



THE COMMUNICATOR

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CSI CORE VALUES

- Foster innovation and creative thinking.
- Honor and embrace our diversity.
- Encourage personal and professional growth.
- Make knowledge-based decisions.
- Strive for cooperative solutions.
- Promote stewardship of the environment.
- Promote and recognize individual and team excellence.
- Celebrate camaraderie.
- Keep promises, and trust others will do the same.
- Value the needs of those we serve.

WINDOW FILM - USES AND ADVANTAGES

Windows are wonderful things, providing light and the ability to see the world outside our enclosed environment. But they also can let in other things, UV rays and infrared heat causing furniture and fabric to fade as well as losing energy. They can also create a weak area in any barrier when security is of primary importance.

Renze Waddington of Metro Window Films will present some solutions to the problems presented above. We will be covering the various films available to block harmful UV and heat damage, saving

energy and providing important LEED credit points for your LEED projects and ways to mitigate damage in the event of a breach in the event of terrorist bombings, industrial explosions, hurricanes or other natural disasters.

Mr. Waddington will also make recommendations for decorative applications and ways to improve indoor visibility with respect to computer monitors and television screens.

LOCATION:

the Clark Room at the Offices of Clark Nexsen, First Floor, East Wing, 6160 Kempsville Circle, Norfolk, VA

TIME:

11:45 am	Registration (come early to network)
12 noon	Lunch and Presentation (1.5 AIA LU)

Lunch Fee:

CSI Members:	\$15.00 (includes lunch)
Non-Members:	\$20.00 (includes lunch)

RSVP for each meeting so we will have a place waiting for you!

Leave a message at 757-502-5592 or eguran@cox.net to give a reservation to pay at the door. No-shows will be billed by mail or check page 6 and fax your credit card reservation to **Debbie Cacace** at 757-486-0855 no later than COB the Friday before each meeting.

Thanks!

TIME TO CLEAN UP YOUR MEMBER PROFILE!



We are starting a New Year in CSI. Make sure your member profile is up to date.

Verifying the information listed in your member profile is easy! Here's how:

Go to www.csinet.org and login. (If you don't know your username and password, or have trouble logging in, contact [CSI Member Services](#).)

Under the "Welcome" box select "Modify Your Profile."

Review your contact information. Don't forget to check the tabs at the top.

Under the "Supplemental Tab" you can verify your contact preferences. Make sure that "Do Not Email" is not marked so you'll receive important communications and updates from CSI!

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Construction Specifications Institute**

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**Grow Your Knowledge Base this Fall**

One of the reasons most design and construction industry people join CSI is the educational opportunities provided by membership. The Tidewater Chapter of CSI is pleased to offer two separate ways to grow your knowledge base this season, through two (2) stellar educational seminars coming your way soon.

The first, **"Take the Hard Out of Hardware,"** will take place at the Crown Plaza Hotel, all day on Wednesday, September 30th. You may attend as many as 4 total seminars out of a total of 8 separate offerings on that date, including lunch. They vary from "Basic Architectural Hardware" to the newest twist to the industry requirements, "NFPA101/NFPA80 and Annual Fire Door Inspections." See the registration information included in this newsletter.

The second, **"The Role of Brick in Designing Sustainable Wall Systems:**

A Hands-On Interactive Seminar for Architects," presented by the Brick Industry Association (BIA) will concern itself with the technical details of masonry design and installation, including a hands-on opportunity to get the "feel" of the product and the process. It will occur on Thursday, October 22, at the Holiday Inn Hotel. I



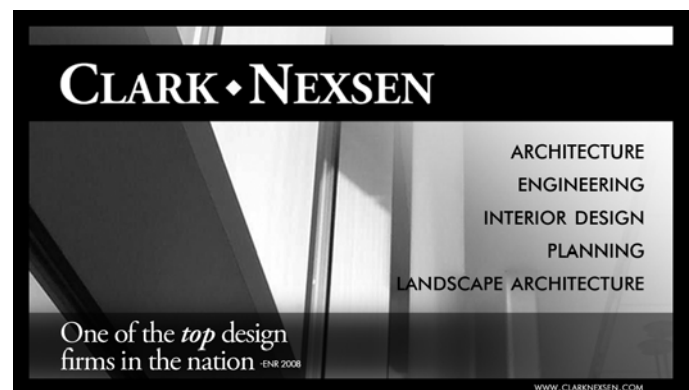
Richard A. Rivin FCSI AIA CCS LEED AP

can vouch for the quality of this event, since I have attended it twice before and have high regard for the speaker, **Brian E. Trimble P.E., LEED A.P.**

On a more "down-to-earth" note, I am pleased to report that we have a very dedicated group of Tidewater Chapter CSI leaders this year. But won't you lend your strength to ours, so that we can be even a more valuable resource to the design and construction community in our area. I would be glad to take your call, indicating your interest in assisting us. If your time is in short supply, we would be pleased to welcome you as a Chapter sponsor, which would provide your organization a spot in this newsletter 9 times a year. Please consider giving back something to your

Cordially

Rick Rivin



TAKE THE HARD OUT OF HARDWARE!

Join us to demystify the current issues in the design of access and egress for your building openings.

Wednesday, September 30, 2009

Crowne Plaza Hotel,
4453 Bonney Rd. Virginia Beach VA

\$100.00 for four seminars
and lunch



The business of Door Access Hardware "ain't your Grandpa's simple hardware sets anymore".

In recent years, with the requirements of added security in our public and private buildings, the need for fire safety egress, and advancements in electronic interface in our hardware, it's no longer "your grandpa's" simple hardware sets of hinge, lock and closer anymore.

TVA CSI offers an opportunity to **Take the HARD out of Hardware** offering eight seminar selections to demystify the current issue of hardware design for your building openings, providing a better understanding of what is needed, when it is needed and why. Select 4 of any of the 8 seminars offered. The day includes your choice of 4 of the 8 seminars

Schedule		
Time	Room A	Room B
8:00 am	Registration	
Session 1 8:30 am	Specifying Electrified Hardware and the Architect's Role in Security Convergence	Specifying Wood Doors
10:00 am	Break	
Session 2 10:15 am	Designing Access Control Systems/Smart Building Technology	Basic Architectural Hardware
12:00 noon	Lunch	
Session 3 1:00 pm	ADA and Automatic Operators	Safe Schools Perimeter Security / Key ideas for Designing a Safe School
2:30 pm	Break	
Session 4 2:45 pm	NFPA 101/80 & Annual Fire Door Inspections	Standards and Specifications for Steel Doors and Frames
4:15 pm	Adjourn	

Seminar Registration Form

Sign up for one seminar per session:

Session 1 Electrified Hardware and the Architect's Role in Security Convergence
 Specifying Wood Doors

Session 2 Designing Access Control Systems/Smart Building Technology
 Basic Architectural Hardware

Session 3 ADA and Automatic Operators

Session 4 NFPA 101/80 and annual Fire Door Inspections
 Standards and Specs for Steel Doors and Frames

optional Life Safety Code Book - \$20.00

Please fill out and fax to: 757/455-5638, Atten - G. Bibee

Or mail to: Gabriele Bibee,
6160 Kempsville Circle, Suite 200A;

Seminar Cost _____ \$100.00
 Life Safety book-opt. _____ \$20.00
 Total enclosed _____

Method of Payment
 Check
 Bill Me
 Visa
 MasterCard
 American Express

Name _____
 Address _____

 Phone _____
 Credit Card # _____ V Code _____ Exp. date _____
 Signature _____

Go to Chapter website for Seminar descriptions and speakers:

http://csitidewatervirginia.org/docs/hard_out_of_Hardware_08.09.pdf

THE JOB BOARD- LOOKING FOR GOOD LEADERS

Your elected board needs to fill some critical chair and committee appointments needed for the business of the chapter. Below we will highlight each committee with a synopsis of what they do and who is currently serving on the Committee.

Please think on where your interests lie and where you would like to participate in the work of the chapter. Contact the indicated chair to offer your assistance or let Rick know with the form on the next page you can lend your leadership skills to the work of the Chapter.



ACTIVE CHAPTER COMMITTEES AND WHAT THEY DO:

Education

Chair: Sharon Ashton CSI CDT AHC

Gabby Bibee CSI

- Develop and promote an educational event during the Chapter year on a topic requiring a full day or half day seminar, usually in conjunction with the Products Show.
- Promote and encourage participation in Institute educational events and products (ie Webinars, CSI Academies, Education Program packages).
- Submit AIA LU's on behalf of attendees for Chapter meeting topics.

Education Committee has developed a fall education event highlighted in the Communicator this month and will be working on the seminar line up for the Products Show in the Spring.

Other Chapter Committees listed below will be highlighted in the coming months. If you would like more information on them immediately check out the 09 Summer issue of the Communicator posted on the Website.

Products Show

Program -

Hospitality

Membership

Academic Affairs

Certification

Technical -

Publications -

Awards -

TIDEWATER VA CHAPTER CSI



Working together, sharing knowledge and serving the building team

**Your Business Card
could be here**

**Check out sponsorship
opportunities**



Looking for Good Leaders

Please consider where your interests lie and where you would like to participate in the work of the chapter. You receive benefits in kind from what you put into any organization.

Indicate 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice of committee and fax to Rick Rivin at 757-455-5638

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Certification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Products Show | <input type="checkbox"/> Technical |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Programs | <input type="checkbox"/> Publications |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenter | <input type="checkbox"/> Program reporter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> Website |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Membership | <input type="checkbox"/> Awards |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Affairs | |

Name _____

Address _____

E-mail _____

Phone _____

Comments:

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

DECK CONSTRUCTION AND CODE REQUIREMENTS AND WALL BRACING PROVISIONS OF THE IRC AND THE 2006 VA CONSTRUCTION CODE



2 free classes - September 23, 2009 at the SpringHill Suites Greenbrier

Seating is limited to the first 75 persons to register at www.strongtie.com or by email to Bviars@strongtie.com

For more information contact 800-999-5099, x 3076. Reservations must be received by Sept. 18, 2009

Seminar 1, Deck Construction - 8:00 am to 12 noon:

Attend workshops that focuses on deck construction and the core code provisions of the 2006 Virginia Construction Code. This is a technical workshop that will focus on understanding the specific requirements for deck framing and inspection including guardrail and ledger attachment. Additional topics will include code requirements for structural connectors, framing requirements for plumbing and electrical installations, and other structural provisions. Come and learn the answers to many of the frequently asked questions regarding deck framing & inspection, structural connectors, and the IRC. Four credits/PDH's are available. .

Seminar 2, Wall Bracing Provisions - 1:00 pm to 5:0pm

Attend a workshop that focuses on the wall bracing provisions of the 2006 Virginia Construction Code. This is a technical workshop that will focus on understanding the specific requirements for wall bracing, the prescriptive bracing methods permitted, and other alternative means to comply with the code provisions. Special attention will be given to determining the most cost effective and practical solution that satisfies the building code minimum requirement. Attendees will spend time working through examples from current residential designs. Come and learn the answers to many of the frequently asked questions regarding structural connectors. Four credits/PDH's are available.

A team of representatives from Simpson Strong-Tie will conduct the seminar and answer questions.



THE ROLE OF BRICK IN DESIGNING SUSTAINABLE WALL SYSTEMS

**TAKE THE HARD
OUT OF HARDWARE!**

Wednesday, **September 30, 2009;**
See Page 2 for more information.

The Brick Industry Association is returning to the Tidewater Area with another interesting topic and a hands-on demonstration of the realities of field construction with masonry.

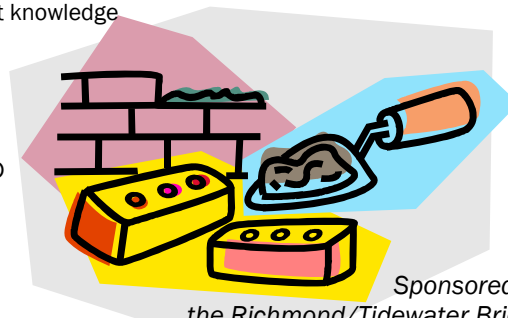
Brian Trimble CSI PE LEED AP, BIA will be here to share his vast knowledge and insight into masonry construction

When: October 22, 2009 .

Where: Holiday Inn Executive Center, Virginia Beach

AIA Credits: (3) AIA Learning Unit Hours HSW and SD

Fee: \$15.00



Sponsored by
*the Richmond/Tidewater Brick Distributor Council,
AIA Hampton Roads, and the Tidewater CSI Chapter*

8:00 am – 9:00 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
Attendees pick up their badges and have breakfast.

9:00 am – 10:30 am Brick: Sustainable Attributes and Environmental Advantages
Brian E. Trimble CSI, P.E., LEED A.P., Brick Industry Association

What are the environmental advantages of brick? How does the material fit within the LEED rating system and how many credits can brick help attain? This presentation includes discussions about brick manufacturing (including embodied energy), life cycle assessment, and performance aspects of brick as it relates to air barriers, insulation, recycled and reused materials, and energy efficient detailing. Also included are discussions on how the LEED rating system could be enhanced and the other features brick provides to sustainable buildings.

10:45 am – Noon Hands-On Demonstration of Green Building Practices in Masonry Construction
Snow Jr. & King, Inc. (invited)

This session will allow the attendee to get their hands dirty by applying what they just learned in the presentation to the field. Try your hand at masonry construction as Brian Trimble and master masons teach attendees the realities of the field. Through this hands-on demonstration, attendees will get a feel for how to design sustainable and energy efficient brick wall assemblies and see first-hand what is possible with masonry construction. **Please dress appropriately to get involved!**

Noon – 1:00 pm Lunch and Networking Opportunity

CONSTRUCT2009 Student Competition

This year's Student Competition at CONSTRUCT2009 & The CSI Annual Convention challenged students to design a secure and transportable shelter for a Segway.

Students had 5 ½ hours to construct their preconceived designs on the exhibit floor, in front of the attendees, from a limited kit of parts. Participants were also given the opportunity to use any materials given to them by exhibitors at the show.

The competition was a huge hit, drawing enthusiastic crowds and spurring a number of creative designs. Congratulations to the University of Tennessee Knoxville team for their winning entry.

The team's presentation can be watched on the [CSI YouTube](#) page. Read more about the competition on the [CSI Blog](#).



"Our focus is establishing a sustainable relationship with the educators to bring CSI to tomorrow's leaders, the students."
 Lee Orsco, FCSI, CCS Academic Programs Committee Chair

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THE CHAPTER CAN NOW TAKE CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS FOR MEETINGS AND FOR CHAPTER SEMINAR FEES

As a service to our members, the Tidewater VA Chapter has set up an account to allow us to take credit card payment for lunch meetings and other events such as reservations for the Hampton Roads Building Products Show. If you wish to reserve your seat for our Chapter meeting you can fax the form below to Debbie Cacace at 486-0855 and we will have a place waiting for you.

Tidewater VA Chapter CSI

Credit Card Charge

Payment Information	Chapter Meetings: \$15 each for CSI members and guest \$20 each for non- CSI Members
NAME	Total AMOUNT \$ _____
Guest: Yes [] No [] _____	Event:
COMPANY	<input type="checkbox"/> VISA <input type="checkbox"/> MASTERCARD
ADDRESS	CARD NUMBER _____ EXP DATE _____
ADDRESS	V-CODE (3-DIGIT NUMBER ON BACK OF VISA/MC CARD)
CITY STATE ZIP CODE	
TELEPHONE FAX	SIGNATURE _____

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Time to be thinking about next year! Take an opportunity now to get advertising in the Communicator, and membership dues for a year. Expanded sponsorships are available to reserve your spot at the HRBPS 2010 in February.

Fill out the form below for a FY 10 Chapter Sponsorship, provide a commitment reservation for HRBPS 09 if you wish to exhibit at the Show, and a membership application to save some money next year.

Your sponsorship provides a way to get your name and your company's name out to the design and construction community you serve throughout the year in the Communicator, the chapter's monthly newsletter, a sponsor powerpoint slide presentation shown at every meeting, and reserves your place at next year's show!



We look forward to working with you in the coming year.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsorship type

- Program Sponsor \$100.00
 - Business Card Ad only \$300.00
 - Chapter Sponsor \$600.00
 - Show Sponsor \$1,100.00
- Ad copy is attached
 Please contact me for graphics assistance
- Amount enclosed _____

Method of Payment

- Check
- Bill Me
- Visa
- MasterCard

Name _____

Company _____

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Phone _____

Credit Card # _____ V-Code _____ Exp. date _____

Signature _____

Membership information

- I am a current member of the TVA CSI Chapter.
 I understand that I am responsible for maintaining my membership, My renewal notice for FY10 will be sent to Debbie Cacace upon receipt a minimum of one month prior to renewal. If my renewal information is not forwarded in a timely fashion, I will be responsible for membership renewal.

 My membership renewal date is _____

 My membership number is _____
- I am a new member, my membership application is attached.

Please fill out and fax or mail this page for sponsorship to:
 Debbie Cacace CSI, 509 Viking Drive, Suite B,
 Virginia Beach VA, 23452-7323;
 Fax : 757-486-0855



Tidewater VA Chapter

Program Sponsor - \$100.00

- Business card ad for the month of the program.
- Opportunity to have table top display and brief presentation of product at meeting

Chapter Sponsorship - \$600.00

- Full year CSI dues, Institute and Chapter
- PowerPoint slide shared with another sponsor that continually wraps at all monthly membership meetings
- A Business card ad (2 x 3.5 inches) in The Communicator throughout FY 2010

If not interested in a year of membership dues or a booth, \$300.00 will get a chapter member a Business Card Ad and PowerPoint Slide.

Show Sponsorship - \$1100.00

- Full year CSI dues, Institute and Chapter; see above if already a member.
- A booth or table at the HRBPS 2010
- PowerPoint slide shared with another sponsor that continually wraps at all monthly membership meetings
- A Business card ad (2 x 3.5 inches) in The Communicator throughout FY 2010

We are on the Web!
www.csitidewatervirginia.org

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Tidewater VA Chapter

**KNOWLEDGE FOR CREATING &
SUSTAINING THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT**

CDT EXAM UPDATED FOR FALL 2009

CSI has updated its certificate exam for the Construction Documents Technology (CDT) program. The changes will be reflected in the Fall 2009 CDT certificate exam.

The CDT provides a comprehensive overview for professionals who write, interpret, enforce or manage construction documents, including architects, engineers, contractors, contract administrators, material suppliers and manufacturers' representatives. The CDT credential demonstrates one's knowledge and understanding of construction documents and the project lifecycle.

To maintain the program's high standard of quality, CSI and Prometric, a testing and assessment provider, conducted an analysis of the CDT Certificate exam. The analysis evaluated the relevancy of its content in relation to the comprehensive knowledge and skills that construction professionals need to write and manage construction documents.

Test specifications (weighted content areas) have been updated to reflect the results of the analysis and to more accurately describe the knowledge being tested.

This fall, the new CDT exam will incorporate Building Information Modeling (BIM), Integrated Project Delivery (IPD) and Green Building – GreenFormat™ and Sustainability. The new topics will be included in the “Fundamentals” category. That category represents 8 percent of the questions on the exam. The exam will continue to be 100 multiple-choice questions. To pass, candidates still must receive a grade of 75 percent or higher.

For questions regarding CSI certifications visit www.csinet.org/certification or email certification@csinet.org.

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