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## **JULY MEETING**

### **PROGRAM:**

### **PLACE:**

H.E.S.S. Building  
5430 Westheimer

### **TIME:**

5:30 P.M. (Registration and  
mixer)  
6:00 P.M. (Evening Meal  
and Awards Meeting)

### **DATE:**

MONDAY,  
JULY 26, 2010

### **COST:**

\$30.00 Per Person; Free to  
CSI members.

### **RESERVATIONS:**

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## **July CSI Houston Chapter Program**

### **Scott Weber American Olean Tile South Central Regional Sales Manager**

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You will also learn how glass and metal are expanding the design capabilities of standard ceramic tile.

Moisture content and maintenance factors, both short-term and long-term, will be discussed.

Standard testing methods for determining the slip-resistance of commercial tile will also be reviewed. T

This presentation will address recycling of tile materials as it relates to compliance with LEED guidelines.

Finally, determining the best setting materials for your tile selection will be covered as well.

## **Coming in August . . .**

The presenter for the August CSI Houston Chapter program will be John Striednig, Regional Sales Manager for Laticrete International. His presentation is entitled "Exterior Façade Solutions."

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# July 2010

## President's Message

*by Thomas Atwell, CSI, CDT AIA*

First, thank you again for the opportunity to serve as your Chapter President for the next year. I am looking forward to maintaining and growing the CSI Houston Chapter during the next twelve months.



Like many other chapters around our state and country, we will be facing several challenges in the coming year. Here are just a few areas we need to address:

- Finances
- Maintaining current membership
- Acquiring new members
- Keeping committees energized

These challenges became more apparent after visiting with other CSI Chapter leaders recently at the National Convention in Philadelphia. The down economy is having an effect on almost everyone these days. We will definitely have to tighten our belts a little this year and possibly make a few deviations from the past procedures.

I am confident that we can handle these and other challenges, but this cannot happen without the hard work of our members, the various Committee Chairmen and their committee members, our Vice Presidents, and the Board of Directors. Please accept my gratitude for all your previous efforts and those to come.

Last, our Awards Banquet on June 28<sup>th</sup> was a great event; good food, drink, and fellowship. But best of all was seeing our three young scholarship recipients in attendance. Thanks again to Frank Bain and the CSI Foundation for making these scholarships happen. Also, a special thanks to our outgoing President, Don Ude, for all his hard work for the Houston Chapter.


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At each monthly meeting, the Chapter encourages Industry Members to provide a table top display of their products and services for the inspection and education of those attending the meeting.

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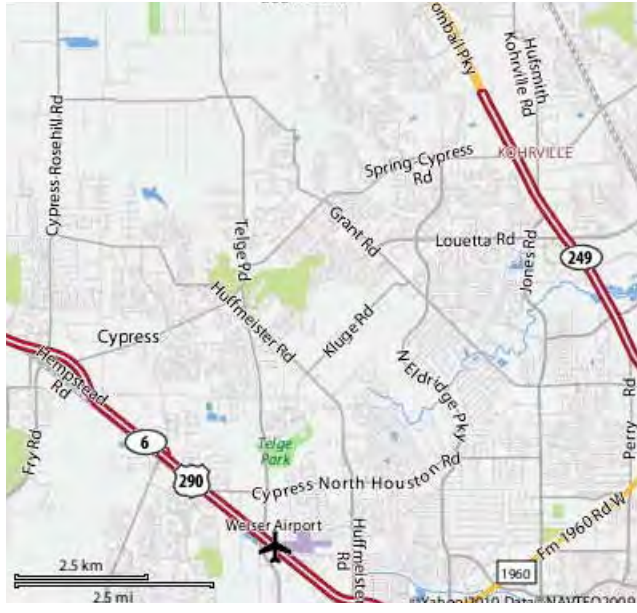
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## CSI Awards Banquet, June 28, 2010

### Please Welcome the 2010—2011 CSI Houston Chapter Officers and Directors



Standing, Left to Right: Lance McHaney, CSI, Director through 2011; Bill Fairbanks, CSI, CCPR, Director through 2011; Doug Frank, FCSI, CCS, Director through 2012; Betsey Finch, CSI, Secretary; Don Smith, CSI CCS, AIA, LEED AP, V. P. Finance/Admin., SPEC.tectonics Editor, & Tabletop Chair; Mark Koehler, CSI, V. P. Professional Development & Cont. Education Chair; Holly Jordan, CSI, CCS, LEED AP, SCIP, Director through 2013, Certification Chair, & Golf Tournament Chair; Lisa Murray, CSI, CCS, LEED AP, V. P. Public Services; Di Ann Reid, CSI CCS, CCCA, LEED AP, Director through 2012, CIC Delegate, & CTE Chair; James Sandoz, CSI, CCS, AIA, LEED AP, V. P. Member Services; Robert M. Cook, CSI, AHC, Chapter President-Elect; Thomas Atwell, CSI, CDT, AIA, Chapter President

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Frank Bain and Scholarship Recipient, Yoeloki Amador



Lisa Murray & Lance McHaney



Frank Bain and Scholarship Recipient, Joshua Robbins



CSI members showing off two of the many bird houses



Frank Bain and Rick French Award Recipient, Brian Briscoe



Members and guests at the awards banquet



Holly Jordan shows off some of the many bird houses design and constructed by her Girl Scout troops



Bill Fairbanks, Ruth Trudeau, and Don Smith



James Sandoz presenting the Craftsmanship Award



# Membership Chair Report

By Chuck Vojtech, CSI, CDT

Houston Chapter Statistics

**Member Type:**

**Total:** 163 (100%)

**Associate:** 20 (12.3%)

**Industry:** 53 (32.5%)

**Industry Emeritus:** 1 (0.6%)

**Intermediate:** 9 (5.5%)

**Professional:** 73 (44.8%)

**Professional Emeritus:** 1 (0.6%)

**Professional Lifetime:** 1 (0.6%)

**Professional Retired:** 1 (0.6%)

**Student:** 4 (2.5%)

We would like to recognize our newest members who have joined thus far in 2010:

Vidyasagar Adapala – University of Houston

Eric Banks – BASF Corporation

Heidi Bouley – Parex USA

Ricardo Charles – Charles Industrial

William Dauphin – Sika Sarnafil

Alan Day – Rulon Company

Randy Farmer – Childers Carports & Structures

Charles Jacobs

Michael McKenzie – Pella Windows & Doors

Robert McKim – Isolatek International

Jeff Megow – Floor Zone LLC

George Pontikes Jr. – Satterfield & Pontikes Construction

Stephen Richardson

Keisha Robinson – Dow Commercial

Timothy Silkmitter – Assa Abloy Door Security Solutions

Donald Vernon – Headwaters Construction Materials

Bryan Waters – FKP Architects

We would also like to recognize members who have celebrated anniversaries with CSI in the month of June:

William Hutz – 15 years

Allen Robbins – 5 years

Everyone is encouraged to reach out to colleagues, co-workers, customers, vendors and students to join CSI.

There will be a new member orientation before the chapter meeting on July 26<sup>th</sup>. All new members and prospective members are encouraged to attend.



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8:00am Shotgun Start  
12:30pm Lunch & Awards

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# CSI Houston Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

**Location:** HESS Building  
5430 Westheimer Road, Houston, Texas  
May 24, 2010

**Present:** Betsy Finch, Bill Fairbanks, Bob Cook, Chris Jones, Christopher Quinten, Di Ann Reid, Don Smith, Don Ude, Frank Bain, Gary Shirley, Holly Jordan, Kathleen Liles, Lance McHaney, Lisa Murray, Mark Koehler, Tanner Spears, Tom Atwell

President Don Ude called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

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

## **REPORTS**

**Member Services:** James Sandoz

No report.

Programs: Christopher Quinten

No report.

Membership: Chuck Vojtech

Chuck informed board members CSI bucks gift certificates were not available at this time, and he would provide Amy with his information for the Craftsman Award.

Awards: Amy Salmeron

No report.

**Finance/Administration:** Bob Cook

No report.

Treasurer's Report: Harold Woolard

No report.

Tabletop Display: Don Smith

Don reported there would be one tabletop display for the May chapter meeting and PPG has one tabletop reserved for July.

**Public Services:** Lisa Murray

Lisa reported the online registration went well, was a good test and the monthly fee is \$17 instead of \$21. Lisa informed the board members that CSI is offering a CSI micro site demonstration and she will ask Jerry to check it out.

Golf Tournament: Holly Jordan

Holly discussed the upcoming golf tournament scheduled for September 27, 2010 regarding the budget, a visit to the course prior to the event, setting up a link for online registration, checks should be sent to Bob Cook. Lisa will ask Jerry to set up a link for registration.

SPEC.tectonics: Don Smith

Don reported the May issue was posted to the website and there were a few corrections that he sent on to Jerry.

Electronic Communications: Jerry Abendroth

No report.

Public Relations: Tanner Spears

Tanner requested the title for the July program for posting in the industry newsletters.

**Professional Development:** Brett Wilbur

No report.

Continuing Education: Mark Koehler

Mark reported he could email the certificate for the April meeting if anyone is missing the certificate.

Academic Affairs: Justin Boone

No report.

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.

**Scholarship:** Frank Bain

Frank reported Brett's signature card had been set up. He also reported the three scholarships would be awarded at the awards banquet. Holly will call Fran French to invite her to the banquet.

**New Business:**

CTE/Seminar: Di Ann Reid

Di Ann reported she is planning on the second week in August for the seminar, location is the Crown Plaza Hotel and she and Don Smith are working together on the arrangements.

CIC Delegate: Di Ann Reid

Di Ann attended the CIC meeting and reported the change in building code for 09 was still before the committee.

Craftsman Award

Tom Atwell distributed photos of the mural being installed at Texas A&M at Galveston. Tom "moved to nominate the mural for the Craftsman Award". Motion was seconded and approved. Tom will invite the artist to the awards banquet.

Outstanding Chapter Award

Don Ude reported while attending the CSI National Convention in Philadelphia he accepted the Outstanding Chapter Award as the representative for the Houston Chapter.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by

Betsy Finch, CSI, Chapter Secretary

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## “Strictly SMITH-ly”

by Donald F. Smith, Jr., CSI CCS AIA LEED AP

### 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 than construction required by the 2006 IECC and help the environment by reducing emissions associated with building operation.


Let's move forward together!

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