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LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT
Greetings and Happy New Year! I would like to formally introduce myself and let everyone know that I am honored to serve as your 2015 ICRI Chicago Chapter President. I am eager to begin what will be another successful year for our industry and our local chapter. With a new year brings new faces to our Board of Directors. Please join me in welcoming Marinee Carlson, Tom Lawler, and Blake Rago as new 1st Year Directors. Marinee, Tom, and Blake join what is already an experienced and well committed Board. Additionally, I would like to thank past President Alex Szatanek for his outstanding leadership in 2014 and helping me transition into my new role with our chapter.

Even though it is still the middle of winter, the Board has already begun working hard on assembling a variety of exciting events to help everyone look forward to warmer and better times. Our 2015 Dinner Meeting series will kick-off on February 17th on the topic of “Risk Mitigation Tips for the Renovation Contractor and Design Professional”. On June 4th, our annual scholarship fundraiser and golf outing will be held at White Pines Golf Club in Bensenville. Last year was the first year that our outing was held at White Pines and thanks everyone it was a HUGE success. As in the past, the outing will include lots of prizes, some good food, and great networking opportunities. We hope that you can join us in furthering our scholarship program. We are in the final planning stages for our remaining three Dinner Meeting topics, Social Outing, Holiday Social, and Educational Seminar. I look forward to announcing these details in the very near future.

The Spring ICRI National Convention is being held in New York City March 25-27th at the Millennium Broadway Hotel. The theme will appropriately be “High Rise Repairs”. As in the past we are looking for as many Chicago Chapter members to attend.

I encourage our current and prospective members to visit our local chapter’s website www.icrichicago.org for chapter information such a list of our chapter activities, membership information, and our calendar of events.

If you have any comments, suggestions, or would like to get more involved with our chapter, please feel free to email or talk to me at our events. I look forward to seeing all of you throughout the year.

Sincerely,
Steve Genovese
President - ICRI Chicago Chapter
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The Chicago Chapter of ICRI hosted their November Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, November 18, 2014 at Erie Café in Chicago, IL.

This presentation featured Amy Woods, PE of Thornton Tomasetti and Anne Sullivan, FAIA of Sullivan Preservation. Teaming up with Landmarks Illinois and the local chapter of the Association for Preservation Technology (APT), on the history and recent investigation for repair of Loredo Taft’s Eternal Indian Statue that overlooks the Rock River in Oregon, Illinois. The 50-foot tall concrete statue (commonly referred to as the "Black Hawk Statue") was erected in 1910 and dedicated in July of 1911.

The presentation discussed the history of the statue incorporating concrete methods that were revolutionary for the time as well as past repair efforts and the current investigation and restoration plan. Details of the material properties, testing procedures and efforts to select the most appropriate and sympathetic repair materials.

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ICRI SEMINAR HIGHLIGHTS

The Chicago Chapter of the ICRI hosted its annual seminar on December 18th at Bulley & Andrew’s Chicago Facility. This year’s topic was Crack Repair. The morning session was comprised of three presentations: ‘Crack Repair Overview’ by Kevin Michols with Wiss Janney Elstner, ‘Injection Options’ by Jeremy Chilton with Sika Corp and ‘Quality Control and Operations’ by Bob Trout of Lily Co.

After lunch, all attendees were able to get hands on experience at four mock up stations: Low Pressure Epoxy Injection, Epoxy Injection and Acrylates, Polyurethane Chemical Grout Injection and Gravity Feed. Each station allowed attendees to view the process first hand as well as handle some of the equipment and materials used in the field.

This year’s seminar was a resounding success; not only did the event sell out, all attendees remarked at the overall quality of the presentations and venue.

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HOLIDAY SOCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

On Thursday, December 11th, 2014, the Chicago Chapter of ICRI hosted the 11th Annual Holiday Social at The Fox & Hound, in Schaumburg, IL. This great location provided an opportunity for holiday well-wishing, pool, darts and great food followed up with the traditional Texas Hold’Em Tournament. A special Thank You to everyone who opened their wallets and pantries as collectively our organization donated numerous non-perishable food items and over $300.00 to charity.

The Texas Hold’Em tournament, once again run by Mike McCluskey of BASF, started with over 25 players of wide-ranging skill spread out over 4 tables. With the blinds doubling every 15 minutes, it didn’t take long for the final table to be set. Ultimately, it was Alex Szatanek of Thornton Tomasetti, Inc. who took home the championship. Congratulations to the remaining top four finishers: 2nd place winner Tom Steele of Quality Restorations, Inc. 3rd place winner Jim Becker of W.R. Meadows, Inc., and 4th place finisher Tom Lawler of William Hach & Associates Inc. This year’s honorable mention goes to Lou Martino of W. J. McGuire Company who was the first out!

Congratulations to the 50/50 raffle winner Dave Swinehart of National Decorating Services.

Thanks to everyone who contributed to this event, especially Mike McCluskey of BASF and Sean Meracle of Sherwin Williams for their efforts in coordinating and running it. Thanks also to those who attended this event and took a few minutes out of their busy holiday schedule to share some holiday cheer with their colleagues at ICRI.
Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2015
Topic: Risk Mitigation Tips for the Renovation Contractor and Design Professional
FEATURED SPEAKER: Josh M. Leavitt

"And You Thought You Were There to Fix Someone Else's Problems?"
Risk Mitigation Tips for the Renovation Contractor and Design Professional

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• Potential Risks for Design Professionals / Contractors
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Presenter Information: Josh M. Leavitt co-chairs the Construction Law Group at Much Shelist, a Chicago-based firm named to the “Midsized Hot List” by the National Law Journal. Josh is recognized by Chambers and many similar organizations, and is an elected Fellow of the American College of Construction Lawyers. He is entering his 30th year of practice. Josh has significant knowledge of the construction industry, and has handled all manner of construction law matters for both domestic and international clients. He has represented the full spectrum of construction sector participants, including leading ENR-listed companies and Fortune 100 companies. He has handled matters involving dozens of building systems and technologies, and a variety of building types that range from some of the tallest buildings in the world, to process, manufacturing and energy plants, to prominent museums and theaters, to tunnels and quarries. He has substantial experience working on legal matters involving concrete restoration and repair. Throughout his career Josh has frequently lectured and published on construction and design law topics. Josh received his B.A. in Economics from Yale University and his J.D. from New York University School of law.

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The ICRI National Convention was held from November 12-14 in Kansas City, MO. The convention was held at the Intercontinental Kansas City at the Plaza. Every year, the fall convention features the National ICRI Award presentations. This year, the Chicago Chapter brought home two national awards.

ROOF SUNDECK REHABILITATION AT A CHICAGO CONDOMINIUM COMPLEX- AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
CP Bok of CTLGroup submitted this entry which was chosen as an Award of Excellence recipient. This project included column strengthening, façade repairs, roofing replacement, railing installation, new decking and new tiebacks.

REPAIRS TO PAULINA STREET PARKING STRUCTURE- AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
Peter Kolf of CTLGroup submitted this entry in the longevity category. This project including concrete repairs to a parking deck in 1991 that drastically reduced the need for repair and increased the usability of the parking deck.
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