

SPEAKERS BUREAU
TOPICS

Category: GENERAL

Title	Managing Costs in a Period of Uncertainty
Info	Increasing globalization of construction and recent turmoil in international financial markets are leading to increased risks in the construction market, including commodity price volatility, material and labor shortages, and quality assurance issues. Because of this, the construction market is facing new risks and unprecedented uncertainty in pricing and delivery. This presentation will examine the current market forces and trends in escalation and financing and offer techniques for structured cost management through risk management and mitigation, including methods to facilitate communication within project teams to ensure project success.
Date	August 2009
Speaker	Peter Morris, Davis
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Title	Fundamentals of ADA
Info	Learning Objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the history leading up to the passage of ADA and equal access. • Study the Titles of the ADA that directly affect the built environment and architectural design. • Gain knowledge of the Access Committee, ADAAG, and the oversight and enforcement of ADA in federal departments. • Learn the consequences of not considering access in design – litigation, errors, and omissions.
Date	July 2009
Speaker	Dawn Anderson
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Title	Mastering the ADA & Accessibility
Date	May 2009
Speaker	Michael Gibbens
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Title	3D Modeling and Laser Surveying of Buildings
Date	October 2009
Speaker	Michael Shaughnessy, Mollenhauer Engineers & Surveyors

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Title	Recent Trends in Theater Design
Date	April 2009
Speaker	William Murray, AIA Pfeiffer Partners Architects
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Title	Sleuthing for the Truth – A Case Study in Design & Constructin Defects
Date	March 2009
Speaker	Dean Vlahos, CSI, CCCA, AIA, WWCOT Architects
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Title	2008 Sichuan China Earthquake: Lessons Learned
Date	January 2009
Speaker	Kit Miyamoto, President Miyamoto International, Structural Engineers
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Title	Infrared Thermography – Non Destructive Testing
Speaker	By Jud Taylor, CSI, of Simpson Gumpertz & Heger
Date	May 2008
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Title	Development Of The 2006 International Building Code
Speaker	Dennis McCreary, ICC
Date	January 2008
Chapter/Contact	Los Angeles-Ventura Satellite Meeting Programs/Ed Buch ebuch@usc.edu

Title	Changes in the Building Code (2007 CBC)
Info	John Raeber, FCSI, FAIA will give an overview to the 2007 California Building Code with an emphasis on the key concepts underlying the new code. He will touch on the main differences between the 1997 UBC and the 2006 IBC, helping to raise awareness on code driven impacts for future projects. This hour long presentation will provide you with a great starting point for understanding the new codes.
Date	1/10/2008
Speaker	John Reaber, FAIA, FCSI, CCS
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Duration	1 hour
Chapter/Contact	Santa Clara Valley, Rietta McCain

Title	Photocatalysis: A New Nanotechnology for Building Products
Info	New self-cleaning materials also reduce air pollution.
Date	1/2/2008
Speaker	Michael Chusid, FCSI, RA, CSS
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Title	(Education Session) Winning your Share of North America's Building Products Market
Info	A postcard from a more than casual tourist on the American scene. North America remains the largest market for building materials, and presents many opportunities for export, joint ventures, and technology transfer programs. It is, however, a fiercely competitive market and is surrounded by a maze of regulatory and cultural barriers to penetration by foreign manufacturers. Michael Chusid will share insights gleaned from 20 years as a marketing consultant to the North American construction materials industry, and will discuss the opportunities and risks of entering North America and the most successful ways to win your share of the business.
Date	1/2/2008
Speaker	Michael Chusid, FCSI, RA, CSS
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Title	(Education Session) S*P*E*C*S – Selling Products Effectively to Construction Specifiers™
Info	Sales training programs geared towards improving the performance of building product sales representatives. More than 5,000 sales reps have attended our exclusive program, which can be customized to meet the requirements of your sales team.
Date	1/2/2008
Speaker	Michael Chusid, FCSI, RA, CSS
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Title	Triviafications — The Construction Trivia Game™
Info	Build camaraderie
Date	1/2/2008
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Title	Building Product and Construction Industry Trends
Info	Fearless predictions about where the construction industry and your markets are heading.
Date	1/2/2008
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Title	Heroes of Building Product Sales™
Info	Michael Chusid introduces us to some of the building product reps and manufacturers who have made a difference in his own life and who have helped build industries and communities as well as construction projects. Along the way, he also shares their strategies and tips for winning more sales and improving your top line.
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Speaker	Michael Chusid, FCSI, RA, CSS
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Title	Lean Construction: Eliminating the Waste
Info	<p>The construction industry is susceptible to wasteful spending, schedule delays, and project inefficiency. While several project management approaches have emerged to improve performance, they have not been entirely successful. Lean Construction is a production management-based project delivery system, emphasizing the reliable and speedy delivery of value. The goal is to build the project while maximizing value, minimizing waste, and pursuing perfection, for the benefit of all project stakeholders.</p> <p>Dean Reed discussed Lean Construction: how it works, how it can be implemented into our projects, and how successful it has been. This program will be valuable for everyone involved in the building process, from architects, specifiers, and product suppliers, to project managers, superintendents, and owners.</p>
Date	11/1/2007
Speaker	Dean Read
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Duration	1 hour
Chapter/Contact	Santa Clara Valley, Barbara Brosh

Title	Planning For A Secure Retirement
Speaker	Joe Pagano
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Title	Smith Emery Testing Lab Tour
Date	September 2007
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Title	The Legal Aspects of Design-Build
Info	<p>As public and private owners become more and more frustrated with the claims and other problems that accompany traditional design-bid-build projects, they are turning to alternate delivery systems like design-build. But the design-build delivery system can produce unexpected problems for the owner and unexpected liability for the design-builder team, particularly the designer.</p> <p>The presentation will focus on the benefits of design build, the legal limitations on its use, and, particularly, on the potential traps and pitfalls for designers, contractors, owners. Creative ways to avoid those pitfalls will be discussed, as will hybrid forms of the design-build delivery systems like the use of design-build MEP subcontractors and bridging arrangements.</p>
Date	August 2, 2007
Speaker	Frank Hughes & Chris Hersey
Chapter/Contact	Santa Clara Valley – Rietta McCain (408) 535-2962 rietta@aba-arch.com

Title	San Diego Wildfires
Info	Could contact local building official and emergency personnel to discuss a local wildfire or other disaster.
Date	2007
Speaker	County Building Official and the Local Fire Chief for the area most affected
Chapter/Contact	San Diego, Gina Adams

Title	Specifications for Interiors: Protecting Design Intent
Info	<p>Most interiors projects are either subjected to full specifications by the architect or handled by inadequate drawing notes. Specifications can be a key tool in maintaining the quality of materials and appropriate fabrication and installation. This program reviews project manual specification procedures and techniques with the goal of improving the way interiors projects are specified and bought out. Various types and formats of CSI 3-part specifications will be presented and their relevance towards interiors projects discussed. Several specialized short format specifications will be presented and discussed to support interior designers in getting what they designed.</p> <p>Program Objectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Learn how and why specifications can be the most powerful tool available to ensure that the project's design integrity and intent are protected. • Become familiar with basic and key specification techniques, processes, and formats that will allow the best interface with specifiers. • Understand why specification scope and size should reflect the intensity of the project.
Date	February 1, 2007
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Title	Designing for Failure - Lessons from Katrina for California
Info	<p>While Katrina was clearly a natural disaster, the severity of the disaster and difficulty of recovery in New Orleans were greatly aggravated by shortcomings in the engineering of public works. The catastrophic failure of levees and floodwalls led not only to widespread flooding but also disabled the system of pumps and canals designed to dewater the city. The extensive and sustained flooding of the city also damaged or destroyed much of the highly interdependent infrastructure of the city, complicating and delaying the recovery. In retrospect, failures of the levees and floodwalls are attributed to a number of overly simplistic and optimistic engineering assumptions made regarding design details, including not considering all potential modes of failure. At the highest level however, was the failure to consider the consequences of failure of the engineered systems, either due to defect in design or construction, a lack of maintenance or monitoring, or the inevitable exceedance of design assumptions.</p> <p>In a future major earthquake, California is at risk of a fate similar to New Orleans, where catastrophic failure of key components of our highly interdependent infrastructure could lead to a protracted recovery for the affected areas. While there is neither time nor money to harden our infrastructure to the point where it will survive any conceivable earthquake unscathed, the next best thing is an infrastructure that is designed to fail in a predictable and non-catastrophic manner and able to be repaired quickly. Since everything from immediate humanitarian relief to long-term economic recovery depends upon a functioning infrastructure, developing resiliency in our infrastructure must be our top disaster mitigation priority.</p>
Date	October 12, 2006
Speaker	John Osteraas
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Title	Collapse Investigation of the New York World Trade Center
Info	Following the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center, on September 11, 2001, FEMA and ASCE collaborated in a Building Performance Assessment study of the affected buildings. In May 2002, the findings of that study were published in FEMA 403, which presented preliminary findings as to the mechanism of collapse of the two buildings, and recommended more detailed investigations. In December 2002, the National Institute of Standards and Technology was directed by the Congress to perform these more detailed investigations. After two years of additional study that included data collections, and detailed analytical simulation of the aircraft impacts, fires and structural response, NIST has completed its investigation into the failure of the twin towers.
Date	February 3, 2005
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Chapter/Contact	Santa Clara Valley/Krista Nelson

Title	Storm Water Prevention Plan
Info	The cities in Santa Clara Valley have a State permit to discharge storm water to San Francisco Bay, which was recently amended to include new requirements for storm water control and treatment at large development projects. In addition, the State recently adopted new requirements for storm water pollution prevention at construction sites as small as one acre. In this presentation you will find out what these requirements are, when they apply, and how they will affect your business or project. In addition, you will learn about different types of storm water pollution prevention and treatments measures and resources available to help with their design.
Date	October 2, 2003
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Chapter/Contact	Santa Clara Valley/ Krista Nelson

Title	Integrating Mold Issues into Project Design and Specifications
Info	The presentation will explore questions regarding mold, such as: Has mold evolved? Have new design and construction practices contributed to mold problems? Why is the public so concerned? What should architects, engineers, project managers, and construction specialists do to manage this high profile issue and mitigate its potential risk? We will focus on the changing demands that mold has placed on the construction industry. Specific examples of mold inspection, assessment, and abatement practices will be presented. Key mold guidelines and web-based resources will be reviewed.
Date	March 12, 2003
Speaker	Stephen C. Davis, MPH, CIH, CSP, CAC, CMID
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Chapter/Contact	East Bay Oakland/ Mary Schofield Nowee

Title	Insurance after 9/11 What Happened and What's Coming?
Info	Premiums, coverage, exclusions, and providers have all changed since 9/11. How will the insurance industry's response affect your Professional Liability, Commercial Liability, Umbrella Policies, and Bonding?
Date	September 2002
Speaker	Patrick Hanley of ECM Insurance Services, Inc.
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Chapter/Contact	Redwood Empire

Title	Successful Implementation of Building Information Modeling
Info	See how making a digital model of a building allows the architect to make simple, one-step revisions that are automatically coordinated in all of the other drawings and schedules in the construction documents. The data in the digital model can also be used for estimating and purchasing materials without doing any additional take-off.
Date	September 2002
Speaker	Gary Huey of Autodesk
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Chapter/Contact	Redwood Empire

Title	Image Acquisition and Long Range 3D Laser Scanning
Info	3D laser scanning is a fairly new technology that can be used to quickly, completely and accurately measure a project of any size in full 3D with an accuracy of 2-6 mm. The system is ideal for capturing buildings, bridges, highways, heritage sites, crime scenes, plants or any site where complete information is required by design professionals. This is a non-tactile and eye-safe laser.
Date	September 2002
Speaker	Tony Grissim of Cyra Technologies
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Chapter/Contact	Redwood Empire

Title	A Construction Version of the Game "Jeopardy"
Info	The questions were gathered from different members prior to the meeting. This has been a successful game-put together for a fun interactive meeting.
Date	2001-2006
Chapter/Contact	San Francisco, Dave Ingram – daveingram@sbcglobal.net

Title	What's the Future of Construction Management?
Date	September 2002
Speaker	Chuck Klunker of 3D/International, Inc.
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Chapter/Contact	Redwood Empire

Title	National CAD Standard Implementation Strategies
Info	This program will explore both the theoretical and the real world application of the UDS. The Uniform Drawing System (UDS) is comprised of 8 interrelated modules consisting of standards, guidelines, and other tools for the organization and presentation of drawing information used for the planning, design, construction, and operation of facilities. UDS Module 1 - Drawing Set Organization; Module 2 - Sheet Organization, and Module 3 - Schedules; includes the American Institute of Architect's CAD Layering Guidelines, and the Coast Guard's Plotting Guidelines, as well as an introduction by the National Institute of Building Sciences, constitute the basic elements of the U.S. National CAD Standard. This presentation also includes Module 4 – Drafting Conventions; Module 5 – Terms and Abbreviations; Module 6 – Symbols; Module 7 – Notations; and Module 8 – Code Conventions, which has recently been adopted as part of the CAD Standard.
Date	October 2001
Speaker	Jerry Jackson
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Title	Software Interoperability: Work Smarter, not Harder
Info	<p>Information is the common denominator throughout a building's life cycle, from building design, through construction and operation. The generated information is enormous in volume, and it is difficult to comprehend and fully utilize it without appropriate tools. Today, most of the information is reentered manually or heavily supervised, which consumes substantial resources, takes time and frequently results in error.</p> <p>The solution to this costly problem is software interoperability: information sharing and seamless data exchange between applications used on the same project. A common data model of buildings is needed to accomplish true software interoperability in the industry. The International Alliance for Interoperability (IAI) has been developing such a model, the Industry Foundation Classes (IFC), since 1995. IFC development has reached a state where several industry "mission critical" software applications can seamlessly exchange and reuse critical project information. This talk will demonstrate how applications from the BLIS consortium (a group of industry software developers) interoperate to help create a better building that is delivered sooner and at a lower cost.</p>
Date	October 2001
Speaker	Dr. Vladimir Bazjanac
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Title	What Specifiers Want from Manufacturers' Information
Info	<p>What do the specification writers need from the product representatives and the technical sites available on the Internet? Hear the panel's view points regarding getting technical information for projects whether private or public, what the spec writer needs from the manufacturers, getting the manufacturers to provide websites that are technically useful (not just a marketing tool), and how the Internet can make the product representative and specification writer a better team.</p>
Date	October 2001
Panel Speakers	Colin Gilboy, PE, CCPR; John Regener, AIA, CCS, CCCA; Judy Holleran, CDT, RRC.
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Title	Code Status, and their Effect on the Industry
Info	Facts about when the IBC 2000 or IBC 2003 will be used in California, and how we will use the CBC, UBC and Title 24. Also, what FEMA is saying about this issue.
Date	October 2001
Speaker	John Raeber, FAIA, FCSI, CCS
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Title	Out of the Information Age, and into the Innovation Era
Info	Understand why we are out of the information age (finding information), and what discontinuous technologies are ushering in the innovation era (abundance of information). How do we best use the innovation era to have a competitive edge? Explore the key factors that are promoting innovations and examples of technology that can be used to automate today's processes. Have you ever thought, "what technology is relevant to my daily use, so I can have the competitive edge?" If so, this is the program for you. Dr. Lee will bring serendipity to the learning process of innovation and technology, which will assist you in better profiting from this innovation era.
Date	October 2001
Speaker	Mr. Kaiman Lee, PhD
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Title	The Dumb Things People Do On Public Contracts!
Info	Discuss most common problems created by contractors, A/E, and owners on public projects.
Date	October 2001
Speaker	Scot Jones
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Title	Building Codes and Code Concepts
Info	An introduction to building codes, exploring the concepts of the codes in terms of occupancies, types of construction, egress, and access. This Program will review existing building codes based on the Uniform Building Code, the California Building Code, and will include for the first time the proposed International Building Code, for those who wish greater understanding of the codes. Code requirements are often ambiguous and vague, causing confusion for those trying to apply the code to specific projects and for those trying to verify compliance. Understanding concepts of the codes can provide both the practitioner and the enforcement authority with the ability to assess specific problems and how they impact public health, safety, and welfare in application rather than in the abstract terminology in the code.
Date	April 2001
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Title	Testing and Certification/Listing of Products
Date	January 2001
Speaker	Mr. Vijay G. Ruikar, P.E., M.B.A., Intertek Testing Services
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Title	How the Internet is Affecting Non-Residential Construction
Info	This program will provide a roadmap to what is happening in the Internet. Learn which locations are the best resources, locations to optimize your research time, and how to influence the manufacturer's to provide you with the information you want.
Date	January 4, 2001
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Title	Stand Up And Be Heard/Giving Presentation
Info	Tips learned over the many years of giving presentations in how best keep the audience's attention and interest, as well as tips for keeping the presentation moving.
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Title	Uniform Drawing System (UDS)
Info	Explanation of the UDS system and the different modules
Date	July 6, 2000
Speaker	Mr. John McCaffrey
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Title	McGraw Hills Outlook for the Construction Economy in 2000
Date	January 26, 2000
Speaker	Mr. Cliff Brewis, McGraw Hill
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