

the President's message

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Accessibility Codes and Standards Summit 2017.

Our plans to develop a 2-day Codes and Standards Summit have come together nicely. We have confirmed speakers and topics as shown throughout this newsletter, including the following:

- Ida Clair – California Division of the State Architect
- Jim Terry – Evan Terry Associates – Alabama
- Bill Hecker – Expert witness for US Department of Justice
- Juliet Shoulz – US Access Board
- Doug Anderson – Housing First
- Sue Moe – California Division of the State Architect
- Glenn Gall – California Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development
- Stoyan Bumblov – California Department of Housing and Community Development
- + Many more

October 19th and 20th, 2017 at the Hyatt Regency Airport, San Francisco California.

Look for a flyer soon with sign-up information!





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CASI Board Elections:

As you may have noticed in a previous e-mail blast last week, CASI recently announced that nominations will now be accepted for the 2017-2018 CASI Board of Directors. This is a great way to get your name out there and 'network' on a whole other level, and our industry benefits from your involvement.

Personally, as my days as President wind down, I'm looking forward to continued CASI Board involvement as 'Past President', making way for some new leadership at the top.

Southern Californians Needed:

The CASI Board currently has 13 Board members; 11 from Northern California, and 2 from Southern California. We need more involvement from our Southern California CASI members.

CASI Webinars – Challenge to Improve:

CASI has struggled over the years to develop a really good system of making our seminars available as Webinars to those who are not able to attend physically. We have struggled with technical glitches and unacceptably poor quality for both audio and visual.

NEW Webinar Format:

We are switching to a format where the presenter will share a PDF of the presentation BEFORE the date of seminar, which will be available to ALL attendees.

On the date of the seminar / webinar, the on-line viewers will see the PowerPoint presentation and hear the speaker's voice, similar to the way the ADA National Network does it.

It is likely that we will discontinue webinar availability for the afternoon sessions as they have been typically not a 'sharable' environment. Often, the afternoon session is more dialog, and not much visual to share.

CORADA – ASK a CASp

In the interest of lightening the workload on Board members, we have moved the 'Ask a CASp' program to CORADA where it will be more member-driven, and less Board-driven. Wonderful way to discuss code issues, and get other opinions...

...[CLICK HERE](#) to learn more. (You must be login to your member dashboard to view the link)

National ADA Symposium - Chicago:

Kaylan Dunlap and I will be attending the ADA Symposium in Chicago next week! On behalf of CASI we will be attending an Accessibility Associations Leadership meeting to meet and greet other organizations across the country and discuss ways to coordinate better, and further our common goals. So, looking forward to this on many levels...Chicago is one of the great cities of the world.