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As architects, builders, and product manufacturers we are always subject to many forces and influences. Economic cycles, architectural design trends, environmental concerns, codes and regulations, technology advances, education of new professionals, and current events all shape our industry and the buildings that we make.

There is a new emphasis on energy efficiency, new design and coordination tools in building information modeling, new construction products that reduce waste and improve the indoor environment — all of these and more come to our attention every day, and have the potential to make us better at what we do. Adaptation is the keyword that links us to the future.

The 2012 Annual Metro New York CSI Chapter Trade Show and Education Day will explore the ways in which you can contribute to better building. Come and learn with us, share your knowledge with us, and interact with others who share your quest for doing a better job of designing and constructing buildings.

Wednesday, October 10, 2012

Seminars: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM, Trade Show 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Architectural Mixer: 5:00PM to 7:00PM

Location: Metropolitan Pavilion, 125 West 19th Street, New York, NY

No Entry or Seminar Fees. Includes Lunch AIA/CES HSW and CSI CEN Learning Units (Choose from 5 Seminars though out the day)

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Different Meeting Date



September
Chapter Meeting

Wednesday,
September 26,
2012

Program: BIM Modeling and Integrated Product Delivery

Speaker: **William DuBois and Tom Lanzelotti, Gensler Associates**

We are all aware that BIM and IDP are on the horizon, but what does that mean to us today? What is the status of these paradigm shifts in the reality or our practices? How can we go about making the changes necessary to keep up with these industry changes? Who has successfully achieved these new concepts? These are a few of the questions that will be examined and discussed in an informal group exchange of experiences and ideas.

Date and Time: Wednesday, September 26, starting at 5:30 p.m. with a social hour. The dinner and program will start at 6:30 p.m.

Location: Inscape Showroom 414 West 14th Street, 6th Floor, New York, NY

Cost: Dinner and program are \$30.00. Please register in advance at

www.brownpapertickets.com/event/179842



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Speakers and Presentations

Keynote Speaker: SETH PINSKY

TOPIC: “The Role of Innovation in the Future of the Economy and how that affects the Construction Industry”.



Seth W. Pinsky was appointed President of the New York City Economic Development Corporation (NYCEDC) by Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg in February 2008, seven months before the collapse of Lehman Brothers ushered in one of the most significant economic downturns in generations. Since then, Seth has responded to the crisis by re-evaluating the agency’s strategy, seeking to position the City as the global center for innovation in the 21st Century. Seth’s efforts have included new programs aimed at helping existing City industries transition to new business models and attracting cutting-edge industries. Under Seth, NYCEDC has also worked to modernize NYCEDC’s property management portfolio and the City’s infrastructure, leveraging a \$2 billion capital budget devoted to basic

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infrastructure improvements, public amenities and area-wide development in neighborhoods such as Coney Island in Brooklyn and Hunter’s Point South in Queens.

TOPIC: “Really Cool Engineering Challenges in Working for the Largest City in the U.S.”

Kathryn Mallon, Deputy Director, NYC Engineering & Design Division



CEE alumna Kathryn Mallon, left, with EE&S chair Professor Charles J. Werth, pictured at the Levis Faculty Center, where Mallon delivered the keynote address for the environmental area’s Spring Symposium.

What do you do when a tunnel that provides half the water supply to New York City is leaking? What do a water treatment plant and the nicest driving range in the Bronx have in common? How do you increase sustainability in a concrete jungle with 8.2 million people?

Mallon, who also earned a master’s in environmental engineering from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, works for the New York City Department of Environmental Protection

(DEP) in the Bureau of Engineering Design and Construction. As Deputy Commissioner of the agency’s capital delivery program, she manages more than 400 staff focused on the design and construction of \$10 billion in water and wastewater capital work for the City of New York. In 2008, after nearly 20 years at MWH Americas Inc., an engineering consulting firm, Mallon joined the DEP, a move that has afforded her the opportunity to be involved in several lifetimes worth of ‘once-in-a-lifetime projects’, she said.

TOPIC: “Social Networking for the Architectural Professional”

Ms. Joy Davis, CSI, CCPR, Construction Specifications Institute



CSI Communications/Community/Web Director Joy Davis, CSI, CCPR, has been described as the “publisher” of CSI’s national web presence, the “voice of CSI” found in CSI e-publications, and the “ringleader” of CSI’s social media community. Davis helped develop and now manages the contents and day-to-day operation of CSI’s website, www.csinet.org. She also trains and supports leaders in the 65+ chapters that use CSI’s microsite

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LIKE IT IS/WAS

By Steve Blumenthal, FCSI

Like many things in life, things just happen or continue. Our Chapter is no exception. We have members who for years have always said "sure I'll do it". One such member is Fredrick Sylvester, better known as "Fred".

Many things can be said, perhaps the most important being his willingness to pitch in and offer as much assistance as he could. He chaired numerous committees, served on the Board and sponsored several information meetings. His participation at Region Conferences, not matter the host chapter, is without parallel. When the Chapter chaired a conference in the city, he was an active member of the committee and a greeter.

Fred did and still has a positive attitude about the Chapter and its purpose. He would always talk to new members and tell them what the Chapter was about. He presented programs as well as being a panel member. As a member of the Board he was an innovative contributor. If the name "Sylvester" rings a bell, it is because for the past (at least 25 years) he has advertised in the Addendum as the representative of Bobrick.

In short, since August 1, 1981 when he joined the Chapter he has continued to support the aims and purpose of the Chapter. Fred, no doubt, can tell us all stories of the past 31 years of membership. Should you be lucky enough to run into him at a meeting or tabletop introduce yourself, I did thirty-one years ago and very please I did..."Hi Fred".

Apparently when I mentioned a former member, Pat Zampetti, a few months ago there were several members who remembered him and gave me

additional tales about him. He is a Korean War (conflict) veteran with several stories. Like Fred and numerous others he too never said no. He was known as the guy who never asked for anything and always said yes.

He was an accomplished draftsman. Like several others in the Chapter he did not want to sit under the lamp every day and ask his supervisor "how do I get a job like those people calling on me". Fortunately his boss understood and introduced him to several companies. In a short time he was employed by a major handrail and corner guard company where he reviewed their schematics and in time moved into sales. What I found unique is he held the patents for hospital corridor rails and corner guards which the company purchased from him. In time he became Vice President of the company with additional responsibilities in Europe. Today he sits on his patio, with the two chairs, watching his plant outside Philadelphia. I don't know if he gets our mail but I called him and he says Hello to everybody.

But what about the Pat and the Chapter, where do you start. Like Fred Sylvester after him, and Pinkerton before him, he too did not know how to say no. If something was to be done it was "call Pat". He chaired numerous committees and was the go to guy of the '70s. In time he traveled extensively and was unable to devote very much time to the Chapter. He was a member of the Board and established, with his colleagues, numerous programs, some of which have been modified for today. He was program chair of the Region Conference hosted by the Chapter at the Bear Mountain Inn. His unforgettable smile was his calling card. When he greeted you at the door of a meeting, there it was.

He attended many conferences and Institute conventions and always invited his colleagues for the Chapter to his company party. Probably not known is that he was president Elect of the Producers Council besides being the Vice President of our Chapter. With his travels taking him to several countries he was unable to continue and participate with them and never became President of either.

There are many dedicated members today who have brought the Chapter into the twenty-first century like Fred and Pat. Russ and Linton, to name two, are always there assisting the Chapter and continually being the go to guys today. I enjoy putting this together and glad I had the opportunity to tell it like is/was. If you care to, drop me a line as asecsi@aol.com and tell it like it is...

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system. Davis has grown CSI's web community on LinkedIn, Twitter, Facebook, and in the blogosphere, where she works closely with CSI members to spread CSI's message. e Chapter. You can find her online at www.facebook.com/CSIJoy, www.twitter.com/CSIConstruction, or www.linkedin.com/in/JoySDavis. Davis was a newspaper reporter and editor before joining CSI's staff in 2002.

Topic: Importance of Mentoring and Professional Development for the Design Student

Rowan Georges, Associate Principal, Head of Specifications, SOM Architects

Architect Rowan Georges (B.Arch. '98), associate at Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill LLP in New York City, agrees with Mizrachi, Mentoring Manners 4, about the fierce job

market facing today's college graduates and the need for them to take advantage of mentoring and other professional development programs. "NYIT students are competing against some of the best schools in the nation," he says. "I like being a mentor because it gives me an opportunity to help people who are still figuring out their careers."



TOPIC: "Product Transparency (Material Toxicity)" By Bill Walsh, Executive Director Healthy Building Network

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On October 5, 2011, the Healthy Building Network is introducing Version 2 (v2) of the Pharos Project, its cloud-hosted, building product analysis tool, during Greenbuild 2011 in Toronto. Pharos v2 adds dramatically increased research and collaboration



capabilities to Pharos' unmatched comprehensive and independent evaluations of the environmental and health aspects of building products.

The new Pharos team tools enable design and specification teams to eliminate wasted effort and overlapping research by providing all team members - including clients and outside collaborators - seamless access to comprehensive research on the chemical and material properties of a project's building products. Because Pharos is cloud-hosted, design and specification teams have access to the latest, most up-to-date research at all times.

Bill Walsh, Executive Director of HBN, stated: "The initial version of Pharos enabled individual researchers to see through marketing claims and select safer, healthier building products and materials. With v2, we have significantly improved the user interface, and added a new suite of functions that make it possible to collaborate firm-wide and across project teams. Pharos v2 balances ease of use with unsurpassed levels of information, offering green building professionals an unrivaled resource for independent, data-driven building product information.



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Unique Facts

- A "jiffy" is an actual unit of time for 1/100 of a second
- The cruise liner QE2, moves only six inches for each gallon of deisel that it burns
- There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar
- The average person's left hand does 56% of the typing.

EDUCATION ANEW

by Ralph Liebing, RA, CSI, CDT
Cincinnati, OH

Part 1:

To be fully effective in communicating relevant construction information, the design professional must have an in-depth knowledge of contract documents [drawings and specifications, including Divisions 00 and 01]. Despite the crucial nature of this need [and in light of the evolving production technology], current academic instruction in such knowledge and information is all but totally lacking in the traditional 4-year institutions. This has created a disjointed array of information.

CSI, currently, is the sole organization that has access to, and inherent expertise in both specifications and drawing production [via MasterFormat, UniFormat, National CAD Standard, Uniform Drawing System, and other ventures]. It is therefore a force that can and should be able to more fully coordinate this instruction, to provide resources to academic organizations, to offer high quality instruction and instructional materials, and provide information relative to the concept and production of contract documents, in printed, electronic and oral[?] form. [verbal means written, really; I think you've covered it with printed and electronic]

Such broad-range service could also be brought to bear on the entire construction industry, and, coupled with the current certification and informational programs, increase the value and status of CSI to the whole of the industry.

Every construction project, whether architectural or engineering, progresses through a set sequence of events. There may be minor variations, but the basic sequence remains unchanged. Therefore, every person aspiring to be a design professional in the construction industry either through the Intern Development Program (IDP) for architects or the Engineer in Training program (EIT) for engineers, needs to understand this sequence in general terms, and the method of documentation in specific, but not necessarily detailed, terms.

Education on a specific topic begins at an established point and progresses as added information and expertise develops. Often topics require fundamental information even more defined. These usually are highly technical topics, involving a wide breadth of information, with a flexibility of application to varied situations.

Students, exposed to varied levels of knowledge and understanding, should be placed in appropriate classes that recognize their current knowledge and understanding — i.e., incremental education! The concept is to build the process step by step as the individual student progresses in knowledge, understanding and expertise— and in the case of an architectural /engineering topic like specifications, on a “need to know” basis.

This is not a time-oriented process, but rather one that addresses the value of the topic and data to the individual. To provide either too little or too much information, or information with too low or too high a technical content, will lead to confusion, misunderstanding and a situation where the individual is unable to properly utilize the information and perceive it as a waste of time leading to disinterest, boredom and discarding of the information.

Currently, the most egregious need, in the design-documentation sequence, is for fundamental instruction regarding drawings and specifications, and their interrelationship as Contract Documents. The instruction, such as it is now, is sporadic, uncoordinated, and lacking in well-founded knowledge and presentation. It is not inappropriate to speak in these terms, since there is no denying that design concepts [a primary development of architects] must be documented in a manner that facilitates their construction. Concept and conceptual language and terms need to be augmented and converted to those fully usable by the manufacturers, suppliers, fabricators and Constructors, on all levels.

[to be continued next month]



2 Chapters + 1 Golf Outing = Great Fun!



Long Island and Metro New York Chapters go golfing

This year the Metropolitan New York Chapter is teaming up with the Long Island Chapter to bring you the area's greatest Golf Outing on Tuesday, September 18, 2012.

The Golf Outing is the major funding source for our Chapter's Frybergh Scholarship Fund, building the Fund so we can provide better scholarships. This goal continues as we join the Long Island Chapter, which has its own scholarship fund.

Companies are encouraged to become sponsors, and everyone is encouraged to come out and play golf!

Date and Time: Tuesday, September 18, 2012, starting at noon

Place: [South Shore Country Club](#)
200 Huguenot Avenue
Staten Island, New York

Located just off Exit 4 of the West Shore Expressway (Route 440)

Each year the Golf Outing has been the major funding source for the Metro New York Chapter's Frybergh Scholarship Fund, building the Fund so we can provide better scholarships.

This year we are teaming up with the Long Island Chapter of CSI to produce an even greater event. Not only is the day a lot of good fun for everyone, it provides a boost to the future of our industry through scholarships awarded to architecture and construction students in the New York area!

12:00 Lunch and pre-game contest

1:30 Tee-off

6:00 Dinner and Awards

Be a sponsor this year! Sponsorship levels start at \$200, and go to \$400. To hear about sponsorship levels and to sign up to be a Sponsor, Contact Anthony Drummond

Make a reservation to play golf, send check to Anthony Drummond at 68 Barrett Avenue, Bayport, New York 11705. You can call Anthony at 516-480-8085 or e-mail him at adrummond@koroseal.com for more information.

Golfers

Cost per golfer: \$175

Cost per foursome: \$700

Cost includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, and dinner.

Make your reservation now.

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NAME: _____

NAME: _____

Cost per golfer: \$175.00 each. Foursome: \$700.00

Metropolitan Chapter CSI Monthly Schedule for FY 2012

September 26, 2012 - BIM Modeling and Integrated Product Delivery, Inscape - 414 West 14th Street
October 10, 2012 - Education Day & Tradeshow, Metropolitan Pavillion, 125 West 18th St, NY, NY
November 14, 2012 - Specifications 101, Grohe Showroom, 160 Fifth Ave, NY, NY
December 12, 2012 - Holiday Party, Annie Moore's Restaurant, 50 East 43rd St, NY, NY
January 9, 2013 - The Product Rep and the Architect, Hafele Showroom, 25 East 26th Street, NY, NY
February 13, 2013 - Specs, Div 1 and the Contractor, Tandus Showroom, 71 Fifth Ave, NY, NY
March 13, 2011 - The Golden Rep, Dupont Showroom, 49th West 23rd St, NY, NY
April 10, 2013 - The Construction Process, Daltile Showroom, 49 East 21st St, NY, NY
May 8, 2011 - Networking Live, location TBA
June 13, 2011 - Annual Meeting and Awards Night, Annie Moore's, 50 East 43rd St, NY, NY

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