



BOARD REPORT

Northeast Region Board Meeting – April 11, 2010

DATE: March 27, 2010
TO: Northeast Region Board of Directors
FROM: John Van Oort, Eastern NY Regional Director
SUBJECT: Report of Eastern NY Chapter of CSI

A. Report Summary

1. Monthly membership meetings going steadily. Need to activate more of the membership into participation of chapter meetings, committee chairs, et al. NER Conference ended in success with a surplus after all expenses. No new events or programs prior to the next Board Meeting.

B. The Report

1. Summary of activities since last report: Since the last report, our chapter has focused on retaining members and monthly membership meetings. Due to economic conditions, some of our Board have withdrawn to an extend to focus on their employment situations. Monthly membership meetings have been well received and attendance has been steady around 20-25 people depending upon the topic.
2. Status of current programs: The current programs our chapter is running at this time are the monthly membership meetings. After recovering from the NER Conference in August 2009, the volunteerism to spearhead any new projects has not been forthcoming.
3. Problem areas: Like most chapters, our chapter is facing the lack of participation from it's membership. The Board tends to spearhead all committees as well as perform the work. Our attendance to our monthly membership meetings is good, however, only a third of the attendees are chapter members.
4. Success stories: We have two success stories, the first is an ongoing one. That is the Program Committee headed by Annette Woodside. Annette has been Program Chair for several years now and has kept the programs booked well in advance and interesting topics. Annette will become our Chapter President this year. The other success story that you all may be familiar with was the Hosting of the NER

Conference in August 2009. Hit with the worst economic times in the construction industry to host a conference and solicit sponsors was a daunting task. However, with the help of our Event Planner and some Bare Bones budgeting by yours truly, we were able to provide a very enjoyable and successful event.

5. Schedule of activities prior to next Board Meeting: Prior to the next Board Meeting, our chapter will finish out the year with their monthly membership meetings, and then in July we host the Annual Family Night Baseball Game at the local AAA baseball team, the Tri-Valley Cats. This is usually a well attended event and our Chapter gets recognized on the electronic scoreboard and announcements.

6. Changes in Chapter Membership since last report: This Regional Director has to confess that due to the fulltime involvement in chairing the NER Conference last August and wrapping that up, and then returning his full time attention to keeping his Architectural Firm afloat due to negligence over the past year, he has not reviewed the membership at this time.

C. Suggestions for the benefit of the Region

1. NONE

Respectfully submitted;

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Cc: Region Secretary