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JANUARY 2008 ARCHITECTURAL PRECAST CONCRETE

Guest Speaker: Greg Poirier
Sales Manager Coreslab Structures (ARK) Inc.

Meeting Date: Tuesday, January 8, 2008

Location: Juanitas Party Room

Time: 11:30 am—1:-00 p.m. (LUNCH)

Cost: \$22.00 Lunch and Presentation
\$10.00 Presentation Only

In this program, participants will learn about color, form and texture of architectural precast concrete, as well as the design flexibility and economy of using precast concrete. After participating in this program, learners will be able to:

- Discuss architectural precast options with owners.
- Explain the advantages of using precast concrete to owners.
- Choose the best design materials for upcoming projects based on the structural and budgetary considerations.

Submitted by PCI

“Mission of CSI:

Advance the process of creating and sustaining the built environment.”

CSI is a national association dedicated to creating standards and formats to improve construction documents and project delivery. The organization is unique in the industry in that its members are a cross section of specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors and building materials suppliers.

From CSI Website: csinet.org

Learning Units: 1 LU/HSW, 1 PDH, 1 CEH, 0.1 CEU

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**JUANITA'S PARTY ROOM IS LOCATED AT 1220 S. MAIN STREET
IN LITTLE ROCK.**

DINNER RESERVATION "NOSHOWS" WILL BE BILLED AT FULL PRICE

RSVP BY NOON ON FRIDAY, Jan. 4th

January Monthly Meeting

ARCHITECTURAL PRECAST CONCRETE GUEST SPEAKER PROFILE—GREG POIRIER SALES MANAGER FOR CORESLAB STRUCTURES, INC.

Greg Poirier, Sales Manager Coreslab Structures (ARK) Inc.

Business Degree in Marketing from University of Florida.

5 years with a major precast company in Houston, Texas in operations, sales, & management.

20 years with Holcim Cement in aggregate, cement, and admixture sales in Houston, Texas, Arkansas, and Michigan as Corporate Marketing Manager for the US.

ACI Certified since 1995.

2 years with Block USA as Arkansas Area Manager.

3 years with Coreslab Structures (ARK) Inc. as Sales Manager.

Active member in The Arkansas Ready Mix Concrete Association since 2000, serving on the Board of Directors in 2001-2002, and organized the formation of the Concrete Parking Area Promotion Initiative in 2002.

Member of the Prestressed Precast Concrete Association, ACI, AIA, ABC, & AGC.

Resides in Hot Springs, Arkansas with wife, Candy. We have two children, Greg Jr., in Atlanta, Georgia, and Hillary who is currently a student at The University of Arkansas in Fayetteville.

Favorite past times are fishing on Lake Hamilton, working around my home, church activities, work, and fishing on Lake Hamilton.

January 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8 Chapter Meeting	9 Board Meeting	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Articles Due	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Specwork to print	29	30	31		

Highlights:

Jan 1st—Happy New Year!

Jan. 8—LRCSI Chapter Membership Meeting—LUNCH—Juanitas

Jan. 9—LRCSI Chapter Board Meeting.

Jan. 18—Specwork Articles Due.

Jan. 28—Specwork goes to print.

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE
 MARK EDDS, CSI, CDT

December 2007

President’s Message:

I hope this newsletter finds everyone doing well and getting ready for the holidays. With the end of the year fast approaching, I’m sure these are busy times for us all. If you missed the Nov. 28 lunch meeting at Cregeen’s Irish Pub, you missed a unique meeting. We had 40 people in attendance...it was a big hit! Thanks to Yael West, Dan Fowler, Chris Dimon, and J.B. Williams for their collaboration on a great presentation on the “making” of Cregeen’s Irish Pub. Any feedback you might have on lunch meetings vs. dinner meetings would be helpful. We are considering having several lunch meetings throughout next year.



We have another great LUNCH meeting planned for Tuesday, Jan. 8. We will enjoy a fajita buffet at Juanita’s Party Room while Greg Poirier with Coreslab Structures delivers a presentation on architectural precast concrete. The meeting time will be from 11:30-1:00 PM. Mark your calendars now! Continuing education will be available (1 hour, HSW).



LRCSI typically holds a joint meeting with ASHRAE each January. In 2008, this joint meeting will be moved to early February. Stay tuned for more information on this meeting, including date and time.

It’s time to start thinking about getting your registration in for the CSI certification exams. Before you know it, LRCSI’s education classes will begin in preparation for the exams. For more information on CSI’s certifications (CDT, CCS, CCA, CCPR), visit www.csinet.org/certification. Keep an eye on the newsletter for more information on LRCSI’s education classes. These classes provide the best possible preparation for the certification exams. Contact Doyle Phillips for more information at dphillips@baldwinshell.com or 501-374-8677.

I look forward to seeing you all at Juanita’s Party Room on Jan. 8. Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,

Mark T. Edds, CSI, CDT
 LRCSI Chapter President

SUMMARY OF MINUTES—DECEMBER 2007 BOARD MEETING

- Academic Affairs:** There was discussion of proposed changes to scholarship criteria: 1) allowing part time students to apply 2) adding UCA to list of schools 3) GPA requirement.
- Certification:** Dates for the Spring CDT class have been set.
- Awards:** The Outstanding Chapter Commendation submittal is being put together.
- Newsletter:** Sponsorships was discussed.

Next Chapter Meeting: January 8, 2008.

Next Board Meeting: January 9, 2008 at ASCO Hardware.

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2008 Gulf States Region CSI Competition

A Message from Dudley L. Flotte, CSI, AIA, CCS, APA

(Deadline is February 15, 2008)

CSI's Gulf States Region CSI Competition has recognized and rewarded technical excellence in written construction documentation and other categories related to Construction. You may enter "anything" in the Other Presentations and Creative Ideas (CATEGORY Z), as long as it is related to Construction. (Previous entries have included books, books on CD, computer programs, documentation of the work of a Mexican Architect, walk-throughs, Historic Surveys and even a town plaza). Look at what other participants have accomplished in the past 5 years:

194	Entries
29	Honor Awards
116	Total Awards

We are especially excited about opening our competition to "students" again this year and judging them along with all other entries (see below). ***Remember, you can't win if you don't enter!***

2008 Gulf States CSI COMPETITION CATEGORIES:

CATEGORY A - Project Manuals:

Requirements: Three (3) copies of each entry. Limit one entry per person in this category.

CATEGORY B - Manufacturer's Product Binders:

Requirements: Three (3) copies of each entry. Limit one entry per person in this category.

CATEGORY C - Outline Specifications, Short Form Specifications, & Preliminary Project Descriptions:

Requirements: Three (3) copies of each entry. Limit one entry per person in this category.

CATEGORY W - Models:

Requirements: At least three (3) photographs each of the overall model, one or two details; and a check for \$75* with each entry.

CATEGORY X - Renderings:

Requirements: Submit one copy of each rendering and a check for \$75* with each entry.

CATEGORY Y - Websites:

Types: This can be anything including the website of an individual, a design firm, a manufacturer, an association, or an organization.

Requirements: Submit a one page letter giving the URL any other information you would like the judges to consider and a check for \$75* with each entry.

CATEGORY Z - Other Presentations and Creative Ideas:

Types: This can be anything from a report to a walk through - anything you are proud of and would like to share with the design community. It can be as simple as a building detail or as complicated as a design-build proposal for a multi-story building that you feel was well presented. An unusual, but acceptable, entry would be software to automatically co-ordinate CAD and Specifications. An entry CAN NOT be the design of an entire building (there are design awards for this type of entry) nor a complete set of working drawings.

Requirements: Three (3) copies and a check for \$75* with each entry. Call if the entry is not a printed document or is more than 100 pages.

To see some of the winners from the 2005, 2006 and 2007 Gulf States Region CSI Competitions, go to:

<http://earchitect.tripod.com/competiton/index.html>

2008 Gulf States Region CSI Competition (continued)

STUDENTS:

Students are encouraged to enter any work they have done. Student entries will be judged along with all other entries. The project can be hypothetical. If there are 5 or more student entries, there will be a cash award of \$250.00 for the best student entry. If 12 or more students enter, there will be an additional second place award of \$150.00. A student's work in a team project is acceptable (include a note of exactly what you did along with the names and addresses of the other team members).

* = The first entry (in Categories W, X, Y, and Z) for each student is free and each additional entry is \$25 (in lieu of \$75). A student must be registered at a University in pursuit of a professional degree.

AWARD LEVELS:

- Honor Award: CSI's highest award, recognizing outstanding achievement.
- Honorable Mention: Exceptional entries with limited deficiencies.
- Merit Award: Entries that use new or unusual approaches or handle specific conditions in a particularly effective manner.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS:

- You do not have to be a member of The Construction Specification Institute to submit an entry.
- Entries must have been produced after July 1, 2006; however, entries in Categories W, X, Y, and Z do not have a time limit.
- Deadline for submittals is a February 15, 2008 postmark.
- Make check (for each entry in Categories W, X, Y or Z) payable to "Gulf States Region CSI." (Multiple entries will be accepted)
- Decision of the judges will be final.
- Entries will not be returned. CSI GSR will not be responsible for lost or damaged entries.
- Winning entries will receive one award framed certificate. Additional certificates and frames are available for a nominal fee.
- Awards will be presented at the Gulf States Region CSI Conference Awards Dinner in Pensacola on May 3, 2008.

• SUBMIT ENTRIES TO:

Dudley L. Flotte, CSI, AIA, CCS, APA

2008 Gulf States Region CSI Competition Chairperson

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A Message From Our Industry Director—Gulf States Region M. Keith West, CSI, CDT

Update on Last Month's Note.

Last month I was asked to provide a short note on the issues that were to be addressed at the upcoming Institute Board meeting in Chicago. I told about some of the issues that were being presented, discussed, debated, and then voted on.

As I said then, the main topic of discussion and debate was the revised governance proposal. The task team had completed their work, and had presented to the Institute their recommendations for the proposed changes that were to be presented and listed on the upcoming Institute ballot in February. The proposals consisted of the following:

1. Revise the way that members are selected to be delegates at the Institute Convention.
2. Revise the way that nominations are made to the Institute for officers.
3. Revise the board structure.
4. Revise the qualifications for director candidates.

All of these issues were discussed at length, and after all of the discussions, the delegate issue was passed as presented, the nominations issue was passed as presented, the board structure had some changes incorporated in the final version that was approved, and the director qualification changes were tabled with no action due to the fact that unless the board structure item passed, the directors qualification change would be a moot point.

The changes that were made to the board structure consisted of adding another vice president position one that would be for a professional member, and the 2nd for an industry/associate member. That would maintain balance within that position. In exchange for the 2nd vice president position, the Immediate Past President was removed from the board.

While the Immediate Past President's position would no longer be a voting member of the board, he would still serve in other established positions and capacities that are already in place. This would keep the board count at 18, which has been the seemingly magic number of members. Each region would have one director, and there would be 2 directors at large positions. With the President, President-elect, 2 Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, this would make up the 18 person board.

The changes that were made for the final version that will be listed on the ballot is the best balance that was discussed. As I have said earlier, and especially now that the final version has been completed, it is very important that the members take a hard look at the proposal and vote their conscience. I personally think that it is a very good proposal that will benefit CSI and its members.

In addition to these governance proposals, we will be electing a new Professional Director for our region. James Bagley & Bob Swan are the two candidates. They will be providing information for review in upcoming newsletters and on the Institute website. They are each qualified candidates and are worthy of consideration for the position. Other Institute positions will also be listed on the ballot and we are fortunate to have some fellow Gulf States Region members listed. Please offer them your support.

Thanks,

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NOVEMBER MONTHLY MEETING HELD AT CREGEEN'S IRISH PUB

Guest Speakers were:

- J. B. Williams—Owner
- Chris Dimon—Clements and Associates
- Yaël West—Vanadis Investment Group
- Dan Fowler—Cromwell Architects Engineers

Thank you to our presenters for a very informative and interesting presentation. They discussed the key players involved in the Cregeen's project; the process of designing the shell keeping in mind a variety of tenants; and the experiences of bringing in materials and finish contractors from Ireland.

And did you know that Cregeen's means Little Rock?



**CSI Classes to be held at UALR Spring Semester
By Michael Sanders, CSI, CCS, CCCA, MAI**

THE LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS INSTITUTE PRESENTS

Seminar Series 1— CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENT FUNDAMENTALS AND FORMATS

The Little Rock Chapter CSI (LRCSI) will sponsor Seminar Series 1 of the Construction Practice Series: Documentation, Representation, and Administration entitled “Construction Document Fundamentals and Formats.” The class is scheduled to begin February 2, 2008. Classes will meet every other Saturday (Feb. 2, Feb. 16, Mar. 1 & Mar. 15) on the campus of UALR, ETAS Building Room 233, from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm. The registration cost for the complete seminar series is \$160.00 (\$110.00 for LRCSI Members) and includes seminar handouts. (The Project Resource Manual must be purchased separately.) Each daily seminar may also be attended individually for continuing education purposes. The registration cost for each individual Saturday session (6 credit hours each) is \$60.00. This seminar series is excellent as a study aid for the CDT Examination, as well as serving for basic employee training, and as an informative Continuing Education offering. 24 educational contact hours are available (24 AIA LU HSW, 24 PDH, 24CEH, 2.4 CEU)

Seminar Series 4—BASIC CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION

The Little Rock Chapter CSI (LRCSI) will sponsor Seminar Series 4 of the Construction Practice Series: Documentation, Representation, and Administration entitled “Basic Construction Contract Administration,” which is scheduled to begin February 9, 2008. Classes will meet every other Saturday (Feb. 9, Feb. 23, Mar. 8 & Mar. 22) on the campus of UALR, ETAS Building Room 233, from 8:00 am to approx. 3:00 pm. The registration cost for the complete seminar series is \$200.00 (\$150.00 for LRCSI Members) and includes seminar materials and a light in-class lunch. (The Project Resource Manual is available to be purchased separately.) Each daily seminar may also be attended individually for continuing education purposes. The registration cost for each individual Saturday session (approx. 6 credit hours each) is \$75.00. This seminar series is excellent as a study aid for the CCCA Examination, as well as basic employee training, and as an informative Continuing Education offering. 24 educational contact hours available (24 AIA LU HSW, 24 PDH, 24CEH, 2.4 CEU).

For further information and/or registration forms contact: Michael L. Sanders, CSI, CCS, CCCA, MAI; LRCSI Education Chair at 501-329-5645, or Doyle T. Phillips, CSI, CCCA, CPE; at 501-374-8677

MEMBERSHIP IN LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER CSI

“Recruit, Retain, Reenergize!”

Happy Anniversary - January Renewal Reminders

(for those who have not already renewed)

R. Allen Barnhardt	1/1/08
Sally Bowen	1/1/08
Chris Chambliss	1/1/08
Charles Foster	1/1/08
Karl Hanson	1/1/08
Larry Jones	1/1/08
Phillip May	1/1/08
James McClellan	1/1/08
Myron McWherter	1/1/08

CSI: Strengthening the lines of communication among the four teams -- Designer, Constructor, Supplier and Owner. The national organization has more than 15,000 members, including architects, engineers, specifiers, suppliers, contractors, and product manufacturers. This organization of industry-wide membership has resulted in an improved communication and unprecedented teamwork benefiting all who are involved in nonresidential construction.

Little Rock Chapter Dues:

Professional/Industry/Assoc \$ 40
Student \$ 5
Retired \$ 5

Industry Dues:

Professional/Industry/Associate \$220
Student \$ 27
Intermediate \$100

WHAT IS THE 2030 CHALLENGE?



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CSI supports the target goals of the Architecture 2030 Challenge and is working with other industry organizations in a united effort to meet those goals.

The 2030 Challenge

Slowing the growth rate of greenhouse gas emissions and then reversing it over the next ten years will require immediate action and a concerted global effort. As data from the U.S. Energy Information Administration has shown, buildings are the major source of demand for energy and materials that produce by-product greenhouse gases. Stabilizing emissions in this sector and then reversing them to acceptable levels is key to keeping global warming to approximately a degree centigrade (°C) above today's level.

To accomplish this, the 2030 °Challenge has been issued asking the global architecture and building community to adopt the following targets:

- That all new buildings, developments and major renovations be designed to meet a fossil fuel energy consumption performance standard of 50% of the regional (or country) average for that building type.
- That at a minimum, an equal amount of existing building area be renovated annually to use 50% of the amount of fossil fuel energy they are currently consuming (50% of the regional average through innovative design strategies, the application of renewable technologies and/or the purchase (1/5 maximum) of renewable energy).
- That the fossil fuel reduction standard for all new buildings be increased to:
 - 60% in 2010
 - 70% in 2015
 - 80% in 2020
 - 90% in 2025
 - Carbon-neutral by 2030 (using no fossil fuel GHG emitting energy to operate).

CSI needs to be a visible part of this critical movement to help bring change to our industry through our unique ability to access designers, manufacturers, builders and owners.

Participate in the "2010 Imperative: Global Emergency Teach-In," a live web-cast by Architecture 2030 on Feb. 20, 2007, noon - 3:30 pm EST. Learn more.

Source: http://www.csinet.org/s_csi/sec.asp?CID=2053&DID=14027

CSI NewsBrief

November 7, 2007

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AIA revisions to A201 contract include arbitration removal

The American Institute of Architects released its revisions to the A201 contract documents this week. The forms define the legal relationship between building owners, architects and contractors, and the key revisions include the removal of mandatory arbitration so that arbitration must now be selected, with mediation as the first option and litigation as the default option. [Architectural Record](#) (free registration) (11/5)

Source: <http://www.reed4success.com/freesubscriptionaction.asp>

The Construction Specifications Institute is a nationwide non-profit technical organization dedicated to the improvement of specifications and building practices in the construction industry through service, education and research. Founded in 1948, CSI provides a forum for architects, engineers, specification writers, contractors, suppliers and others in our industry. Membership is open to all who are involved in the built environment. Please contact Chapter Membership Chairman, Melissa Aguiar, CSI, CCS, MAI, SCIP, 501-455-8193 or any chapter officer listed on page 4 of this newsletter.

THE NIGHT BEFORE DEADLINE
BY ART KELLY, AIA, CCS (WITH APOLOGIES TO CLEMENT C. MOORE)

Twas the night before deadline when all through the office
 Not a drawing was finished, not even a boiler orifice.
 The details were all redlined by the designers with care,
 In hopes that just somehow they could all be drawn fair.
 The dimension strings were checked and the notes reread,
 While visions of an AIA design award danced in their heads,
 And I with my checklists and my spec master,
 Had just settled down to write a short spec faster.
 When out on the parking lot there arose such a clatter,
 I sprang from my word processor to see what was the matter.
 Away to the window I flew like a flash,
 Tore open the miniblinds and threw up the sash.
 The metal halide street lights on the breast of the new fallen snow
 Gave a luster of midday to objects below,
 When, what to my weary eyes should appear,
 But, a minature project manual, and fifty tiny divisions;
 With a little old writer, so lively and spry,
 I knew in a moment it must be St. CSI.
 More rapid than computers his cursors they came,
 And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name.
 "Now, General Requirements! now, Existing Conditions!
 now, Concrete! and Masonry!
 Now, Metals! now, Wood, Plastics, and Composites!
 now Thermal and Moisture Protection!
 Now, Openings! now, Finishes! now, Specialties! and Equipment!
 Now, Furnishings! now, Special Construction! now, Conveying Equipment!
 Now, Fire Suppression! now, Plumbing! now, Heating, Ventilating, and Air Conditioning!
 now, Integrated Automation!
 Now, Electrical! now, Communications! now, Electronic Safety and Security!
 Now, Earthwork! now, Exterior Improvements! now, Utilities! now, Transportation!
 now, Waterway and Marine Construction!
 Now, Process Integration! now, Material Processing and Handling Equipment!
 Now, Process Heating, Cooling, and Drying Equipment!
 now, Process Gas and Liquid Handling, Purification, and Storage Equipment!

On, Pollution Control Equipment! on, Industry-Specific Manufacturing Equipment! on, Electrical Power Generation! on, Reserved For Future Expansion!
 (whew!)
 To the top of the catalogs, to the top of the wall!
 Now, dash away, dash away, dash away all!"
 As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
 When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky.
 So up to the penthouse the divisions they flew
 With a manual full of requirements and St. CSI, too.
 And then in a twinkle, I heard on the roof
 The prancing and pawing of each little hoof.
 As I drew in my head, and was turning around
 Down the prefab metal vent St. CSI came with a bound.
 He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
 And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot;
 A bundle of sections he had flung on his back,
 And he looked like a sales rep just opening his pack,
 His eyes how they twinkled! His dimples how merry!
 His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry.
 His droll little mouth was drawn up I like a bow
 And the beard on his chin was as white as the snow.
 The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
 And the smoke, it encircled his head like a wreath.
 He had a broad face and a little round belly.
 That shook, when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly.
 He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf.
 And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself.

A wink of his eye, and a twist of his head,
 Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread;
 He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
 And finished all the specs and drawings; then turned with a jerk,
 And laying his finger aside of his nose,
 And giving a nod, up the vent he rose.
 He sprang to his manual, to his team gave a whistle,
 And away they all flew like the down on a thistle.
 But I heard him exclaim as he drove out of sight;
 "Join CSI y'all and you'll be alright."
 --Who butchered the rhyme, bet you can't guess
 Who's the anonyomus, CCS?
 Parody by Arthur L. "Art" Kelly, AIA, CCS
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AIA DESIGN EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2007 By Dan Fowler, AIA

Beautiful, landmark, elegant, sensitive, and laudable- these are all words used to describe the winning entries of this year's AIA Arkansas Design Awards program. And the projects are all of that and more. The jury, a group of talented and award winning architects from Minneapolis, noted that all of the winning projects could be competitive in regional and national design award programs.

But more importantly, the judges noted the overall strength of the entire body of work in the submittals. Within all 50 entries, there is a notable quality, depth of skill, and breadth that surprised and pleased the jurors. None of the members of the design and construction industry in Arkansas should be surprised, though. For years now, the expectation and level of design quality has been rising, due in large part to the increasing sophistication of our client base, coupled with the understanding that good design is good business.

I have long been aware of the high-quality talent within our local community. I often find myself explaining this very fact to people I meet and work with around the country. My involvement in the program this year has confirmed this for me in a big way.

Although the projects are recognized by AIA Arkansas for excellence in work by our members and our allied partners, each of these projects was a team effort. The quality of each project could not have been achieved without the strong and dedicated team made up of contractors, vendors and suppliers, specification writers, interior designers, landscape architects, engineers, and countless others. Most importantly, each of these projects had great clients. We should all be reminded that without great clients there would be no great buildings.

I want to thank all of the members of the 2007 AIA Convention committee for all of their help in this effort. Thanks also to all of the firms that entered projects. All of your efforts have reminded me of why I love this profession and design/ construction community of ours. I hope that the following images will do the same for each of you.

Congratulations to our winners!

The **2007 Member Choice Award** went to Polk Stanley Rowland Curzon Porter Architects of Little Rock for the Axiom Central Arkansas Data Center in Little Rock. The project also earned them an **Honor Award**.

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Polk Stanley Rowland
Curzon Porter Architects
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AIA 2007—Honor Award for Design Excellence Winners



Cooper Architects
Mulberry Mountain Music Pavilion, Ozark AR



Marlon Blackwell Architect
Blackwell House, Fayetteville, AR



University of Arkansas Community Development Center
Place Based Codes and Plans for an Arkansas Delta Community,
Monticello, AR



Marlon Blackwell Architect
Biloxi Model Homes
Porch Dog/ Slip Shot, Biloxi, MS



Allison Architects
Chinese Folded Paper, Hunan Manor Restaurant, Fayetteville, AR

AIA 2007—Merit Award for Design Excellence Winner



Merit Award for Design Excellence

was presented to:

Maurice Jennings and David McKee Architects
Anthony Chapel, Garvan Woodland Gardens

Again, thank you to all those firms who
entered projects in the
2007 AIA Design Awards Competition

Scholarships— LRCSI RAY ECHOLS SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES By Sally Bowen, CSI, CCS, LEED AP

These guidelines document the management and use of the **LRCSI RAY ECHOLS SCHOLARSHIP FUND**. The funds in the scholarship fund can only be spent on scholarships. The scholarships are to be established at the following Universities: The University of Arkansas, Fayetteville; The University of Arkansas, Little Rock; University of Central Arkansas, Conway, and Arkansas State University, Jonesboro. The regulations and the awarding of the scholarships are to be made by the scholarship committee and the Little Rock CSI Chapter Board of Directors. This policy is to award the scholarship for one **SENIOR** semester. Students applying must be full-time in the semester they receive the scholarship, and must be majoring in one of the following areas: Architecture, Interior Design, Landscaping, Engineering, or Construction Management. The possibility of part-time students being considered to receive the scholarship, is being discussed. The applications will be evaluated on the basis of financial need, scholastic ability, references, and recommendations from appropriate sources. A minimum GPA of 2.75 based on a 4.0 scale is required. The LRCSI Scholarship Committee will award the scholarship after reviewing all applications. Special consideration will be given to CSI academic affiliate members in good standing.

Deadline for applications is the first day of April preceding the fall term for which it will be awarded. A maximum of one (1) scholarship per University per year will be awarded for a total of no more than three (3) per fiscal year.

The CSI LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER originally established the **LRCSI RAY ECHOLS SCHOLARSHIP FUND** as a budgeted line item. Future income for this fund shall be by appropriations approved by the LRCSI Board of Directors, plus any additional contributions made in memory of Mr. Ray Echols.

A separate bank account has been established for these funds and will be maintained by the chapter treasurer. If funds are not used during a fiscal year these funds will be retained in this separate account until such time that an escrow is established at the designated Universities.

The following funds are allocated for, and are to be deposited into this scholarship account:

- 1) All tabletop income.
- 2) \$5 from each member's chapter dues refund with the exclusion of students and retired members.
- 3) A portion of the golf tournament proceeds as approved by the chapter Board of Directors.

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