

January 2015 President's Message - CSI Santa Clara Valley

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MEETING MUSINGS

Thank you to those of you who made the trek up to Oakland in the rainy weather for our Tri-Chapter Holiday Party. It was a wonderful evening spent celebrating the holidays with all of our Bay Area CSI friends. Not only did we enjoyed great food, music, dancing, and comradery; we also raised funds for the San Francisco CSI Foundation Scholarship fund and collected a lot of gifts for less fortunate children for Toys-for-Tots. Mixing and mingling with San Francisco and East Bay/Oakland CSI Chapter members made it a very memorable and special event.

CSI CERTIFICATION

A New Year means another chance to sign up CSI Certification testing. Study group resources kick off in January leading up to the spring 2015 exam dates. This is a great chance for professional development:

“CSI’s CDT Certificate and advanced certifications – CCS, CCCA, CCPR – are recognized throughout the industry as evidence of a proven level of education, knowledge and experience in construction documents. These credentials demonstrate professional commitment, credibility and reliability to employers, colleagues and clients.”

The Redwood Empire Chapter is hosting a CDT Preparation Course via webinar that is free to any CSI member. It starts in January and meets every other week through mid-March. For more information, [see their flyer](#) or contact Michelangelo Arenales at 707.483.0536 or m.arenales@sbsarch.com.

The Los Angeles Chapter is hosting Preparation Courses for the advanced certifications – CCS, CCCA, CCPR – via webinar for a fee. You can learn more on their [website](#).

Don't miss out on these opportunities to advance your career and learn more about the construction industry. The early registration deadline for the exams is January 31st.

SILICON VALLEY CONSTRUCTION EXPO 2015

In September CSI SCV will be hosting the Silicon Valley Construction Expo at the Levi's Stadium, home of the 49ers. Please help us spread the word to potential Exhibitors, Sponsors, and Attendees. We want to make this a great event with over 70 Exhibitors and 200 Attendees from Bay Area. Learn more about this event on our [website](#). If you would like to help make this event a reality, please get in contact with me at 408.368.9122 or rietta.csi@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATES

As we launch into 2015, mark your calendar for these upcoming CSI events:

- April 16-18, 2015 – CSI Academies, San Francisco
- May 13-16, 2015 – West Region Conference, San Diego
- September 2015 – Silicon Valley Construction Expo at Levi's Stadium, Santa Clara
- May 2016 – West Region Conference, Tahoe