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11/20/18	Where Roof Meets The Wall
12/07/18	Holiday Party and Yankee Swap
1/15/19	TBA
2/19/19	TBA
3/19/19	TBA
4/16/19	Holy Name Turbine Tour
5/21/19	TBA
6/18/19	Bravehearts Baseball Outing
7/26/19	WCCSI Summer Open

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CSI Worcester County Chapter Meeting

Program: Worcester County CSI
Architectural Scavenger Hunt

Date: September 18, 2018

Time: 5:00 PM Orientation
5:15 PM Teams Depart

Place: Leo's Ristorante
11 Truro Way
Worcester, MA



The Worcester County Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute takes as one of its goals promoting education and communication of Best Practices in the Central Massachusetts Area.

Chapter members represent significant segments of the construction industry in the design, contracting, owner's representative, and materials supplier fields.

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Join the Worcester County Construction Specifications Institute, Preservation Worcester and Central Mass American Institute of Architects for an "Amazing Race" style competition to locate some of Worcester's historically significant locations. Solve the clues to find the correct destinations, travel to them and photograph your teammates at each location. Be the first team to return and you'll win prizes as well as bragging rights! Pizza and beverages will be provided for participants. This program is approved through the AIA for 1 Continuing Education Unit.



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Like many, my involvement with CSI has grown as the years have gone by. Early in my career, I'd attend programs sporadically, usually picking and choosing to attend only the topics that interested me. And usually the topics of interest were things that I knew about or dealt with but wanted to learn more about. Seemed reasonable at the time, after all, why would I want to learn anything about hospitals when we don't practice that kind of architecture? And that may sound familiar to you too. If you're a product rep for a floor tile company, why attend a program about windows? After becoming active with the Board, I began attending all of the programs to get a feel for what types were well-attended and what types weren't. But in doing so I came to realize that by attending only the programs of interest to me, I was missing out on expanding my own knowledge. I found new people to network with and formed new professional contacts outside of my area of specialization. While not immediately applicable to my work, I can tell you there have been multiple times that an opportunity has presented itself and I've been able to reach back to a person, a handout or notes from a program I may never have attended in my early days. This year we've got a bunch of great programs lined up. Starting in September, with our Architectural Scavenger Hunt; a team-based race to solve clues and find local destinations of historical significance in the City. In October we'll hear from Mike Traynor, the City's Chief Economic Development Officer about this Renaissance Worcester has been experiencing and in November we'll host "Where Roof Meets Wall"; a round-table discussion with contractors, product reps and specifiers about the difficult envelope details we all deal with.



Last week, we met at the Bancroft Tower and brainstormed Spring program ideas with several members. Some of the topics which came out of that meeting included:

- Specs: lessons learned from poor project manuals or discussion on whether specs will not exist in the future.
- Labor: the shortage of skilled labor and its impact on the construction industry.
- Historical: Where to begin when you're tasked with working on a historical building, and renovation techniques preferred by historical commissions.
- Code: A "jeopardy"-type game involving the code requirements of door hardware.
- Residential construction permitting, and what the current code requires.
- Spray fireproofing, possibly including a live performance demo at WPI's burn lab.

What interests you? We want to know! Send me an email at admin@naultarchitects.com and share your thoughts on any of the topics above or ideas for something we haven't even thought of yet.

Steve VanDyke,
CSI Worcester Chapter President
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WCCSI Board of Directors meeting

07/10/18 @ Willikers Tex-Mex, Shrewsbury Ma

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

Called to Order: Steve Van Dyke 5:14 pm

Attendees: Steve Van Dyke, Michael Lapomardo, Mike Sheehan, Peter Caruso, Neil Dixon, Marty Helly

1 Reviewed Minutes from the last Board Meeting:

Motion to accept June Minutes as submitted
1st Neil 2nd Marty

2. Golf Tournament:

1. We are approaching 100 golfers as of this report.
2. We are in fairly good shape with volunteers. Mike S will find a partner to hand out gift bags.
3. Banner: Mike Helly will design a CSI Worcester Chapter Banner and a separate "Summer Open 20th year banner.
4. Pictures of Mike Sr and Ted will be displayed.
5. Mike L will check with Roland on Village Photo
6. Sponsors: We had \$10,000 in Sponsors last year and we are currently just over \$5,000.

3 Treasurers Report:

Tabled

4. Programs.

Aug- Tour Bancroft Tower and have an open, Informal Gathering. (Steve) Aug 21 5pm to 7:30pm. We encourage guests. Tailgate, with pizza, and then head to Armsby Abbey for drinks if so desired. Susan, from Preservation Worcester, will lead the tour.

September- Scavenger Hunt (Steve)

Oct- Commercial Development and Planning, City of Worcester. Mike L will reach out to Mike Traynor Jeanette Tozer (WRA) will speak if Mike cant.

Nov- Marty and Pete will organize the program "Where Roof Meets The Wall". It will be a panel discussion, moderated by Marty and will include reps from Envelope (Commissioned Agent), Roof and a GC. Pete C is organizing.

Dec 7th Holiday Party

Holy Name Turbine Tour. Steve (Best to save for a warm month) April or May

Other Ideas:

Michelle Roberts- Insulated Concrete Forms and Dryvit Bricks



David Allor- OMG Roofing. New Member and CDT Student.

5. Construct: Long Beach, Ca October 3-5

www.constructshow.com promo code DM101. Marty and Corey Roberts (EDA) will be presenting a program on Envelope Warranties.

6. Membership:

We are currently at 29 Members

7. Newsletter

Tabled

8. Scholarship

1. A Motion was made to award scholarships to all 6 applicants 1st Marty 2nd Pete
2. Mike L will notify the recipients.
3. Moving forward, The Scholarship Committee will discuss with the BOD, clarifying the policy of "an award up to 5 years" and how this pertains to Community Colleges, 5 Year Bachelor Programs, etc.
4. It was noted that Mike Lapomardo Jr and Mark Lapomardo have done an outstanding job of organizing and managing the Worcester CSI Scholarship Golf Tournament.
5. A member of the WPI Endowment Fund will be presenting at our Sept 11th BOD Meeting.

9. Website

Golf Registration Form is in and Mike H is building out the Website.

10. Other Business

1. Continuing Ed: Pete C will assume the role of managing Continuing Ed Credits in Ken's absence.
2. The BOD reviewed Ken and Jim's call list and the names assigned to them have been given to other BOD Members.
3. The Golf Hat and Cooler gifts were reviewed and approved

11.. Next Meeting:

Sept 11th, 2018

Adjourned 6:40pm

1st Neil 2nd Peter

Respectfully submitted: Michael Sheehan.

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Tour of Bancroft Tower, Worcester

By: Mike Sheehan, Secretary WCCSI

On the afternoon of August 21st, we had the privilege of touring the Bancroft Tower in Worcester Ma. Our guide was Susan Ceccacci, author of *Living at The City's Green Edge, Bancroft Heights, a Planned Neighborhood in Worcester Ma*. Without going too deep into the Bancroft Family history, essentially, George Bancroft, former Secretary of the US Navy, among other things, was honored by his friend, Steven Salisbury 3rd with the development of a beautiful neighborhood and park. At the top of this wonderful property, stands a tower, modeled after an English Folly, or a structure placed within a property to resemble a significant item from the past; in this case, a castle in ruins.

In the early 1900's, the hill was relatively bare, providing unobstructed views. People would travel by horse to picnic and

enjoy the cool breezes in the Summer months, away from the downtown area. Today, some of those views remain, especially picturesque in the Fall. The park, owned now by the City of Worcester, is maintained and still visited by those who are curious and enjoy photographing the Tower, which is closed to the public, all but a few times each year, and boasts secret rooms along with fireplaces.

Aside from an interesting history lesson, which I encourage people to discover through Susan's book, our group discussed future programs, which might include; a discussion around the skilled labor shortage, a specifications presentation and a tour with Preservation Worcester in a historic building under renovation.

Please look for programs in our Newsletter that you might find interesting, and join us for food, drink and knowledge during our 2018/ 2019 season.



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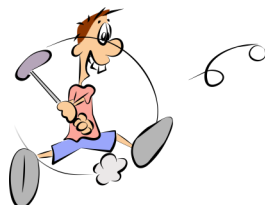
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Bridgewater State
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Mikayla Sheehan
Assumption College

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Kaitlin Travers
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Memories: TeamCS and MWGTW

Where has the time gone? When I retired, I thought I would have lots of time to write articles, but here it is, August, and I've sent only a couple. As I got closer to retiring, I asked all the retirees I knew what they did all day. The typical response was, "I don't know, but I'm always busy!"

As noted in this month's article, I spent some time going through old *Construction Specifiers*. My collection was not as complete as it could have been had I started saving them as soon as I joined CSI, but it did go back to the '90s. I went through each issue, looking for historical items. There wasn't as much as I had hoped to find, but much of that information was in the thin publications that were sent with most magazines for a long time. I had been keeping those, too, but when asked to reduce the size of my library several years ago, I threw them out. That was before I got interested in the history of CSI, so I thought the technical articles were far more important than the pieces about members and activities.

As I looked through the magazines, I picked a few at random and noted the number of pages and how many pages were used for advertising, technical articles, and so on. A future article will be about those statistics.

I also noticed that a relatively small number of topics were addressed in many technical articles. We keep publishing similar articles about similar subjects, they're sent to members who may or may not keep them (or even read them), and they're soon forgotten and lost. This represents a tremendous investment in time by the authors, by the editors, by the editorial advisory board, and by the members. Most of that effort ends up being wasted, and the members see little long-term benefit from all that work. I know that's the way it's usually done, but can't we do better?

It occurred to me that it would be a great service to our mem-

bers if all CS articles were again made available online. The current publisher, Kenilworth, has online archives going back to 2008, but hundreds more were published before that year. At one time, before Kenilworth became our publisher, all, or at least a great number of older technical articles were available online. No one seems to know what happened to them, but they probably exist somewhere.

It would be even better if a single master article for each topic were reviewed and updated each time that topic appeared in a new article. For example, rather than have to read twenty articles about how to select glass, a single master article, incorporating the information from the many articles that have been written about it, would address the issue.

[Here's this month's article.](#) It has a few images, but they shouldn't be a problem. Note that the first Mr. Wolfe Goes to Washington article is set off both by indenting and by horizontal lines above and below, to make it clear where it starts and ends.

As always, if you find interesting historical photos or documents, please email them to me.

If you go to the convention in Long Beach, look me up!

Sheldon Wolfe

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Membership Report - September 2018

Chapter Membership Report by Marty Helly

We'd like to welcome our newest members:

David Allor of OMG Roofing

Jacquelyn Baum of Dixon Salo Associates

We'd like to thank our members who renewed over the summer:

Peter Caruso of Lamoureux Pagano Associates - 3 years

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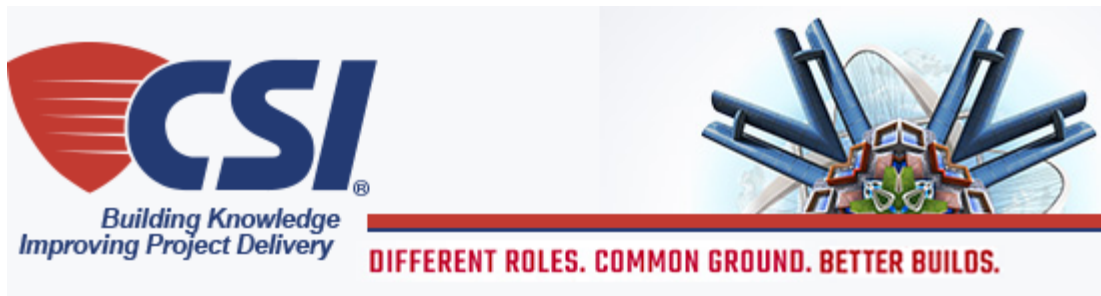
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