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“Tackling the Legal Aspects of Converting to Paperless in the Construction Industry”

Presented by Mr. Richard Maltby of
Carnahan, Evans, Cantwell & Brown,
P.C.

Attendees will learn about the following:

- Pros and cons of going to paperless
- Software available for going paperless
- Federal and State Law and how it applies
- Best practices in the electronic era
- Corporate policies on retention of electronically stored information
- What you need to do with your electronic data when litigation strikes

Location: The Pasta House
4109 S. National Ave

5:30 Social (Cash Bar)

6:15 Dinner & Program

Cost: \$12.00 +/- per person
Plus drink tab

Next Month

Date: February 3, 2011

Sunrise Seminar

Topic: “New Media, New Economy
and How to Sell Yourself”

Presented by Don Harkey

Location: ESC Consulting Engi-
neers, 1922 N. Broadway

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

This event is free and includes
breakfast

Date: February 17, 2011

Topic: Polished Concrete Finishes

Location: The Pasta House
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5:30 Social (Cash Bar)

6:15 Dinner & Program

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Member Spotlight — Anna Kangas, CSI

Anna Kangas is an architectural intern at GHN Architects/Engineers. They are an architecture, engineering, interior design and planning firm in Springfield that has been around, under different names, since 1930.

Anna moved to Springfield to attend Drury University in 2003. She was born and raised on a farm about 20 minutes west of Cape Girardeau, MO, where her parents still raise beef cattle and plant a garden bigger than the entire lot Anna lives on in Springfield. She went to school in Jackson, MO (Go Indians!), where she played snare drum in marching band, sang in Girls' Choir and was the secretary of a gaming club. During several summers in college, Anna worked for her uncle, a contractor in the Cape Girardeau area, and helped erect many new buildings including Deer Ridge Animal Hospital, and Best One Tire & Service, as well as helped renovate the exterior of the Kent Library on the Southeast Missouri State University campus. She has experienced, first-hand, the architect-contractor gripes from both sides.



Anna graduated from Drury University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Architecture, and minors in Fine Arts and Art History. Soon after graduation, Anna earned her LEED Accredited Professional credential. She is working on her architectural licensing exams, and has passed five of the seven exams.

Anna has received several awards due to her commitment to the local Habitat for Humanity chapter. Her senior project in college was the Drury sponsored LEED Platinum Habitat for Humanity House, for which she received a Golden Hammer Award from Habitat for Humanity and the Crest of Excellence Award from Drury University. The Drury/Habitat for Humanity house has been featured in several national publications, most recently in *Home Power* magazine. For her continued participation on the Family Selection Committee, she received the Building Lives Award. This committee is involved in evaluating applications and deciding which families are placed in Habitat for Humanity houses. (The 2011 selection process begins in January 2011, if anyone is interested in volunteering.)

Anna has been involved in CSI since graduating from college. It is important for her to be involved in this organization because it encourages interaction with other members of the construction industry besides designers. In addition to CSI and Habitat for Humanity, Anna was co-chair of the local USGBC chapter for 2010, and will Chair the Programs committee for 2011. In the coming year, the local branch plans to provide educational opportunities for local LEED APs to help them gain their credential maintenance credits.

Anna and her husband, Jacob, met while they were both sales associates at Auto Zone. They have been married for a little over three years. For Christmas 2009, Jacob started building Anna a greenhouse to help extend the gardening season. It is fully enclosed, but a few punch list items need to be completed prior to moving in seedlings; it will hopefully house plants in spring 2011. After the greenhouse is completed, Anna plans to build a chicken coop in her backyard and house three or four chickens.

In Anna's free time, she can be found reading, watching old episodes of *Law & Order: SVU*, listening to ZZ Top, gardening in her backyard garden, or cooking. In the summer, Anna and Jacob spend most weekends at Stockton Lake, fishing, tubing and camping, and at various car shows in the Springfield area.

At GHN, Anna is currently working on the renovation of the Butler Building in West Plains, Samaritan Outreach Center (a homeless shelter in West Plains), and Missouri State University's Robert W. Plaster Center for Free Enterprise and Business Development (in the former Willowbrook building).

GHN is unique because their consultants are in-house; GHN employs architects, interior designers, structural, civil, mechanical and electrical engineers. Employing consultants in-house means the documents are better coordinated, resulting in higher attention to detail and fewer change orders. GHN provides many professional services, including Programming, Master and Site Planning, Architecture, Engineering, Interior Design, Construction Administration, and LEED Administration.

Last Month's Christmas Party

Last month's Christmas party can be summed up in one word "Gombe!". More than half of our membership showed up to celebrate and ring in the new year at the Metropolitan Grill. The evening started with a social hour and appetizers sponsored by Acme Brick, Sierra Building Products and Terracon. Prior to the main presentation we presented a check for \$500.00 to Christine Moses, the marketing director for Crosslines. Crosslines is a program developed by the Council of Churches of the Ozarks whose mission is to fight hunger and poverty here in the Ozarks. Christine stated that our donation would likely go to purchasing toys that will bring many smiles on Christmas morning to local kids.



Above President Elect Kim Beckham and Tom Burch share some Christmas cheer.



Above Laura Jean Derrick keeps the guys in stitches.

Below Kim Beckham and Julie Dame prove that masks are always in fashion..



To the right, some of our finest are shown entering the room. Christine Moses from Crosslines is shown on the far right.



Our very own Matt Boehner provided the presentation titled "I Hope You Like Kimchi" which outlined his recent visit to South Korea through the Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange Experience. Leave it to Matt to find a way to combine a learning experience with a college drinking game. He provided each table with ample amounts of rice liquor native to Korea and intermingled slides into his presentation with the word "Gombe". Each time you saw that word, you treated your self to



some Korean spirits. The only negative side-affect to this was that I forgot what the word "Gombe" actually means. On a serious note, we learned a great deal about numerous large scale South Korean projects that are ongoing that provide amazing outdoor landscapes for all to enjoy. Thank you Matt!



-Travis Miller

The photo above shows an interesting structure that Matt encountered.

To the right Matt is seen modeling the local garb—looks like some Gombe was involved.

Below is one of the many photos of projects that are in progress that are transforming the area.



Special thanks to Tina Brown for taking photos at the party!

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New Certificants

Congratulations to Tina Brown, CSI, CDT and Jeff Jones, CSI, CDT!!!!

Please take a minute at the next meeting and congratulate your fellow peers who have recently passed the CDT exam!

Membership

The following people have recently joined or renewed their membership with CSI—Thanks for your continued involvement and dedication to construction education!

Josh Nolin

Jim Ossana (new member)

Russ Pedigo

Chance Peebles

Steve Routh

Smitty Smith

Announcements

Energy Café—Ozarks New Energy One will discuss renewable energy topics the fourth Wednesday of the month through May from 6 to 7:30 pm at the Farmers Gastropub (Jefferson and Elm). The first presentation on January 26th, will feature speaker Josh Jones of Renew Missouri. His topic will be "Missouri's Future in Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy". Call 581-4018 to reserve your spot.

Design Fabrications, Inc. has been purchased by Dianna Devore, as Bob Carpenter and Mark Lightfoot are retiring after 19 years.

MSPE would like to announce that the annual MATHCOUNTS competition will be held on the Drury Campus on Saturday, February 26th. This competition puts local middle school age students against each other in several different math contest formats. Winners move on to State level competitions. Volunteers are still needed.

MSPE has scheduled their annual Bridge Contest for Wednesday, April 6th at the Hammonds Student Center. Volunteers are still needed.

Please plan to attend our future monthly meetings:

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February 17, 2011: Polished Concrete Finishes

March 9, 2011: Sunrise Seminar—"Anchorage to Concrete and Masonry"

March 17, 2011: "Techniques for Controlling Noise, Vibrations and Increasing Efficiency"

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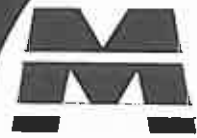
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