

August 2015 President's Message – CSI Santa Clara Valley Chapter

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We started the new fiscal year at our July meeting, with Aaron Hill, Regional Sales Director for GAF speaking to us about the differences between membranes and insulation types used in roofing. It was an interactive presentation learning about the most common types of commercial roofing systems. With Aaron's experience he answered many questions and engaged us in great conversation. Thank you Aaron for your presentation. We had three students from our local colleges attend this meeting. It was a pleasure to welcome them and introduce them what CSI is all about. We encourage and hope to see more students at our monthly meetings. As we carry on our "Traditional Question" at our dinner meetings during our self-introductions – I love listening to everyone's stories. It gives us an opportunity to learn about one another outside of the construction industry.

The July Board meeting went well as some of us started our new positions. We have a group of Board and Committee members who truly have the passion to shape CSI Santa Clara Valley into a thriving Chapter! We will be meeting on July 25th for our annual Strategic Planning Meeting to set our goals for the year.

We have three new members in June/July. On behalf of the Chapter, I would like to welcome Crystal Petersen with Rockfon, Kim Schneider with Griggs Systems, and Charles Gallo with Assa Abloy. We look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings.

Please join me in welcoming Mark Dorsey, FASAE, CAE, to CSI! Dorsey has been selected by CSI's Board as the new Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer for CSI National. Dorsey will join staff at CSI's headquarters in Alexandria, VA, at the beginning of September. Members can meet Mark at [CONSTRUCT 2015 & The Annual CSI Convention](#) in St. Louis. You can read more about Mark Dorsey by following this link: <http://www.csinet.org/MarkDorseyCEO>

We are eight weeks away for the CSI SCV Construction Expo 2015! A BIG thank you to all exhibitors and sponsors who have signed up. If you are interested in a Sponsorship or a table top (just sold 4 more table tops) please follow link: <http://santaclaravalley.csinet.org/expo-2015>

We look forward to a great EVENT!

Mark your calendars - CSI SCV monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 6th. August Program is "Designing Contractor: The Project Team's Guide to Design-Assist, Delegated Design, and Design-Build" presented by Vivian Volz, AIA, CSI, CCS, LEED AP BD+C. Vivian is a licensed architect and Certified Construction Specifier and a Past President of the San Francisco Chapter. We hope you can join us for this wonderful dinner program.