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UPCOMING EVENTS:

MEETINGS & EVENTS:

December 6, 2018
Chapter Meeting & Bowling
Woodway Country Club
Darien, CT

CONFERENCES:

November 8 – 9, 2018
Northeast Regional Conference
BoA – One Bryant Park
New York, NY

April 10 – 13, 2019
2019 Spring World Conference
Omni Shoreham
Washington DC

PRESS RELEASE

From: Art Ross, Director of Communications

Date: November 9, 2018

SIOR Fall World Conference

Denver, CT – Several members of the Connecticut/Western Massachusetts Chapter of SIOR recently attended the Fall World Conference held at the Sheraton Downtown Denver.

The Chapter was delighted to sponsor University of Connecticut senior majoring in real estate, Caci Rhuda, to attend the conference. Caci joined a number of other select student real estate majors sponsored by other chapters from universities around the country and the United Kingdom, along with 850 SIOR members, sponsors, and guests at the conference.

One of the highlights of the conference occurred during the Opening General Session. Mark Duclos, SIOR Global President Elect and Chapter member, moderated a lively discussion between CNN’s political commentator Paul Begala and Mark McKinnon, creator and co-host of Showtime’s The Circus. Friends for 35 years, Begala and McKinnon offered their perspective into today’s political and economic environment. Another General Session featured Admiral William H. McRaven talking about leadership and risk management in an ever-changing global community, using his Navy Seal training and command as vivid real-life examples. Admiral McRaven left his audience with an optimistic outlook by pointing out the capabilities, courage, and work ethic, of the millennial generation coming of age.



Chapter members L to R: Mark Duclos, Jeff Ryer, Bruce Wettenstein, Frank Hird, Caci Rhuda, Michael Guidicelli, and Art Ross



Mark Duclos, SIOR, CRE at Opening General Session

Breakfast Construction Panel

Wallingford, CT – The Connecticut/western Massachusetts Chapter of SIOR recently sponsored an industry breakfast panel at The Farms Country Club, on current and future trends in construction. David Genovese from Baywater Properties moderated a panel that included Scott Breig, Whiting Turner Construction; Melissa Sheffy, Network Interiors, Inc.; Guido Petra, Petra Construction; Phil Clark, Claris Construction; and Jim Rotundo, Godfrey-Hoffman Associates. Topics discussed ranged from shortages of labor, greater construction costs, increasing efficiencies by employing prefabrication initiatives, and the use of technology – 3D imaging and using interactive software to create concept designs. Over 40 real estate professionals were in attendance at the event graciously sponsored by the Town of Wallingford.



L to R: David Genovese, Scott Breig, Guido Petra, Melissa Sheffy, Jim Rotundo and Phil Clark

The Connecticut/Western Massachusetts Chapter is one of forty-eight chapters of the prestigious international organization, the Society of Industrial and Office Realtors. Commercial real estate professionals must meet rigorous requirements to earn the SIOR designation. SIOR, founded in 1941, has over 3,200 members in 685 markets located in 36 countries. SIOR represents today's most knowledgeable, experienced, and successful commercial real estate brokerage specialists. The SIOR designation stands unchallenged for excellence in the performance of real estate services, and is universally recognized as the prerequisite in the selection of a commercial real estate broker, agent, or consultant.

Please visit the Chapter's website (www.siorct.com) to find additional information on the Connecticut/Western Massachusetts Chapter, Chapter members, and upcoming events. Should you have questions or interest in the requirements and benefits of becoming an SIOR and joining the Connecticut/Western Massachusetts Chapter, please contact Stephen Press, SIOR at 203.288.1900 or John Reed, SIOR at 860.987.4788.

