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June CSI Houston Chapter Awards Program

Don Ude, CSI President CSI Houston Chapter

Please help us celebrate our Chapter's 52nd year by honoring and recognizing the many contributions and accomplishments of our members and the chapter over the past year.

We will also install our new officers and help them kick off the upcoming year.

This years annual awards banquet and ceremony will be held Monday evening June 28, 2010 at the HESS club.

Social Hour begins at 5:30 \$35.00 per person; Retired past CSI Houston Chapter presidents gratis.

Coming in July . . .

The presenter for the July CSI Houston Chapter program will be Scott Weber, South Central Region Sales Manager for American Olean. His presentation is entitled "Ceramic Tile Fundamentals".

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June 2010

President's Message

by Don Ude, CSI

It hardly seems like a year has passed since I took the position as President with CSI Houston. This year has been interesting and rewarding for me and I must say it has been a pleasure to serve in this capacity. As I look back I have many people to



thank for their service and hope to acknowledge their efforts at the Awards Dinner on June 28, 2010.

One thing that I am personally looking forward to is the presentation of the scholarships to three well deserving students. Our new Foundation Board has done an excellent job of bringing these efforts to fruition. I hope to see all of you at the dinner and hope that all of our past Presidents will be able to attend.

I recently attended the CSI National Convention in Philadelphia. At the Annual meeting I represented the Houston Chapter and received the Outstanding Chapter Award. We have reached the Bronze level for receiving this award, which I believe is the ninth consecutive year.

Additionally, at the recent Regional Conference it was also approved to furnish a booth at the Texas State Architects Convention in San Antonio in October. We are looking for volunteers to help man the booth. If you going to be in attendance please consider volunteering for a few hours and help recruit new members to our organization. If you can help in any way please contact Kathleen Liles for

more information and sign-up times. In conjunction with the TSA, the Region is coordinating the semi-annual Regional Conference to take place at the TSA Convention. This is an excellent opportunity to get our message to the Texas Architects and bring them into a Texas Chapter to help increase our presence in the construction field.

Once again I thank you for the opportunity to serve you and look forward to seeing all of you at the Awards Dinner on June 28, 2010.

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CSI Houston Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

Location: HESS Building

5430 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas

April 26, 2010

Present: Amy Salmeron, Betsy Finch, Bill Fairbanks, Bob Cook, Brett Wilbur, Christopher Quinten, Chuck Vojtech, Di Ann Reid, Don Smith, Don Ude, Doug Frank, Holly Jordan, James Sandoz, Kathleen Liles, Lance McHaney, Lisa Murray, Mark Koehler, Tanner Spears, Tom Atwell

President Don Ude called the meeting to order at 4:10 a.m.

The April 2010 Board Meeting minutes were approved, as amended.

REPORTS

Member Services: James Sandoz

Programs: James Sandoz

James reported Christopher Quinten will be the chair for the Programs Committee and Janet Babineaux will assist Christopher.

Membership: Chuck Vojtech.

No report.

Awards: Amy Salmeron

Amy reported she has the awards list and Chuck has provided information on where to purchase.

Finance/Administration: Bob Cook

Bob reported the bank balance is approximately \$8,840 and that he is handling the checking account at this time. He mentioned he needs to meet with Harold to review the budget list to clarify certain line items.

Treasurer's Report: Harold Woolard

No report.

Table Top Display: Don Smith

Don reported two tabletop displays reserved for the April chapter meeting and one display reserved for the July meeting .

Public Services: Lisa Murray

Lisa discussed the Constant Contact RSVP test she ran, features of the program, monthly cost. The cost is \$10.50 per month for the RSVP service, total \$21.00 per month for Constant Contact. She also mentioned csi@ymail.com will still be available to use if someone is having trouble with Constant Contact. Lisa would like to have the RSVP available for the May meeting. Bob Cook "moved that we adopt the Constant Contact RSVP for our online RSVP service". Motion was seconded and approved. Golf Tournament: Tom Atwell

Tom reported Holly Jordan will be handling the golf tournament and he will meet with her in the near future to discuss .

SPEC.tectonics: Don Smith

Don reported the April issue had been posted to the website. He also mentioned he is working on the May issue, that he still needs some information such as the president's message and he has received a new ad listing to include in the newsletter.

Electronic Communications: Jerry Abendroth

Lisa stated that the new national website and our links are not correct and she will ask Jerry to check on it.

Professional Development: Brett Wilbur

Brett reported he was supposed to receive funds from Barry Norwood, Prairie View A&M Career Fair Day.

Continuing Education: Mark Koehler

No report.

Academic Affairs: Justin Boone

No report.

Public Relations: Tanner Spears

Tanner reported our CSI monthly chapter meeting notice has

been posted in Construction News.

Certification: Holly Jordan

Holly stated she will email the class information for the upcoming certification to Don Smith to include in the newsletter.

Technical Committee: Brett Wilbur

Brett reported the second part of his article has not been published and he is checking on the status.

Scholarship: Frank Bain

Don Ude reported three candidates have been approved for scholarships and the presentations will be made at the awards banquet. The scholarships are for \$2,000 each. Also Brett will assume the position of treasurer for the Foundation.

New Business:

Sandcastle Competition: Brett Wilbur

Brett reported no one has stepped up for the Sandcastle Competition and that a suggestion was made at the April planning meeting to take the funds appropriated for the Sandcastle Competition and use the funds for the awards banquet. Brett "moved to take the \$200 from the Sandcastle Competition and apply the funds to the awards banquet". Motion was seconded and approved.

Awards Banquet

Holly suggested getting a group together to make decorations for the banquet. Brett "moved to have Holly's girl scout troop make the decorations". Motion was seconded and approved. Board members discussed whether past presidents should have to pay to attend the awards banquet. Past presidents and spouses were not charged in the past. Bob Cook "moved to not pay for past presidents, only pay for retired past presidents". Motion was seconded and approved.

CTE/Seminars: Di Ann Reid, Don Smith

Di Ann reported the CTE was scheduled for May 5th at the Crown Plaza/Brookhollow. Four rooms were reserved, four sessions scheduled from 9 AM to 3 PM. The cost to the individual is \$75 for the four sessions, including lunch. The guarantee to the hotel was for 50. The expenses could run \$2,500 for the four rooms and lunch and other items including tips, coffee. There is one commitment for a product table at a cost of \$200. Discussion from the board members followed concerning the date only one week away and if there would be enough time to get the notice out. Bob Cook "moved to proceed with the date and allocate \$2,500 for the CTE Expo". Motion failed. Doug Frank "moved to approve \$2,500 to fund the CTE Expo at a date to be determined". Motion seconded and approved. Don Smith will notify Robert Popp with Division 7 Solutions of the change and Lisa Murray will also notify CSI members.

Houston Election:

The proposed slate of officers was elected by the membership.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Betsy Finch, CSI, Chapter Secretary

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Texas Adopts 2009 IECC

Effective April 1, 2011, Texas has officially adopted the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) for commercial and industrial construction in the State of Texas that is not single-family residential construction. The 2009 IECC rules covering single family residential construction will take effect January 1, 2012. Additional information about these rules can be found at: http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/sos/adopted/34.PUBLIC%20FINANCE.html#627.

The IECC® covers new construction, additions, remodeling, window replacement, and repairs of specified buildings. The Residential portion of the Code applies to buildings that are detached one- and two-family dwellings and buildings that contain three or more dwelling units and is three stories or less in height above grade. Commercial buildings are covered as well. A building is considered to be commercial when it is over three stories in height above grade or when it is below three stories and is not a residential building.

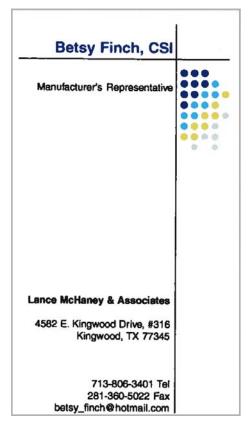
The Code provisions are intended to ensure the design of energy efficient building envelopes. They also address the energy efficiency of elements that do not affect the building envelope, such as mechanical, water heating, electrical, and lighting equipment. The envelope requirements focus on insulation requirements for ceilings, walls, and floors and on thermal conductance of windows and doors.

The effect of the 2009 IECC is expected to require commercial and residential building construction that is approximately 15 percent more energy efficient that construction required by the 2006 IECC and help the environment by reducing emissions associated with building operation.

Let's move forward together!

... Just My Opinion

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