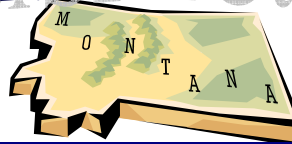




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Big Sky Chapter News

CSI Northwest Region Conference
August 23rd – 26th, 2007
Salem, Oregon
Information following the President's Spec's
pages 8, 9 & 10
See you at the Conference.

Membership Growing in Montana

The Big Sky Chapter of CSI held its Board meeting May 24, 2007, in Billings, MT with members participating on the Webinar type "Go To Meetings" program. Some of the topics discussed were, CSI Convention attendance, which two members and one spouse will be represent the Big Sky Chapter. Big Sky's development of a chapter website using Membership pipeline to market and build the chapters growing image in Montana. The launch of this website is expected in June 2007. The main point of this board meeting was to introduce the "Go To Meeting" program to its members and get more members involved with the chapter discussion. The Student Affiliate Chapter at Montana State will hold meetings at Montana State's Strand Union Building (SUB); to sign up membership as one of the opportunities for interested students to join CSI.

Honors and Awards Program

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The Institute Honors & Awards Program has a long-standing tradition of recognizing talent, achievements, and notable contributions to the construction industry that support the mission of CSI. We are proud to recognize those who have supported the Institute's mission and goals by furthering the advancement of the process of creating and sustaining the built environment for the benefit of the construction community!

Winners for CSI's 2007 Awards Program have been selected!

2007 CSI AWARD WINNERS

Ben John Small Memorial Award~

Raymond Sluzas, CSI, CCS, CCCA, AIA, LEED AP

Environmental Stewardship Award*

Dagmar B. Epsten, CSI, CCS, AIA, LEED AP
HGA Architects & Engineers

Construction Technology Award*

Building Systems Design, Inc.
Tremco, Inc.

Distinguished Service Award~

Casey F. Robb, FCSI, CCPR, LEED AP

Robert P. Brosseau Memorial Award~

Robert W. Simmons, BS, CSI, CDT, CEO

Andrew J. Drozda Memorial Academic Affairs Commendation~

Gene R. Fosheim, CSI

Service Commendation*

Charles B. Hendricks, CSI, CDT, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP
Los Angeles Chapter Education Committee

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CSI Membership Application

CSI Certification exams scheduled for June 19, 2007, 1:30pm to 5:30pm at the CSI Convention in Baltimore. NW Region Conference Salem, Oregon August 23, 2007 Get your registration in early.

<http://www.csinet.org/certification>

Industry Educational program Seminar on Green/ Vegetative Roof Application, History & Details

By Robert W. Simmons, CSI, CDT, MAI

Did you know?

The first record of Garden Roofs in building construction was in the Hanging Gardens of Babylon in Mesopotamia, 50Km south of Baghdad, Iraq. The hanging gardens with waterfalls hung from the palace terraces, which created charm and gave pleasure to the beholder. The history of waterproofing is referred to in historical writings by Alexander the Great and Egyptian scribes; it was also referred to in the ancient writings of Noah's Ark.

Buildings may have one or multiple levels of occupied office, as well as computer and mechanical work space constructed under the horizontal structure exposed to the weather known as a Roof and or Plaza. The Roof and Plaza are the areas of construction that our Garden/Green Roof application presentation will focus and the sequence of products that make up this application.

Garden/Green roof applications have been modified many times since and still in recent decades, today's applications have continued to evolve into a design friendly and highly durable roof/plaza waterproofing applications. These applications can be applied with or without insulation, pavers, and concrete overlays, engineered soils, various types of plants or the combination of all mentioned.

The application of Garden/Green roofs/ (Plazas) have an added value in today's installations with the owner's need for living plants to decorate their landscape to meet the requirements of a green building design such as in a LEED design project.

LEED Credits for a Garden/Green Waterproofing application

These Garden/Green roof applications can contribute to the following credits:

- Sustainable Sites Credit 6.1 Stormwater Design
- Quantity Control and Credit 6.2 Stormwater Design
- Quality control helps reduce the quantity and pollutants from storm runoff.
- Sustainable Sites Credit 7.2 Heat Island Effect
- Garden Roof credits, by reducing heat gain by using 50% or more vegetation.
- Additional credits for a total of two points can be

realized if the roof is 100% vegetated.

- Garden/Green roofs can help achieve points under the Energy and Atmosphere Credit 1 Optimize Energy Performance; it reduces heating/cooling loads sewer water run off.

Congratulations Big Sky Chapter member's #146! Let's keep the growth goals alive in every major Montana market and share the CSI experience with others.

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Continuing Publication Commendation*

Bill Enright, CDT; Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA; Diana B. Nguyen, CSI; and Larry Nichols, CSI

Jammie Smith, CSI

Ellen K. Crews, FCSI, CCS, CCCA (*SpecTAB*)

Loren Berry, CSI, CDT, AIA (*The Documentor*)
The Predicator (Portland Chapter newsletter)

The Redwood Bark (Redwood Empire Chapter newsletter)

Special Publication Commendation*

Charles B. Hendricks, CSI, CDT, Assoc. AIA, LEED AP

Chicago Chapter Directory Subcommittee

Construction & Design Professionals' Expo Team

John Dunaway, CSI, CCS, AIA

Electronic Publication Commendation*

Akron-Canton Chapter Website

(www.akroncantonsi.org)

Gary T. Yancy, CSI, CDT, Webmaster

(www.fwcsi.org)

Navy Design-Build Master Website

(www.wbdg.org/nbdm)

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(www.csiwvc.org)

Dale C. Moll Student Activity Fund*

David J. Mizer

* Award given at the Opening General Session

~ Award given at the Honors & Awards Gala

+ Award given at the Annual Meeting

Big Sky Chapter Contacts and Documents

Articles, 250 words or less, are requested for this monthly newsletter. If you have articles or information to be shared with the Montana members, please let me know by e-mail:

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SIDEBAR ARTICLES

SPECIAL EVENT

MONTANA ROOFING CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING. [MRCA MEETING](#)

PLACE: FAIRMONT HOT SPRINGS, MONTANA
JANUARY 23 - 25, 2008

SPECIAL EVENT

PLACE: NORTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE
TIME: 9:00 AM REGISTRATION AUGUST 23, 2007,
MEETING & SOCIAL EVENTS: CHECK REGION WEBSITE:
[WWWCSINWR.COM](#)
DATES: AUGUST 23, 2007 CERTIFICATION EXAMS, REGISTRATION
& HOSPITALITY SUITE
AUGUST 24 - 25, 2007, EDUCATIONAL & LEADERSHIP SEMINARS
HOSPITALITY SUITE
AUGUST 26, 2007, NW REGION BUSINESS MEETING AND DISPLAY
TAKE DOWN

Chapter Events:

Big Sky Chapter Board Meetings:

Date: 3rd Thursday of the calendar month
Time: 12:00 – 1:30 pm
Location: JGA Architects conference room; Billings, Montana

Quarterly Chapter Meetings:

Quarterly Meeting Dates: July 24, and October 23, 2007
Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm
Location: Bozeman, MT (Price and location to be determined)

Chapter Program:

Board meeting & CSI Student Affiliate Group at MSU

Date: July 24, 2007
Time: 6:30 – 8:00 pm
RSVP by July 17, 2007
Location: MSU, Bozeman, Montana

Chapter Website

Big Sky Chapter Website is under construction and will be online soon. Grand announcement forthcoming upon its activation.



Honors and Awards Program

Outstanding Chapter Commendation+

Akron-Canton Chapter – Bronze 2006
Albuquerque Chapter – Bronze 2004
Allentown Chapter
Central Pennsylvania Chapter – Bronze 2004
Central Virginia Chapter
Charleston Chapter
Chattanooga Chapter – Bronze 2004
Chicago Chapter – Bronze 2006
Columbus Chapter
Dallas Chapter – Bronze 2005
Denver Chapter – Bronze 2007
Fort Worth Chapter
Grand Rapids Chapter
Houston Chapter
Huntsville Chapter
Indianapolis Chapter – Bronze 2007
Kansas City Chapter – Bronze 2005
Little Rock Chapter – Bronze 2006
Los Angeles Chapter – Bronze 2006
Maine Chapter
Memphis Chapter – Bronze 2007
Milwaukee Chapter – Bronze 2007
Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter – Bronze 2004
Mississippi Chapter – Bronze 2004
Nashville Chapter – Bronze 2005
Pensacola Chapter
Phoenix Chapter – Bronze 2005
Pittsburgh Chapter
Portland, Oregon Chapter – Bronze 2005
Puget Sound Chapter – Bronze 2006
Redwood Empire Chapter
Rhode Island Chapter – Bronze 2004
Sacramento Chapter
San Diego Chapter
Tulsa Chapter
Vermont Chapter – Bronze 2005
Willamette Valley Chapter – Bronze 2004



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CSI Montana Shirts

It isn't often that one receives a free gift. We still have many CSI Montana shirts. Some of you have still not sent in your shirt size. Do it today and receive not only a great shirt, but also a means to advertise the Big Sky Chapter of CSI! **Shirts are still available Let us know!**

New Professional and Industry members signing up will get these CSI Montana logo shirts as long as they last!

Have you received your CSI Montana shirt?

Cheers from the Northwest Region to the Big Sky Chapter for their new Chapter **Congratulations!**



Jan O'Brien welcoming members and guests at their chartering ceremonies

[Find a CSI Chapter](#)



Tom McNab MSU AIA Instructor & Anne Whitacre Director

Membership is developed where common interest meet.

[AIA Montana Components](#)

[Construction Specifications Institute Information](#)

[Montana Roofing Contractors Association](#)

NW Region website:

<http://www.csinwr.com>

Big Sky news articles 5.07

CSI National and Regional News

New CSI Executive Director

The Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) announced that Walter T. Marlowe, P.E., CAE, has been selected as the new Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer of CSI. Marlowe accepted the position Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2006 at CSI's offices in Alexandria, VA.

CSI Northwest Region Conference, "CSI Water The Good, The Bad and The Ugly", Salem, Oregon, **August 23rd – 26th, 2007** Registration and schedules following Presidents Specs message. See pages 8, 9, & 10 for more detail, or: www.csinwr.com

New Big Sky Chapter Approved & Looking for CSI Group Affiliate Champions to help expand membership in other Montana locations.

Big Sky May meeting, Held on a "Go To Meeting Web-cast.

The Big Sky Chapter of CSI will be held its May meeting from Billings, MT via a "Go To Meeting Web-cast," from 12:00-1:30pm, on Tuesday, May 24, 2007. Some of the topics discussed, CSI Convention delegates, Big Sky Website and membership expansion at Montana State.

Jan E. O'Brien, CSI, Architect

Big Sky Chapter Montana CSI

Chapter President

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New Big Sky CSI Affiliate Chapter Approved, Montana State University:

Thirteen Montana CSI non-affiliated members determined to create a Montana chapter and began working in November 2005 to make it happen. Since then, they have more than doubled their membership and had their request for chapter charter approved by the CSI Board of Directors on November 18, 2006. On January 13, 2007, Northwest region and Institute leaders will be traveling to Bozeman, Montana to attend the inaugural ceremonies of the Big Sky Chapter and to install the Big Sky Chapter officers. The Big Sky Chapter established Bozeman as their chapter base and CSI has approved our newest CSI Student Affiliate Chapter Montana State University School of Architecture, Congratulations to our Big Sky team.

CSI Show - June 20-22 in Baltimore, Maryland

Have you made your reservation? It's online.

www.theccshow.com

Message from the President

The President's Specs

By Jan E. O'Brien, CSI
Big Sky Chapter - President



Big Sky Chapter News Update

Chapter Meeting: The next Big Sky Chapter meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 24, 2007 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in Bozeman. Part of the evening will include a report on the CSI Show & Convention in Baltimore.

Chapter Development: Monthly Chapter board meetings are held on the third (3rd) Thursday of every month during the noon hour in the conference room at JGA Architects, Billings, Montana. If you have items of business that you would like the board to discuss, contact any of the officers or directors. The next Chapter Board meeting will be held on June 21 at CTA Architects in Billings.

At the last Board meeting we learned about the use of "GoToMeeting", as a possible means of getting members involved with the Chapter meetings without the travel involved. This could potentially be our first step in developing a webcam system to allow visual and audio interaction for members. Word has it that many people around the country are keeping tabs on what our chapter is doing, with thoughts of implementing similar ideas into their chapters.

The Big Sky Chapter website is currently being developed. The initial website should be up-and-running in the near future. We will keep you informed as things progress.

Opportunities:



Baltimore Convention Center

NORTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

SALEM, OREGON

August 23 – 26, 2007

WWW.CSINWR.COM

"Water" The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

Salem Convention Center, Phoenix Grand Hotel

Speaking about opportunities...there are several Chapter committees that could use your help! Here is a listing of some of the areas that we could use help developing. If you see something that piques your interest...or if there is something else you would like to work on to better our chapter, contact any officer or director.

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CHAIRMAN (CHCC)**

Big Sky Chapter of CSI

What do you want out of it...what are you willing to put into it?



CSI "Water" The Good, The Bad and The Ugly

CSI NORTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

August 23rd - 26th, 2007

Salem, Oregon

Conference Registration

Name: _____ Spouse/Guest _____

Company _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email: _____

CSI Chapter: _____

Full Conference registration: (Includes Meals and Seminars)	\$235 _____
Spouse/Guest registration: (includes meals)	\$150 _____
Friday Only (seminars and Lunch)	\$100 _____
Saturday Only (seminars and Lunch)	\$100 _____
Golf tournament / Include Green fee and cart	\$ 70 _____
The Oregon Gardens /Wine Tour /lunch included	\$ 65 _____
Sponsorship Level (see sponsorship Opportunities page)	\$ _____

Total Amount Due \$ _____

Payment: Check payable to Salem CSI Chapter

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Name on Card _____

Signature: _____

Return Completed registration Form & Payment to:
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C/O NW Region Conference Committee
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www.salemconferencecenter.org

Conference will be held at the Salem Convention Center
Phoenix Grand Hotel
200 Commercial Street SE, Salem, Oregon 97301
Direct: 1-877-540-7800 or 1-866-614-1900

web reservations: www.phoenixgrandhotel.com /

**CSI NW REGIONAL CONFERENCE 2007, updates click on the region website: www.csinwr.com
SALEM, OREGON**

Proposed Schedule 4-24-06, 1-9-07

Thursday, August 23, 2007

9:00am - 3:00pm golf, lunch included
11:30am - 4:00pm wine tour, lunch included
4:00pm registration
4:00pm vendor display setup
4:00pm – 7:30pm CSI certification exam(s) in breakout room
4:00pm – 7:30pm LEED testing in small breakout room
8:00pm - 9:00pm reception (no host bar/hors d'oeuvres)
9:00pm – 12:00am hospitality suite

Friday, August 24, 2007

8:00am – 9:30am registration, product displays, buffet breakfast
8:15am – 9:15am welcome/opening ceremonies/guest speaker
9:30am – 10:45am seminars no.1 and 1a in breakout rooms
10:45am – 11:00am coffee break/product displays
11:00am – 12 noon seminar no.2 and 2a in same breakout rooms
12 noon – 1:15pm full lunch with guest speaker
1:30pm – 2:45pm seminar no.3 and 3a in same breakout rooms
2:45pm – 4:30pm coffee break/free time
4:30pm – 6:00pm products fair/wine & cheese
6:00pm – 7:00pm full dinner (no speaker)
7:00pm – 8:30pm CSI jeopardy in same room as dinner
8:30 pm–12:00am hospitality suite

Saturday, August 25, 2007

8:00am – 9:30am registration, product displays, buffet breakfast
8:15am – 9:15am guest speaker
9:30am – 10:45am seminar no. 4 and 4a in same breakout rooms as seminars 3, 3a.
10:45am – 11:00am coffee break/product displays
11:00am – 12 noon seminar no. 5 and 5a in same breakout rooms as seminars 3, 3a
12 noon – 1:30pm full lunch with guest speaker
1:30pm – 3:00pm regional coordinating council meeting in same breakout room
1:30pm – 3:30pm seminar no. 6 and 6a in same breakout rooms as seminars 3, 3a.
3:30pm – 6:00pm coffee break/free time
6:00pm – 7:00pm social hour, no host bar
7:00pm – 10:00pm awards banquet dinner/entertainment/closing ceremonies
10:00 pm–12:00am hospitality suite

Sunday, August 26, 2007

8:00am – 8:30am continental breakfast
8:30am – 11:00am vendor display takedown
8:30am – 11:30am NW region business meeting in same room as continental breakfast
11:30am conference adjourned

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CSI NORTHWEST REGION CONFERENCE

August 23rd 2007, 1:00pm Shotgun Start
4 PERSON SCRAMBLE
Cross Creek Golf Course, 13935 Hwy 22, Dallas, OR
20 Minutes West Of Downtown Salem
Golf Registration

Company _____
 Player: _____

Handicap (or avg. 9 hole

score) _____
 Address: _____

Player: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____

Handicap (or avg. 9 hole score) _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____
 Player: _____

Handicap (or avg. 9 hole

score) _____
 Email: _____

Player: _____
 CSI Chapter: _____

Handicap (or avg. 9 hole score) _____

* Individual entrees will be place on a team of four*

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