Program Information
Friday, July 12, 2013

Orange County CSI Chapter
July Meeting

Program: Aloha! It’s time for a LUAU on a Friday night!
E komo mai, e noho mai, e ’ai a e, wala’au!
(Come in, come sit, come eat and talk story!

This summer, the Western Wall & Ceiling Contractors Association (WWCCA) will become our “Hawaiian” location for our 3rd Annual OCCCSI Luau. You are invited to come and enjoy an evening of pure social enjoyment, island style. We will enjoy island music, videos of paradise, eat ono delicious food and take some time to talk story together and make some new friends.

WWCCA invites Orange County Chapter CSI members and their guests to a LUAU that will feature the best Polynesian entertainment ever seen on the Big Island of Orange County, California. The entertainment will be provided by Tupua Productions (www.tupuaproductions.com). This year, our CPSE trade show caterer, A Splendid Touch, will prepare a fabulous feast for us!

WWCCA is the oldest, most active Wall & Ceiling Association in the west. They have been a functioning entity for more than 100 years. WWCCA is a non-profit organization representing over 85 subcontractors and 100 affiliates that have joined to promote the installation of quality.

Time:
5:30 - 6:30 PM Social
6:30 - 7:30 PM Luau Dinner
7:30 - ??? PM Luau Program Entertainment by Tupua Productions

Location: WWCCA
1910 N. Lime Street
Orange, California

Parking: Plenty of free parking

Dinner Cost: $30.00 with reservations.
$40.00 without reservations at the door.
(No-show reservations will be billed)

Reservations required by July 9. Call the OCCCSI hotline at 714-434-9909.
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**SAVE THE DATE**

September 10, 2013
Construction Products & Services Expo
Marconi Automotive Museum & Foundation for Kids
1302 Industrial Drive
Tustin, California
Dear Fellow CSI Members,

Thank you for electing me to be your next President of the Orange County Chapter of CSI. I have been a member of OCCCSI since September 1983 and served on the Board for several years as Secretary and Professional Director. I have been involved with several committees including two (2) West Region Conferences, Education and Certification.

I was a partner in an architectural firm for over 37 years and wrote specifications before computers were around and received my Certification as a CCS. Three years ago, my wife and I formed DPEnterprises, doing DSA certifications for school districts and writing specifications for architects.

Enough about me, but I wanted you to know who you elected as your new president. I know a lot of the members of CSI throughout the years, but I want to get to know each and every one of you.

Now, how are we going to do that? You need to come to the chapter meetings and get involved with the chapter committees we have organized.

Our next big event is the Construction Products & Services Exposition 2013 at the Marconi Automotive Museum on September 10, 2013. This is a big opportunity for you as members to view all the products you specify or use during your normal course of business. They are all located in one place. For our Industry members, this is an excellent opportunity to display your products to architects, specification writers and public business members, all located in one place, the Marconi Automobile Museum. We also have two (2), up-to-date seminars planned for our professional members. Come one, come all to the “greatest show in Orange County.”

Our goal is to give the members what they need, not what they want. We need your input, relative to CSI, on what your hot buttons are, what issues are facing your company while doing business in this ever changing world, and what keeps coming up all the time. In other words, what do you need from us to make your life easier? Please send me your concerns, needs and issues, relative to CSI, that you are running into during your normal operation of business via email (dbrown.dpe@gmail.com).

We need to meet the changing needs of our membership. We can’t do it without you. We hope to hear from you soon and hope to see you at our next meeting, our 3rd Annual OCCCSI Luau.

Dave
By Annette Wren, FCSI, CDT

The following message is not timely; however, it is worthy of notice:

From David Willis President, West Region, CSI
To all CSI members of the West Region,

“It has come to my attention that there will be a very important discussion coming up at the Institute Board Meeting in Atlanta on June 9, 2013. As you may or may not know, the region receives back 7% of the membership dues which is called Institute Membership Allocation. The proposed Institute budget is suggesting this allocation be cut to 4% in an effort to reduce institute expenses. If this cut is adopted, the decreased revenue to the region will affect many programs the region provides for its chapters and members. Region Board meetings, Conferences, and most importantly, leadership workshop funds will be affected which detracts from value to our members. This allocation is the main income source for the Region. If you feel strongly about this issue, please let your West Region Institute Director, Brian Cournoyer know so he can present your feeling to the Institute Board next week. arch2252@surewest.net I will also be happy to pass on your thoughts. david.willis@paccoast.com Thank you.”

What? “The proposed Institute budget is suggesting this allocation be cut to 4% in an effort to reduce institute expenses.” Take money from the regions to “reduce Institute expenses”. This means that the regions will be cut short and probably need to start collecting assessments from chapters again. Why? Institute’s expenses are high due to their “real estate” location. For too long, CSI members have suggested that CSI move to the middle of the country. That would reduce expenses in many ways including our office expenses. In addition, expenses for many CSI members that travel to the national office would be reduced as well as reducing expenses for our CSI staff to visit chapters. This is not to mention their close proximity to Washington D.C. and the Congressional spend “like a drunken sailor” political ways.

Bottom line for CSI: You are taking from Peter (CSI regions) to pay Paul (our national office). Institute really needs to increase member dues to continue their standard of living. Unfortunately, they may have already figured out that our dropping membership situation does not warrant such an increase in dues. In the past, CSI staff demanded to stay in the Washington D.C. area to keep in touch with other trade association national offices. Wake up! This is a digital world. Send them an email to keep in touch. It is time for them to consider truly cutting expenses by moving to the center of the country. CSI members would greatly benefit by this move. And, the benefit would be a better standard of living for the CSI staff if a cost-effective location were selected.

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Annette Wren is a Business Management Consultant assisting privately held companies.
"Existing communication methods have done a good job of addressing most of the information exchange involved in construction. E-mail and electronic file transfer are commonly used between owner and architect, and between architect and consultants. One conspicuous oversight has been the contact between the design professional's office and the contractor in the field.

"Several computer programs are now available to dramatically improve the exchange of information between office and field. This type of program is so powerful and compelling that it may well be considered the "killer app" for construction administration, just as CAD became a killer app for producing working drawings."

The above quotation is from introductory paragraphs to "Killer Apps!", an article that appeared in the February 1999 issue of the Construction Specifier, and in the December 1999 issue of Doors and Hardware Magazine.

If you read the article, you will see that much of what was needed to greatly improve communication between the office and the field was in place at that time: file sharing, collaborative markup of documents, remote viewing of the project site, and audio communication. So what went wrong? Why no killer app?

Looking back, it's clear that many obstacles prevented realization of the potential of the new technology. We're so accustomed to relatively high bandwidth now that what we had fifteen years ago seems primitive. In 1999, 56K modems were still quite common, and 1.5M download wasn't readily available for a few more years. While today's Internet access is generally good, back then it tended to be a bit spotty. Two years after "Killer Apps!" was published, the Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter attempted an online chapter meeting, with Rob Dean (BSD), Ted Smith (ARCOM), Colin Gilboy (4specs.com), and Bob Johnson (then at RTKL), as presenters. The results, chronicled in "Murphy's Law strikes a Webconference!", demonstrated just about every problem there was with communication by Internet.

Computers were a lot slower then, too. Intel Pentium microprocessors were beginning to approach megahertz speed, a far cry from the multi-gigahertz chips we have today. Cost was another issue, and lack of imagination may have played a part.

The software discussed in "Killer App!" provided all the necessary features, but it was klutzy, and it took time to set up. And, although it was possible to set up a webcam to make remote viewing possible, it was inconvenient. The scenario described in the article, which had someone in the field trying to explain a problem to an architect back at the office could have happened, yet little has been done until recently.

Smart phones and tablets now make possible the personal, very portable computer that existed only in science fiction novels just a few years ago. No more brick-sized phones or suitcase sized computers! We're finally beginning to see computers on the construction site, but not as much as I would expect, and many of the possibilities remain unexplored.

The obvious use of a smart phone is to take a picture of a problem and send it back to the office. That allows the person in the office to see in real time what's going on, to ask for different views, and to talk about the problem. E-mail and messaging supplement the process, and some file sharing is possible.

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We are proud to present our exhibitors from our Construction Products & Services Expo 2012. This column will report on groups of them in each issue right up to the next show. Learn more about them right here!

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September 10, 2013

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Invitation:
• You are invited to participate as an exhibitor.
• Architectural seminars with AIA/CES credit prior to exhibits.
• Display your products for local design professionals, owners, contractors, facilities managers and others.
• Exhibit hours are 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
• Gourmet hors d’oeuvres passed during exhibit hours.

Reservation: Please make your check payable to the Orange County CSI Chapter. Upon our receipt of your check, you will then receive set-up details and location confirmation. No verbal, fax or credit card reservations will be accepted. For questions, please call Bryan Stanley (714) 221-5520 E-MAIL: bryan@tsib.org; or Gary Kehrier (949) 589-0997

Price of Exhibits: BEFORE, July 1, 2013 (Postmarked)
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Mini-Booths (8’ x 2-1/2’ table)........................... .$700.00 each
Booths (approx. 10’ x 8’).......................................$900.00 each

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Booths (approx. 10’ x 8’).....................................$1,000.00 each

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THE TOP TEN LESSONS THEY DON’T TEACH YOU IN ARCHITECTURE SCHOOL
2:00 – 3:00 PM

Trevor O. Resurreccion, Esq., CDT, will present on the top ten lessons learned from construction projects which have resulted in claims and lawsuits against architects and engineers. You will not learn these lessons in architecture school. Mr. Resurreccion is a partner with the law firm of Weil & Drage, APC in Laguna Hills, California and Las Vegas, Nevada. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Architecture with a construction management concentration. He represents design professionals and other members in the construction industry in mediations, arbitrations, lawsuits and appeals. You will not want to miss the “top ten” lessons!

WHO’S RESPONSIBLE FOR ADA AND FHA COMPLIANCE?
3:15 – 4:30 PM

Jean A. Weil, Esq., Construction Litigator and founding partner of Weil & Drage, APC, will walk you through the legal aspects of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Fair Housing Act (FHA), including how and by whom architects and other design professionals are likely to be sued for violations. She will also discuss new federal and state cases that dramatically affect liability for indemnity and contribution for damages associated with ADA and FHA violations, and how these cases impact the parties’ contracts. Finally, she will offer recommendations and risk management tips as to how to avoid being brought into such lawsuits.
ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS INSTITUTE

CONSTRUCTION PRODUCTS & SERVICES EXPO 2013

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013

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PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

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DANA THORNBURG CSI receives the CHAPTER DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD (the highest annual chapter award).

Installation of the 2013-2014 OCCCSI Board of Directors.

Bryan Stanley, CSI receives a President’s Award from President Mike Baker.

OCCCSI President Mike Baker, CSI

Joe Esquer, CSI receives a President’s Award from President Mike Baker.

KATHY GREENWAY CSI, CDT receives the CHAPTER CERTIFICATE OF MERIT.

Annette Wren, FCSI, CDT receives the Sam Drucker Memorial Award with Pete Thomsen, CSI (last year’s recipient) and President Mike Baker.

Installing West Region Officer, Ed Buch, AIA, CSI, CCS
OCCCSCI Annual Installation & Banquet

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New & Renewing OCCCSCI Members

Thank you to the following Orange County Chapter CSI members who have chosen to join our chapter or renew their membership (results through February 2013):

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- Baker, Webster
- Campbell, Devin
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- McAloney, Greg
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- Stephens, Matthew R.
- Tejeda, Juan
- Woods, Nathaniel
- Young, Sandra

Reflections on My First Term as a CSI Chapter Board Member

Nathan Woods, CSI, CCCS, LEED AP

Part 2

My main personal goal was simple: Increase the number of Architects that participate. I strongly feel that CSI has no meaning or value without architects and spec writers. There are only a limited number of spec writers, but there are lots of architects in Orange County. Currently our chapter is dominated by product reps. The Board is 75% product reps, with only two spec writers (one retired) and no other design professionals (besides myself). The product reps in our chapter pay for everything; they sponsor our events, fund our dinners, and provide much of the educational sessions, tours, and training. But who are they reaching with their efforts? Other product reps! This is not healthy, and it has to change for CSI to thrive. I had three key ideas on how to increase attendance among design professionals. Sadly, I have to be honest and admit that I did not fully accomplish my goal. Being on the Board doesn’t ensure that you always get everything done that you may want to, and that’s okay. The key is to try, to be engaged, to participate.

Idea #1 was to move the monthly CSI meetings to where the
OCCCSI Annual Installation & Banquet

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The tablet, with its larger screen, makes it much easier to view documents, and to see larger images. On the other hand, it’s awkward to use as a camera, and it won’t fit in a jacket pocket. A useful accessory would be a small, wireless camera that could be used more effectively, and also could be inserted into spaces too small for the tablet.

Both smart phones and tablets have one glaring problem - the glare and reflection that makes it difficult to see the screens in daylight. Looking ahead, something like the Google Glass will make communicating from the field even more convenient and efficient. Wearing such a device, the operator will have both hands free, allowing it to be used while climbing a ladder or crawling through openings, or even while driving. The integral GPS in all of these devices will show exactly where a picture is taken, or where to find anything that’s in the model.

Communication isn’t always from field to office, though. The person in the field can send photos or videos back to the office, and get drawings or other documents back. At some point, we’ll have either a small projector or a tablet with an integral projector, which could be used to project images onto a wall or floor, making it easier to lay out work and locate various items.

Crane operators will have tablets mounted in their cabs to receive information from the business end of the crane, and installers will use them to get project-specific information from the manufacturers. And anyone can be called into a conference at any time, with all parties seeing what’s going on, and having access to all related documents.

Another thing that we’ll see is independent of the device: linked documents. For example, clicking on a detail flag on a drawing will take you to that detail. Or clicking a revision note will take you to a document that explains the revision. Or clicking a material designator will call up the related specification section. That can be done now, but it will become automatic.

You don’t have to wait to start making better use of your smart phones and tablets. A number of companies offer apps that can make your life in the field easier. Here are a few to get you started:

• Vela Systems and PlanGrid provide file sharing and markup capability.
• LinkedPlans offers to link your documents.

Read about jobsite implementation of tablets in “Huge construction firm uses iPads and Apple TV to save millions.” We have the tools, now; let’s use them!

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architects are. Seems simple, right? Currently, the meetings are in or near the manufacturing district of the City of Orange, whereas, most of our design professionals are in Irvine or Newport Beach. The commute to Orange at rush hour is a deal killer for many. I was completely unsuccessful in accomplishing this goal. I think we need more design professionals on the Board to swing the vote on this one, but I think you will see a marked growth and increased health in the chapter should this move occur.

Idea #2 was to update our monthly program with topics of more immediate relevance and interest to working design professionals. I was helpful in this goal, but my influence was modest. This is partially because the Program agenda is planned out a year or more in advance, so it requires patience or a majority vote to make notable changes. As the sole design professional on the Board, I was able to influence some choices that really would not have been of value to the architectural community, but speaking candidly, there is more work to be done. I hope my successor can continue to work on tailoring the programs towards topics that are interesting to my fellow design professionals.

Idea #3 was to boost participation in the excellent certification programs offered by the CSI. I benefited from classes held long ago by John Regener, and found them of tremendous value. It is my hope and belief that hosting local training sessions for the certification program will attract more design professionals and improve the knowledge level of our community as a whole. A win for everyone! Unfortunately, my tenure on the Board coincided with an incredibly active work effort at the office, and I was unable to make progress on this goal, despite full support of the Board. I think a dedicated Certification Chair needs to head up this effort, and it does not need to be a Board member. Who’s up for the challenge!

What did I learn during my two years on the Board? I learned a lot! I strengthened my relationships within the CSI community, and learned a lot about how things happen within our Chapter, and I learned a little bit about the Regional and National levels as well. One of the unexpected benefits was that the West Regional chapter provided an excellent “New Leaders” training class that was very informative and helpful. Also, I was able to meet and interact with National leaders like Joy Davis, who is just amazing. I learned that Dana Thornburg makes AMAZING cupcakes. I also learned more about more about what’s involved in hosting the annual Product Show, and I learned a great deal about the history of the organization.

The historical info is of particular interest to you, dear reader (and future Board member). The current members of our Board have been in place for a long time and have an extensive memory of past efforts actions, and activities. This is of great value, but it is also an impediment to growth. The tapestry of Southern California has changed in recent years. There is now an Inland Empire chapter; the San Diego chapter is reinvigorated with fresh leadership. The LA chapter has evolved, relations with the West Region leadership are being re-established, and even the local AIA chapter has new leadership. There are new opportunities for OCCSI to interact with these organizations for the mutual health and benefit of all, but we need a new mindset within OCCSI to take advantage of it.

So I am calling on YOU, my fellow architects and design professionals, whether you are licensed or not. YOU can make a difference within the CSI. YOU can make it better, stronger, healthy and vibrant. Participate! Get involved, be active! Step up and be a part of it! Of all the things I learned, what I value the most is the opportunity to help make us stronger. My work is incomplete, but the tide is shifting, the currents are changing, and the time is ripe for YOU to engage in the process. I will support you all the way!
MEETING SCHEDULE AND INFORMATION

Make reservations by the Friday preceding the meeting. Call the Chapter Hotline at (714) 434-9909.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

**July 9**    OCCCSI Board Meeting (5:30 p.m.)
Thompson’s Design Center
1716 Case Road
Orange, California

**July 12**    Luau OCCCSI Meeting (5:30 p.m.)
WWCCA
1910 N. Lime Street
Orange, California

**August 1**    Newsletter Deadline

**August 13**    OCCCSI Board Meeting (5:30 p.m.)
Thompson’s Design Center
1716 Case Road
Orange, California

(No August Membership Meeting)

**September 10**    Construction Products & Services Expo
Marconi Automotive Museum & Foundation for Kids
1302 Industrial Drive
Tustin, California