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Announcements, upcoming events, or technical articles are welcome and encouraged! Any submissions for the Specifier can be emailed for review and we will do our best to get it into print. Deadlines are the last Friday of the month for the following month's newsletter. Share your knowledge — **this is YOUR industry!**

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## 2016-2017 PROGRAM

### JULY 14

Fort Langley Golf Club

CSC SPEC GOLF 2016

### SEPTEMBER 8

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**Negotiation: The Art of the Deal**  
 Michael Walsh, President, Kaizen Consulting

### OCTOBER 13

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**The Brock Commons Student Residence at UBC: The Tallest Wood Building in The World**  
 Robert Jackson, Project Engineer, Fast + Epp

### NOVEMBER 22

3:00 to 7:00pm Trade Show  
 5:00pm Speaker Presentation  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**Fiesta Fair Vancouver**  
*Table top displays, food and drinks including speaker presentation:*  
**Work Hard / Play Hard**  
 Michael Geller, President, Michael Geller & Associates Limited

### DECEMBER 8

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

*Human Health and Material Considerations in LEED v4*  
 Marsha Gentile, Director of Sustainability, Ledcor Construction Limited

### JANUARY 12

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**Glass - General Properties and Anomalies**  
 Leonard Pianalto, PEng, FEC, LEED AP, Read Jones Christoffersen Ltd.

### FEBRUARY 9

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**Floor Flatness - The Cost of Concrete Quality**  
 Don Brletic, Regional Manager Western Canada, Ardex  
 David Sherley, Custom Building Products  
 Chris Maskell, President, NFCA

### MARCH 9

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**BC's Limitation Act and other Hot Topics**  
 Marina Pratchett, QC, Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP

### APRIL 13

11:30am Lunch  
 Sandman Hotel, Vancouver

**Health and Transparency in Product Declarations**  
 Mona Narayan, Western Regional Sales Manager, Canada Forbo Flooring NA

Chapter General Meeting 12 noon

### MAY 11

11:30am Lunch  
 39 Smithe Street

**Building Tour**  
 Parq Urban Resort Building Tour

**MAY 24 – 28**  
 Kelowna

**CSC National Conference 2017 — Setting the Standard**

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**WORDS FROM THE CHAIR**

Finally, June is here and we have been enjoying some sunshine and better weather after a wet first part of the year. For the second year in a row, I had the pleasure of attending the CSC National Conference this year in Kelowna last month. As expected, the local team of National Committee members headed by Kim Tompkins and Blair Bennett ensured this year's event was seamless and enjoyable for all participants. One thing which really stuck out for me was the large increase in the attendees who haven't ever attended the National Conference; we hope the newbies see the importance and felt included throughout the event. The Connections Café and the infamous, "Grape Stomp" are fond memories of mine in Kelowna. I must admit, I had reservations about stomping grapes, but Luigi sure knew how to interact with the crowd.

The local CSC Chapter is preparing for our annual Spec-Golf tournament coming up on July 20th at Fort Langley Golf and Country Club. Last year we changed to this venue and the feedback was very positive on last years' event. We still have space to fill at this point, so please contact fellow golfers and promote the event through signing up early.

As most of you are already aware, we have some new faces on the Executive. At this time, we are starting to gather feedback for the program report, so if you or someone you know wants to get involved and present, please bring your ideas forward.

— Chapter Chair, Todd Gerrard, CTR



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## 2018 CSC CONVENTION

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The 2017 CSC Convention was a great success. Over 90 Manufacturers with many Architects, Specification Writers, Building Envelope Consultants and Building Design Professionals attended the annual trade show in Kelowna, BC @ the Delta Grand Hotel.

If you have never attended a CSC convention, please plan on joining us in Edmonton, Alberta next year (May 23-27, 2018).

The conference included:

- 5 days of sharing new products, challenges and ideas.
- 24 technical sessions
  - Industry professionals shared targeted presentations regarding key issues like the building code, energy efficiency and new architectural design elements.
- A Connections Café night
  - A chance to meet with the local trade professionals discussing their issues and making recommendations.
- Manufacturer tabletop displays
  - 90 booths with the Manufacturers sharing new products and processes.
- A Fun Night celebrating our time together
  - This was a very fun night filled with exciting events: Jumbo Jenga, the Beaver Toss and Stomp the Grape. Our hosts were a wacky and crazy Italian couple who did a great job of making us all Italian for the night.
  - A sit down dinner followed by musical performers and the Karaoke challenge.
- A companion program with art galleries, sightseeing, boating and some of the best wine tours in the Okanagan valley.

The long-standing goal of CSC is to communicate, educate and collaborate. The Conference gives us the opportunity to discuss current issues facing the construction industry and then set out a pathway to build better buildings.

We are proud to report that the Okanagan Valley Food Bank was the proud recipient of \$5000.00 from the 2017 CSC Conference to care for the homeless population in Kelowna.

Thank you for attending. See you next year!



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As we continue to promote CSC, the need for value from all individual segments in the construction industry is greater than ever. During the month of May 2017, the Vancouver Chapter membership increased to 162. This is encouraging & continues to gain momentum, looking forward to an optimistic construction market environment.

Please help us to WELCOME one Rejoining Member:

### Previous Member Rejoining CSC Vancouver Chapter:

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- Visit our Chapter website at <http://vancouver.csc-dcc.ca>

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## EDUCATION REPORT

The 10 week in class Principles of Construction Documentation (PCD) course is scheduled to begin in the second week of September on **Monday, September 11, 2017**. And the Technical Representative (TR) course is scheduled to begin the same week on **Wednesday September 13, 2017** running weekly.


In addition, the 5- day Certified Construction Contract Administrator (CCCA) and 7-day Specifier Course are being scheduled in Vancouver this coming Fall as well! Dates and Location are being finalized and information will be forthcoming shortly.

Information about the benefits and value along with course content and audience can be found on the Construction Specifications Canada website [Education Page](#).

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[www.metrovancouver.org/buildsmart](http://www.metrovancouver.org/buildsmart)

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

Demolition / Deconstruction – BuildSmart  
[www.metrovancouver.org/about/publications/Publications/dlctoolkit08web1.pdf](http://www.metrovancouver.org/about/publications/Publications/dlctoolkit08web1.pdf)

### **DIVISION 03: CONCRETE**

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

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[www.nwfa.org/member/](http://www.nwfa.org/member/)  
Terrazzo, Tile and Marble Assoc. of Canada  
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# CAGBC LAUNCHES CANADA'S FIRST ZERO CARBON BUILDING STANDARD

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Sourced from: [cagbc.org](http://cagbc.org)

Today the Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC) has taken a major step toward achieving Canada's climate change commitments with the launch of the country's first Zero Carbon Building Standard. This highly-anticipated Standard assesses carbon use in commercial, institutional, and multi-family buildings in Canada. In order to achieve large-scale market transformation, it was designed to be broadly applicable for many types of new and existing buildings across the country. It is also the only program of its kind to make carbon reductions the key indicator for building performance.

The Standard's focus on carbon is crucial, as the most important factor in the carbon footprint of a building is often not energy performance, but the carbon intensity of the local electrical grid and the fossil fuels used. Recognizing these differences is therefore critical to accurately assessing impacts and guiding investments in energy efficiency, heating technologies, and renewable energy.

"While there is no doubt that Canada's building sector has been dramatically transformed over the last two decades, the time has come to be bolder and more ambitious. The CaGBC's Zero Carbon Building Standard brings focus to carbon emissions reduction, and defines new levels of building performance," says Thomas Mueller, President and CEO of the CaGBC. "This Standard will help the building industry to show leadership in eliminating emissions from buildings and contribute to shaping of Canada's climate future."

The Zero Carbon Building Standard is part of a larger CaGBC Zero Carbon Building Initiative that was created to champion the move to lower-carbon commercial, institutional and high-rise residential buildings in support of Canada's efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 30% by 2030. It was developed by CaGBC and Integral Group, in extensive consultation with representatives from over 50 industry organizations, utilities, governments and companies across Canada. CaGBC is also working with 16 of Canada's most sustainable projects in the Zero Carbon Building Pilot Program. The participating projects will inform further development of the Standard and accompanying resources and education.

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## PILOT PROJECTS ANNOUNCED FOR CAGBC'S ZERO CARBON BUILDING STANDARD

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Sourced from: <http://renewcanada.net/>

2017The Canada Green Building Council (CaGBC) has announced that 16 of Canada's most innovative projects have been chosen to participate in a two-year pilot of CaGBC's Zero Carbon Building Standard. The standard, which assesses the carbon performance of commercial, institutional, and multi-family buildings in Canada, will be formally released on May 29 in Vancouver.

Spanning the length of the country from Dartmouth to Kelowna, the diversity of these 16 pilot projects demonstrates the broad applicability of the program with sizes ranging from 20,000 to 1.3 million sq. ft., representing both new and existing buildings. Project types include institutional buildings, offices, multi-unit residential, and warehouses. This elite group of projects were chosen for their ambitious environmental leadership, and potential to aggressively raise the bar for carbon emissions reduction in Canada. The experience from these projects will help refine the standard for full market deployment.

"The CaGBC Zero Carbon Building Pilot Program was designed to recognize leadership excellence in Canada's building industry, and I am pleased to say that these projects truly meet that ideal. We have great diversity in these pilot projects, demonstrating that zero carbon buildings are achievable in all regions across Canada," says Thomas Mueller, president and CEO of the CaGBC. "It is the combination of innovation and the broad adaptability of this Standard that will contribute to the shift to a low-carbon economy."

The CaGBC Zero Carbon Building Pilot Program projects are listed below, with the exception of those who wish to remain confidential at this time.

**Zero Emission Fire Hall** – City of Vancouver, Vancouver BC  
**Wilkinson Avenue Net-Zero Heating Energy Warehouse** – East Port Properties, Dartmouth NS  
**EcoLock Carbon Capture Mini-Storage** – EcoLock, Kelowna BC  
**Joyce Centre for Partnership and Innovation** – Mohawk College, Hamilton ON

**Health Sciences Centre (HSC) Okanagan College** – Okanagan College, Kelowna BC

**30 Bay Street** – Oxford Properties Group, Toronto ON

**1133 Melville** – Oxford Properties Group, Vancouver BC

**Confidential Mixed-Use Development** – Perkins+Will, Vancouver BC

**Arthur Meighen Building, 22-55 St. Claire Avenue East** – Public Service & Procurement Canada, Toronto ON

**New Curé-Paquin Elementary School** – Seigneurie-des-Mille-Îles School Board – Saint-Eustache QC

**NiMa Trails – Residential, Commercial Net Zero Building** – TerraView Homes & Newton Group, Guelph ON

**evolvI** – The Cora Group, Waterloo ON

**Toronto and Region Conservation Authority (TRCA) New Headquarters** – Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Toronto ON

**MacKimmie Complex Redevelopment** – University of Calgary, Calgary AB

Through the pilot program, participants will gain access to a group of leading professionals for advice and guidance. CaGBC will also be convening quarterly in-depth technical sessions with the pilots in order to provide networking and learning opportunities for them, as well as a platform in which to discuss the challenges and possible solutions involved in reaching net zero carbon. To view project profiles, renderings, and other details on the pilot projects, visit [cagbc.org/zerocarbonpilots](http://cagbc.org/zerocarbonpilots).



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## Spec Golf 2017

Construction Specifications Canada is a multi-disciplinary, non-profit association dedicated to the improvement of communication, contract documentation and technical information in the construction industry. Many of our members are independent business people covering most aspects of the consulting sector of the construction industry. Our local membership includes Architects, Engineers, Specification Writers, Consulting and Design Professionals and (product) Technical Representatives.

The CSC Vancouver Chapter is pleased to offer you an opportunity to meet these people by participating in our **Spec Golf 2017** Annual Golf Tournament as a Hole Sponsor. Where else can you get this kind of exposure for such a reasonable cost AND Play Golf! This year's tournament is being held on **Thursday, July 20th** at **Fort Langley Golf Club at 9782 McKinnon Crescent, Langley**. It will be a Shotgun Start (**1pm**) with a Texas Scramble format so that we can all have fun and start/finish at the same time.

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