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LRC SI February Chapter Meeting

Understanding the Mystery of Doors, Hardware, and Codes

Presented by
Wendell Poore of ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions

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a cross section of specifiers,
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and building materials suppliers."

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LRC SI January Lunch Meeting

Understanding the Mystery of Doors, Hardware, and Codes

Provider: ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions

Presenter: Wendell Poore

Length: 60 Minutes

AIA Approved, 1 LU , HSW

Description: A comprehensive educational program focused on building codes as they relate to doors and hardware.

Learning Objectives: After completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Know how to add clients' security concerns into specifications
- Make proper choices in selecting doors, frames, and hardware that comply with current building codes
- Specify hardware that meets building codes, life safety codes, and fire door requirements
- Understand the importance of balancing life safety vs. Security in the built environment

How Taught: The CES/CEN facilitator utilizes a PowerPoint or slide presentation to introduce world of codes relating to door openings. The proper application of doors and hardware to meet fire and life safety codes will be discussed in-depth. Emphasis will be on the proper specifying of doors and hardware.

Facilitator Qualifications: All ASSA ABLOY Door Security Solutions CES/CEN facilitators have been trained on CES guidelines and presentation skills. In addition, they receive continuous in-depth training on specifications, codes, and construction materials.

The Construction Specifications Institute is a nationwide non-profit technical organization dedicated to the improvement of specifications and building practices in the construction industry through service, education and research. Founded in 1948, CSI provides a forum for architects, engineers, specification writers, contractors, suppliers and others in our industry. Membership is open to all who are involved in the built environment. Please contact Chapter membership Chairman, Kare White or any chapter officer listed on the "Officer, Directors and Committee Chairs" page of this newsletter.

Project Delivery Education Program

CDT Prep Course

There is Still Time to Register!

Seminar Series 1

Classes are scheduled to begin February 11, 2012. Classes will meet on alternating Saturdays (February 11, February 25, March 10, & March 24) at the offices of Baldwin & Shell Construction Co., 1000 West Capitol, Little Rock starting promptly at 8:00am and concluding around 3:30pm. A one-hour break will be given for lunch which will be on your own.

This seminar is essential to all individuals who want to progress in their careers in ALL construction industry fields, assisting industry professionals in better understanding construction documents. And, as more and more disciplines are requiring continuing education for licensure and membership renewals, this quality seminar is taking its place among the elite of CEU/LU/CEH/PDH choices.

Seminar Series 1 is also designed to assist those preparing for the Construction Documents Technologist (CDT) examination, as well as serving as a base review of this material for those candidates preparing for the Certified Construction Specifier (CCS), Certified Construction Product Representative (CCPR), and Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA) examinations.

Computer-based testing for the CDT Examinations will be offered April 2–April 28, 2012 at over 400 authorized testing locations around the United States. Exam Registration is separate from this seminar and the final deadline to register with the Institute for the computer-based CDT exam is now March 2, 2012.

This Seminar will now begin prior to the deadline for exam registration. Seminar registrants, previously unsure about the exam, will now get a chance to become better acquainted with the exam materials, since we use them as the foundation of our seminar.

The complete Seminar (4 full sessions) has a registration fee of \$200.00 (LRCSI members may take \$45 off this fee with furnished LRCSI member number). Sessions may also be selected individually. Each individual Session (one Saturday session) has a \$75.00 registration fee (all registrants). To register for the full Seminar, advance registration and payment is requested. To attend selective sessions for continuing education credit, we do request that you give us advance notice, if possible, by faxing this registration form to the number listed below. No one will be turned away, but please give us 72 hours notice if you expect to receive handout materials. Payment of the daily advance registration fee is required at the door.

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PER-SPEC-TIVES

OTHER PERSPECTIVES, OPINIONS, EXPRESSIONS, IMPRESSIONS, THOUGHTS AND IDEAS ABOUT THE NOBLE
PROFESSION OF SPECIFICATIONS WRITING-- OPEN FOR, AND SEEKING DISCUSSION

No. 157

THE STUDENT, THE GRADUATE AND THE INTERN IN THE ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSION [before CSI]

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

In the current frenzy to produce projects in record time [coupled with the equally frenzied computer and software industry], the design professional have abandon specifications and provided increased production by in-place staffs. The computers industry continues to pump out need machines and programs-- I am not sure all of these are necessary except to generate confusion, and sales. Of course that industry can do as its pleases, it is the impact on the construction industry that is most questionable-- and of concern.

Far too many students/graduates/interns are left out of touch with the reality the whole of their profession. Hence the future, in their hands has a dark cloud over it. Will we get to the point where designer professionals are irrelevant and discarded? How the, are projects produced? We have a system of three documents tied together to produce the documentation essential for construction. They are meant to and are formulated to support each other without repetition-- the proverbial supplementary and complimentary. How then do you ignore, discard or deem one of these documents to be useless! cumbersome! Valueless? And so kept in such disdain that its production seems needless?

We have talked long and often about education that precedes the CSI programs-- that fundamental information and understand that must lie with all persons associated with construction [especially the design professionals]Following is a brief and incomplete synopsis of the suggested program-- the first step. This needs refinement, and many viewpoints, but it also needs to be done. Below is the "seed" of the program which will, I feel certain, will find many supports and advocates-- those who KNOW what is needed and what CSI can do, we must look around at what is, and ahead to what is coming—and not delude ourselves or imagine that this problem does not exist.

It is NEW!!! Does that mean bad? Has it been tried before, in this form? No matter, let's start to accept and develop the premise NOW, for a better tomorrow and a more viable CSI, the prospect of more members and young professionals better prepared to solve problems and work as fully rounded staffers,

SUGGESTED PREMISE: A high priority CSI supported program which makes direct contact with architectural and engineering students, provides information about specifications and other construction documents-- handouts; information sheets; flyers, short instruction paper; and simple short informational items. Distributed through the Chapters, along with requests to address students [and related graduates and interns] of various levels and provide information for each level, as well as quality Q&A sessions.

Developed and written jointly by member committee and CSI staff, printed and sent to chapters who are mandated to contact ALL appropriate educational facilities in their area [universities, community and technical colleges, etc.] to augment any instruction or to introduce specifications fundamentals and uses.

If they have no interest in CSI, or specifications, [because of the lack of information] we need to reach out TO them and illustrate the need for specs, and the best route for education [to gain suitable background information] and s [specifications concepts, etc. With that we can also introduce the drawing oriented information, books, standards, interfacing, etc. that CSI has, to complete the documentation package.

It is difficult to predict what will happen, from little interest, to defiance, to a request for more formal broad-ranging instruction. No, CSI is not being asked to set up its own school, but rather it is being asked to start to fill an obvious and unthinkable need which will directly aid everyone in or coming to the construction industry [the future of in place personnel, etc. is left to another effort.]

We realize this may be very new, presumptuous and intrusive, but it is needed, NOW, and is something that will develop into something to the good of all. In adding this program and information needs to be aggressively sold, needs NCARB, etc. acceptance [to match requirements and NAAB standards] in a realistic manner, and by expertise that only CSI has.

We seek your understanding; your realization; your insight, and support-- and ancillary thoughts and ideas contributed by those we carry and feel they have a point to add to the effort.

We need to talk more, soon, and seriously!

Why are Awards Programs Important?

by Billy J. Mathis, CSI, CDT Gulf States Award Chair

Why are Awards Programs Important?

I have been asked on several occasions if I thought that Awards Programs within the Local Chapter and the Gulf States Region were important. Basically, were they worth the money spent each year? I always say that not only are they important, but I consider them vital to the operation of any Chapter or Region. Recognition of Members by their peers lets volunteers know that their sacrifices of time and efforts are appreciated, not only by the Board but by the rest of the Membership as well. In addition, it gives members who are thinking of volunteering a picture of what goes on by describing actions and contributions made for various committees and events and providing a goal for some to reach a point where they might be considered for an Award. Finally, this form of payment is all that any member of a local Chapter or Region can expect to receive.

But to take it a step further, the Board of Directors must take the steps and provide the necessary support (both in budget and in time) to ensure the Awards Program is a part of the normal Operations. The Chapter and Region Awards Program should be both flexible in that there should be room for non-standard Awards and well defined in that the various awards given should be well described in terms of both what is required to receive the Award and the stature of the Award within the program. The Gulf States Region and the GSR Chapters have Awards Programs and Committees (even if it is a Committee of One). Most have recognition awards similar to a Member of the Year, Service Awards, etc. Some also have Named Awards which reflect the commitment of a long-time member's to CSI and to the local Chapter. As a point of general interest, the member that an Award is named for doesn't always have to be retired or deceased for the naming process to take place. Sometimes the naming of a particular Award is the Region or Chapter's way of telling that Member of the high regard and respect they have for their membership and contributions to CSI. Finally, when all the defining, identification, nomination and selection is complete, then there should be an appropriate ceremony held to formally recognize those who, in the opinions of their Peers, have gone "above and beyond". How your Chapter accomplishes this should never be controlled from above the Chapter Level. No single method of celebrating Member Accomplishments, Achievements, and Service is perfect for all Chapters. At the Region level, however, a more formalized Program is in place to make the transition from Chair to Chair easier to deal with. Ideas, however, can be passed along between Chapters to facilitate a need that may not be recognized at this time. It has been my honor and privilege to serve as Your Awards Chair for the past two years and I know that Lance Kuykendall will be looking forward to working with all of you in the future to keep this Program the "Best of the Best". If there is anything Lance or I can do for you, please contact us.

Interested in hosting a Table Top at our next Meeting?

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3 Reasons to not get Certified

by Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, CSC

Aren't you tired of all this talk about certification? No one will tell you, but there are a few good reasons to save your time and skip the exams. Why waste the time and effort on something you probably don't need? If any of these reasons apply to you, sit back and relax - you're in great shape.

You're irreplaceable

Doesn't it feel great? The principals understand and love what you do, and the rest of the staff simply can't believe you know as much as you do. If you're a consultant, your clients realize there is no one else who can do the job quite as well as you. Sure, there might be other people who can do your job, but it's obvious to everyone, they are far less qualified. You're on top, and no one can take your place. Certification won't make you any more valuable.

You have a great job and you don't need another one

You have looked around, and it's clear there is no better place to work. You have a great compensation package, and, because you have been holding the same job almost twenty years, you know your firm or your clients are completely loyal. There is no way they would turn you loose or cut into your income or benefits. If you are approaching retirement, you know you will never need to work again. You're not going anywhere, and you don't need to be certified.

You make too much money

I'm sure you're quite comfortable with your salary, even after the sagging economy of the last few years. You make more than enough to take care of your needs, with plenty left over for your cabin, your annual vacation to the Bahamas, and your flourishing Keogh plan. Kids in college are no problem, and you may even have a fund set up for the grandchildren. You can't possibly make any more money even if you do get certified.

Reality check

I don't know anyone who fits in any of these categories, and I don't know many people who would not benefit from certification. While certification won't make you irreplaceable, or ensure you'll keep your job, or get you a raise, it increases the possibility of all of those things.

Like it or not, the business world relies on credentials, at least for preliminary evaluation. A person who graduates from a school or apprenticeship program may have a good education, but when a company is hiring, the person with credentials is considered more valuable. A graduate architect or engineer has less to offer than a person with a professional license, and a master mason looking for work will have an advantage over an apprentice.

In the construction industry, CSI credentials are significant. As a specifier, I have great respect for the CDT. When new sales representatives visit my office, the first thing I look for on their business cards is CDT. If they have it, they automatically get more respect and credibility, because I know they are familiar with conditions of the contract and Division 01, and I know they have an understanding of the relationships between owner, designer, contractor, and supplier. If they don't have it, before they leave my office they get a brief sermon about the value of the CDT. I know I am not alone in this; virtually every specifier I know feels the same.

In my corner of the world, specifiers' jobs are rarely advertised; when positions open, architectural firms seek out those specifiers with the CCS, and recognize the value of the CCCA. Similarly, many manufacturers look for representatives with a CDT. Some require their reps to have a CDT; others may not have a formal requirement, but do encourage their reps to obtain CSI credentials.

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3 Reasons to not get Certified

by Sheldon Wolfe, RA, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, CSC

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When I became a specifier, I knew little about specifications and nothing about CSI. I had graduated from an accredited school of architecture, but the only reference to specifications I recall was a casual mention in our Professional Practice class. The school apparently believed there was nothing essential in contract documents - specifications or drawings, at least nothing that could not be picked up on the job with little effort.

Not long after taking the job, my boss suggested I join CSI. That being a time when a suggestion from the boss was tantamount to an order, I joined the local chapter, and quickly acquired CSI's Manual of Practice. Eureka! All was revealed! What previously had been a confusing collection of documents suddenly took on meaning, as, for the first time, I was able to see all of the documents as an integrated, coordinated whole. I joined the chapter study group, and passed the CCS exam about a year later. Without the understanding I gained from the MOP, and from studying for the exam, it would be much more difficult to do my job.

Well, it's certification season again. If you work with specifications, either preparing or reading them, I urge you to pursue CSI credentials. If you're new to the industry, studying for the CDT will be an eye-opening experience. If you've been around a while, but haven't taken the exam, you may be surprised to find that there is logic behind the documents and processes we use daily. "It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so." (Mark Twain? Will Rogers?)

Rather than give you all the details about this year's exam, and take the chance of providing the wrong information, I'll just refer you to www.csinet.org/certification. There you will find everything you need to know about exam dates, registration for exams, and a free online seminar that will help you learn about the benefits of the CDT.

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Amanda House and Darlene Herndon
for becoming CDT certified in
September, 2011!

Amanda House, CDT
TME, Inc., Construction Administration Coordinator

Darlene Herndon, CIT, CDT
TME, Inc., Administrative Assistant



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Letter from Billy J. Mathis, CSI, CDT

Candidate for Gulf States Region Vice President - FY2013

My name is Billy J. Mathis, CSI, CDT, proud member of the Little Rock Chapter and the Gulf States Region and I am running for the office of Gulf States Region Vice President for FY2013 (July 1 2012 – June 30, 2013). Some of you know me from my time as Awards Chairman for the Gulf State Region. Others may know me from the meetings and such that I have attended. But many of you may not know just who I am and what makes me consider myself qualified to run for office at the Region level. Let me give you a quick rundown of myself and my qualifications.

I consider myself a native of Arkansas even though I was born in Missouri. I spent the bulk of my life in the State of Arkansas and both my parents were born and raised in this state. Upon graduation from High School, I tried college for a year and then enlisted in the United States Air Force as a Law Enforcement Specialist in the Security Police career field. During my 22 – year career I worked many jobs within the Law Enforcement arena including Patrolman, Desk Sergeant, and Flight Chief. I also worked in the staff as Crime Prevention Specialist, Resource Protection NCO, and the Information Security Program Manager for the Installation. In these final areas, I was exposed to the Construction Industry from the perspective of the Owner's Representative for Security. I attended Pre-Construction Conferences, coordinated on Government Contracts from a Security Perspective, and I inspected plans and specifications as well as conducted site visits to ensure compliance with Air Force directives on construction. I also oversaw Security Contracts as a Quality Assurance Evaluator (representative of the USAF at a foreign base).

Upon retirement in 1997, I sought out a job where I could use this limited expertise in the Construction Industry. I came to work for Taggart Foster Currence Gray Architects, Inc., in North Little Rock. This is when and where in 1998, I was first introduced to CSI. I was invited to attend a meeting and I met people like Betty Hays, Jan Sanders and others who not only made me feel welcome but showed me how CSI could benefit my new career. As I become more and more involved, I realized that much of the specialized leadership training I received in the Air Force could be put to good use as Chapter Committee Chair and as an Officer within the Chapter. I eventually climbed the ladder culminating in my being elected a President of the Chapter. After that, I stayed actively involved through Awards Committee Chairman whereupon I was asked to serve at the Region Level as Awards Committee Chair and ultimately as a member of the Awards Committee at the Institute Level as well.

I can tell you what I bring to the table is experience in dealing with people, solving problems, and recognizing when changes are needed. I do not believe in change purely for change sake, however, I also don't believe in the saying "that's the way we've always done it". A good way to put this is "If it ain't broke don't fix it, but if it is, fix it now". My goal in any position is to do what it takes to make it a little better than it was when I took over.

Now that you know a little about me, I look forward to meeting and discussing your ideas and issues facing the Gulf States Region and hopefully working with you to actively bring CSI to the forefront of the Construction industry and /or resolving any issues which may arise as your Vice President.

I understand that in previous years, there has been an active "write-in" program by some members who have been trying to get "Mickey Mouse" elected. In order to both appease the members who think Mr. Mouse would make a good Vice President as well as bring Mr. Mouse's perspective to the forefront as it never has been before, I have taken it upon myself to contract with Mr. Mouse making him an advisor on my election team. I hope this inclusion of those who support Mr. Mouse will bring about a feeling of inclusion and help them work with the remainder of the Gulf States Region membership to continue making this Region the envy of the Institute.

If any of you have any questions for me on any topic, my email address is bjmathis@taggarch.com and I will respond as quickly as I can. I want each and every one of you to feel that you have a voice in the Region Board. Oops, now I am starting to sound like a Politician so I guess I better quit while I am ahead. Just remember, please vote for me in the upcoming elections.

Thanks

Billy J. Mathis, CSI, CDT

Little Rock Chapter Board Meeting Minutes

by Billy Mathis

LITTLE ROCK CHAPTER THE CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION INSTITUTE

Board Meeting Minute Summary

At 12:06 p.m., on January 11, 2012, the meeting of the Board of Directors for the Little Rock Chapter, The Construction Specifications Institute, was called to order by Tim Davis, CSI, CCCA, President.

1. The Minutes from the November and December Board Meetings were presented and the Board approved the minutes by unanimous vote.
4. OLD BUSINESS:
 - a. The 2012 Golf Tournament Topic was closed.
 - b. Transfer of funds from the Golf Tournament Proceeds to the Scholarship Fund was tabled pending final report from the Treasurer.
 - b. Task Team report concerning their review and recommendations on maintaining or changing the Meeting Format currently used was tabled pending further information.
 - d. Chapter Vision / Planning Document to be finalized and presented to the Board.
 - e. Chapter By-Laws Task Team reported revisions underway with final draft to be present at next meeting.
 - f. Task Team examining potential Dues increase was retasked to attempt to ascertain feasibility of a meeting location / catering change to reduce costs to members.
 - g. Board decided to hold the next Board Meeting just before the next Chapter Meeting in an effort to boost attendance. Determination whether this will be permanent is pending.
5. New Business:
 - a. Programs Committee Chair talked about the upcoming programs schedule, location suggestions, table-top displays and a potential Vice Chair recommendation.
 - b. Region Conference to be conducted April 20-21, 2012 in Jackson, MS.
 - c. Award Nominations for FY12 underway for Region and Institute. All member encouraged to contact Melissa Aguiar with nominations and/or suggestions.
 - d. The 2013 Construct America event would be held in Nashville, TN.
6. Next Board Meeting: February 11, 2012 at Next Level Events (tentative) at 10:30 a.m.
Next Chapter Meeting: February 11, 2012 at Next Level Events, 11:30 a.m. lunch, 12:00 (noon) presentation.
7. Meeting adjourned at 1:09 p.m.



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Technical Article

by Steve Dagers

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First Edition of ICC Swimming Pool and Spa Code Approved

Code enforcement officials, APSP pool safety experts, engineers, health department officials, manufacturers, contractors participated in development

The first comprehensive swimming pool and spa code to upgrade pool safety and meet the requirements of the Virginia Graeme Baker Act will soon be available for adoption by jurisdictions and use by contractors. The International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC), published by the International Code Council and coordinated with the other I-Codes was researched and developed with input from a wide range of industry experts. The ISPSC is expected to be available in March.

“Less than a decade ago, a seven-year-old girl named Virginia Baker—granddaughter of former White House Chief of Staff and Treasury Secretary James Baker—was the fatal victim of suction-pump entrapment in an in-ground spa,” ICC CEO Richard P. Weiland said. “If our pool and spa code can spare even one family from the loss that the Bakers and thousands of other families have suffered, we will leave a lasting legacy.”

Currently there are a multitude of differing pool codes used across the country, many lack consistency and are not updated regularly. The ISPSC responds to the needs of many jurisdictions that still use the Standard Swimming Pool Code, and integrates the widely used design and safety features of both the APSP standards and the I-Codes. The ISPSC will allow code enforcement officials, designers and builders to more effectively ensure that pools and spas are built safely. Code uniformity also will result in more consistent contractor training and certification, and will be more cost-effective. By adopting the ISPSC, the industry and the public will benefit from nationwide uniformity, advances in safety and technology, and for the first time, unprecedented protection for users of residential pools and spas.

The ISPSC was developed under the Code Council’s governmental consensus process with the support of the Association of Pool and Spa Professionals, and brought together the industry’s top-notch code enforcement officials, pool safety experts, engineers, health department officials, contractors, manufacturers and others.

Changes to the code approved during the November final action hearings included:

- Suction fittings for all aquatic vessels must be in accordance with APSP 16, a federal requirement adopted by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) effective Sept. 6, 2011. The CPSC replaced the ASME A112.19.8 standard within the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool and Spa Safety Act with the APSP 16 standard.
- Occupant load for decks around water park aquatic vessels was increased from one person per 50 square feet to one person per 15 square feet. Operator experience indicates deck areas in these types of facilities are often very crowded which leads to concerns about egress problems during an emergency condition.

The International Code Council is a member-focused association dedicated to helping the building safety community and construction industry provide safe and sustainable construction through the development of codes and standards used in the design, build and compliance process. Most U.S. communities and many global markets choose the International Codes.

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