

**DIRECTOR'S BOARD REPORT**  
**New Jersey CHAPTER**  
**Northeast Region Board Meeting**  
**September 16, 2017**



**DATE:** September 11, 2017  
**TO:** Northeast Region Board of Directors  
**FROM:** Anthony Stazzone NJ Chapter NE Region Director  
**SUBJECT:** Report of New Jersey Chapter

**A. Highlights**

1. Installation of a younger (new) board members. A two-year process under the guidance of our experienced Volunteers'
2. Late spring member survey sent out thru Constant Contact. Light returns resulted in no clear directives, but Membership Comm. will continue the effort. (Survey and Results attached)
3. New Membership Chair who has brought good energy to the task.

**Issues / Challenges**

1. By virtue of the fact that the number of active board members has increased over the course of the last couple of years we are afforded the opportunity to actually implement the rotation of officers outlined in our by-laws.

**Challenges;**

2. The NJ Chapter has a smaller than desired active membership (universal problem?), there are still a smaller number of people taking on tasks to be performed - as this is a volunteer organization, this in turn, means that we cannot address all desired issues immediately, we still need to prioritize activities.
3. With the School of Architecture now at Kean University, we will reach out to the faculty to explore opportunities to engage students (and do it with faculty/staff "buy-in" because after all, we would need a liaison at the school
4. I am Proud to say that the collective efforts of the *CSI NJ Board reflect the re-building efforts as successful*, and ongoing, as compared to our last report. We are a work in progress and would gladly take any feedback to add to the success of our chapter.
5. We appreciated the listing from CSI National of chapter members who have decided to drop out. We will make an effort to contact these folks and try to bring them back to the chapter. We are also making an effort to contact all listed members who have not been participating in chapter events. There are 63 due paying members and we will reach out to all in hopes to get them involved in our chapter.

See you at Construct!

## B. The Report

### 1. Chapter Programs:

- September:     **Topic:** Tappan Zee Bridge / Joint Mtg with AIA  
                  **Attendees:**  
                  **Speaker:** Cancelled  
                  **Description:** This was a joint AIA event with the Architects League of Northern NJ. Engineer Speaker had an unavoidable scheduling conflict and cancelled at last minute. No time to put together an effective replacement. NJCSI had tried to schedule this last year with the same result.  
                  **Is this recommended for other chapters?** No
- October:         **Topic** Benjamin Moore Plant Tour  
                  **Attendees:** (Date Oct 4 - 8:00 am ) 360 US-206 Flanders, NJ 07836  
                  **Speaker:** Diana Rattizzi, Benjamin Moore  
                  Tour of B/M Test Farm Facility w/ presentations from various Lab departments.  
                  Analytical lab—Analyze any paint issues – due to peeling, fading, cracking etc.  
                  Delta- next generation of paints – 3 parts Colorants, Polymers and Paint formulation  
                  Product Evaluation – test our products along with competitors/Test Farm  
  
                  Offering a morning session , in an effort to explore alternate meeting times.
- November:       **Topic: "DISCA Dinner Meeting & Expo."**  
                  **Attendees:** (Date Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – 5:30 PM ) Park Avenue Club, Florham Park, NJ  
                  **Speaker:** Ecophon - New Trends in Ceiling Systems (AIA LU)  
                  **Description:** Invited by DISCA to attend their event. DISCA (Drywall & Interior Systems Contractor Assoc.) provides specialized services and products to the Interior Systems Industry in New Jersey. They offer educational seminars, workshops and social activities for the contractor  
  
                  **Is this recommended for other chapters?** Yes, has we reach out to the Construction Industry.
- December:       **Meeting Topic :** Holiday Event TBD
- January:         **Topic:** NJCSI Members Social Event  
                  **Attendees:** Scheduled for Jan 25, 2018  
                  **Speaker:**  
                  **Description:** Bowling / or Golf (Top Golf) Special emphasis on new/renewing/ emerging members as guests. Awards/Pins
- February:        **Meeting Topic: Roman Concrete Everything Old is New Again**  
                  **Attendees:** Tentative Schedule : Feb. 22, 2018  
                  **Speaker:** E5 Andy Anderson / Bill DuBois  
                  **Description :** Keeping

**Is this recommended for other chapters?**

- March: **Topic:** Joint meeting w/ IFMA TBD  
**Attendees:** **Scheduled for** March 29  
**Is this recommended for other chapters?**
- April: **Topic:** - Big Tower Design  
**Attendees** Tentative Date (04/26/18)  
**Speaker** **WFP Group**  
**Brief description:** WFP will share their latest tower concepts on the boards .  
**Is this recommended for other chapters?** Yes
- May: Meeting Topic; **Cross Laminated Timber Construction**  
Date May 24 To be Confirmed  
Speaker: Ken Bland PE VP codes & Regs American Wood Council & NJ Code official  
Tall Wood buildings Panel discussion
- June: Meeting Topic : Ellis Island Boat Tour  
Date TBD  
Speaker TBD  
Brief description of presentation or any special features: Group outing for NJCSI and friends

2. Activities other than monthly programs: To be determined

3. Certification: Does the Chapter hold a study/review session?  
 **No.**       CDT       CCS       CCPR       CCCA

4. Education:  
Does the Chapter have a scholarship program? **No.**  
Does the Chapter have a liaison with colleges or universities? **Informal arrangements with NJIT, Stevens, Montclair State . Open invite to students , No charge**

5. Membership:  
Does the Chapter have a membership chair?       **YES**       **NO**  
Is there a membership committee to assist?       **YES**       **NO**  
Is there a formal new member welcome?       **YES**       **NO**  
Does the Chapter monitor renewals?       **YES**       **NO**  
Does the Chapter acknowledge renewals?       **YES**       **NO**  
Does the Chapter contact non-renewals?       **YES**       **NO**

**We have a new membership chair who will be implementing all the areas we are deficient in above. We will be sending a second survey out**

6. Changes in Chapter Membership:  
Members as of Aug 1, 2017: \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Membership:      52 Professional 10 Student/Emerging Professional

**C. Director's Liaison Activities**

1. **Not Indicated.**

**Respectfully submitted;**  
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**END OF REPORT**

Cc: Region Secretary