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Meeting Information

2010

**Wednesday
April 14, 2010**

NYC Code Changes; Greening the Code

Annie Moore's Restaurant
50 East 43rd St
New York, NY

Starting at 6:00 PM

**Wednesday
May 19, 2010**

Skanska USA Building Tour

Annie Moore's Restaurant
50 East 43rd Street
New York, NY

Upcoming New York City Code changes; Greening the Code

The Building Code of the City of New York, having just undergone a major shift to using the model code that the rest of the United States is using, will soon see additional changes matching those of the national code. Energy use is the focus of these changes and we will hear details on how the revised Building Code will affect design and construction in the City.

PRESENTER: Yetsuh Frank, Director, Programs & Policy at Urban Green Council. He is a LEED Accredited Architect and AIA member with over 12 years of professional experience in the design and construction of buildings. As Director of Programs & Policy he is responsible for the development of educational programs and advocacy initiatives that promote green building in and around New York City. He is Chair of the LEED 2009 Regionalization Task Force for the Northeast Corridor Region. Prior to joining USGBC New York he was an Associate at Beyer Blinder Belle Architects & Planners, where he led the Sustainable Design Group and managed a series of high profile projects including the Tutu Center, the Sports Museum of America and the Geothermal Well Field infrastructure project for the General Theological Seminary in Manhattan- the largest geothermal well field in the region. In 2007 Yetsuh was selected by the Climate Project to be among the 1000 volunteers trained by Al Gore to present his slideshow on the global climate crisis. He received a Bachelor of Architecture from the University of Oregon in 1995 and presents regularly on green building issues to a variety of organizations.

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President's Message

First, I have some great news for you: our very own Chapter member (and Immediate Past President) Scott Tobias has been elected to the Board of Directors of the national CSI. Scott has worked hard for the Institute and we know from our own experience in New York that he will continue to contribute to our organization for many years to come. Please join me in congratulating Scott on his election.



All we have are just glimpses of Spring, and already we're making plans for the Summer and beyond! But there are some activities just around the corner that will get us out of the office for a while, and I encourage you to take advantage of them.

This month's program is on Upcoming New York City Code changes; Greening the Code, a presentation on the code changes that you will need to know about if you do business in the city. Like cities and states all across the nation, the City of New York is incorporating sustainability in the code itself. Our speaker is Yetsuh Frank, Director, Programs & Policy at Urban Green Council.

Though we have barely said goodbye to winter, it is time to plan for the warmer days ahead. Many of us will be going to the CSI National Convention and Construct 2010 from May 11 through 14 in Philadelphia. Stay tuned if you might be interested in riding to the convention on a chartered bus with some of your fellow CSI members. The Metro New York Chapter, along with the chapters from Long Island and New Jersey will be going down to Philadelphia for those who want a single-day experience of the conference and trade show. The planned cost will be about half of what Amtrak will charge.

Our May Chapter meeting will be moved back one week to May 19 to avoid conflicting with the convention. It will be a tour of the Skanska offices in the Empire State Building, which is a LEED Platinum interiors

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project. This program is limited in the number of people who can attend, so keep your eyes out for the announcement since it will be first-come, first-served.

Be sure to mark June 9 for our annual Awards Night and Officer Installation extravaganza, and July 13 for the annual Chapter Golf Outing at the South Shore Country Club on Staten Island. You won't want to miss either one!



Linton D. Stables, III, CSI, CCS, LEED® AP

Chapter President

May 19 Site Tour: NYC Headquarters of Skanska USA Building, Inc.

The Metro New York Chapter joins with our fellow members in the Long Island and New Jersey Chapters for a joint meeting. We will be visiting the offices of Skanska USA Building on the 32nd Floor of the Empire State Building in Manhattan. The Skanska office has been awarded a LEED Commercial Interiors Platinum certification. The tour will end with dinner afterward. The date is a week later than our normal meeting date to avoid a conflict with the CSI national convention in Philadelphia.

The offices employ an underfloor air system, natural daylighting, sensor-controlled lighting systems, low VOC-

emitting materials, locally-sourced and recycled materials, location near public transit, Energy Star-compliant appliances, waterless urinals, low-flow toilets, and hand-sensing faucets. The Skanska offices use 35% less energy than ASHRAE standards call for and have reduced water usage to 40% below Energy Policy Act standards. Skanska (as the builder) recycled 80% of the construction waste and preserved 40% of the non-structural interior components. Recycled products were used throughout the office, and 28% of materials were manufactured within 500 miles. The Forest Stewardship Council also certified 89% of the wood-based materials used throughout the office.

Tour Start: Empire State Building, 350 Fifth Avenue, New York; meet in Lobby.

Start Time: 4:30 p.m. Note that this is earlier than our usual meeting time.

Dinner: 6:30 p.m. at Annie Moore's, 50 East 43rd Street; program will include a discussion of the Skanska office design, and conclude with short reports from the three Chapter presidents. The tour and the dinner are a package and cannot be reserved or paid for separately. Cost is \$30 per person.

Reservations: Required. There are only 40 places for this tour, and the first 40 who sign up will have a confirmed reservation. Reservations will ONLY be paid-in-advance. Reservations will be through Brown Paper Tickets ONLY, and will open at noon on Thursday, April 15. Reservations will close at noon on Monday, May 16, so that the final list of attendees can be compiled for security reasons. Brown Paper Tickets accepts MasterCard, American Express, Visa, and Discover. www.brownpapertickets.com/event/82006

April 14, 2010 Chapter Dinner and Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 14, 2010

Time: 5:30 Reception, 6:30 Dinner and Program

Place: Annie Moore's Restaurant, 50 East 43rd Street, New York

Make a Reservation:

Upcoming New York City Code changes; Greening the Code

Everyone is welcome to attend. Please register for the program by clicking on the icon below. Register even if you are going to be paying for your dinner on January 13 with check or cash (sorry, no credit cards at the dinner):

www.brownpapertickets.com/event/82006



**Metropolitan New York Chapter of
the Construction Specifications Institute
2010 Official Election Ballot [FY 2011]**

The following members, in good standing, have been nominated by the Nominating Committee for the offices shown. Place an "X" in the appropriate box to cast your vote. Ballots should be returned to Russ Carpenter, CSI by: fax to **516-293-4511** or email to **Massbldr@aol.com**,

No later than April 18, 2010.

New officers will serve effective July 1, 2010 with
Immediate Past President Scott Tobias, CSI, CCPR

Directors Anthony Drummond, CSI and Bert Korteling, CSI, CCPR.

VOTE FOR SLATE

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

- Linton Stalbes, CSI, CCS
- write- in vote _____

OFFICE OF VICE- PRESIDENT

- Susan Kaplan, CSI
- write- in vote _____

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- Arnold Kravitz, CSI
- write- in vote _____

OFFICE OF SECRETARY

- William Dubois, CSI, CCS
- write- in vote _____

OFFICE OF TREASURER

- Russell Carpenter, CSI, CDT
- write- in vote _____

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR (Chapter)

(Term Expires end of FY 10) (Vote for two)

- Ruma Som
- Dennis Italia
- write- in vote _____

Your Signature: _____

**Frybergh Scholarship Continues Our
Commitment to Education**

Do you know of a student who could use \$3,500 toward education expenses? The Chapter is offering a scholarship to a student in the field of architecture and construction in the New York area. This year's scholarship should cover books and supplies for a year.

The Francis L. Frybergh Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Francis Frybergh for his tireless efforts on behalf of the Metropolitan New York Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute. Applicants for the scholarship must be majoring in an architecture- or construction-related

field in the New York City area, must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, and must have completed the sophomore year of college by the time of the award.

If you know of a qualified student, please have them contact the chair of the Scholarship Committee, Linton Stables, Perkins Eastman Architects, 115 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003, e-mail:

L.Stables@perkinseastman.com. The application forms can also be downloaded from the Chapter web site. The application must be completed and returned by May 31, 2010, via postal mail or email. The scholarship award will be announced during the annual awards dinner on Wednesday, June 9, 2010. The individual will also be notified separately.

“ADAPTING BUSINESS TO SUCCEED”

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.

The economy has forced us to be more efficient in our design and construction. New emphases 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. Change is the keyword that links us to the future.

The 2010 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, September 15, 2010

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

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

Location: AIA New York, 536 LaGuardia Place, New York, NY

No Entry or Seminar Fees, includes Lunch

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(Choose from 5 Seminars though out the day)

For more information please contact:

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LIKE IT IS / WAS..

By S. Steve Blumenthal, FCSI
Former Institute President

By now your aware Scott Tobias has been elected to the Institutes Board. This was not a shoo in but rather an election from within the Institute across the nation. He ran a quiet tell it like it is campaign. From what I hve been told by colleagues across the country it was a gentelmans election. Scott as you all know is a leader in the Chapter and has been a member of the Institutes Board representing the Northeast Region. His election represents the structure of the new CSI Board. No longer will there be 27 members at a Board meeting in time it will reduced to much less members.

Scott and his colleagues have a massive task to attend to if he asks for help tell him okay. These tasks like most Associations relate to the budget, membership, service to the membership, new programs and like any companyt cost and income control. He comes to Alexandria with three years as Region Director experience that no doubt will be most important and usefull. He will never admit it but the postiion is time consuming and requires a great deal of reading and understanding.

Scott is on the path of another Chapter member who was an Institute Board member for twelve years. In my view he will continue on when his term is completed and set a standard for the new composure of the Institutes Board. I submitted rather than my typical article for all to be aware of Scott and the job he has taken on. In closing I only ask Scott to be his own man. if I can be of any help call.....



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Convention Registration Now Open!

Registration for CONSTRUCT2010 & The CSI Annual Convention is now open. Coming for the education programs? Registration options include the full education package, a daily package, or individual sessions. This year's convention, May 12-14 in Philadelphia, is developing into the best in years. The [education program](#) features four days of classes, most of which earn continuing education credits. Topics covered include:

- Building & design
- Business
- Leadership
- Process
- Standards
- Stewardship

We'll also hold your favorite networking events, including:

- Opening general session featuring a keynote by [Bjarke Ingels](#)

- Welcome reception
- Region caucuses
- CSI Honors & Awards Gala

We'll also hold special activities for CSI leaders, fellows, students, emerging professional, and practice group members. See the [schedule-at-glance](#) for all of the activities and events.

Convention [housing](#) is also open. There are a variety of accommodations and rates available. All of the host properties are within walking distance of the Pennsylvania Convention Center where convention events will take place.

The CSI Philadelphia Chapter invites you to enjoy cocktails and traditional Philadelphia fare at one of the most architecturally notable sites in the city – The Fairmount Water Works. In addition to a rousing team game of Quizzo, you'll have time to stroll along the Schuylkill River and surrounding Water Works and Art Museum grounds. A National Historic Landmark, the Water Works features the best views of the city, the Philadelphia Art Museum, and Boathouse Row. The event will take place Thursday, May 13, 7pm-10pm. Pre-registration is required and tickets are only \$25. • [Learn more or register.](#)

Register today at www.constructshow.com and we'll see you in Philly!



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Annual Golf Outing

DATE: JULY 13, 2010

TIME: NOON

THE PLACE: South Shore Country Club, 200 Huguenot Avenue, Staten Island, NY

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

Once again the time has come to think about spring, good weather and of course GOLF. Each year for the last seven years, the Golf Outing has been our major funding source for the Fryburgh Scholarship Fund. Each year, we contribute more to the scholarship fund to be able to provide better scholarships. Not only does the day provide lots of good fun for everyone, it provides the dollars for the Chapter to award the scholarship each year!

Last year we fell just short of 100 that's right, 100 golfers!! Some sponsorships are still available. Sponsorship costs start at \$100, the most is \$500.

Sent in you reservation form as soon as you can

**Reservations can be mailed to: Anthony Drummond, 68 Barrett Avenue,
Bayport, NY 11705**

**For more information contact Anthony Drummond at 516-480-8085 or
adrummond@koroseal.com..**

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February 10, 2010 - How to Make a Presentation - Annie Moore's Restaurant
March 10, 2010 - Using Innovative 3D/4D Tools for Construction Planning - Annie Moore's Restaurant
April 14, 2010 - New York City Code Changes; Greening the Code - Annie Moore's Restaurant
May 19, 2010 - Skanska NY Headquarters site Visit, LEED Platinum site
June 9, 2010 - Awards Dinner - Annie Moore's Restaurant
July 13, 2010 - Chapter Golf Outing - South Shore Country Club, Staten Island. NY
September 15, 2010 - Trade Show & Education Seminars
October 13, 2010 - Information Technologies in Modern Buildings

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