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November Membership Meeting and Presentation

Presenters: Ed Carter (Senior Sales Project Manager)
Jon Silva (Senior Field Supervisor)
Western Specialty Contractors

Topic: Repair of Post-Tensioned Concrete at an Uptown Condo Building

The presentation will be a profile of a Western Specialty Contractors project from 2019 at the Azure Condominiums in Dallas. The project involved repair of a post-tensioning tendon that was ruptured by a plumbing contractor during renovations on the 30th Floor of the condominium tower. The presentation will highlight the challenges of performing the repair at height and within an occupied residential building.



Date: Thursday, November 3, 2022
Time: Social hour at 11:00 AM, lunch at 11:30 AM, meeting 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM
Location: Las Colinas Corporate Center, 4th Floor Conference Room
(one floor below WJE's office)
6363 N. State Highway 114, Irving, Texas 75038
Cost: \$25 member / \$35 non-member

[Click here to visit the ICRI website and register!](#)

Join ICRI! We encourage all of our industry friends to become a member of ICRI to support the organization and take advantage of the many benefits of membership. Registration is easy! Visit the [ICRI registration page](#) and make sure to include your annual membership in the North Texas Chapter (\$40 per year) in addition to your national membership dues.

President's Message



Abhishek Aggarwal

The year has flown by, and we are in the last stretch of 2022. It has been a tough and busy year across our industry. While we continued to be faced with supply chain issues, labor shortages, pricing uncertainties, and tightening budgets and timelines, our industry and its people have been resilient and found ways to keep the industry functioning. Some among our members even helped each other by sharing their stock of material. The leadership, optimism, and a touch of southern hospitality around me, unquestionably, made work more fun and less stressful.

The recently concluded 21st Annual Golf Classic at Waterchase Golf Club was once again executed flawlessly by our Events Committee. The Board wants to thank everyone who attended and supported the event. I want to personally thank the members of our Events Committee and the volunteers for their efforts and time to make this tournament a success.

Our ICRI National Convention is coming up November 7-9 in Atlanta, GA. This is a

fantastic opportunity to meet other members and chapters. I hope to see everyone at our next and this year's last membership meeting next week on November 3. More details about speaker and topic are in this newsletter.

We will begin the process of transitioning to a new 2023 Board of Directors and Officers. You will see emails for requests for nominations in November. If you, or anyone you know, are interested in joining next year's board – please submit your name and information to Mark LeMay (mlemay@jqeng.com). A final nomination list and draft election ballot will be sent out by the end of November for consideration and final votes during December Members Meeting.

Sincerely,

Abhishek Aggarwal, P.E.

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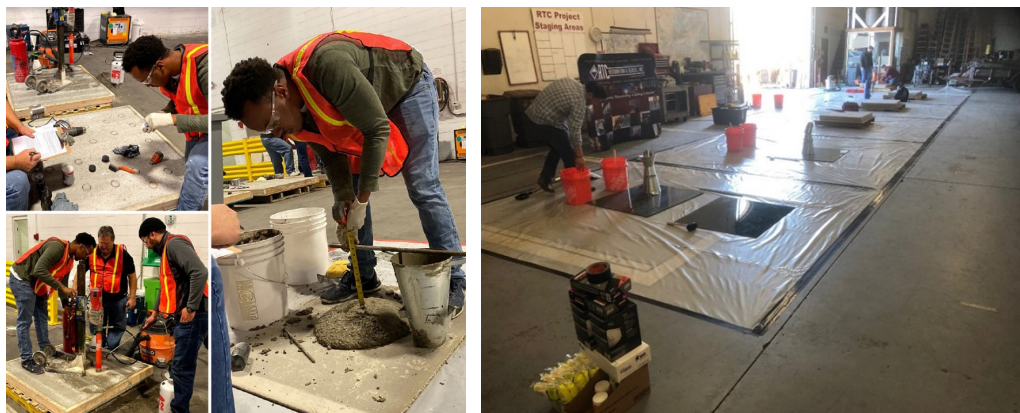
Future Programs & Events

Concrete Surface Repair Tech Exam in DFW

The NTX Chapter will be hosting a Concrete Surface Repair Technician Certification Exam in December! Don't miss this opportunity to attain a valuable certification and cutting edge training without the hassle of out-of-town travel to an exam location. Anyone in the concrete repair industry will benefit from this great program.

See attached flyer for more information

Date: Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Location: RTC, 1433 Crescent Drive, Carrollton, Texas
Time: 8:00 AM—4:00 PM



CALENDAR						
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- November 3: Membership Meeting
- November 7-9: ICRI Fall Convention (Atlanta)
- December 7: Concrete Surface Repair Technician Live Performance Exam (RTC in Carrollton)
- December 9: Board Meeting

Surface Profile Chips for Sale!

Did you know that the NTX Chapter sells ICRI Surface Profile Chips (CSP 1-10)? 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).



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Rankin Jays Presents to NTX on South Beach Ritz-Carlton Restoration

On Thursday, September 15, the North Texas Chapter held our regular membership meeting. Members and guests of the Chapter joined together at WJE's office location at Las Colinas Corporate Center for a technical presentation and lunch provided by Baker's BBQ. This meeting's technical presentation was provided by Mr. Rankin Jays, Coatings Business Development Leader for MAPEI Corporation. Mr. Jays has had an extensive career in the paint, high performance coatings, and stucco industry for many years, particularly in the South Florida markets. Mr. Jays presented on restoration of the historic Ritz-Carlton hotel in South Beach. The Ritz-Carlton was originally built as the Hotel Dilido in the early 1950s. The presentation provided a wealth of information regarding the challenges and considerations of working with stucco and associated coatings in particularly harsh climates, such as the Atlantic coast. In particular, Mr. Jays took a deeper dive into surface preparation, stucco composition, non-destructive testing, and other repair considerations in order to effectively repair building facades in these types of conditions. The presentation gave everyone a great introduction as to how stucco also plays into the concrete repair industry. The NTX Chapter Thanks Mr. Jays for the presentation and a big thank you to all who attended. We look forward to seeing everyone at the next membership meeting in November!



Rankin Jays of MAPEI presents at the NTX September Membership Meeting.





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Concrete Surface Repair Technician (CSRT) Program



A Self-Guided Training Program
 Focused On Concrete Surface Repair

*"The ICRI CSRT program has assembled a vast amount of information...
 an individual can learn best practices that typically take five to ten years to accumulate.
 Whether you are new to concrete repair or experienced...this program has something for everyone."
 Jacob Borgerson, CSRT-Grade 1, Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.*

Jesse Points Memorial Golf Classic

Following a spectacular early fall sunrise over Waterchase Golf Club in Fort Worth, ICRI's North Texas Chapter hosted its 21st Annual Jesse Points Memorial Golf Classic to help raise funds for the Chapter's Scholarship Program. The event continues to highlight the contributions of NTX founding member, Jesse Points, who served as Golf Committee Chairperson from its inception in 2002 until his passing in 2017.

Seventeen teams gathered for lunch, a spirited putting contest, and 18 holes of golf followed by dinner and awards. With perfect weather and great course conditions, low scores were the order of the day, highlighted by a sizzling 53 scored by the Prosoco Team of Zak Wilske, Calvin Carter, Ben Grandbois, and Drew Eldred. They were followed closely by the 2nd place Jon-Don Team of Zach Webb, Pat Barry, Matt Barry, and Andrew Denson who shot 55. Third Place went to the team from Western Specialty Contractors with a score of 56 – Bob Scheelar, Bob Tober, Parker Mink and Bryan Staffel. The "Most Honest" Award went to the team from IMER USA – Robert Bacarella, Scott Belmont, Todd Rosolie, and Anthony Rosolie.

Erik Durrant from Sunbelt Waterproofing blasted the longest drive on hole 18. Closest to the Pin winners included Pat Barry, Andrew Denson, Jon Winkles, and Bob Tober.

Special thanks go all of our sponsors for their financial support, and to NTX members Clay Broyles, Eddie DeHaro, Patrick Jorski, Casey Jones and Pete Haveron for managing the event!



Sunrise over Waterchase



1st Place Team (Prosoco)



2nd Place Team (Jon-Don)

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News From ICRI

2022 ICRI Fall Convention—Atlanta, GA

Plan to join the International Concrete Repair Institute (ICRI) in Atlanta, Georgia. Whether you are a novice or seasoned professional, this is your best opportunity to expand your understanding of concrete repair, protection and restoration through networking, technical sessions with PDH credits, and participating in ICRI committee meetings. You can expect another dynamic convention featuring concrete repair industry experts sharing their expertise with you. As always, your ICRI committees will be meeting throughout the convention and it is important to remember that all committee meetings (with the exception of the Fellows and Nominations) are open for anyone to attend.

When: Monday - Wednesday, November 7-9, 2022

Where: InterContinental Buckhead Atlanta
3315 Peachtree Road NE
Atlanta, GA 30326

Registration is now open!

VISIT THE [ICRI WEBSITE](#) FOR MORE INFORMATION AND
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Get Surface Repair Certified!

Why should my company have ICRI-certified Concrete Surface Repair Technicians (CSRT) on staff?

The ACI 562-19 concrete repair code commentary states that CSRTs are qualified to perform testing and inspections required by the Design Professional. Look for this requirement to become more prevalent in the coming years as ACI 562-19 is becoming more widely recognized. Plus, better quality control and quality assurance start with better training!

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For more information, visit the certification program's website

WWW.ICRI.ORG/PAGE/CERT_TECHPROGRAM

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 \(sgrelle@wje.com\)](mailto:Steve.Grelle@wje.com).

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Hello, fellow member of ICRI! Are you aware of ICRI's Concrete Surface Repair Technician (CSRT) certification program? **YOU NEED TO BE!!** Having just attended the ACI Convention in Dallas, word is that ACI 562 – Code Requirements for Assessment, Repair and Rehabilitation of Existing Concrete Structures has a good chance of being adopted into the International Existing Building Code (IEBC) in the very near future!

What does this mean for you? With the impending adoption of ACI 562 into the IEBC, it means you need to get ahead of the curve and become certified as a Concrete Surface Repair Technician!

What is ACI 562? The ACI 562-19 code provides minimal requirements for assessment, design and construction, and implementation of repairs and rehabilitation, including quality assurance requirements, for structural concrete **in service**.

Why do you need to become certified? For Design Professionals, it means you understand the minimal requirements needed for the assessment and design of repairs to concrete structures. For Contractors, it means you understand how to perform pre-and post-placement inspections for the proper implementation of repairs to concrete structures. **This could serve to differentiate you from your competitors!**

How do you become certified? To start the process, log in/create an account on the ICRI website (www.icri.org), navigate to the "Certification/Education" tab, click on "CSRT Program", and scroll down to the orange tab: [Course - Concrete Surface Repair Technician \(CSRT\) Certification Course \(icri.org\)](#)

What is involved in becoming certified? It starts by having you complete the 5 on-line training modules/quizzes and a Knowledge Exam (roughly 8-10 hours total). The modules can be completed in stages and consist of the following:

- Module 1: What is Reinforced Concrete? / Deterioration of Reinforced Concrete
- Module 2: Quality Requirements
- Module 3: Repair Methods and Materials
- Module 4: Pre-placement Inspection
- Module 5: Post-placement Inspection

Once the 5 modules and Knowledge Exam are successfully completed, you are then qualified to perform the hands-on Performance Exam. To assist you with this last piece (which requires an assemblage of materials and equipment), the North Texas Chapter will be hosting a **Live Performance Exam (LPE)** on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 in Carrollton, Texas, and the Chapter will provide all of the materials and equipment needed to complete the 1-hour Performance Exam! All you need to do is show up at your appointed time!



Do you have questions about the CSRT Program? If so, you may contact Mark LeMay, AIA, FICRI, CSRT at mlemay@jqeng.com or by phone (817) 228-0481, or Dale Regnier at daler@icri.org or by phone 651.290.6278 (Direct).

