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Chapter Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month and include networking hour, technical presentation and dinner. Board Meetings are regularly held on the first Tuesday of the month at Williker's BBQ Route 20 Shrewsbury, MA.

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CSI Worcester County Chapter Meeting

Treehouse Brewery Tour Program:

Date: **November 21, 2017** Place: **Treehouse Brewery** Address: 129 Sturbridge Road, City: Charlton, MA 01507 Time: 5:15 PM Meet & Greet

Tour: 5:30 PM

6:30 PM Pizza & Networking

Cost: **Members Free**

Non-members \$10.00

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President's Message

When I was in school at Syracuse University, my Structures professor Ray DiPasquale threw out an open invitation to anyone who wanted to come with him that evening to some "CSI" thing being held out at the Lemoyne Manor. A few of us had nothing better to do, so we showed up, not really having any idea of what this CSI thing was all about. Ray split us up and paired us each with an old-timer from the Syracuse chapter, who shared interesting war stories of projects they'd worked on, followed by a technical program and a meal. It was fun, but I never went back for another meeting.

Years later, after graduating and working a few years as a young architectural intern, I realized that all I knew at the time, was all I was ever going to know unless I sought more knowledge myself. There were no more teachers, no more classes, and the reality of professional practice and the knowledge required to succeed at that was markedly different than the design-based focus my college education had been. It was at that point that I recalled that group of like-minded industry professionals I'd met one time in Syracuse, who get together to share what they know and learn a little more. And so I joined the Worcester chapter of CSI.

Now, 26 years after people stopped formally teaching me things, I realize more than ever the need to keep learning. And what sets CSI apart from AIA, AGC or online CEU sources, is the ability to learn from others outside your discipline and develop a personal rapport or even friendship, creating a network of folks you trust and can turn to for advice and information.

I might not be here if Ray hadn't reached out and invited me. Know someone who might benefit from a little knowledge and professional connections? Invite them to a program – they're usually free and all are welcome.

Steve VanDyke, CSI Worcester Chapter President





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WCCSI Board of Directors meeting

10/3/17 @ Willikers Tex-Mex, Shrewsbury Ma

** Note, All Motions were voted on and accepted unanimously except noted otherwise.

Called to Order: Steve Van Dyke @ 5:07 pm

Attendees: Michael Lapomardo, Roland Barrett, Steve Van-Dyke, Neil Dixon, Ken Henderson, Mike Sheehan, Jim Olender, Peter Caruso, Marty Helly, Terri Bracken

1 Reviewed Minutes from the last Board Meeting:

Motion to accept August Minutes as submitted 1st Neil 2nd Jim

2 Treasurers Report:

Motion to file 1st Ken 2nd Jim

Mike L will sweep free cash into the "Funds" Account and leave \$10,000 in the Checking Account Budget for Coming Year:

Roland has submitted a First Draft of the Budget for our review. We will budget \$500 for Institute and \$500 for Regional conferences.

Forward any additional Budget Comments to Mike L.

3. Scholarship Planning

The Scholarship Sub Committee (Steve, Jim, Mike L and Mike S), met after the Oct BOD Meeting and will submit a report at the November BOD Meeting.

4. Website

Mike Helly has been working with our "Old" Website and is keeping it current and relevant. The New National Site is still experiencing issues.

5. Membership

Currently at 35 Members

Terri Bracken has 3 lists:

Membership

Local Non Members

Non Local Non Members

Terri will consolidate ALL Lists. Please submit any list you might have to Terri by Oct 6th for her review. admin@antonelliconstruction will continue to receive RSVP's for the October Drone Meeting.

Steve will be receiving Promo Pamphlets from the Institute and might work with Terri to develop our



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Marty will follow up on who the new Student is who joined.

6. Programs

October: Drones at Mount Carmel Church. Learning Credits are approved and a prerecorded film of the flight around the Church will be shown after the Live Demo. Program should start promptly at 5 due to daylight restrictions.

November: Treehouse Brewery Tour: Jen has confirmed with owner Damien. Capping attendance at about 30. CSI will buy Pizza and soft drinks. Attendees will buy their own beer.

December 8th: Holiday Party and Yankee Swap. Mike S and Mike L will assist Roland on the Planning. We have 8 weeks to find entertainment. Date has been confirmed with Leos'.

January: The Trials and Tribulations of BIM. Pete Caruso confirmed and will present a summary of the program to Roland.

February- Building Code? Waiting on 9th edition.

March- Tour of the new Railers Practice Hockey Rink

April- Mock Bid (Neil and Jackie are developing)

May- Commercial Fiber Concrete at the Sterling Plant.

Live Demo (Mike S)

June- Bravehearts Baseball Outing.

8. Academic Outreach- Steve:

- 1. Plan Presentation to FSU through Keith Chenot
- 2. Plan Presentation to WPI through Steve VanDessel

9. Newsletter:

Roland is ready with the October Edition.

10. Other Business:

Preservation Worcester offered an open house of Bancroft Tower, to any who played the scavenger hunt

11. Meeting Adjourned at 7:18 pm

Motion to adjourn 1st Jim 2nd Ken

12. Next Meeting: 11/7/17 Tues

Respectfully submitted: Michael Sheehan.



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Drones and Their Applications in Construction

By: Mike Sheehan, Secretary WCCSI

On October 17th, we were treated to a live demonstration of a drone flight over Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Worcester. Nassim Aoude, owner of Alpinax LLC, doesn't fly "Toy" Drones. With his background in Mechanical Engineering, Nassim designs, builds and flies drones for various industry applications. Today's technology allows Alpinax the



ability to survey, inspect, create virtual reality and take advertising to new heights, literally!

Alpinax is fully insured and licensed to operate unmanned aircraft for the purpose of providing services to their clients in the fields of architecture, engineering and to various contractors. In the concrete industry, I have witnessed drones recording large concrete placements in order to document the work performed. Nassim took us through a presentation describing airspace regulations, licensing, operation and all aspects of what it takes to manage a professional drone company. Alpinax, from Worcester Ma, is a perfect example of that type of company.



We invite you to visit their website, www.alpinax.com and check out the sample videos and view the products they offer.

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Thank You from a Scholarship Recipient

Dear Michael Lapomardo,

Thank you so much for selecting me for the WCCSI Scholarship. I would also like to thank the entire scholarship committee. It means so much to me that you and the WCCSI scholarship helped to fund my college tuitron. Thank you again!

Sincerely,

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Senseless security

How often have you seen a standard confidentiality disclaimer at the end of an email? An email I recently received ended with this:

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Even a simpler version, which appeared in an email I received while writing this, is a problem.

The information contained in this message is privileged and intended only for the recipients named. If the reader is not a representative of the intended recipient, any review, dissemination or copying of this message of the information it contains is prohibited. If you have received this message in error, please immediately notify the sender, and delete the original message and attachments.

I'm sure some legal department came up with these disclaimers and insisted they be included in every email, even though compliance with them interferes with marketing and use of their products. In both of the above examples, the email had information the senders expected me to pass on to the other specifiers as well as to our interior design group.

That's often the case; the senders don't say it, but they will be pleased if the information is passed on to others. Yet the disclaimer specifically prohibits that; in fact, it essentially says I can't even talk about it. Not only that, but it states that by doing anything other than deleting the email, I am breaking a law.

This is bad enough when the email does contain product information (though if it's on the company website, what's the point of the disclaimer?), but it becomes ludicrous when it follows casual email.

Joe: What are you doing for lunch today? Do you think Bob will want to join us?

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and videos (safe for work variety), clever sayings, and other amusing things found online. All are followed by his agency's standard disclaimer.

I can't help but wonder what the legal impact is of a disclaimer that is appended to every email regardless of content. I found several opinions online, most of which agree that in most cases, the disclaimer is meaningless, the exceptions being for email from attorneys or others whose messages are legally considered privileged communication.

Email Confidentiality Disclaimers: Annoying but Are The Legally Binding? "Dropping a standard confidentiality disclaimer at the bottom of every company email doesn't unilaterally force on a recipient any duty of confidentiality. In other words, this disclaimer is of no legal effect."

Spare us the e-mail yada-yada "Lawyers and experts on internet policy say no court case has ever turned on the presence or absence of such an automatic e-mail footer in America, the most litigious of rich countries."

Blind copying

On a related matter, many manufacturers' representatives send email using blind copy lists. Such information would be useful to the other specifiers, and to various other staff as well. Again, I know the senders would like me to pass their email on, but without knowing whom they sent it to, I am reluctant to forward it, as I know I will send to people who already have the email.

I understand the value of blind copying, and I encourage its use. If a manufacturer's representative wants to send something to a hundred specifiers, none of them will want to see the lengthy "to" list. It would be better for those on the receiving end if the rep were to send to people in a single company with the recipients visible.

The ultimate disclaimer

Scanning through my own email, I found several disclaimers that exceeded 100 words, and one of 238 words. Which led me to wonder, "What is the longest disclaimer?" I've seen fake disclaimers of several hundred words, and many years ago, inspired by a particularly verbose disclaimer, I assembled one that is about 1,400 words. But for real email disclaimers written by companies, there are some doozies, including one that ran to more than 1,000 words. (www.theregister.co.uk/2001/05/18/

the 2001 daftas longest email/) What's the longest one you've seen?

Links

Email Confidentiality Disclaimers: Annoying but Are The Legally Binding? www.businessattorneyinaustin.com/2014/12/annoying-email-confidentiality-disclaimers/

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Inspired by Ole Argyle?

By: Roland M. Barrett

At a recent Golf Tournament on October 7th at Shining Rock Golf Club, I was surprised by the outfit my son-in-law, Earl Wagner (pictured left), wore to the tournament. He and another player, Cort Francis (pictured right), came dressed in "Ole Argyle" tradition.

Ted would have been proud of these two keeping up the Ole Argyle tradition.



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Northeast Region of CSI News

The Region Nominating Committee is meeting to discuss nominees for Institute Director from the NE Region. This is sitting on the Institute Board (national). Its a two year term from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020. Time commitment is approximately 200 hours a year including approximately 4 trips. Its volunteer so no compensation but there is a budget for travel expense reimbursement. If anyone has any interest in being considered or wants to discuss let me know. Nominations are made now. Institute election occurs by membership ballot in February.

Marty Helly, Northeast Region President of CSI martyhelly@verizon.net



Institute Member Blog

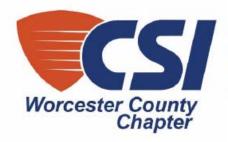
Is it Time for Change?

Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, Distinguished Member, CCS, CCCA, CSC, writes: "When I became a specifier in 1985, all of the projects I worked on used the "traditional" design-bid-build (DBB) delivery method. And ten years later, when I started my current job at BWBR, all we used was DBB. That shouldn't be a surprise because, at the time, there was nothing else, at least in the building construction industry." Read this blog.

Experience Mapping

Randy Nishimura, CSI, CDT, CCS, writes: "My colleagues and I like to think our firm (Robertson/Sherwood/Architects) is particularly good at helping the clients we serve develop a clear vision for their projects. In our minds this has always meant guiding the course of discovery and design, along which we very much expect our clients to be dedicated participants. Since our firm's inception, we've unquestionably believed in the value of design processes aimed at engaging as many stakeholders as possible, particularly during the earliest stage of each project. We regard our aptitude for architectural programming and attention to the needs of building owners, occupants, and operation & maintenance personnel as a strong suit." Read this blog.





DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF MODERN BREWERY FACILITIES TREEHOUSE BREWERY, CHARLTON

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Membership Report - November 2017

Worcester members November 6, 2017

34 members

26 professional

5 emeritus

1 retired

2 student

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