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NOVEMBER NTX MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Thursday, November 9, 2017

MEETING DETAILS:

Location: Mattito's Tex-Mex in Oak Lawn (3102 Oak Lawn Dallas, TX 75219)

Parking: Free parking is available in the garage below the restaurant, which is accessible from North Hall Street.

Schedule: 11:00 AM—11:30 AM: Registration and networking
11:30 AM—12:00 PM: Lunch is served
12:00 PM—1:00 PM: Meeting and presentation

Cost: \$25 for members; \$35 for non-members (RSVP via Whoozin)
\$30 for members; \$40 for non-members (day of event registration)

RSVP: <http://whoozin.com/VRG-C44-CGJ4>

PRESENTATION INFO:

Speaker: Chad Dabbs, EIT - TxDOT Fort Worth District Bridge Design Section

Speaker Bio: Chad is the first in his family to attend college out of high school and earn a college degree. Chad graduated from Texas Tech University in December 2014 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering and started working for the Texas Railroad Commission as a state pipeline inspector. After one year as pipeline inspector Chad took a job opening with TXDOT and started working in March of 2016. Chad brings a different perspective of design to TXDOT's team of bridge design engineers using knowledge from his Mechanical Engineering background.

Info: The State of Texas has a bridge inventory of over 53,000 structures and counting. The Fort Worth District has an inventory of over 4,300 structures, which amounts to roughly 8% of the State's inventory. The amount of structures in the inventory creates a high probability of impact from travelling motorists. Commercial freight transport, permit loads, overweight/overweight loads and even passenger cars cause millions of dollars of damage annually by impacting bridge structures. The TxDOT Fort Worth Bridge Design Section, led by Manuel Padron, Jr., P.E., is constantly tasked with responding, evaluating and designing repairs to various bridge structure components damaged by impact.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Julie Bolding

The year has flown by and we're in the last stretch of 2017. I hope many of you were able to enjoy a fun day of golf at our 16th annual golf classic in memory of long-time Special Events Chairman, Jesse Points. The weather was a little warm, but it was a great event. Thanks to our loyal sponsors, dedicated members and volunteers for making this event a fantastic success. The proceeds of the golf tournament, along with our other fundraisers, benefit our North Texas Chapter ICRI Scholarships, as well as scholarships for the UTA Civil Engineering Department and Texas State Concrete Industry Management (CIM) Program.

Thanks to my fellow board members for all of their hard work this year! If you're interested in becoming more involved with our chapter, please contact me or one of our board members for additional information. Chapter elections will be held in the coming weeks, so keep an eye out for the ballot email.

I hope to see y'all at the ICRI National Convention in New Orleans on November 15-17! If you haven't registered, you can sign up for late registration through the national ICRI website (www.icri.org). The convention is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the industry and network. Please let Mark LeMay know if you attend because we get additional points on the chapter awards form based on the number of chapter members in attendance at the conventions.

Lastly, I hope to see y'all at our last membership meeting of 2017 on November 9th at Mattito's. Chad Dabbs with TxDOT's Fort Worth District Bridge Design Section will be our speaker. Please remember to RSVP to the Whoozin invite if you haven't done so already.

Sincerely,

Julie Bolding

2017 ICRI North Texas Chapter President

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NORTH TEXAS CHAPTER TO HOST CONCRETE SURFACE REPAIR TECHNICIAN CERTIFICATION

Our North Texas Chapter will be hosting a Concrete Surface Repair Technician Certification Exam on Tuesday, February 14, 2018 at [Simpson Strong Tie's facility located at 2221 Country Lane in McKinney, Texas](#) from 8 AM to 6 PM.

In order for ICRI to bring this program to Texas, we will need pre-paid registration from 20 participants. We will be reaching out to the Houston and South Central Texas Chapters as well. Each participant will need to complete and pass the on-line, Tier 1 portion of the program prior to taking the hands-on, Tier 2 portion on February 14th.

Tier 1 consists of five (5) online training modules, and each module has questions with a certain percentage that must be answered correctly in order to achieve a Certificate of Achievement from ICRI for passing the Tier 1 portion.

The Tier 2 portion consists of a knowledge exam, and a recorded or witnessed hands-on performance exam demonstrating competency to perform the following four (4) ASTM field tests:

- C143, Standard Test Method for Slump of Hydraulic-Cement Concrete;
- C1611, Standard Test Method for Slump Flow of Self-Consolidating Concrete;
- C31, Standard Practice for Making and Curing Concrete Test Specimens in the Field;
- C1583, Standard Test Method for Tensile Strength of Concrete Surfaces and the Bond Strength or Tensile Strength of Concrete Repair and Overlay Materials by Direct Tension (Pull-off Method), and ICRI Guideline No. 210.3R, Guide for Using In-Situ Tensile Pulloff Tests to Evaluate Bond of Concrete Surface Materials

Once you register for this event, copies of the ASTM Standards will be sent to you. Simpson and the Chapter plan to have all the necessary equipment available for each participant to perform these tests, and the video equipment to record each participant. The cost should be around \$750 per participant for both Tier 1 and Tier 2. ICRI Technical Director, Ken Lozen, will let us know shortly what the exact cost per participant will be.

If you need additional information, please contact Mark LeMay at 817-505-4304 or mlemay@jqeng.com.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP FOR THIS EVENT WILL BE ON OR ABOUT JANUARY 19, 2018!!

Also, the Chapter is forming a committee to plan for this event, which will include the preparation of the work stations prior to Feb 14th. Additional volunteers will be needed during the event to videotape each participant's test performance. Please contact Mark LeMay if you are willing to serve on the Committee, or be a volunteer the day of the event.



FUTURE PROGRAMS & EVENTS



- **Nov. 9: Membership Meeting**
- **Nov. 15-17: Fall Convention (New Orleans)**
- **Dec. 8: Board Meeting**
- **Jan. 22-28: World of Concrete (Las Vegas)**

More 2018 Dates Coming Soon!



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SEPTEMBER MEETING RECAP

The North Texas Chapter held a lively and informative panel discussion at its September meeting at Mattito's Tex-Mex Cantina in Dallas. Panelists were Past NTX Chapter Presidents, Patrick Jorski, Parking and Restoration Specialist with BASF Construction Chemicals and Steve Lucy, PE, CEO and Managing Partner with JQ Engineering, LLP, and NTX Chapter Treasurer Pete Haveron, President of Texas Concrete Restoration. The panelists discussed the major changes they have seen in the concrete repair industry over their careers, the new technologies that excite them about the future of the industry, the major challenges they face in serving the needs of their clients, and what they want most from the other two segments of the industry represented on the panel. Many attendees joined in the discussions and, though some frank and pointed comments were made, thankfully no violence ensued, and plenty of networking continued after the meeting. The North Texas Chapter is very appreciate of our panelists for sharing their time and keen insight on the state of the NTX industry. Also, thanks to those who attended and participated in the great discussion.



Above (left to right): Chapter President Julie Bolding with panelists Steve Lucy, Pete Haveron, and Patrick Jorski

Below: Moderator Mark LeMay (standing) and the panelists field a question from an attendee



SURFACE PROFILE CHIPS FOR SALE!

Did you know that the NTX Chapter sells ICRI Surface Profile Chips (PC1-10)? Let us know before a meeting and we can deliver them to you there! Your purchase supports the NTX Chapter. For more information, contact Pete Haveron at [peteh@texconrest.com](mailto:pete@texconrest.com)



NEWS FROM ICRI NATIONAL

2017 ICRI Fall Convention

ICRI's Fall Convention will be held in New Orleans, LA Wednesday through Friday, November 15-17, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in downtown New Orleans. The theme of the convention is "Docks, Locks and Canals." Log on to icri.org and fill out the online form – it's not too late!

Going to World of Concrete?

As you may know, ICRI is one of the sponsoring organizations for World of Concrete, coming up at the Las Vegas Convention Center, January 22-26, 2018. What you may not know is that, as a sponsoring organization, ICRI receives a rebate for every attendee who signs up (and attends) the Convention through the ICRI website, and/or by using the special registration promotional code of: **A36**

So... if you plan to attend the 2018 WOC, please sign up through the ICRI website using this code! Also, on Monday evening, January 22, 2018, ICRI will hold its annual Kick-Off Party at World of Concrete. This is a fun-filled event with great food, plentiful, top-shelf libations, and primo networking opportunities! Exact location and details are still being finalized, so please watch for more information coming soon to the ICRI website!



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Have industry news to share? Recent promotion? Industry recognition? We want to hear about it! Email sgrelle@wje.com for inclusion in the next issue.

INDUSTRY NEWS

Peter Larson, P.E. has joined the Dallas office of Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. as an Associate Principal. Peter has 40 years of experience in design of building structures. Peter's design experience gives him exceptional breadth and depth of knowledge in project types, building materials, structural systems, construction methods, contracts, and standards of practice.



In addition to contemporary structural design, his work includes historic preservation and working with archaic building systems. He also has significant experience in the evaluation, repair, and strengthening of structures and is an Associate Member of ACI 440, Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Reinforcement, and a Member of ACI 440 F, FRP Repair - Strengthening. He has been recognized nationally, regionally, and locally for excellence, innovation, and outstanding contributions to the structural engineering profession.

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JESSE POINTS GOLF CLASSIC

The North Texas Chapter remembered long-time Special Events Chairperson, Jesse Points, who passed away earlier this year, at their 16th annual golf outing held at Waterchase Golf Club in east Fort Worth. With a backdrop of perfect weather, the re-named Jesse Points Memorial Golf Classic kicked off with a moment of silence for Jesse, a perpetual fixture at every special event held by the Chapter since its inception in 2000. The heated competition on the course resulted in a one-shot victory for the team from CMC with a score of 57. WJE's team garnered second place in a scorecard playoff against the BASF-1 team. Who says engineers can't play golf?! Chapter Secretary, Andy Bautz from George D Alan Company, was victorious in the putting contest and with a closest-to-the-pin shot on #7. Brad Court exhibited a well-rounded game with the longest drive on hole #6 and his closest-to-the-pin shot on #12. Ben Grandbois from Western Specialty Contractors powered the longest drive down the fairway on hole #18. The BASF-2 team led by Chapter Director, Eddie DeHaro, ended the day with a pristine, unused eraser on their scoring pencil and now have the honor of decorating the "Most Honest" trophy for next year's event! Thanks go out to the NTX Golf Committee: Treasurer, Peter Haveron, Past President, Patrick Jorski, Chapter Director, Clay Broyles, and long-time member, Bob Scheelar.

Top left: 1st Place CMC Team; Top Right: 2nd Place WJE Team; Bottom Left: 3rd Place BASF-1 Team; Bottom Right: Mark LeMay and putting contest winner Andy Bautz



Team Winners

1st Place: CMC Team
 Jeff Wilhelm
 Bobby Jones
 Brad Court
 Dustin Dorsey

2nd Place: Wiss, Janney, Elstner Team
 Daniel Dodd
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3rd Place: BASF-1 Team
 Patrick Jorski
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MORE GOLF FUN AT WATERCHASE



Pat Jorski accepts "Most Honest" trophy for the BASF-2 team



Post-Round BBQ

The North Texas Chapter is always looking for ways to expand or refine the newsletter. If you have suggestions on what we should include in the newsletter, new ideas, articles, or things we need to cut-out please send those comments to Steve Grelle (sgrelle@wje.com).

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