



ICMA E-NEWS

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ICMA / NCMA Trains Members

At the ICMA Fall Meeting, ICMA and NCMA put on a training session for its members. ICMA members reviewed two AIA/CES programs developed by the NCMA. Two programs were presented by Dennis Graber, NCMA. The programs covered LEED and Moisture. A representative from AIA national, Sara Thomas, was on hand to train the members how to correctly present in front of architects and meet AIA presentation guidelines.



ICMA, to keep its costs down, in partnership with the NCMA developed AIA accredited courses for ICMA members to provide to designers. Seventeen people participated in the LEED training, twelve participated in the moisture program, and eight participated in the AIA training.

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ICMA Calendar

ICMA Annual Meeting

January 14-15, 2009

Renaissance Indianapolis North

ICMA Awards Luncheon

January 15, 2009

Renaissance Indianapolis North

NCMA Convention

February 26-28, 2009

Indianapolis, Indiana

Sara Thomas, AIA presenting

As an AIA approved provider, by training members, ICMA can offer designers local representatives to provide them AIA educational programs. With trained personnel, ICMA can reach more architects, making sure they understand masonry construction from design to installation.



Dennis Graber, NCMA



**Troy Miller and Samuel Laurin
Bose McKinney & Evans LLP**

Surviving Collections and Contracts

Troy Miller and Samuel Laurin from Bose McKinney & Evans LLP had a very intuitive program updating us on how to collect receivables. Not only did they update our members on collection procedures, but discussed what you can do to protect yourself when it comes to contracts. This was a must for anyone with receivables, especially in this market.

Sustainability (LEED) Producer Training

Starting off the Fall Meeting, Julie Buffenbarger presented a three hour working presentation on how concrete masonry producers can provide sustainable products to designers and owners. Even though we had three hours, that was not enough to completely understand the LEED system. However, this is the second time Julie has presented to the ICMA and at the end of this program, most producers had enough information to start a sustainable program.



Julie Buffenbarger, Lafarge

Armed with a binder full of LEED information, Julie walked through the Leed points system. When a person becomes LEED AP, which is a certification for an individual to become a LEED accredited professional, the LEED program teaches for the certification test. Many benefits of masonry do not become apparent until you further investigate and read the LEED system publications. Most LEED AP's do not fully understand what masonry can do for their projects.

This educational session helped our members understand the complexities of the LEED rated system and came away with the knowledge that the designers probably do not know all that masonry has to offer when it comes to sustainability.

2008 CSI Show



ICMA supported the 2008 CSI show, providing designers NCMA TEK Notes CD, Fire Safe Construction information, Sustainable Handout and opportunities to earn AIA/ CES Learning Units.

Many Ball State graduates came by the booth and reminisced about the ICMA second year projects. Some of which were done over 20 years ago.

The CSI show had good traffic and renewed interest in ICMA. The overwhelming

concern of the designers was that of single wythe masonry construction. It just so happened we had the TEK note covering that subject on-hand. After discussion, many realized that designed and detailed properly the system will work.

Fall Meeting Golf Outing

ICMA hosted the 2008 Fall Meeting golf outing after the LEED training session for producers. Below are some pictures from the outing. The weather was good and the play, well that's why we have a best ball tournament.



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