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This Month's Meeting

January's Meeting

"Tour of Daltile's new showroom and presentation on Proper Installation Methods for Ceramic Tile and Stone"

by Susan Metka of Daltile and Mike Mundie of Mapei

Tour of the Daltile showroom and warehouse during cocktail hour

Topic: "Proper Installation Methods for Ceramic Tile and Stone" but in actuality it will cover Subfloor prep, membranes, choosing the right thinset, and choosing the right grout.

Wednesday, January 18th, 2006

Daltile Showroom ~ 904 Marcon Blvd ~ Allentown
Phone # 610-266-6688

6:00PM: *Cocktail Hour/Showroom and Warehouse Tour*

6:30PM: *Dinner*

7:30PM: *Program*

Cocktail hour ~ Beer, Wine, Soda, and Shrimp Platter

Dinner (provided by Daltile) ~ Buffet style

Roast Beef Ajuus, Baked Chicken Breasts (plain)

Parsley potatoes, Greenbeans Almondine

Fresh Fruit Salad, Garden Salad, Desserts

RSVP by Friday May 13th, 2004 to Dave Hausman (484) 223-1761
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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Feb ~ 2/15/06 ~ ????

MARCH ~ 3/15/06 ~ CSI Picnic

UPCOMING EVENTS

APRIL ~ 4/17/06 ~ EXPO 2006!

OCT ~ 10/6/06 to 10/9/06 ~ MARC Conference—Washington, D.C.

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Friday After Chapter Meeting

It is spring time again and everything is starting to bloom. The trees, grasses and plants are starting to revive themselves after a long winter. It is the time of year that makes everything feel alive. Your chapter of CSI is also becoming alive again! We just completed our 27th Annual Product and Design Show and I believe it was a great success. From the many seminars, to the product displays, to the construction of the playhouse, those that attended found a wealth of knowledge throughout the day. LU's or CEU's were given out at the educational seminars that were well attended. The exhibit hall was full of new products and knowledgeable representatives. And we built our second annual playhouse which was donated to The Fountain Hill YMCA, a local daycare. The show was a great success based on the following: the attendees, the exhibitors, contributions of local companies and the hard work of the EXPO committee.

The playhouse is the result of many local companies and its employees working together to create a structure that benefits our community. I would like to specially thank the following people and their companies which made the playhouse happen: **Sal Verrastro**, Spillman Farmer Architects; **Clint Newton**, Spillman Farmer Architects; **Gordon Brader**, Roland and Roland; **Tina Montone**, ATAS International; **Terri Zerby**, Bradco Supply; **John Simon**, General Supply Company; **Mark Toth**, Integrity Windows; **Denise Waida**, Forbo; **Curt Bauer**, MAB Paints; **John Cannon**, Koroseal; **Steve Pettia**, Corporate Environments; **Gary Huster**, Tri-State Gypsum Supply / Clark Industries; **Tina Eichlin**, General Supply Company; **Dave Fenstermacher**, The Architectural Studio; **Mitch Miller**, USA Architects; **Mark Nattress**, Modernfold of Reading; and **Bob Martucci**, Framework Technologies, Inc.

I would also like to thank the following companies for their donations towards the 27th Annual Product and Design Show: **Acoustical Spray Insulators**; **ATAS International**; **Benjamin Moore**; **Beth Hanover Supply**; **CBG Associates**; **Centria**; **CH Briggs**; **Comtec**; **Dal-Tile**; **Dubbs Company**; **General Supply Company**; **International Masonry Institute**; **Lehigh Cement**; **MAB Paints**; **Modernfold Of Reading**; **Morris Black & Sons**; **National Gypsum**; **Roland & Roland**; **Rulon Company**; and **Spillman Farmer Architects**.

It is the support of the companies and individuals like you that make the Allentown Chapter Product and Design Show and the Chapter itself, feel ALIVE!!!

Hope to hear and see you at the next meeting!

"This is your chapter, make a difference!"

Roxanne Verrastro, CCCA
President of the Allentown Chapter

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The Allentown chapter of CSI strives to provide opportunities for education, and the exchange of knowledge and information for its members and the construction community by using the available resources through its diverse membership and relationships.

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Frank Gehry, James Glymph and Dennis Shelden
Discuss Building Information Models
At The 50th Annual CSI Show™ & Convention

ALEXANDRIA, Va. (Oct. 26, 2005) – Architect Frank Gehry, FAIA, and two of his colleagues will discuss Building Information Models (BIMs) during the opening general session of The 50th Annual CSI Show™ & Convention. Gehry will be joined by his partner James Glymph, FAIA, who has directed the development of many of the firm Gehry Partners' most significant projects in the United States and Europe, and Dennis R. Shelden, founder and Chief Technology Officer of Gehry Technologies, a building industry technology company.

Gehry's appearance is part of CSI's education program for the Show & Convention, which is focusing on BIMs as a solution more and more owners, designers, contractors and specifiers will be turning to in the future. CSI plans to offer several education sessions on the topic.

BIMs are computerized 3D and 2D models linked to databases that house the specifications, schedules, and other documents related to a project. They give designers a faster, richer design process, owners more budget control through predictions about the project's construction process, and contractors projects with fewer surprises. BIMs can generate schedules, coordinate documents, and automatically update drawings as new data is added. They are a natural step for anyone dedicated to construction documents that meet the "4 Cs" of CSI—clear, concise, complete and correct.

**BHMA 17th ANNUAL AWARD OF EXCELLENCE GOES TO
JOHN SIMON OF GENERAL SUPPLY COMPANY**

NEW YORK, NY (August 1, 2005) — Builders Hardware Manufacturers Association (BHMA) announced that the winner of its 2005 Award of Excellence is John J. Simon, President and CEO of General Supply Company in Bethlehem, PA. The annual award is presented to a distributor or hardware professional who has demonstrated excellence in representing the needs of architects, contractors, users, and manufacturers.

Peter Rush, Executive Director of BHMA, remarked, "This award is given to individuals who achieve the highest standards of excellence in meeting the needs of the builders hardware industry. It is clear, from the enthusiastic feedback we have received about John, that he is the type of individual for whom this award was developed."

John Simon has been in the door and hardware business for over 20 years, primarily in distribution. He is a member of the Door and Hardware Institute's (DHI) Board of Governors and has served as treasurer of DHI's Tri-State Chapter. Mr. Simon has conducted numerous seminars on hardware and security for contracting and architectural organizations.

Criteria for winning the Award of Excellence include: the promotion of specifications to architects, accurate take-off and scheduling of projects, the promotion of high quality products, and being able to service contractors and end users by understanding products' attainability, function, and intended usage. An additional criterion is that the recipient not be a member of BHMA. Mr. Simon is the 17th winner of the award, previous recipients include Mark Hallgren, AHC, President of the Hallgren Company and President of DHI; Ken and Tom Orihel, CEO and COO, respectively, of Akron Hardware; and Ken J. Metzler, AHC, President of La-Force Inc

CDT Corner

This little article is being brought to you in an effort to 1)keep ourselves sharp in documents knowledge, and 2) to help those in preparation for the CDT exams.

Your CDT question for the Month of August is:

The general contract clauses that establish payment procedures are found in:

- a. General Conditions
- b. Division 1 General Requirements
- c. Payment bond
- d. Addenda

Email your answer to mmiller@usaarchitects.com, and the correct answer will be forwarded back to you

CSI Middle Atlantic Region Conference

CSI- MARC 2005

The Regional Conference this year was a bi-region event with the Great Lakes Region and our region. The event was hosted by the Pittsburgh Chapter at Seven Springs. On Thursday evening the opening reception was a time to renew friendships developed over the years since joining CSI, and meet other members within the two Regions.

PRESERVING A 20TH CENTURY ICON-presented by Ms. Lynda Wagoner and John Matteo.: Fallingwater was built during 1937 for the Kauffman family as a weekend house to get away from the rigors of business of their prosperous department store business. They had picnics and other celebrations for store employees. The land that the property sets on now contains 5,000 acres, compared to the original 1500 acres that the Kauffmans owned. There were more than 50 roof leaks in the original built-up roof installation when the Kauffmans' started to use the house. Now there are only 3 or 4 leaks in the entire house mostly due to the location on the hillside. The restoration of Fallingwater was an enormous task undertaken by the Western Pa. Conservancy in conjunction with grants and donations by individuals and corporations. A study was started in 1988 and continued for 13 years to evaluate the extent of restoration required to stop the deterioration of the structure. The restoration task required 177 sheets of measured drawings not including the field markups of the CAD drawings.

The house had a lot of stalactites and carbonic deterioration. More than 15 coatings of various types had been applied over the exterior surfaces to stop the rain and moisture penetration causing very difficult demolition procedures. There are four main reinforced concrete beams for the main floor. These beams cantilever 15 to 16 feet. The cantilevers had continued a downward movement since the 1950's.

Cables used to pull some of the sag out of the cantilever decks consisted of 13 strands. The post-tensioning of tendons that run transversely have 400,000 pounds of tension applied. The exterior surface is comprised of stucco, a vapor barrier, primer, and 2 coats of finish material. We had a guided tour of Fallingwater. Also we toured Kentuck Knob near Chalk Hill, by Frank Lloyd Wright. I attended the Region Board Meeting, all Technical Sessions offered, the Member Forum/Business Meeting, and the SCIP Specifier's Forum meeting.

I encourage more Allentown Chapter members to attend these outstanding regional conferences each year.

John D. Sweigart, CSI, CDT

10/11/05

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Act now! Make sure that you stay in contact with CSI!

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