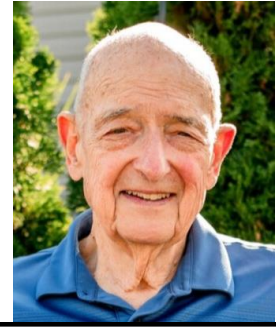


Donald Engelhard*, FCSI



*"[We do not have Engelhard's citation], you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on this 18th day of June, 1984."
Dallas, Texas*



DONALD "Don" GORDON ENGELHARD was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1931. In 1953, after graduating from Beloit College with a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology, he was drafted into the US Army, where he served two years. Along the way, he became interested in architecture, and returned to college at the University of Illinois, where he received his Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1959. Don moved to Cincinnati, and in 1967 joined the architectural firm of Gartner, Burdick, Bauer-Nilson (GBBN) as a project architect. He was appointed Production Manager in 1968, and became a principal in the firm in 1969. He later started his own firms, Engelhard Bauer-Nilsen, and Engelhard Architects, where he partnered with his son David.

After joining CSI in 1969, Don became interested in the Technical Committee, and 1973 he became chair of chapter technical committee and served as committee chair. He became a frequent lecturer at Cincinnati universities on the preparation, understanding, and use of Division 01 and Manual of Practice Documents, as well as participating as a speaker and panel member on technical documents at eight

Great Lakes Region conferences. He also presented to various other construction related associations in the Cincinnati area on specifications.

Don had a passion for technical documents, and was instrumental in promoting the development of the Technical Aid Series (TAS) Documents in the Great Lakes Region. He received the Institute's Technical Commendation for his efforts.

In 1979, Engelhard was the host chapter president for the 1979 CSI National Convention held in Cincinnati. He also was influential in starting the first CSI Cincinnati Trade Fair.

One of the interesting stories about Don occurred in 1953. Just out of college, newly married, and 21 years old, he and his wife wanted to know about designing a home, and sent a letter to Popular Mechanics magazine for help. He and his wife, Jane, were featured in the October 1953 issue of the magazine.

Engelhard passed away on 24 May 2024.

CSI Membership

Cincinnati Chapter, 1969

Institute Offices, Committees

Technical Documents Committee FY 1977-1978
Specification Competition, Chair FY 1978
SPECTEXT Committee FY 1981-1983, Chair 1983
Long Range Planning Committee FY 1983

Chapter Offices, Committees

Technical Committee, FY 1974-1976
Technical Committee Chair, FY 1973, 1976
Professional Director, FY 1976

First Vice President, FY 1976

President, FY 1980

Chapter Executive Committee, FY 1976-1982

Spring Regional Committee Chair, FY 1981

Program Committee Chair, FY 1983

Awards

Institute

Technical Commendation, 1978

Certificate of Appreciation, 1979, 1980

Region

Region Director's Award, 1978