. Most practice groups meet monthly by webinar and encourage group discussion. Group members often make presentations. Join a CSI Practice Group!

- * Contract Administration Practice Group
- * Sustainability Practice Group
- * Specifying Practice Group
- * Product Representation Practice Group
- * BIM Practice Group

Download Programs for Teaching CSI Best Practices:

<http://www.csinet.org/Main-Menu-Category/Education/Teaching>

CSI CLASSIFIEDS

Former CSI member, Diane Blitzer, is parting with what remains of her reference library. All items are free to a good home. This collection could be useful to a student or to a firm starting up an in-house specifications department. Altogether, there are four paper-file size boxes of reference materials. If you are interested in any of these items, please contact Diane Blitzer at the phone number or email below.

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[Download partial inventory here >>](#)

RESOURCES

[Construction Specifications Canada](#) (CSC)

[Construction Specifications Institute](#) (CSI)

[Specifications Consultants in Independent Practice](#) (SCIP)

Blog Roll

[Spec Words](#) - Conspectus Inc. with contributions from David Stutzman, Cliff Marvin and Randal Reifsnider about all thing Specifications

[Life of an Architect](#) (LooA) - Bob Borson, Texas architect and world famous architectural blogger

[Constructive Thoughts](#) - Sheldon Wolfe, the original Specifying Curmudgeon

[Comments From a Spec Writer](#) - Liz O'Sullivan, Independent Specifications Consultant and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[VVAS](#) - Vivian Volz Architectural Specifications, Independent Specifications Consultant and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[Eric D. Lussier](#) - Eric "Loose-e-eh?", Sports Flooring Guru and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[SW Oregon Architect](#) - Randy Nishimura (transplanted Canadian) and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[Entrepreneur Architect](#) - Mark R. LePage, Inspiring Success in Architecture for Small Firms and Sole Proprietor Architects

[Coffee with an Architect](#) - Jody Brown, always amusing
[Indigo Architect](#) - Tara Imani, Texas Architect and CSI Tweep Extraordinaire!

ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS

Design

[American Institute of Architects, Portland Chapter](#)
[American Society of Interior Designers](#)
[Building Owners and Managers Association International - Oregon Chapter](#)
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[International Facilities Management Association - Oregon](#)
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Technical

[American Society of Mechanical Engineers - Oregon Section](#)
[American Society of Plumbing Engineers, Columbia Pacific Chapter 54](#)
[Portland Building Enclosure Council](#)

Construction

[Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter](#)
[Construction Management Association of America - Oregon Chapter](#)
[Design-Build Institute of America - Northwest Region](#)
[Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland](#)

INSTITUTE AND REGION CHAPTERS

[The Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#)
[Northwest Region CSI](#)

Northwest Region Chapter Meetings and Contacts

Big Sky Chapter	(Last Tuesday) Jan O'Brien, CSI 406-245-6363
Capital Chapter	(Third Thursday) Chris Veit, CSI, CCS 503-390-0291
Cook Inlet Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Mark Hughes, CSI 907-267-5163
Idaho Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Karen Morris 208-343-3620
Mt. Rainier Chapter	(First Thursday) Bob Kenworthy, FCSI, CCS 253-931-4904
Puget Sound Chapter	(Second Thursday) Andrew Estep, CSI 206-382-3393
Spokane Chapter	(Second Thursday) Georgia Spencer, CDT 509-328-2771
Willamette Valley Chapter	(Last Thursday) Alorie Mayer, CSI-S 541-485-0922

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OCTOBER CHAPTER MEETING Zidell Yards: Past, Present, Future October 8, 2013

Located in the heart of Portland's South Waterfront District, the Zidell family's 33-acre riverfront property is the largest undeveloped site in the city. For generations the land has been home to the family's industrial businesses. Now, after extensive environmental restoration, the site is prepared for redevelopment. As barge operations continue on a portion of the Yards, the family has launched an ambitious plan to transform the land into a mixed use district complete with parks, plazas and river access.

Schedule

5:30 PM - Social hour
6:30 PM - Dinner
7:00 PM - Presentation

Cost

- \$40 - Members
- \$50 - Non-Members
- \$10 - Students (Only 5 spots available)
- \$320 - Table of 8
- \$10 - Additional late fee if registering after Thursday, 10/3

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

By Chris Irwin, CSI

The seasons appear to be changing and the Portland Chapter is changing also. Our new home for chapter meetings from October through December will be Courtyard by Marriott, Portland City Center, 550 SW Oak Street, Portland, OR.

October Meeting & New Member Orientation

The October meeting will feature Dennis Allen, ZRZ Director of Planning and Development will be presenting a look at the past, present and future of the Zidell Shipyard Property at South Waterfront. Prior to the October Chapter meeting, we will be hosting a New Member Orientation from 5:00 - 5:30 PM. It is good way for us to get to know you, and for you to get to know us. Take this opportunity to meet your Board, Committee Chairs, and other officers of the Portland Chapter CSI and to receive your new member pin. Invitations have been sent for this event. If by some reason you have joined within the past year and were not included, please contact [Brian Nelson](#). After the New Member Orientation, we hope you stay for the Chapter Meeting.

CONSTRUCT 2013

I'm adjusting to the time change and have had to turn on the heat for the first time in a long while. Yes, I have just returned from CONSTRUCT 2013. What an opportunity! It was a chance to catch up with old friends and meet new people who became friends over the course of the week. The chance to meet so many like-minded people, dedicated to the construction industry and CSI was amazing. Nearly everyone was open, friendly and willing to exchange ideas. I quickly got into the habit of asking everyone "What was your best chapter meeting of the year?" The answers were all very different and interesting. Many were tours of projects in their local areas and some were presentations by some of the most knowledgeable in our industry. (Pictured: Tana Baker, President - Willamette Valley Chapter, Georgia Spencer, President-Elect NW Region, Gene Fosheim, Everett, WA & Chris Irwin, President - Portland, Chapter)



Increasing opportunities for education and involvement at the chapter level was a theme that resonated among everyone I spoke with. There is a great concern that younger members and emerging professionals are not joining CSI and ideas were shared in both formal and informal sessions on how to increase the involvement of the next generation. Education seems to be the key and fits in with the 2013/2014 Portland Chapter focus.

Many opportunities for education were available at CONSTRUCT for both professional development and leadership. Institute President, Casey Robb, spoke about the "Trusted Advisors" program, which will take CSI to the next level. Watch for more information in the future.

To check out photos from CONSTRUCT 2013, courtesy of Joy Davis, [click here](#).

CSI Lecture Series 1

Troy Lowell of Interface Engineering was the first presenter for our new lecture series held on September 19th. His presentation on the design-build delivery system was very thought provoking. He explored the term's history, its most popular current definition, and a possibility of the term's definition on the fringe of a revolutionary change. A big thanks to Troy for stepping up to be our first presenter. More of these lectures are being planned with LinkedIn and Twitter for dummies coming up in November.

We also hope to begin a lunch series that will showcase new products and changes in the building industry. If you are interested in being a part of this, either by presenting or providing a venue that can accommodate up to 35, please email [Cherise Schacter](#).

Northwest Region Conference 2014 & Industry Forum

The Portland Chapter will be hosting the Northwest Region Conference in conjunction with the 2014 Industry Forum. From May 8 - 10, the Downtown Hilton will be the headquarters for our colleagues from around the area. Skip Brown and Cherise Schacter have been busy booking and confirming the educational speakers for the event. Co-chairs Russ Pitkin and Erica Bitterman-Ryon are organizing the schedule and planning activities. The rest of the committee is hard at work and would love to have some help. This is a great opportunity to showcase our beautiful city and all it offers. We would love to have your input as we move forward with our planning. We will respect your schedule and even if you just have an hour or two to devote to conference activities, please email [Erica Bitterman-Ryon](#) if you would like to get involved.

RELEASE THE KRAKEN!

Are you a take-charge person? Do you let nothing stand in your way? Do others know that if a task is given to you, you will get it done no matter what? Odds are, you are a CSI Kraken! A new movement is afoot starting here at the Portland CSI Chapter and is quickly spreading across the country. Consider supporting this effort and proudly wearing your Kraken colors by ordering your very own CSI Kraken Committee apparel. The t-shirts and sweatshirts have been flying off the shelves and were worn with pride at the recent CONSTRUCT 2013 conference.

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CSI NORTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE 2014 BUILDING BRIDGES TO THE FUTURE

David "Skip" Brown III, AIA, CSI

May 8th-10th, 2014 at the Portland Hilton, 921 SW Sixth Avenue

Each month leading up to the NWRC, we will profile a few of our scheduled speakers and the topics they will cover. Teasers to get you excited about the upcoming event!

[Learn more about our keynote speaker and others here >>](#)

RECENT EVENTS

Kiley Ford, ZGF Architects

The **September Chapter Tour and Dinner Meeting** focused on the OHSU Collaborative Life Sciences Building currently under construction at South Waterfront. The project was a fascinating structure to visit. From the moment the tour began, you could feel a sense of camaraderie amongst everyone involved with the construction of this building. The building is grand in size, scale and innovation. This place has been designed for success, and there was clearly a great amount of time and attention that went into the vast details of the structure.

There were many complexities to the built structure itself, as well as to the business aspect of the building. One challenge that stood out to me was the building will be utilized by a wide variety of educational disciplines. The idea of creating a space where students work side-by-side in various medical specialties is remarkable. I predict it will change the way education takes place. Now, not only are the professors educating the students, but the students are teaching each other as well. All of the open areas where students are able to connect will really allow them to communicate about the different things that they are learning. This circulation of knowledge, whether it is medical or perhaps dental, is what will keep students excited and thirsty for knowledge.

Regardless of your medical specialty, it is important to know about the energy and learning that takes place amongst your peers. This is something that has not really happened yet, and I think that it will be interesting to see the quality of education emerge as these young professionals begin to enter into the workplace.

EDUCATION

Cherise Schacter, President-Elect, Education Committee Chair, Institute Education Committee

CONSTRUCT 2013

The education sessions at CONSTRUCT were unparalleled. I attended everything from "What Spec Writers Need to Know About BIM" presented by Brok Howard of HOK, to "Speaking the Same Language: Government and Private Sector Construction Terms" presented by a panel including Sheryl Dodd-Hansen and outlining the ongoing, forward moving effort to implement the CDT-G certification, a CDT certificate specifically geared toward government needs and work. The sessions were outstanding, informative and cutting edge and it was very difficult to choose which ones to attend. [Read more >>](#)

Institute Education Committee

The Institute Education Committee is hard at work refining the study materials and tests for the certification programs. We have a big workload this coming year, but the improvements will be well worth it for our upcoming certification candidates.

Twitter & LinkedIn for Dummies

Keep your eyes peeled for an announcement soon on the Portland Chapter "Twitter/LinkedIn for Dummies" class to be held in November. I will be co-teaching this class with our amazing Jaci Amend to help anyone who is interested get involved in social media in the most painless way possible. Join us and get all the easy tips and tricks to get up to speed and to find out just how valuable a resource Twitter and LinkedIn can be.

Portland Chapter Education Committee

We need your help and would love to have your participation. We have some aggressive goals this year to provide a wide variety of educational opportunities to our members. Some of our goals are as follows:

- A low cost CSI Lecture Series on any number of topics related to the built environment
- Reigniting the Specifiers Share Group and restarting the Contractor and Product Rep Share Groups
- Providing a first class educational event at the 2014 Region Conference hosted by the Portland Chapter
- Emerging Professional education sessions and events
- Hands-on technical/product demonstrations and classes
- Videotaped presentations for a CSI Portland YouTube channel

In my opinion, the very best thing about CSI is that all areas of our industry are represented equally as members. We bring everyone to the table to develop the standards and processes that make sense and work for the entire project team. Each member has unique qualities and skills to share. Do you have an interesting topic or skill to share? Showcase your talent and share your expertise with our members. Contact cheriseschacter@gmail.com for more information.

Student Rates at Events

We offer a limited number of drastically reduced registration fees for chapter meetings to local design industry students. We also offer the opportunity for our members to sponsor student involvement in chapter meetings and events. If you are interested in hosting a student for meetings, send us an email for more information.

CSI National Practice Groups

Join the discussion! CSI offers several web-based practice groups focused on issues in construction industry communication. Most practice groups meet monthly via webinar and encourage group discussion. Group members often make presentations. Join a CSI Practice Group today!

- Contract Administration Practice Group
- Sustainability Practice Group
- Specifying Practice Group
- Product Representation Practice Group
- BIM Practice Group

INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION DATES OF NOTE

AIA Portland

Oct. 11, 8A-12P - Post Occupancies and Occupant Behavior - Registration opens in September.

Architectural Foundation of Oregon

Oct. 9 - AFO Annual Honored Citizen Dinner. This year's Honored Citizen: Benson Industries.

International Facilities Management Association

Nov. 20 - Psychology of Sustainability: Ecopsychology

Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter

Nov. 2 - Black Tie Blue Jeans Dinner Auction

CERTIFICATION

Kathy Hempel, CSI, Certification Committee Chair

Are you interested in furthering your professional education and providing better services to your clients? Then get started by obtaining your CDT (Construction Documents Technologist) certificate in the spring of 2014 with the support of Portland's CSI Chapter. We offer classes with experienced instructors to help you understand the material needed to pass the CDT exam in April.

Spring 2014 Exam Dates

Exam Administration: March 31 - April 26, 2014

Registration Opens: December 2, 2013

Early Registration Closes: January 31, 2014

Final Registration: February 28, 2014

CDT Preparation Classes

CDT classes will start on January 23rd, 2014 and will meet every Thursday for seven weeks at Ankrom Moisan Architects, unless weather or other circumstances warrant changes. Assistance for advance certification exam preparation will also be made available as needed.

CDT Scholarships Available

CDT Scholarships are available to emerging professionals within the following guidelines:

1. Must either become a CSI member or be an existing member
2. Must be an emerging professional with less than ten years experience in your field
3. Must make a one-year commitment to participating in a CSI committee of your choice

The scholarship will cover the following items:

1. Membership fee (if needed) after the first \$100
2. Cost of Portland Chapter CDT class
3. Cost of Project Delivery Practice Guide and Study Workbook
4. Exam cost will be reimbursed upon passing

You can apply for this scholarship by sending an email to kathy@deamor.com including:

- name
- address
- company
- discipline
- brief statement explaining why you are interested in becoming CDT certified

CSI's CDT certificate is a prerequisite to CSI's advanced certifications--Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA), Certified Construction Specifier (CCS), and Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR). Through CSI's Certification Program, you can develop a conceptual understanding of the entire project delivery process including:

- Construction documentation development and administration
- Specification writing and enforcement
- Product research and sourcing
- Communication with the design and contracting teams
- And much more!

We can help you prepare for any of these exams. Contact me at kathy@deamor.com or 503-284-6799 today for more information. For CDT Study Notes on Twitter: Follow #CDTStudyNotes

NEW LTTR VALUES TAKE EFFECT JANUARY 1, 2014

In June, the Polyisocyanurate Insulation Manufacturers Association (PIMA) announced its QualityMark-certified R-value program is being updated to incorporate a new test method for determining long-term thermal resistance (LTTR). As a result, new LTTR values are going to decrease from current values. If you are involved in the design, procurement or installation of roof systems that include polyisocyanurate insulation, you should be aware of these upcoming changes. [Learn more here >>](#)

INSTITUTE AND REGION NEWS

CSI Academies, March 27th to 29th, Indianapolis

For more than 60 years, CSI has focused on improving construction communication between architects, specifiers, product reps and others to save money, time and stress for all the parties. The CSI Academies teach construction industry skills that can improve your performance. [Learn more >>](#)

CSI's CDT Exam Now Offered in Africa, Europe, and the Middle East

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (August 13, 2013) - Beginning this fall, CSI's Construction Documents Technology program (CDT) exam is available to candidates in Africa, Europe, and the Middle East. [Learn more >>](#)

RENEWED & NEW MEMBERS

Lee Kilbourn, FAIA, FCSI, CDT, Membership Committee Chair

Renewed and new members August 2013

- Mark J. Atteridge, CSI; Deamor; member since 2007
- Mark E. Booth, CSI, CDT; ZGF Architects LLP; member since 1991
- Roland Marcus Carlson, CSI; Orepac Building Products; member since 2013; Reinstated
- Tony R DiVincenzo, CSI, LEED GA; Ideate Inc.; member since 2012
- Ken L. Dzioba, CSI, CDT; Parex USA Inc.; member since 1996
- Hans O. Ettlin, CSI, NCARB; Peck Smiley Ettlin Architects, Inc.; member since 2013; **NEW**
- Caleb J. Ewing, CSI; Coastal Specified Products; member since 2012
- Aric R. Goe, CSI; Interface Engineering; member since 2013; **NEW**
- James L. Helton, CSI; Murray, Smith & Associates; member since 2000
- Martin Joseph Houston, CSI, CDT, AIA, LEED AP; Walsh Construction; member since 2011
- Dennet W. Latham, RA, CSI, CCS, RA, LEED AP; CH2M HILL; member since 1980
- Erik D. Lawrence, CSI, AIA; RDH Building Sciences, Inc.; member since 2013; **NEW**
- Christopher C. O'Brien, CSI; Lutron Electronics Co., Inc.; member since 2013; **NEW**
- Logan Raivio, CSI-EP; Pacific Architectural Products; member since 2013; **NEW**
- Patrick T. Ravins, CSI; Maxxon Northwest; member since 1982
- Candace L. Robertson, CSI, CCS, AIA; Candace Robertson; member since 1981

- TJ Loring Shannon, CSI; Bain Associates, Inc; member since 2013; **NEW**
- Stan Vande Bergh, CSI; Portland Bureau of Water; member since 1993
- Richard Wickizer, CSI, CDT; Wickizer & Associates; member since 2012
- James B. Wilson, CSI, CCS; SRG Partnership, P.C.; member since 1989
- Nick Wutzke, CSI; Halfen USA; member since 2012

RESOURCES

[Construction Specifications Canada](#) (CSC)

[Construction Specifications Institute](#) (CSI)

[Specifications Consultants in Independent Practice](#) (SCIP)

Blog Roll

[Spec Words](#) - Conspectus Inc. with contributions from David Stutzman, Cliff Marvin and Randal Reifsnider about all thing Specifications

[Life of an Architect](#) (LooA) - Bob Borson, Texas architect and world famous architectural blogger

[Constructive Thoughts](#) - Sheldon Wolfe, the original Specifying Curmudgeon

[Comments From a Spec Writer](#) - Liz O'Sullivan, Independent Specifications Consultant and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[VVAS](#) - Vivian Volz Architectural Specifications, Independent Specifications Consultant and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[Eric D. Lussier](#) - Eric "Loose-e-eh?", Sports Flooring Guru and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[SW Oregon Architect](#) - Randy Nishimura (transplanted Canadian) and CSI Tweep extraordinaire!

[Entrepreneur Architect](#) - Mark R. LePage, Inspiring Success in Architecture for Small Firms and Sole Proprietor Architects

[Coffee with an Architect](#) - Jody Brown, always amusing

[Indigo Architect](#) - Tara Imani, Texas Architect and CSI Tweep Extraordinaire!

ALLIED ORGANIZATIONS

Design

[American Institute of Architects, Portland Chapter](#)

[American Society of Interior Designers](#)

[Building Owners and Managers Association International - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Cascadia Region Green Building Council](#)

[International Facilities Management Association - Oregon](#)

[National Association of Office and Industrial Properties - Portland Chapter](#)

[Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter](#)

Technical

[American Society of Mechanical Engineers - Oregon Section](#)

[American Society of Plumbing Engineers, Columbia Pacific Chapter 54](#)

[Portland Building Enclosure Council](#)

Construction

[Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter](#)

[Construction Management Association of America - Oregon Chapter](#)

[Design-Build Institute of America - Northwest Region](#)

[Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland](#)

INSTITUTE AND REGION CHAPTERS

[The Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#) [Northwest Region CSI](#)

Northwest Region Chapter Meetings and Contacts

Big Sky Chapter	(Last Tuesday) Jan O'Brien, CSI 406-245-6363
Capital Chapter	(Third Thursday) Chris Veit, CSI, CCS 503-390-0291
Cook Inlet Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Mark Hughes, CSI 907-267-5163
Idaho Chapter	(Third Tuesday) Karen Morris 208-343-3620
Mt. Rainier Chapter	(First Thursday) Bob Kenworthy, FCSI, CCS 253-931-4904
Puget Sound Chapter	(Second Thursday) Andrew Estep, CSI 206-382-3393
Spokane Chapter	(Second Thursday) Georgia Spencer, CDT 509-328-2771
Willamette Valley Chapter	(Last Thursday) Alorie Mayer, CSI-S 541-485-0922

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Dear Jaci,

Here we grow again! The CSI Portland Chapter continues to grow and improve--our latest endeavor is this newsletter. Let us know what you think of the new format by emailing us at portlandcsi@gmail.com.

November Chapter Meeting LEED v4: The Next Version



LEED version 4 was approved in July. This version will have higher standards, changes in key requirements and include new categories such as product ingredient disclosure.

Green Building Services will present LEED v4 changes at our November Chapter Meeting...

[REGISTER BY THURS. 11/7 >](#)

Day: November 12, 2013

Time: 5:30 - 8:30 PM

Location: Courtyard by Marriott Hotel

Cost: \$40 member/\$50 non-member/\$10 student

01 CSI SPOTLIGHT

New Look, Same Great Taste!

Corey Morris, CSI



You can't help but notice something's different - Portland Chapter CSI is getting a branding makeover!

At the national level, CSI developed a new logo and branding program last spring. In keeping with that effort, the Board felt some rebranding of our local chapter was also needed. Consistent formats and

graphics help people recognize that the communication is from Portland CSI. They also emphasize the professional nature of our organization and provide an opportunity to promote our events more clearly.

The Chapter commissioned local graphic artist [Kelly Perso](#) to help develop a Portland Chapter version of the CSI logo. Combining roses



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Upcoming Events

November 12th
[CSI Meeting: LEED v4](#)

and Mt. Hood, two strong graphic images that people relate to Portland, Kelly artfully blended them with the shield and CSI letters to put a Portland spin on the national brand. You'll begin seeing the new logo on all materials from us.

We've also refreshed the look of The Predicator, as you can see here. It's more graphic than before, and is organized to help you quickly find what's meaningful to you. This new format will also allow short summaries for quick reading, with a link to a longer version if you want to learn more. Over the next few weeks, our website will also adopt some of these graphic updates.

02 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Message

Christine Irwin, CSI



Have you heard that big things are happening this month at the GreenBuild International Expo and Conference being held November 20 - 22 in Philadelphia, PA? LEED v4 will launch at the expo and teams will be able to register their projects under the new system... [READ MORE >](#)

03 EDUCATION

Education Events

Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT



The Education Committee has been busy planning upcoming events. In addition to a social media class in December, we are working on a class on using Bluebeam for AEC professionals and a presentation on the insurance implications of both BIM and HPD/EPDs. Keep your eyes peeled on this column and in emailed announcements as each event is scheduled...

[READ MORE >](#)

Got Issues? Join the Group



CSI offers several web-based practice groups focused on issues in construction industry communication. Most practice groups meet monthly by webinar and encourage group discussion. Group members often make presentations...

[JOIN NOW >](#)

Get a Moose to Leave Your House: Lessons from CONSTRUCT 2013

Kathy Hempel, CSI



I was fortunate enough to go to Construct in

5:30 - 8:30 PM
Courtyard by Marriott
City Center

November 12th
[AIA Meeting: Finishing Day Education Series](#)
8:30 AM - 2:00 PM
AIA Portland Center

November 13th
[SMPS Meeting: Waterfront Development](#)
11:30 AM - 1:30 PM
Hilton Hotel

December 4th
[CSI Lecture: Social Media for Dummies Join the Conversation](#)
5:30 - 7:30 PM
Columbia Square

December 10th
[CSI Meeting: Holiday Party & Silent Auction](#)
5:30 - 8:30 PM
Courtyard by Marriott

2014

January 14th
[CSI Meeting: McGraw-Hill Construction Outlook](#)
5:30-8:30 PM
Governor Hotel

March 27-29th
[CSI Acadmies](#)
Indianapolis

May 7th
Industry Forum
Portland Art Museum

May 8-10th
[NW Region Conference](#)
Portland Hilton

August 21st
CSI Annual Golf Tournament
Lewis River Golf Course



Nashville and I have to say that it blew my mind! Everything from the venue to the speakers was amazing. We were in the Music City Center, Nashville's newest convention center completed in May of this year on an impressive 16 acre site. I was in a group that toured the facility and was amazed by so many positive attributes including its

four-acre green roof... [READ MORE >](#)

Sharing is Caring



We know you care. We know you have gobs of ideas and expertise to share. Showcase your talent and share your knowledge with our members and the AEC community. We are still looking for speakers and teachers for our upcoming education events. If you would like to present at a CSI Lecture, Specifier's Share Group meeting, emerging professionals educational session, or give

a hands-on technical/product demonstration, please contact cheriseschacter@gmail.com. Got an idea? We'd love to hear that too.

04 CSI EVENTS

Discounts for Starving Students



Top Ramen? Kraft Mac-n-Cheese? Gas for the car vs. paying the phone bill? We know money is tight while going to school, and we want to help. CSI supports the next generation of AEC professionals by offering a limited number reduced rate student seats for chapter meetings and education events.

We also offer the opportunity for our established community members to help a starving student by sponsoring them. A donation of just \$10 allows a student to attend. And who knows; they could be working on your project someday. If you are interested in sponsoring a student, please be sure to check the "donate" box in the online event registration forms or email portlandcsi@gmail.com.

Holiday Party & Silent Auction



CSI is proud to present our second annual silent auction. Join us Tuesday December 10, 2013 at the Courtyard by Marriott for this festive fundraising event.

Where will the funds go?

Proceeds will go to [ReFit](#), a local nonprofit volunteer organization providing home modification services for physically and financially challenged individuals who wish to remain in their homes.

In addition to supporting ReFit, proceeds will also go to the CSI Scholarship program, which assists students and emerging professionals' pursuit of CSI certification.

Help us make the 2013 Silent Auction a success and make a donation

today. [Download the donation form](#), or email christineirwin@comcast.net... [LEARN MORE >](#)

McGraw Hill Construction Outlook



The construction industry is beginning to show stronger signs of recovery, but challenges still cloud the picture. Are we in the midst of a strong upturn or we will continue to muddle along? [McGraw-Hill Construction](#) is in a unique position to provide a knowledgeable perspective on the economy and the construction industry. Please join Cliff Brewis, McGraw-Hill Construction's Senior Director of

Editorial Operations, as he reviews the construction outlook at the January Chapter Meeting...

[LEARN MORE >](#)

NW Region Conference 2014: Building Bridges to the Future



May 8-10, 2014 | Portland Hilton
Each month, leading up to the NWRC in May, we will profile three of our scheduled speakers and the topics they will cover--teasers to get you excited about the upcoming event! Meet three more speakers this month... [READ MORE >](#)

[REGISTER EARLY FOR SAVINGS >](#)

05 CERTIFICATION

Are You Certifiable?

Kathy Hempel, CSI, CCCA



CSI professional credentials are evidence of proven knowledge, education, and experience with construction documents. Holding a certification demonstrates professional commitment, credibility and reliability to employers, colleagues, and clients.

The Portland CDT Prep Class will be taught at the offices of Ankrom Moisan Architects at 6720 SW Macadam Ave #100 Portland, OR 97219, on Thursday evenings from 6-8 PM beginning January 23rd, 2014... [LEARN MORE >](#)

06 SOCIAL MEDIA

CSI Lecture Series Social Media for Dummies: Join the Conversation



Are you receiving requests to "connect" with



people you know but don't know what to do with them? Are you not sure what a "twit" or "tweep" is and if you should be complaining to HR? Do you have a LinkedIn profile, but you don't know how to actually use it or why you should bother? Are you simply interested in social media and ready to see how you can actively engage and benefit from this phenomenon that is changing how the world does business?

If you answered yes to any of the above, this class is for you! Join Jaci Amend and Cherise Schacter on December 4th and get on board with these amazing new business tools... [READ MORE >](#)

Be Social

The list below is a suggestion of industry blogs and social media sites of note. Do you have a suggestion or addition for this list? We'd love to hear it. Email cherises@interfaceeng.com.

- Sheldon Wolfe, CSI Chief Curmudgeon - Constructive Thoughts, Above and Beyond
<http://swconstructivethoughts.blogspot.com/2013/09/above-and-beyond.html>
- Eric D. Lussier, CSI, CDT, Indoor Sports Flooring Trusted Advisor <http://ericdlussier.wordpress.com/>
- The Gaines Group - Design Matters
<http://harrisonburgarchitect.wordpress.com/>
- Randy Nishimura, SW Oregon Architect
<http://sworegonarchitect.blogspot.com/>
- Conspectus Inc. - SpecWords <http://conspectusinc.com/swblog/>
- John Danes - Opening Doors with Locks & SoMe <http://paper.li/johndanes/1337832812>
- Bob Borson, Texas Architect - Life of an Architect
<http://www.lifeofanarchitect.com/>
- Liz O'Sullivan, Independent Specifications Consultant - Comments from a Spec Writer
<http://lizosullivanaiia.wordpress.com/>
- Vivian Volz Architectural Specifications, Independent Specifications Consultant - VVAS
<http://www.vvarchspecs.com/>
- Mark R. LePage, Inspiring Success in Architecture for Small Firms and Sole Proprietor Architects - Entrepreneur Architect
<http://www.entrearchitect.com/about-entrepreneur-architect/>
- Jody Brown - Coffee with an Architect
<http://www.coffeewithanarchitect.com/>
- Tara Imani, Texas Architect - Indigo Architect
<http://www.indigoarchitect.com/>
- YouTube Library of past CSI Presentations
<http://www.youtube.com/user/CSIConstruction>

07 CSI NEWS

Join the Movement and Unleash Your Inner Kraken



Article from Cherise



A Message from your Northwest Leaders

*Brian Keil, CSI CCPR, CSI Northwest Region
President*

We want to open the lines of communication more between the region and our membership. Part of this initiative will include frequent notes and announcements "From your Region Leaders".

We want to inspire leadership aspirations from our CSI members and to demonstrate that there is a lot more to be involved in and benefit from at the region level.

We would like to share the successes of other chapters while tackling some of the challenges that we all face. In the process, we hope to initiate more inter-chapter communication and collaboration.

Most important, we want to provide a larger forum for communicating events and programs that interest the entire region, such as our conferences and leadership training program that may otherwise warrant announcement only when the event is about to happen.

Respectfully,
Brian Keil CSI CCPR | brian.keil@sherwin.com

08 MEMBERSHIP

Welcome (back) members

Renewed Members June 2013 Portland Chapter CSI

- Grace Aaraj, CSI-S; member since 2013 **NEW**
- Jaci Amend, CSI; Melvin Mark Companies; member since 2013 **NEW**
- John H. Baker, CSI, AIA, Esq.; Jordan Ramis PC; member since 2013 **NEW**
- Mike Baker, CSI; Mutual Materials; member since 1997
- Janda M. Bauman, CSI; Viracon; member since 1998
- Don Bitterman, CSI; Precision Images; member since 1998
- Donald D. Eggleston, CSI; SERA Architects, P.C.; member since 1970
- Chris Ferguson, CSI; Atlas Supply, Inc.; member since 1996
- Harold R. Friberg, CSI; Willamette Graystone; member since 2013 **NEW**
- Joseph C. Gehlen, CSI; Kramer-Gehlen & Associates; member since 1988
- Austin Green, CSI; Pacific Mat; member since 2013 **NEW**
- Scott W. Harris, CSI; Jon R. Jurgens & Associates, Inc.; member since 1999
- Danielle Hoet, CSI-S; member since 2013 **NEW**
- Jim M. Hutchin, CSI; Bridgetown Sales, LLC; member since 2009
- Craig Jaeger, CSI, CDT; Jaeger & Erwert General Contractors;

- member since 1986
- Marc A. Labadie, CSI; TVA Architects, Inc.; member since 1994
- Richard McBride, CSI; McBride Architects, P.C.; member since 1996
- Dennis Milsten, CSI; Westmark Products; member since 1977
- Jody R. Moore, CSI, CDT; DeaMor Associates, Inc.; member since 1984
- Ian A Murphy, CSI, CDT; Exterior Allied Systems LLC; member since 1992
- Christopher C. O'Brien, CSI; Lutron Electronics Co., Inc.; member since 2013 **NEW**
- D. Dustin Posner, CSI, CCCA, AIA, NCARB; DDP Architecture, LLC; member since 2009
- Dan Quatier, CSI; Interior Technology/Modernfold Northwest; member since 2007
- Douglas W. Sams, CSI, CDT, AIA, LEED AP, AIA; ZGF Architects LLP; member since 2002
- David R. York, CSI, AIA; David York architect, LLC; member since 2013 **NEW**

Would you like their contact information? Go to www.csinet.org, log in, and click on "Search CSI's Member Directory".

09 ADVERTISE / SPONSOR

Spread Your Word



Did you know that The Predicator is sent to over 400 construction industry members every month? Advertising your products and services in The Predicator is a great way to target your advertising message to construction professionals in the Portland area. Rates are very reasonable, starting as low as \$25. Full-width and premium-placement options are available... [LEARN MORE >](#)

10 INDUSTRY NEWS

Professional Organizations

[Construction Specifications Canada \(CSC\)](#)

[Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#)

[Specifications Consultants in Independent Practice \(SCIP\)](#)

Allied Organizations

AIA Portland <http://aiaportland.org/>

ASPE (American Society of Plumbing Engineers) <http://www.aspe.org/2013techsessiondescriptions>

Architectural Foundation of Oregon <http://www.af-oregon.org>

International Facilities Management Association
<http://ifmaoregon.org/calendar.cfm/>

Society for Marketing Professional Services, Oregon Chapter
<http://www.smpsoregon.org/about/>

Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia Chapter
<http://www.agc-oregon.org/events/>

Portland SDA <http://sda-portland.org/Home.php>

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Location: Courtyard by Marriott Hotel

Cost: \$40 member/\$50 non-member/\$10 student

Help us make the 2013 Silent Auction a success and make a donation today. [Download the donation form](#), or email christineirwin@comcast.net... [LEARN MORE >](#)

01 CSI SPOTLIGHT

Are you a CSI Kraken?

Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT, President-Elect, Education Chair



OK, so the CSI Kraken Committee isn't a real committee. There are no meetings or dues and the only requirement to join is a like-minded effort to help move our industry and fellow professionals to the next level.

The CSI Kraken Committee is a movement of motivated, inspired, dedicated CSI professionals across the country who believe we can make a difference with hard work, a positive attitude, collaboration and communication. Consider becoming a CSI Kraken and being a part of positive change.

Daily CSI Kraken Rules are posted on Twitter: Follow @cheriseschacter and #CSIKraken. The entire list will be periodically updated on our



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Our CSI Kraken t-shirt sales have ended for now. If you from another chapter and would like to start your own CSI Kraken Movement, the Portland Chapter is selling the camera ready artwork for only \$50 to any chapter wanting to order their own shirts or Kraken items and start their own Kraken Committee. Email cheriseschacter@gmail.com for more information.

[READ FULL KRAKEN STORY >](#)

02 PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

President's Message

Christine Irwin, CSI, President



December is traditionally a busy month as people prepare for the holidays and the guests, shopping, cooking and travel that come with them. I hope you have marked your calendars for our Chapter Holiday Party and Silent Auction on December 10th. This is shaping up to be a fun event and you will even have a chance to do some holiday shopping while you network. If I don't see you there, I wish you happy

holidays. [READ MORE >](#)

03 EDUCATION

Education Events

Cherise Schacter, CSI, CDT, President-Elect, Education Chair



The Education Committee continues to work on upcoming events in our new class and lecture series. In addition to our upcoming Social Media for Dummies class on December 4th, we are scheduling classes on:

- Energy performance
- Using Bluebeam for design and construction
- Current trends in professional liability insurance

when it comes to BIM, IPD, environmental product declarations and the new sustainable design contracts

We are also working on an emerging professional/baby boomer networking event.

Do you have an interesting topic or skill to share? Showcase your talent and share your expertise with our members. Contact cheriseschacter@gmail.com for more information.

04 CSI EVENTS

CSI Lecture Series Social Media for Dummies:

[Allied Organizations](#)

Upcoming Events

December 4th

[CSI Lecture: Social](#)

[Media for Dummies](#)

Join the Conversation

5:30 - 7:30 PM

Columbia Square

December 5th

Construction Kickoff

Meeting

5:30 - 6:30 PM

DOWA-IBI Group

Architects

December 10th

[CSI Meeting: Holiday](#)

[Party & Silent Auction](#)

5:30 - 8:30 PM

Courtyard by Marriott

December 12th

[Specifier's](#)

[Sharegroup: HPDs vs.](#)

[EPDs](#)

12-1 PM

Clark/Kjos Architects

2014

January 14th

[CSI Meeting:](#)

[McGraw-Hill](#)

[Construction Outlook](#)

5:30-8:30 PM

Governor Hotel

January 21st

SpecLink Users' Group

12-1 PM

Location and topic

TBA

February 11th

CSI Meeting: Grill the

Contractor

5:30-8:30 PM

March 27-29th

[CSI Acadmies](#)

Indianapolis

May 8th

[Industry Forum](#)

Portland Art Museum

May 8-10th

[NW Region](#)

[Conference](#)

Portland Hilton

August 21st

CSI Annual Golf

Join the Conversation



Are you receiving requests to "connect" with people you know but don't know what to do with them? Are you not sure what a or "tweep" is and if you should be complaining to HR? Do you have a LinkedIn profile, but you don't know how to actually use it or why you should bother? Are you simply interested in social media and ready to see

how you can actively engage and benefit from the phenomenon that is changing how the world does business?

If you answered yes to any of the above, this class is for you! Join Jaci Amend and Cherise Schacter on December 4th and get on board with these amazing new business tools... [READ MORE >](#)

Specifier's Sharegroup: HPDs vs. EPDs

Thursday December 12, 2013

12:00 to 1:00 PM

Meet at Clark/Kjos Architects at 333 NW Fifth Avenue, Portland

Cherie McNabb, CSI, CDT, will teach Environmental Product Declarations, Product Transparency Declarations and Health Product Declarations, discuss sustainability trends in resilient flooring, and identify different means of assessing sustainability in resilient flooring products. HSW CEU available. [RSVP >](#)

McGraw Hill Construction Outlook



The construction industry is beginning to show stronger signs of recovery, but challenges still cloud the picture. Are we in the midst of a strong upturn or will we continue to muddle along? [McGraw-Hill Construction](#) is in a unique position to provide a knowledgeable perspective on the economy and the construction industry. Please join Cliff Brewis, McGraw-Hill Construction's Senior Director of

Editorial Operations, as he reviews the construction outlook at the January Meeting ... [LEARN MORE >](#)

Industry Forum 2014



The 2014 Industry Forum will be held on Thursday May 8, 2014 from 4:00-8:30 PM at the Portland Art Museum. This year's Industry Forum features "6 x 10" presentation from local innovative companies, networking with local vendors and a keynote presentation by the award-winning firm [Snohetta](#).

Sponsorship packages are available now. Get a discount by signing up before February 28th. Package levels are:

- Platinum Exhibitor \$2,250

- Gold Exhibitor \$1,375
- Silver Exhibitor \$950

[LEARN MORE >](#)

NW Region Conference 2014: Building Bridges to the Future



May 8-10, 2014 at the Portland Hilton
Each month, leading up to the NWRC in May, we will profile three of our scheduled speakers and the topics they will cover--teasers to get you excited about the upcoming event! Meet three more speakers this month... [READ MORE >](#)

[DOWNLOAD CONFERENCE SCHEDULE >](#)
[REGISTER EARLY FOR SAVINGS >](#)

Annual CSI Golf Tournament



August 21, 2014
Lewis River Golf Course, 3209 Old Lewis River Road,
Woodland, WA
12:30 PM Shotgun start
Four-person teams
Cost: \$380 foursome/\$95 individual
Includes green fee, cart, range balls, game holes,
hot dog stand and awards dinner

[REGISTER YOUR TEAM >](#)
[SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES >](#)

Contact Erica Bitterman-Ryon for further information at 503.274.2030
or ebitterman@precisionimages.com.

05 CERTIFICATION

To Infinity and Beyond

Kathy Hempel, CSI, CCCA



Are you interested in furthering your professional education and providing better services to your clients? Then get CDT (Construction Documents Technologist) certified in the spring of 2014 with the support of Portland's CSI Chapter. We offer classes with experienced instructors to help you understand the material needed to pass the exam in April 2014.

CSI's CDT certificate is a prerequisite to CSI's advanced certifications: Certified Construction Contract Administrator ([CCCA](#)); Certified Construction Specifier ([CCS](#)) and Certified Construction Product Representative ([CCPR](#)).

Through CSI's Certification Program, you can develop a conceptual

understanding of the entire construction process and concrete skills in:

- Construction documentation development and administration
- Specification writing and enforcement
- Product research and sourcing
- Communication with the design and contracting teams

The Portland CDT Prep Class will be taught at the offices of Ankrom Moisan Architects at 6720 SW Macadam Ave #100 Portland, OR 97219, on Thursday evenings from 6-8 PM beginning January 23rd, 2014... [REGISTER BY JAN. 17th >](#)

06 SOCIAL MEDIA

Are you social?



Each month, we will be sharing a few new social media resources. Check out these new blogs and tweets to follow or [DOWNLOAD FULL LIST >](#)

Do you have a suggestion or addition for this list? We'd love to hear it. Please email our social media goddess, cherises@interfaceeng.com.

Twitter

- #CDTStudyNotes
- Christine Tanner (@ChristineLTanne)
- Erica Cox (@EricCoxCSI)
- Joy Davis (@CSIConstruction)
- Kait Solomon (@KaitlinSolomon3)
- Kelly Porter (@KellyPorterCSI)
- Matt Fochs (@mrfochs)
- Walt Marlowe (@wmarlowecsi)

Blogs

- SPECTacular Ramblings, Paul Gerber, Construction Specifications Canada, Grand Valley Director, <http://pauldgerber.com/>
- Marvin Kemp, AIA, CSI, CDT - Baltimore Chapter <http://felttips.blogspot.com/>

07 CSI NEWS

Three Givings to a Happy New Year: A holiday wish from your NW Region Leadership

Brian Keil, CSI CCPR, CSI Northwest Region President



Most of us try to identify a guiding principal or an ideal to help us navigate our sojourn through this plain we call "our lifetime". Many find guidance in their religion. Some look to the wisdom passed down from their parents. Yet others hold on to the philosophy of brilliant thinkers, poets and authors. I



don't remember exactly the source of my mantra. (Probably the proverbial school of hard knocks.) Regardless, my guiding principal works well for me. It provides perspective, keeps me anchored and focused and above all, it keeps me relatively happy. My holiday wish is that you too may find a spot in your life where it will help. With that, I would like to share my living code. I call it "The Three Givings"... [READ MORE >](#)

Institute and Region Chapters

[CSI National](#)

[CSI Northwest Region](#)

Chapter Name	Contact	Phone	Monthly Meetings
Big Sky	Jan O'Brien	406-245-6363	Last Tuesday
Capital	Chris Veit	503-390-0291	Third Thursday
Cook Inlet	Mark Hughes	907-267-5163	Third Tuesday
Idaho	Karen Morris	208-343-3620	Third Tuesday
Mt. Rainier	Bob Kenworthy	253-931-4904	First Thursday
Puget Sound	Andrew Estep	206-382-3393	Second Thursday
Spokane	Georgia Spencer	509-328-2771	Second Thursday
Willamette Valley	Alorie Mayer	541-485-0922	Last Thursday

08 MEMBERSHIP

Welcome (back) members

Renewed and new members from September 2013 include:

- Mark Beasley, CSI; Benson Industries; member since 1994
- Tana Bishop, CSI; Contractor Plan Center, Inc.; member since 1999
- David C. Chaffin, CSI, CDT, AHC, AHC; HARD/SPECS; member since 1998
- David S. Chatburn, CSI; Arcadia Inc.; member since 2007
- Gabriel Chaverri, CSI, PE; Hilti; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Tim Cockburn, CSI, CDT; Ross & Associates Insurance Services, Inc.; member since 1991
- Frank Demarinis, CSI; CertainTeed Gypsum; member since 2012
- Danny E. Elkins, CSI; D & R Waterproofing, Inc.; member since 2007
- Ray E. Elkins, CSI; D & R Waterproofing, Inc.; member since 2007

- Robert Michael Ghiotto, CSI, CDT; Woodfold Mfg., Co; member since 2011
- Stephen A. Hubbard, CSI; Mutual Materials Company; member since 1993
- Brian D. Keil, CSI, CCPR; The Sherwin Williams Company; member since 1996
- James Raymond LaManna, Jr., CSI-EP; Oh Planning+Design, Architecture; member since 2013 - **NEW**
- Alan Loftesness, CSI; A-Tech/Northwest, Inc.; member since 1979
- John M Maternoski, CSI-S; Student; member since 2008
- Cherise S. Schacter, CSI, CDT; Interface Engineering; member since 2011
- Joan Annette Schaefer, CSI, CCPR, USGBC; Solatube International, Inc.; member since 1995
- Terry Wildeboer, CSI; Isolatek International; member since 1991

Would you like their contact information? Go to www.csinet.org, log in, and click on "Search CSI's Member Directory" at the top right hand side of the page.

09 ADVERTISE / SPONSOR

Spread Your Word



Did you know that The Predicator is sent to over 500 construction industry members every month? Advertising your products and services in The Predicator is a great way to target your advertising message to construction professionals in the Portland area. Rates are very reasonable, starting as low as \$25. Full-width and premium-placement options are available... [LEARN MORE >](#)

10 INDUSTRY NEWS

2014 Canstruction Call for Entries



The 18th Annual Canstruction Design and Build Competition to benefit Oregon Food Bank will be held in April 2014 at Pioneer Place. Canstruction is a charity event sponsored by the [Society for Design Administration \(SDA\)](#), a professional organization which supports administrative, human resources, financial, and marketing professionals in A/E/C companies... [LEARN MORE >](#)

If your company or organization would like to participate in the 2014 event, contact Amber Corsen at canstruction@sda-portland.org or [DOWNLOAD ENTRY FORM >](#)

Be sure to mark your calendars for the kickoff meeting on Thursday, December 5th from 5:30-6:30 PM at DOWA-IBI Group Architects, 907 SW Stark Street, in downtown Portland. We will present all the information you need to know and answer your questions.

[VIEW 2013 SCULPTURES >](#)

Professional Organizations

[Construction Specifications Canada \(CSC\)](#)

[Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#)

[Specifications Consultants in Independent Practice \(SCIP\)](#)

Allied Organizations

Got an addition to the list? Send it to portlandcsi@gmail.com.

Design

American Institute of Architects - Portland

American Society of Interior Designers

Cascadia Region Green Building Council

National Association of Office and Industrial Properties - Portland

Society for Marketing Professional Services - Oregon

Architectural Foundation of Oregon

Technical

American Society of Mechanical Engineers

American Society of Plumbing Engineers

Building Owners and Managers Association International - Oregon

International Facilities Management Association - Oregon

Portland Building Enclosure Council

Construction

Associated General Contractors - Oregon Columbia

Construction Management Association of America - Oregon

Design-Build Institute of America - Northwest Region

Home Builders Association of Metropolitan Portland

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