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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Bryan Stanley, CSI



First and foremost, I would like to thank the OCCCSI for the opportunity to serve as your new president. I would also like to thank our immediate past-president Dave Brown for all his efforts during his tenure. Since my first board meeting as an observer back in 1998, I have often been impressed with the dedication and commitment many of my fellow members have for this family. Some members have no agenda other than promoting the chapter's growth at a time when technology allows us to learn, network and even socialize behind the comfort of our computer screen. Plus, there is nothing better to do living in Southern California right?

Back in 1998, I was a new architectural rep. I had a customer named John Diaz who gently persuaded me to join the Orange County Chapter and get involved. So I did. However, I am somewhat introverted (I really am) and felt like I was an outsider "crashing the party". Add to that my territory became much larger and gave me an excuse to not "get involved".

When I came to work for "The Bureau" back in 2005, I dedicated myself to a more active role with CSI. After all, my predecessors, Walt Pruter and Dick Gorman, had been active with CSI since the 1960's. A plaque given to them in 1964 by the Los Angeles CSI Chapter hangs in my office today.

Next thing I know, Royce Wise approached me and said, "We need a new board member". Then it was, "We need a new product show chairman". After several years my presidential calling arrived.

If anyone is still reading this "inaugural address", you probably have more information about me than you ever cared to know and maybe go as far as to say "this guy is a joke". Yes, I tend to be lighthearted and will continue to be. But, I do take this position seriously even if it might not appear that way.

When I became Product Show Chair, I didn't think I could do it. But, no one allowed me to fail. As I start a new chapter with this chapter, (that's awful I can't believe I wrote that down), I pledge to do the best job I can knowing that I still have the chapter's support that won't let me fail. It is also a great privilege to become President at the Orange County Chapter's 50th Anniversary Gala.

P.S. It's a good thing I ran as a Republican since the Gala is at the Nixon Library. Actually I'm an Independent but don't tell Richard.....



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WREN'S WESTERN OUTPUT

Happy Birthday OCCCSI!

By Annette Wren,
FCSI, CDT

Happy 50th to the Orange County Chapter CSI! For all those who came before us and are present now, we are going to celebrate this wonderful milestone. The most important thing is that the chapter is very grateful to everyone that empowered us to our 50th year:

- We are grateful to all of our former Presidents and Board Members who have given thousands of hours of volunteer service. Take a look at the list of our Presidents on page 5. There are countless other members who gave an unbelievable amount of volunteer hours that did not become President as well. We have a history of our former Presidents and Board Members continuing to serve throughout the years.
- We are especially grateful to those who allowed the chapter to use their office space at no cost. Thank you to Bill Blurock and the Blurock Partnership who were the first in my history of service with the chapter. What a location! It was right at the Newport Beach pier area. Bill even forgave us for burning off the finish on his board room table with a hot pizza box. That is, after we paid to refinish the table.
- Thank You to Lee & Sakahara who also hosted us for the next years and years. You were so generous with your offices, copy machine and employees who became chapter members. You allowed us to work late into the night when we needed to. We could not have survived at that time without your help!
- Thank you to Ken Thompson - Omega Products International, Thompson Building Materials, and Thompson Design Center! You host us in a huge way! We use your facilities for our Board meetings and committee meetings. Your employees are always helpful and many are chapter members. We use your copiers, fax machine, coffee machine, refrigerator, etc., etc. You make a place for our mail and archives. You always sponsor our events. No one who attended the West Region Conference in Huntington Beach will ever forget your boxing event as our banquet "centerpiece"!
- Thank you to all of the exhibitors that support our Construction Products & Services Expo (trade show & seminars) year after year. You make it possible for us to survive financially. Our yearly operating capital comes from your exhibit space fees. We so appreciate you!

Thank you to all Orange County Chapter members! Your membership keeps our primary mission alive: The Mission of the The Orange County Chapter of The Construction Specifications Institute, Inc. is to provide its membership with both the opportunity and a forum to share ideas and information openly with others in the construction industry; to promote improved preparation, delivery, and use of Construction Documents; to

WOLFE'S HOWL

Rules of Thumb

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

A huge problem that continues to grow is that we have too much information. When American architects formed AIA, 150 years ago, construction was much simpler. Mechanical systems hadn't changed much since the Romans used them 2,000 years ago. Since then, countless new materials and processes have been introduced.

Life was simple for architects of those early years, much of their time being spent detailing ornamentation. In 1905, a local university building of 112,000 square feet was built using a steel frame, with brick, marble, granite, and terra cotta. The construction documents comprised 58 drawing sheets and a 51 page project manual. By today's standard practice, hundreds of pages of drawings and a project manual is at least two volumes.

We all know that, at least in theory, today's designers must understand and comply with a growing collection of building codes, local regulations, and zoning requirements; they must keep abreast of the latest in building materials; and they must know what's in the standards published by many organizations. No easy task, this - in fact, it's impossible - so we focus on the big things and hope for the best. To keep things moving, we must carry in our heads the really important stuff, the rules of thumb. Following is a collection of such rules I have offered to young professionals for many years.

What to draw. If it comes in a box, don't waste time detailing it. Do spend time showing how it fits in. Example: Don't draw detailed sections of windows, with all of the pieces that make up the sash and frame; do make sure to detail how the window fits in the opening and how it is flashed.

Draw only what is needed; but draw everything that is needed. This takes a little thought, but helps the drawings get done right the first time. And, it helps the bidders, who don't have to wade through a lot of information that isn't necessary to find what it is we really want.

Where does the information go? People who work at the site don't even carry specs, let alone read them. Put the information they need on the drawings, and everything else in the specs.

Defined terms. If defined in the contract documents, the terms furnish, install, and provide can have distinct meanings. While the difference between furnish and install is fairly obvious, the common definition of provide is not, so avoid problems by using furnish and install rather than provide. In a single-prime contract, there is only one contractor, but there may be many subcontractors.

Drawing notes. General drawing notes often repeat, and often contradict, each other, as well as the project manual. Eliminate redundant notes. Use the same term for a given product

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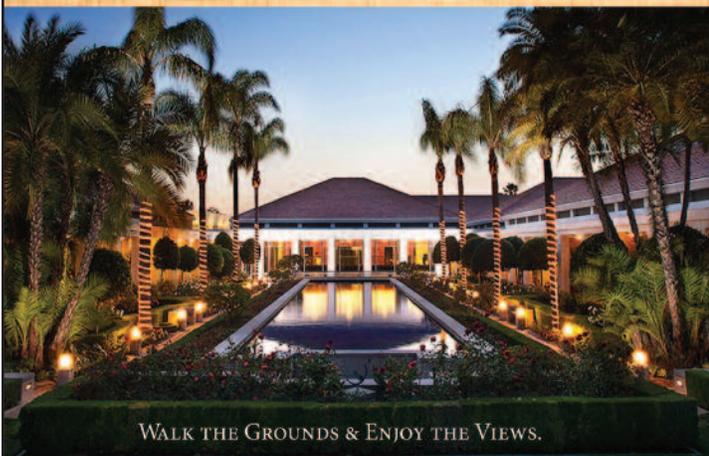
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California's Water Crisis Solutions

Session One:
Water Conserving Landscape Design
2:00 - 3:00 PM

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Session Two:
Southern California Seawater Desalination Projects
3:15 - 4:30 PM

Jonathan Loveland, PE, Vice President & Technical Services of Poseidon Water has over 16 years of experience in resolving a diverse range of water supply and treatment issues for municipal water districts and other public and private entities. He has been working on the development of multiple large-scale seawater desalination projects located in California. Poseidon Water, a company specializing in water project development, currently has two desalination projects being developed in Southern California - Carlsbad and Huntington Beach. In light of the current drought crisis, Southern Californians are becoming more aware of the need for alternative sources for pure drinking water. Desalination is a process that uses multiple steps to remove salt dissolved in water, purifying the water to make it safe to drink or use for other purposes.

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California's Water Crisis Solutions

Session One:

Water Conserving Landscape Design

Speaker: Bill Schnetz

2:00 - 3:00 PM

Session Two:

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3:15 - 4:30 PM

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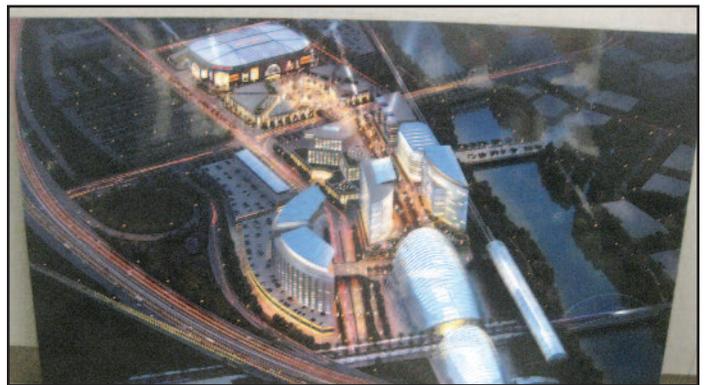
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By Ed Buch, CSI, CCS, AIA

New & Renewing OCCCSI Members

Thank you to all those members who have renewed their membership and have joined! Due to something that happened to our source of information, the national CSI office, we do not have complete data to list all those who have renewed or joined since October 2014. We truly apologize. To the best of our ability to cull data, we list the following Orange County Chapter CSI members who have chosen to join or renew their membership:

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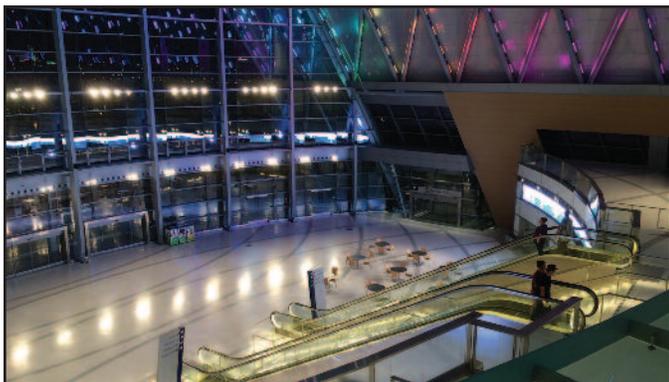
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WREN'S WESTERN OUTPUT

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recognize exceptional quality of professional endeavors; to promote and participate in the members' individual professional development and education; and to promote close relations and cooperation among its membership.

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WOLFE'S HOWL

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throughout; use the same term that appears in the specifications. Used too often, "Unless noted otherwise" suggests you don't know what's in your own documents; how can the contractor be expected to know? Why preface some notes with the word "Note"? Ask yourself what each note means. Example: "Fill with concrete and paint." Notes such as "fasten securely" and "see specs" are unnecessary. Don't use brand names. There is no need to say "Provide countertop" or "Install trim"; just indicate what the product is.

Assignment of work. That's part of the contractor's job.

Spelling.

I have a spelling checker, it came with my PC.
It plainly marks four my revue, mistakes I cannot sea.
I've run this poem threw it, I'm sure your please two no;
Its letter perfect in it's weigh, My checker tolled me sew.

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JULY 7

OCCCSI BOARD MEETING (5:30 P.M.)

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JULY 10

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