

# **SPECTRUM**

**Newsletter of the Puget Sound Chapter CSI** 

# President's Message

David Landrey, CSI

What are Your Professional Study Goal(s) in 2016?

Dear CSI Colleague,

Happy New Year! As some of you know, I am a bit of a perfectionist. I love new ideas and new technology and revel in the process of turning ideas into tangible building materials. So I've put myself in a good niche of for that sort thing. I also dream of designing and building my own house someday.



For that task, I am probably the worst kind person to implement this dream. Transitional housing (i.e. living in the family RV) with cold showers, one bathroom, and construction delays caused by me pushing out my 9-month completion goal to a new finish date 24-months out! Clearly my wife and four kids would want me buried deep in my over-engineered concrete pile caps that support my over-sized grade-beams supporting the cantilevered, fiber reinforced concrete decks that span over the falling waters of my trout-stocked pond. Just me and Jimmy Hoffa, and the trout swimming above our bodies. This whole scenario had been contemplated by yours truly, but I decided it would (unnecessarily) become an unmitigated family and marital disaster. So, in the meantime, I decided to quench my perfectionistic tendencies by taking a structured course that will also help advance my knowledge and career goals.

<u>Plan with purpose</u>. Professional Study is not a resolution, but rather a continuous process to keeping YOURSELF current and sharp. Pick up a CSI workshop, on-demand webinar, or attend our chapter Tech Talks. Earn recognized credentials and help your confidence and career. So here's my vetted list to get you started with your professional study goal(s) in 2016.

The descriptions and links to actual courses and certifications are in order of increasing time and cost commitment. Information provided here is accurate as of December 2015.

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# **EVENTS CALENDAR**

2015-2016 ChapterProgram Topics January 14, 2016 UW/LCA Carbon Leadership Certifications

February 11, 2016 Joint Meeting -American Society of **FREE**. CSI has created its own **CSI YouTube** channel to give you some free courses and provide an overview of what's available as far as CSI credentials and prep courses.

https://www.youtube.com/user/CSIConstruction

**Low Cost. CSI On-Demand Webinars** help busy as professionals make the time to keep advancing your own construction knowledge.

**CDT On-Demand Prep Course** Take all eleven sessions on your own schedule for just \$175 with the CSI member discount. Use the link below to get the entire package and take the exam. With online instructors like Marc Chavez and Neil Davison tutoring and sharing their knowledge, you'll be inspired to grab a shot of espresso and hit the books! No excuses not to accomplish CDT certification in 2016. The exam will cost \$240 and the exams are administered through Prometrix in the spring and fall.

http://eo2.commpartners.com/users/csi/series.php?id=2825

CCPR On-Demand Courses Take all five sessions for \$235 with the CSI member discount. Use link below to register for the training sessions. All advanced credential exams will cost \$280 for early bird registration. Again, the exams are administered through Prometrix in the spring and fall. <a href="http://eo2.commpartners.com/users/csi/category.php?cat\_id=402">http://eo2.commpartners.com/users/csi/category.php?cat\_id=402</a> While CSI is the education hub for A/E/C professionals, let's not forget that we have some incredible resources in our backyard.

**REVIT Certification** at Lake Washington Institute of Technology - Take both Revit Architecture I and Revit Architecture II. Cost is \$1,250 (Includes all costs of books, tuition, and enrollment fees). Or, take one course for just \$650. Course numbers: ARGT 131 and ARGT 132

http://catalog.lwtech.edu/preview\_program.php?catoid=2&poid=169&returnto=43
University of Washington College of Built Environment-Construction Methods
& Materials II (CM 323)

Cost: \$1,625. Course offered in spring quarter 2016

http://www.pce.uw.edu/courses/construction-methods-materials-2.html University of Washington College of Built Environment **Certificate in Construction Management** 

Cost: \$6,750 for 9-month, in-person program, or \$5,250 (on-line, 14-month program). Both start in fall 2016.

#### http://www.pce.uw.edu/certificates/construction-management.html

In addition to the Certificate in Construction Management, the University of Washington also offers certificates in Green Stormwater Infrastructure Design and Management, Heavy Construction Management, Commercial Real Estate and Facility Management all approved by UW College of Built Environment. As a student, you'll have access and use of the UWs Wood Model Lab, Metal Lab, Digital Lab, 3-D Printing Lab, and Laser Cutting Lab. Holy fabrication, Batman! That all sounds too cool.

For our esteemed CSI Emeritus members and other seasoned veterans who have earned virtually all the credentials available from CSI, you're all natural mentors and instructors to the rest of us plebes. Please consider leading a

Professional Estimators

March 10, 2016 Joint Meeting -American Concrete Institute Washington April 14, 2016 Schools GC/CM Best Practices Panel Discussion May 12, 2016 Part 1: Biomimcry in **Building Design** Part 2: Risk Management with New Material Innovations June 9, 2016 Annual Awards Banquet July 14, 2016 UW Architectural Tour (Luncheon Meeting)

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certification course for the rest of us. We need your expertise. Backwards is not an option any of us can afford. Onward to 2016!

# January Chapter Programs

# January 14th Dinner Meeting: Integrating Sustainability into Specifications: Connecting the Dots and Near Misses

Location: Mirabella Seattle (116 Fairview Ave N, Seattle)

Time: Social Hour: 5:00-6:00 pm, Dinner: 6:00-6:30 pm, Program: 6:30-8:00 pm

Cost: \$40 members/\$45 non-members/\$25 students/\$0 sponsored

students (after 1/11/15, prices will be an additional \$10)

Welcome to the new year! Our January meeting program will be presented by Jennifer Frey, Sustainability Program Manager with Sellen. She will explain how to work as a team to integrate sustainable language into specifications to achieve improved goals and to mitigate risk and future changes. She will present examples of approaches that work and those that don't. If you have been struggling in this area, this meeting promises to offer you some ideas. So plan on attending. This is a great opportunity to bring a guest from your office to share what CSI has to offer.

### **Register for the January Chapter Dinner Meeting!**

#### January 21st Tech Walk: Walters & Wolf

Location: Meet at 4725 116th Street, S.W. Mukilteo, WA 98275

Time: 4:00 pm

Cost: Free, RSVP required

This January, join us as we tour Walters & Wolf's curtain wall manufacturing facility. Walters & Wolf manufactures unitized curtain walls and systems inhouse, so we'll have the opportunity to ask questions on the manufacturing process from start to finish. Bring closed-toe shoes and lots of questions.

#### **Register for the January Tech Walk**

Kelly Laleman

**Education**Melissa Balestri

**Membership** Brad Glauser

Nominations Ed Storer

**ProSpec**Julie Taylor

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**Chapter Meeting Quick Pitches** 



There are presently openings for 10-minute Quick Pitches for our February to June Chapter meetings. The cost is \$150. Any member or non-member can present. If interested, contact Dick Owen for questions or to reserve your date. This is a great opportunity to introduce our Chapter members to you, your products, or services.

# **ProSpec Update**



The **ProSpec** show, with its long and glorious history, has been scheduled this coming year on March 29, 2016 at the Bell Harbor International conference center.

Event sponsors and many exhibitors have already signed up to participate. So, if you are a product representative and are considering attending this year's show, you should sign up sooner rather than later. Exhibit space has been going quickly and might not be available if you delay.

This year our keynote speaker is **Toshiko Mori**, the Robert P. Hubbard professor in the practice of architecture at Harvard University's Graduate School of Design.

This is an opportunity to hear from talented colleagues and peers, taste appetizers, cocktails, and a wonderfully prepared dinner, and to be in attendance at this amazing location. This event should not be missed!



We look forward to seeing you there.



# Website Advertising Now Available!

Reach out and touch someone! ...with your Puget Sound Chapter CSI website advertisement. Every chapter event registration is done online and your company's name and logo can be right there for all to see. Extend your marketing in this ideal location by placing your advertisement on the website today!

In addition, our chapter newsletter, Spectrum, reaches over 700 self-registered recipients. These people WANT to read about our chapter, and advertising here is another great way to get your name and company branding known to all. Advertise now! Please see our Advertising & Sponsorship webpage for more information.

# New, Renewed, and Lapsed Members

The following lists are new, renewed, and lapsed members of Puget Sound Chapter CSI for the month of November 2015.

Be sure to say hi and welcome our new members when you see them. If you see a friend's name on the lapsed list, call them to let them know they need to renew. If you see yourself on the lapsed list, renew today!

To check your membership status, log into your Institute CSI Portal.

#### **New Members**

Peter Condy

Jeremy Fern, Keene Building Products

Jim Howard, HBB Landscape Architects

#### **Renewed Members**

Jenifer Lewis, Student - Lake Washington Institute of Technology, 3 years Terry Wildeboer, Isolatek International, 24 years

Ron Cook, United Tile, 34 years

Michael Galbraith, Lance Mueller & Associates, 21 years

Clarke Jewell, Olympian Precast, Inc., 16 years

Joseph Carvajal, 12 years

Ross Whitehead, Schreiber Starling & Lane Architects, 8 years

Douglas Diel, KDW Salas O'Brien, 27 years

Ben Shields, 3 years

#### **Lapsed Members**

Chad Brickner

**David Cinamon** 

Torin Mowbray, RD Coatings NW Inc.

Gabe Boettger

Vern Wigen Jr., DLR Group

Chris Rogstad, Window Tech, Inc.

Douglas Holderman, Assa Abloy DSS

Joe Russo, Malarkey Roofing Products

Marjorie Chang Fuller, Hoffman Construction

### **Due to Renew Next Month**

Dennis Dean Jr., KPG, Inc.

Jeff McIntyre, Rodda / Cloverdale Paint Company

Mike Murphy

Ron Ogden, R. J. Ogden Associates, Inc.

David Axt, Axt Consulting LLC

Andrew Estep, Puget Sound Chapter CSI

Dale Garrett, Contract Hardware, Inc.

J. Patrick Mitchell, J. Patrick Mitchell Architect

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# **December Events Recap**

Chapter Dinner Meeting By Kelly Laleman, CCS





The main event of December dinner meeting was the annual silent auction to raise money for Northwest Harvest. We raised \$1650 this year. Chapter president David Landrey also presented about the 2016 Dodge Construction Outlook, covering both the U.S. in general and Washington State specific trends. Overall, a new bubble is building, but we haven't yet reached the peak of the pre-recession time.

**December Tech Talk Recap** *By Melissa Balestri, CCS* 



During our December Tech Talk Homelessness What Can One Architect Do? Rex Holbein, Architect and Executive Director of Facing Homelessness, discussed his passion for helping and befriending Seattle's homeless. Rex started by featuring his friendship with Dinkus McGank, who recently had a birthday, and then moved on to Homeless in Seattle's Just Say Hello initiative, and ended with his newest project: a collaborative effort to house homeless in tiny houses in Seattle backyards. It was an inspiring hour. Many thanks to Integrus Architecture for sponsoring the room, and to the Mirabella for donating said room rental fee to Northwest Harvest. Rex requested birthday cards for Dinkus. If you'd like to send a card, please forward it to: Michael Nephew, c/o Dinkus McGank. 317 Marion Street, Apartment #129. Seattle, WA 98104. If you'd like to volunteer for the tiny house project, please contact Rex through the Facebook link above. And, this holiday season, please don't forget to just say Hello!

## **Election Time**

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



I remember being, as a new CSI member, somewhat confused by our election process. Having been a voter for many years, I knew that the US president did not take office immediately, but was a president-elect for a short time. So it seemed strange that, instead of voting for the next president of CSI, we vote for a person who won't take office as president for at least a year. The other

problem I had had nothing to do with the process; I simply didn't know who was running for office! But we'll get to that later.

Read more >>

## **Affiliate Events**

### 2016 West Region & NW Region CSI Conference

When: May 18-22, 2016

Where: Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe Resort, Incline Village, NV

Learn more and register!



#### **About CSI**

CSI is a national association of specifiers, architects, engineers, contractors, facility managers, product representatives, manufacturers, owners and others who are experts in building construction and the materials used therein. They are dedicated to improving the communication of construction information through:

- A diversified membership base of allied professionals involved in the creation and management of the built environment. Join us.
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- Education and certification of professionals to improve project delivery processes.
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