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## 2014-2015 PROGRAM

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| <b>SEPTEMBER 18</b>  | <b>CSC/BCBEC SPEC GOLF 2014</b>  |
| <b>OCTOBER 9</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver  | <b>Listed Firestop Systems, Engineering Judgements and other Firestop Mysteries...Explained</b><br><i>Cory Norman, EIT, Senior Field Engineer, Hilti (Canada) Corporation</i>  |
| <b>NOVEMBER 19</b><br>CSC Vancouver Chapter Construction Fair<br>10:00 am to 4 pm<br>Vancouver Convention Centre, East Building<br>Talks at:<br>10:30 am<br>12 noon<br>1:30 pm | <b>Shop Drawings - Review vs. Approve</b><br><i>Mike Demers, LLB, Jenkins Marzban Logan LLP</i><br><b>Compliance with ASHRAE 90.1 and NECB: The building envelope prescriptive requirements</b><br><i>Catherine Lemieux, PEng, LEED AP, Building Envelope Consultant, Morrison Hershfield Ltd.</i><br><b>Connecting the Dots between Good Roofing Design, Inspections and Guarantees</b><br><i>Monty Klein, TQ RRO, President, Wells Klein Consulting Group Inc. Judy Slutsky, BA BRS, Director of Business Development, RCABC Hamish Matheson, TQ, Technical Assistant, RCABC</i> |
| <b>DECEMBER 11</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver  | <b>STC and Steel Framing: Dispelling Myths and Forging Innovative Designs</b><br><i>Ben Shafer MS, ASA, INCE – Acoustic System Specialist – PABCO Gypsum</i>   |
| <b>JANUARY 8</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver  | <b>Legal Discussion</b> Glen Boswall, Partner – Clark Wilson LLP   |
| <b>FEBRUARY 12</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver  | <b>Architectural Hardware Overview</b><br><i>April Wells, Architectural Sales Consultant, Allegion Canada Inc.</i>   |
| <b>MARCH 12</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver   | <b>Looking Through paper – Into a Digital Wonderland</b><br><i>Geraldine Rayner Architect AIBC, RIBA – Summit Bim Consulting Ltd.</i>  |
| <b>APRIL 9</b><br>11:30 am Lunch Sandman Hotel, Vancouver<br>Chapter General Meeting<br>12 noon  | <b>Rainscreen and the resurgence of EIFS</b><br><i>Andre Turrin – Technical Director - DuRock Alfacring International Ltd.</i>   |
| <b>MAY 14</b><br>11:30 am Lunch TBC  | <b>TELUS Garden Building Tour</b><br><i>Peter Wood, Henriquez Partners Architects</i>  |
| <b>MAY 27 - 31</b>   | <b>CSC National Conference 2015 - Winnipeg</b>   |
| <b>SEPTEMBER 10</b>  | <b>SPEC GOLF 2015</b>  |

**WORDS FROM THE CHAIR**



I find myself with mixed emotions writing my final column before turning over the reins to a very capable James Kelly, CTR of Soprema. Mixed because I have such a passion for this association and have so very much enjoyed being a part of such a hard-

working and dedicated executive committee. That is the sad part of the equation the other part is relief because I have my own business to run and finding balance has been difficult on occasion. I guess a third emotion is the pride in knowing that there is a very capable team taking on the operations of the association made up of both existing and new team members. So much gets done on a daily basis for the Vancouver Chapter by the many individuals who put aside their paying work and don an impartial and unbiased industry hat for the betterment of the association that I need to acknowledge them here. They are in no particular order but deserve a virtual "high five" or in today's world "fist bump" so here goes...Vince Smith from Cloverdale who has been and continues to be our treasurer,

George McCutcheon of North West PLAN Inc who has been our Specification Officer, our Program Chair and currently Secretary and adviser extraordinaire, Blair Bennett, CTR of Soprema who retired this year as Director on the Nation Board after many dedicated years of service. Melodie Schwartzman, CTR of CGC who is our Member at Large, Past Chair, Past Director and has agreed to stay on again this year. Mario Maggio, CDT of C.R. Laurence Canada/U.S. Aluminum who has been our Membership Officer for years and continues to be a part of our group despite a promotion including more responsibilities! Brad Morris, CSP of Morris Specifications Inc is our Website Officer and has mastered the art of NOT rolling his eyes when I either do not understand what he is talking about or I get very enthusiastic over something he has been doing for years...sorry Brad for causing you all the stress...you do such a wonderful job for us, I had to apologize! Todd Gerrard (CTR in waiting) of Enercorp Inc. for his tireless work on our ever growing and ever expanding Trade Fair – Despite have a run taken at us by a much larger trade show group. Thank you Todd for stepping up and agreeing to become Vice-Chair! Eric

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### **DIVISION 02: EXISTING CONDITIONS**

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### **DIVISION 03: CONCRETE**

Cement Association of Canada  
[www.cement.ca/](http://www.cement.ca/)  
Canadian Precast Concrete Institute  
[www.cpci.ca/](http://www.cpci.ca/)

### **DIVISION 04: MASONRY**

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Masonry Institute (American)  
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[www.csdma.org](http://www.csdma.org)  
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[www.carpet-rug.org](http://www.carpet-rug.org)  
National Flooring Covering Association  
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[www.nwfa.org/member/](http://www.nwfa.org/member/)  
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- Attend one of our luncheon meetings
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## EDUCATION REPORT

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The Vancouver Technical Representative course that started in January of this year has recently finished at the beginning of May. The eight students that participated had recently completed their final panel presentation. The CSC congratulates those who have earned their Technical Representative designation and know they will be excellent representatives of the CSC.

It is early days but if you are interested in the Principles of Construction Documentation (PCD) course please contact me as the chapter is likely going to hold this course again in the fall and would like to have an idea of the interest level. As of now we have heard from three people that have expressed interest. PCD is the first course, and a pre-requisite, for all of the CSC education streams. These are Certified Technical Representative, Certified Construction Contract Administrator, and Certified Specification Practitioner. It is also a strong foundational course for people who are new to the construction industry or want to better understand construction documentation (specifications, drawings and schedules), products, bidding procedures and contracts. This course is offered on-line by CSC Canada once a year and the Vancouver chapter aims to hold one local class a year.

The CSC Vancouver chapter was planning to have a Construction Contract Administration begin in the late winter or early spring. Based on the schedule of those that were going to register the Chapter has postponed the course until the fall. When the dates have been confirmed I will e-mail those who have contacted me in and post the information on the website.

The CSC Vancouver chapter has reached out to a few potential instructors about teaching previous courses. If you are interested in teaching a full course or would like to help co-teach a course please contact me to discuss your interests.

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