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**NOVEMBER 2009 CHAPTER MEETING
STORAGE PLANNING FOR TODAY'S
EVOLVING WORKPLACE**



Banquet Hall and
Catering Services
located in
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1220 South Main
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Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2009
Location: Juanita's Party Room
Time: 11:30 am **Lunch** and Meeting
Seminar 12:00 pm Seminar
Cost: \$20 Lunch and Seminar
\$10 Seminar only

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

Justin Story with Southwest Solutions Group will give a presentation on storage solutions in the workplace. "This AIA/CES-registered presentation will take a look at storage trends, and storage needs/requirements early in the programming or schematic design phases. In addition, various storage options will be discussed as they relate to: aesthetics, capacity, cost, growth, security, and speed of access. Finally, market-specific examples will be discussed and a dialogue will be started about "green" storage."

Information from Program Insert

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LAST MONTH'S PROGRAM – SEPTEMBER

Specifying and Installing Nonstructural Steel Studs

The September monthly meeting was held at Next Level Events. The presentation for the meeting was given by Tom Gant with Dietrich Metal Framing, which covered the installation requirements of interior non-structural steel framing. He also covered the ASTM standards that govern the manufacture and installation requirements of interior steel framing.

Thank you Tom for keeping us informed on a very important topic!

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, Kay Young, 501-912-8534](#); email: kayyoung3@sbcglobal.net, or any chapter officer listed on page 10 of this newsletter.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

CINDY TONEY, CSI, CDT, LEED AP

By the time you receive this newsletter the Annual Membership Meeting at Murry's Dinner Playhouse will be over but it's only the beginning of the membership drive. The meeting will be a "kick-off" event for the two-week membership drive that follows it, during which time, new members may join CSI for 50 percent of what it costs normally. Not only will local dues be half price, but the Institute will match it as well—so, if you were ever thinking about joining CSI, now is the time to do it. It is really a big savings. Unfortunately, students and intermediate members, or members who are renewing, are not eligible. This is only for new industry, associate, and professional members. And (very important) when you do sign up, you will need to do so on a **special application** form that we will mail to you. Contact Kay Young at kayyoung3@sbcglobal.net, and let her know that you are interested in joining. She will get a special application to you.



Kay put together a great program for the Membership Meeting, and the speakers, Jan Sanders, Michelle Christen, and Doyle Phillips, did an exceptional job of sharing with us what CSI is all about, what CSI does for the construction industry and what it has meant to them in their careers.

While we are trying to increase our numbers with the membership drive, we are still very interested in keeping our current membership active and involved. There are plenty of spots that need to be filled on various committees, and soon the nominations committee will be looking for people who would like to be officers and directors and committee chairs for the upcoming year starting July 2010. Becoming more involved really is a great way to meet your fellow CSI members and build relationships. If you are interested in helping on a committee—please let us know—we need your help. If you think you would be interested in becoming more involved in CSI, please contact me so I can find a spot for you that would be both beneficial to you and to CSI, as well. And of course, if you are interested in doing the newsletter I would be happy to pass it along.

Our monthly meeting for November will be a lunch meeting at Juanitas. Justin Story with Southwest Solutions Group will update us on the "trends affecting storage" and he will "examine the role of storage in green building design." It should be a very interesting program and it's registered with AIA/CES for those of you who need education credits.

See you at the next Chapter Monthly Meeting !

Cindy Toney, President Little Rock Chapter FY 09/10



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Board Meeting Minutes

By Sally Bowen CSI, CCS, LEED AP

SEPTEMBER 09 BOARD MEETING—SUMMARY OF MINUTES

1. **Academic Affairs:** There are currently two firms interested in sponsoring an intern. These internships are not necessarily summer positions. Kiem wanted to remind everyone to ask their employers if they are interested in sponsoring an internship.
2. **Certification:** Doyle has two people signed up for the CDT exam.
3. **Membership:** Cindy asked everyone to help support the Membership meeting. Lori agreed to make tickets, and Sally suggested having someone speak about it at the chapter meeting next week. We also need to remind everyone of the two week time period where it is possible to join at half price. Clark needs to order 5 of the President's pins.
4. **Programs:** We need to get the 11th Hour Bid program approved for a CEU credit. We also need to think about having a few more night meetings, for those who need CEU credits that prefer night meetings.
5. **Fundraising/Golf:** Still waiting on the bill from the country club, in order to finalize the numbers.
6. **Planning/Operating Guide:**
 - a. We all need to send our comments on the Operating Guide to Cindy. She will compile them and get them to Melissa. Once those have been incorporated, we can bring the final version to the board. All comments need to be sent to Cindy BEFORE the next board meeting.
 - b. Lori reported that there will be an addition to the Operating Guide – Planning and Execution for Region or Leadership Meeting.
7. **Newsletter:** Sally will compile a list of AIA firms, in order to have 50 more names, as required for the bulk mailing.
8. **Advertising:** Lori has 8 people signed up so far.
9. **Website:** Mark has everything up to date. He reported that it is possible to see how many people are viewing the website.

OCTOBER 09 BOARD MEETING—SUMMARY OF MINUTES

1. **Academic Affairs:** With regards to Kiem's letter, the board commented that the student affiliate needs to have its own fundraising to support themselves. The board will consider supporting them if they come to the board with a plan. Cindy will talk to Jonathon about the regional competition. The board does not want to change the monthly meeting times to accommodate students.
2. **Awards:** Cindy reported that Melinda has sent out letters asking for referrals for Region and Institute awards.
3. **Membership:** A few applications were handed out last night. Kay will follow up with these possible new members.
4. **Fundraising/Golf:** Still waiting on the bill from the country club, in order to finalize the numbers.
5. **Planning/Operating Guide:** Sally agreed to be the board liaison. We all need to send our comments on the Operating Guide to Cindy. She will compile them and get them to Melissa. Once those have been incorporated, we can bring the final version to the board. All comments need to be sent to Cindy BEFORE the next board meeting.
6. **Newsletter:** Cindy needs newsletter articles no later than this Friday!
7. **Technical:** Karl sent an article for the next newsletter.
8. **Website:** Mark will update the website with information about the next chapter meeting.
9. **New Business:** We need to set up committees for Finance, Awards, and Nominating. Lori would like to have the President Elect be on the Nominating Committee.

September Chapter Meeting



Held at Next Level Events
“Specifying & Installing Non-structural Steel Studs”
Presented by Tom Gant with
Dietrich Metal Framing

August Chapter Meeting



Held at Juanita’s
Party Room
“Tilt-up
Construction”
Presented by
Ramon Yanez,



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TECHNICAL TOPICS

BY KARL HANSON, CSI, CCS, CCA

Code Council to Develop Swimming Pool Code

REPRINT—NEWS RELEASE
DATED July 30, 2009

APSP Pool Safety Experts, Contractors, Engineers, Manufacturers will participate

The International Code Council Board of Directors has voted to develop the nation's first all encompassing Comprehensive Swimming Pool Code. This action is designed to provide a coordinated code with other International Codes that will meet the requirements of the Virginia Graeme Baker Act and upgrade pool safety.

"The Board's unanimous action in voting to move this forward demonstrates an understanding of the immediate need in our jurisdictions for this type of a code," said Board President Adolf Zubia.

"We are looking forward to a partnered approach as we coordinate this effort with our family of I-Codes," said Code Council Chief Executive Officer Richard P. Weiland.

The code will be developed under the Council's governmental consensus process with the support of the Association of Pool and Spa Professionals (APSP), bringing together the industry's finest pool safety experts, contractors, engineers, manufacturers, and other members and stakeholders.

"The scope of the code will respond to the needs of many jurisdictions that still use the Standard Swimming Pool Code, and integrate the widely used design and safety features of both the APSP standards and the I-Codes," according to Jay Peters, Executive Director, ICC Plumbing, Mechanical and Fuel Gas.

The International Code Council, a membership association dedicated to building safety, fire prevention and energy efficiency, develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings, including homes and schools. Most U.S. cities, counties and states choose the International Codes, building safety codes developed by the International Code Council.

Contact Steve Daggers: 1-888-ICC-SAFE (422-7233) ext. 4212.

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<http://www.iccsafe.org/news/nr/2009/0730SwimmingPoolCode.pdf>

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LEADERSHIP MEETING REPORTS CONTINUED FROM LAST MONTH

Rockn' on the River - Friday Night Mixer

REPORTED BY MICHELLE CHRISTEN, FCSI, CCA

If you have ever entered a large gathering not exactly knowing what to expect; only to find you are pleasantly surprised with the event, then you will appreciate this news report...

On August the 7th, 2009 a star studded event happened for the first time in CSI history. The Little Rock Chapter hosted Rockn' on the River with big stage names cast as judges. Visiting attendees to the event were greeted by Chapter members sporting their Rock Band shirts.



On the big screen at one end of the exhibit hall were *wii* sporting games, with participants taken their best strokes in Tiger Woods style. Mid-center of the room, were drinks and heavy hors d'oeuvres for the taking and enjoyment through the main event. With gathering tables and extra seating placed sporadically around event hall, attendees were seated in anticipation of the stage acts to come. For those not so into the Rock scene there were table games and poker to assist in filling the anticipated gaps of the intermission.

As the cue lights indicated the onset of act one; the host for the evening and chair for the event, Clark Wood welcomed the audience and gave prelude of the event. The center stage set up included two guitars, microphones, and a drum set for the registered rock band competitors. High right on the elevated stage sat the infamous judges for the evening. The unsuspecting crowd gazed a bit inquisitively as the judges were introduced: the ever so clever Raunchy Jacksin (Michael Sanders), the articulate encourager Pillows Abloom (Michelle Christen) and the iniquitous Lyman Soured (Heath Perry). Members having registered for the simulated Rockband-American Idol event; were randomly teamed in groups of four, to increase the competition effects. As the bands perform; the crowd roared or heckled; in some cases as loud as the audio rocked the hall. Subsequent each performance; the judges rendered their audacious opinions and

individuals scores. By the conclusion of each act and intermission, many audience fans were chuckling at the outrageous performances by "the bands" and "the judges." At the conclusion of the evening; the points were tallied, and trophies were awarded at the next day's closing session.

Although the fourth placed team did not exactly "take home the gold," but a bobble head outhouse figurine with the inscription "bringing up the rear!"

All in all, the event was a success; even given its unconventional inspirations for a casual business mixer.

A large graphic for Cromwell architects engineers. The background is a warm orange color with a faint, geometric pattern of lines and shapes. The word 'CROMWELL' is written in large, white, serif capital letters. To its right, 'architects engineers' is written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font. At the bottom right, the website 'www.cromwell.com' is listed. On the far right edge, there is vertical text providing contact information for two locations: '7 North Block Ave. - Fayetteville, AR 72701 479.582.2900 / Fax: 479.582.2929' and '101 South Spring St. - Little Rock, AR 72201 501.372.2900 / Fax: 501.372.0482'.

Gulf States Region Leadership Meeting—Publications Report **Reported by Mark Edds, CSI, CDT**

Publications/Electronic Communications Session

CSI Gulf States Region Leadership Meeting – August 2009

Skip Treme and Randall Lewis led the combined Publications/Electronic Communications Session this year at the CSI Gulf States Region Leadership Meeting in Little Rock last August. The basic makeup of a newsletter was discussed, along with recommendations for items to include such as program information and location on the first page, President's page, technical article(s), photos (required for Region & Institute awards), and Board and committee member listings. It was recommended that any advertising be spread throughout the newsletter and that the last page contain dates of upcoming events and the CSI mission statement. Attendees were reminded that they can copy articles, cartoons, etc., from other sources but must give credit to the author and provide the title and date of the article. E-newsletters were discussed as well, along with how Institute is implementing them.

Mark Edds, CSI, CDT

Gulf States Region Leadership Meeting—Planning Report **Reported by Jonathan Lowrey, CSI, CDT**

Doyle Phillips of the Little Rock Chapter of CSI was the speaker during the 8:00 am session regarding certification. This session was open discussion.

One of the topics discussed was the changes that have been made to the testing process.

For some time certification tests were proctored by a qualified representative of CSI. With results not being known for some time, many candidates became very agitated due to the long duration of waiting on results. The method that has been recently adopted is the use of Prometric proctored tests. The facility is not solely for the testing of CSI certification candidates, but that of other organizations and institutions as well. The use of Prometric testing facilities has significantly decreased the time that a candidate has to wait on results. The test results are almost instantaneous once a candidate has completed his or her exam. The fact that a result is known the same day has been a huge positive amongst members who are actively involved in the education and certification process. To sum it up; the CSI organization has made a big improvement towards the efficiency at which individuals make their way through the testing process.

In addition to the above information I would like to add the following: The education that goes hand-in-hand with the CSI certification process is an extremely valuable tool in the professional development of any individual involved in the construction industry. As a contractor, it has given me a broad understanding of the documents and methods that are utilized throughout the industry as a whole, from programming and development to closeout. I would strongly encourage any person seeking to enrich their career and base of knowledge to partake in the certification process. Participating in CSI certification has more than significantly improved my career as a contractor. Not only has CSI afforded me greater efficiency in the reading and understanding of documents utilized in day-to-day operation; it has also drastically improved the speed at which I can deal with job related issues. In short CSI Certification has provided me with a wealth of knowledge that no other organization can provide.

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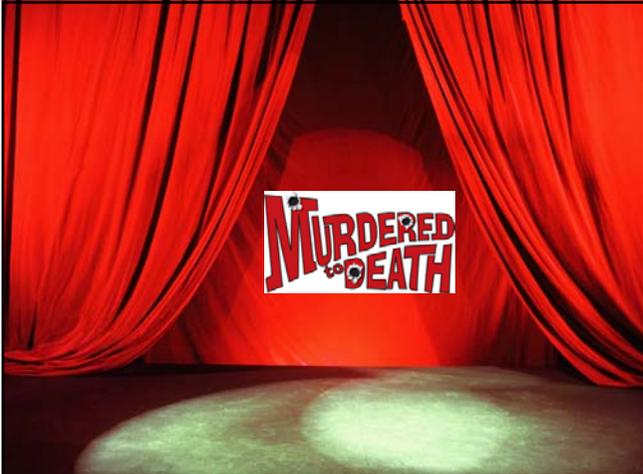
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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MURRY'S DINNER PLAYHOUSE

The Membership Meeting was lots of fun... the show was entertaining and the meeting informative.



A huge thank you goes to Kay Young, Membership Chair, for putting together a great event.



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