CSI Worcester County Chapter Meeting

Program:  Mock Bid Competition
Date:  April 17, 2018
Place:  Leo’s Ristorante
Address:  11 Truro Way
City:  Worcester, MA 01604
Time:  5:00 PM – Cocktails, Meet and Greet
       5:45 PM – Program—Free
       6:00 PM - Form Teams
       7:00 PM – Bids Due followed by Dinner
Cost:  $20 per person (Students Free)

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Please RSVP to Terri Bracken at neregcsi@gmail.com

Your Past, Present and Future

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.

9/19/17  Architectural Scavenger Hunt
10/17/17  Drones and their Applications
11/21/17  Treehouse Brewery Tour in Charlton
12/8/17  Holiday Party and Yankee Swap
          Featuring Comedian James Dorsey
1/16/18  Learning How to Implement BIM
2/20/18  Building Code—9th Edition Update
3/20/18  Tour of Railers Hockey Rink
4/17/18  Mock Bid Competition
5/15/18  Commercial Fiber Concrete
6/19/18  Bravehearts Baseball Outing
7/27/18  WCCSI Summer Open
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President's Message

You surely know that CSI is a national organization, consisting of chapters all across the country, but were you aware that the Worcester County chapter is part of the Northeast Region? Our region is comprised of chapters from Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Each year, one of the member chapters hosts a Regional Conference, and this year’s conference will be hosted by the Vermont Chapter in Burlington, Vermont on May 9 and 10.

Vermont CSI reports that the Regional Conference will be a robust event including a keynote address by Paul Doherty of the Digit Group about Smart Buildings and Cities, four technical seminars good for continuing education and their annual trade show with a conference center full of vendors. The cost of registration is just $150 for all the programs, banquets, cocktail parties and trade show. Details as well as application forms can be found at http://nercsi.com/conference/. If that doesn’t sound good enough, here are my:

Top 5 Reasons to Attend the Northeast Region:

1. Sharpen the saw. Dull blades don’t cut wood – you need a break from work one in a while, and may come away with a new approach to your old ways.
2. Networking. In a world of social media, making personal connections and expanding your list of trusted advisors is still best accomplished at a conference.
3. Kick the tires. Online research is great, but the trade show offers the chance to see things you may not have know existed, up close and in person, and have your questions answered right away.
4. Learn in a new space. When you’ve had enough Panera sandwiches at lunch-an-lears in that same old office chair, getting off site to a new venue can be a more engaging way to learn.
5. Have some fun. Burlington has a lot to offer apart from the conference and there are a variety of scheduled or unscheduled things to do in the evenings.

If you haven’t been to a Regional Conference, or any industry-related conference recently, you owe it to yourself to check this out. If you’ve been going to ABX year after year and think you’ve seen all a conference has to offer, you should check this out.

I’ll see you there!

Steve VanDyke, CSI
Chapter President
NE Region Conference - nercsi.com
**WCCSI Board of Directors meeting**

03/06/18 @ Willikers Tex-Mex Shrewsbury, Ma

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

**Called to Order:** Steve Van Dyke 5:05 pm

**Attendees:** Steve Van Dyke, Ken Henderson Neil Dixon, Michael Lapomardo, Mark Lapomardo, Mike Sheehan, Peter Caruso, Marty Helly, Terri Bracken

1. **Reviewed Minutes from the last Board Meeting:**
   Motion to accept February Minutes as submitted
   1st Mike L  2nd Pete

2. **Treasurers Report:**
   5.59% Since Inception
   Motion to File: I have no record of this motion

3. **Call List:**
   1. Sign In List: Ken is handling this and is using the Official AIA Sheet
   2. Starting this month, we will have an official “Greeter” at each function and they will sign in attendees:
      a. March  Peter
      b. April  Neil
      c. May  Mike S
   Call List: Once edited, Steve will re-distribute the List

4. **Website:**
   1. The Institute’s hosting of sites ends 3/31/18
   2. Beginning in April, our old Institute Address will be directed to our new. Org site.

5. **Programs**
   1. March- Tour of the new Railers Practice Hockey Rink. Mike S has confirmed and Steve has made a flyer. We will also handout the Mock Bid Flyer
   2. April- Mock Bid. Jackie and Neil. A minimum of 12 people will work for this. We might try a Buffet for this Event. This Program is already approved until October 2018 according to the Oregon Chapter, however, it is not approved for HSW.
   3. May- Macro Fiber Concrete at the Sterling Plant. Live Demo (Mike S) still on track. A quick plant visit, followed by dinner at J Anthony’s

6. **Regional Conference in Burlington VT**
   May 9-10
   Guest Speaker Paul Doherty
   Event will include a Chapter Presidents Orientation, CSI Workshops, Committee Presentations, 3 Technical Sessions along with food and drink.
   Re-imbursement is available. Approximately $1,000 to distribute among attending members.

7. **Membership:**
   Remains steady at 34

8. **Newsletter**
   Tabled until April…..Roland is out

9. **Scholarship Planning**
   Tabled Until June

10. **Other Items:**
    Mike S will remain the Chapter Director to the NE Region.

11. **Next Meeting:** April 3rd 2018

Adjourned 6:45pm Moved Mike S  2nd ken
Respectfully submitted: Michael Sheehan.
Sharpen your skills in construction risk identification, assessment, mitigation, and monitoring by joining your peers at the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) Academy on April 26 and 27 in Chicago. Learn from subject matter experts and share your experiences through highly interactive online and in-person sessions. This one-and-a-half day conference features two tracks of focused educational content - Project Conception and Project Execution.

**WHO SHOULD ATTEND**
- Architecture, engineering, and construction (AEC) professionals
- Individuals who are new to risk management
- Individuals who are implementing a risk management plan
- Individuals who wish to be familiarized with the general terminology and best practices

**LEARNING OUTCOMES**
- Expand your working knowledge of every step in construction risk management
- Understand the fundamentals of construction risk and how it affects different project phases
- Develop real-world strategies for addressing risk management in your projects, from risk identification and assessment to methods of mitigation and monitoring existing risks

**REGISTRATION:**
Registration is open to industry professionals, with discounts for CSI members. Space is limited.

- Regular Rate (3/1/18 to 4/10/18)
  - Member: $795.
  - Non-member: $1,070.

As part of the registration fee, participants will receive forms, templates, and risk management plan materials developed specifically for the Academy and up to 12 professional development hours (PDHs) towards CSI Certification renewal.

**REGISTER BY APRIL 10**
Fidelity Ice Rink Tour

By: Mike Sheehan, Secretary WCCSI

On Tuesday, March 20th, about 30 members and friends of WCCSI, toured the new Fidelity Ice Rink in Worcester Ma. The facility, located in the heart of Worcester’s Canal District, is a major part of the city’s re-development of the area. Conveniently located near the highway, it sits within a neighborhood filled with eclectic restaurants. The Ice Center itself boasts 2 sheets of ice, 2 restaurants, a rehab clinic, a gymnasium along with the Worcester Railers Team Merchandise Store. It hosts several college teams along with 2 private high schools. It runs hockey development programs and is the home practice rink for the Worcester Railers Hockey Club.

We had an up close and personal tour which featured discussions about the HVAC System, Ice Making Equipment, Hot Water System, along with a few comments about the challenges of building a project on top of a brownfield. After the tour, we enjoyed the use of a private room and a delicious light Italian buffet from Nonna’s restaurant.
Northeast Region CSI Conference

We have an amazing program for our members this year. In our initial mailings only 3 Worcester Chapter members have clicked through on the details.

President Obama and President Xi made time in their schedules to invite Paul Doherty to the White House to talk about BIM and Smart Cities. Don't let your members miss this opportunity to listen to, meet and talk with Paul in Burlington. He is working now on things we all thought were another generation or two into the future and is very happy to share his experiences and outlook with CSI members. Institute Executive Director Mark Dorsey will also be joining us.

The quick overview:
We start Wednesday at lunch, then have two pairs of sessions for leadership development and chapter issues. This is followed by a brief Institute Update and then we talk with Paul Doherty for the remainder of the afternoon. The evening includes a networking reception and a banquet with the Vermont Chapter's 50th anniversary celebration. Thursday features the ACXVT - the Vermont CSI annual product expo and education day in association with AIA VT. This year the education sessions focus on the changing workplace. The Region Board will meet Thursday morning before joining the activities at ACXVT. The expo closes with a cocktail party and dinner will be on your own Thursday evening. Our Region hospitality suite will be active in the hotel Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for after hours networking.

Online registration and hotel reservations can be made here: http://neresli.com/event/ne-region-conference/

See page 7 for conference schedule:

Hotel Reservations
A room block is being held at the Hilton Burlington. The room rate of $149 per night includes the guest room, complimentary parking, complimentary internet and continental breakfast.
Room reservations can be made using the Hilton online reservation page for the NE Region Conference

Hilton Reservation Page
or by calling the hotel directly at 802-658-6500 and using the Group Name: CSI Northeast Region Conference
Group Code: NERCSI

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Northeast Region CSI Conference Schedule

Wednesday May 9th

12:00 Welcome and Awards Luncheon
1:00 Congratulations Mr. President
1:00 More Than a Learning Unit
2:00 Certifiable Credentials
2:00 Not Your Father's Membership
3:00 Break
3:15 CSI Update/NE Region Annual Meeting
3:45 GAME CHANGER - Paul Doherty THE WORLD OF SMART CITIES
5:00 Break
5:30 President's Reception
6:30 Conference Banquet Vermont Chapter 50th Anniversary Celebration

Thursday May 10th

8:00 Breakfast
9:00 Northeast Region Board Meeting
9:00 ACX Keynote: Diana Nicklaus AIA Allowing Space for Culture Change in the AEC Workplace
10:00 Exposition Open
10:45 Economic Trends and Strategic Initiatives
12:00 Exposition Open - Lunch
1:30 Equity and the Future of Architecture
2:45 Exposition Open
3:45 Ownership Transition Planning
5:00 Cocktail Reception

Recognize Excellence Through CSI's Honors and Awards Program: Groups Submissions Encouraged

CSI's Honors & Awards Program is our highest honors and an opportunity to recognize members for their contributions to the community and industry at-large. Chapter members and others in your region who have made a difference in the construction industry and have supported the mission of CSI are prime candidates. Consider group submissions as a way to nominate all those who are deserving.

The 2018 Honors & Awards Guide is now available. Download it HERE.

Awards forms are available on the Honors and Awards webpage in word and writable PDF versions for your convenience. Please use either version to fill out the information, but note that all applications will need to be converted to a single PDF document for submission.

Submissions Process

To make submitting forms easier this year and to facilitate communication and responsiveness to applicants, CSI will be using a new online system to accept applications. The online portal for accepting submissions will be open by April 15 for submissions of applications and letters of endorsement.

Submissions Deadlines

- Submissions for awards will be due Monday, May 7, 2018 at Midnight Eastern
- Submissions for Outstanding Chapter Commendations will be due Monday, July 16, 2018 at Midnight Eastern.

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MOCK BID COMPETITION

WHEN: Tuesday April 17, 2018
5:00 – Cocktails, meet and greet
5:45 – Form teams
6:00 – Competition
7:00 – Bids due, program

WHERE: Leo’s Ristorante
11 Leo Turo Way
Worcester, MA 01604

COST: Program: Free
Buffet: $20 (students free)

Have you ever wondered what it is like inside a GC’s office on Bid Day? Come and learn what it is all about with some hands-on experience. Multiple bids coming in at once, are they complete? Who is low? Try to review the flurry of faxes and get your bid in on time as you compete against your colleagues for the most accurate bid.

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Membership Report - February 2018

Worcester members as of April 6, 2018
32 members
24 professional
5 emeritus
1 retired
2 student

Renewals: Thanks for Renewing:

Members needing to be renewed:
Mr. David Braune, CSI
Mr. Simon Braune, CSI
Mr. Michael Gorman, CSI, AIA
Mark Lapomardo, CSI
Mr. Jeff Nickerson, CSI
Anthony Oakman, CSI
Mr. Jim Olender, CSI, CCPR
Mr. Lawrence Tuttle, CSI

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