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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## NOVEMBER

- 13-15 **ICRI 2013 Fall Convention**  
**"Looking Back"- ICRI Celebrates its  
 25th Anniversary**  
*Fairmont Chicago, Millennium Park  
 Chicago, IL*
- 13 **ICRI Chicago Chapter Whirlyball Event**  
*1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.*  
*WhirlyBall Chicago*  
*1880 W. Fullerton, Chicago, IL*
- 15 **ICRI Chicago Chapter Social Event at  
 Buddy Guy's Legends**  
*5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.*  
*700 S Wabash Ave., Chicago, IL*
- 19 **ICRI Chicago Chapter Dinner Meeting**  
**Topic: Traffic Bearing Membranes  
 (Round Table Discussion)**  
*Carmichael's*  
*Chicago, IL*

## DECEMBER

- 10 **ICRI Chicago Chapter Seminar -  
 "Surface Preparation"**  
*Walsh Yard*  
*2721 E. 112th St., Chicago, IL 60617*

## JANUARY

- 14 **ICRI 2014 WOC Kick-Off Party**  
*Venue: TBD*  
*Las Vegas, NV*

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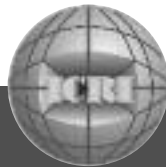
- 19-21 **ICRI Spring National Convention**  
**"Infrastructure Repairs"**  
*Peppermill Resort Spa & Casino*  
*Reno, NV*

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## OUR MISSION...

The mission of the International Concrete Repair Institute is to be a leading resource for education and information to improve the quality of repair, restoration, and protection of concrete and other structures in accordance with consensus criteria.



## LETTER FROM OUR PRESIDENT



Along with this construction season, my tenure as President is coming to an end. I will admit it was more difficult than I imagined. I am grateful for the opportunity, and have been enriched by the experience. This year is one I will remember, and cherish throughout my career. I would like to thank our board of directors, officers, and every member who volunteered their time to our organization. My sincere gratitude is owed to you all.

One phrase that was common this year is that you cannot please all of the people all of the time. Whether it was topics for dinner meetings, dates or venues for social events, or criteria for educational seminars, it always comes down to one thing: involvement. Involvement is the one sure way to get your voice heard. Each & every member of our chapter has the opportunity to come to a board meeting and make your opinions be heard. Unfortunately, in most cases, that opportunity was not taken advantage of. Involvement is especially important this time of the year. We are currently looking for candidates for the 2014 Board. So this is a call to our membership; BECOME INVOLVED. Contact the nominating committee or respond to the correspondence that Kelly sent out. And mark your calendar to attend some meetings once in a while. (Board meetings are posted on our website. If you have any questions regarding the meetings, feel free to call a member of the board.)

Sincerely,  
 Jeff Zeitler



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The 2013 Chicago Chapter Officers and Directors are already hard at work under the leadership of our new President, Jeff Zeitler.

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### COMPANY PROFILE:

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Over 80% of the company's business comes from referral due to long-standing relationships with Property Managers, Engineering/Architectural firms, Owners, General Contractors and Developers. The company is known for tackling and completing complicated projects such as 860/880 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago's Lakefront Millennium Park and a portion of the Wacker Drive Restoration. In 2006, AWI was honored by ICRI for completing the Top Restoration Project of the Year in Transportation for the project known as The Old Main Chicago Post Office – Plenum Ceiling Repair.

### REPRESENTATIVE PROJECTS:

#### COOK COUNTY ROLLING MEADOWS COURTHOUSE Parking Garage Repairs – 2008

- Perform Partial / Full Depth Structural Repairs
- Replace and repair Expansion Joints
- Install Traffic-bearing Waterproof Membrane



#### 860-880 N. LAKESHORE DRIVE Plaza Deck Repairs – 2009

- Perform structural steel repairs & partial / full depth concrete repairs
- Re-pitch structural deck to provide drainage
- Install new hot-rubberized asphalt waterproofing membrane system



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**ICRI CHICAGO CHAPTER CONTRACTOR SPOTLIGHT:  
ALLIED WATERPROOFING, INC. (AWI) (CONTINUED)**

**WEBSTER SQUARE**

**Parking Garage & Apartment Tower – 2013**

- Perform partial / full depth concrete repairs
- Install new hot-rubberized asphalt waterproofing membrane system
- Install new traffic –bearing waterproofing membrane



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## LOCAL CHAPTER SOCIAL EVENTS AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

### Chicago Chapter Whirlyball Outing

Wednesday, November 13, 12:00 pm – 5:00 pm

FEE: \$55.00

All right ICRI. We've had golf and we've had curling. To add to your bucket list (the one you didn't even know you had) the Chicago Chapter wants to introduce you to the fun and exciting amusement of WHIRLYBALL. This totally unique combination of basketball, lacrosse, bumper cars, and laughter will entertain you like never before. What could go wrong in a room full of normally sane adults driving bumper cars while using hand-held scoops to pass a whiffle ball toward a scoring target? Besides, if we planned golf, it would be 8 degrees outside – and snowing. You won't want to miss this. Whether you get behind the wheel of a bumper car or just have lunch and laugh at those who do, the pricing includes a buffet lunch and transportation.



### Chicago Chapter Social Outing

Friday, November 15, 5:30 pm – 9:30 pm

FEE: \$60.00

The new tradition dictates that any Friday evening event should include some form of music and entertainment as well as amazing food. Not ones to back down from a challenge, the Chicago Chapter folks have something in store for you that will have you swaying and stopping your feet to the beat. Chicago is famous for the Blues and there is no better place in Chicago for Blues than Buddy Guy's Legends in the heart of the South Loop. Long considered Chicago's premier venue for countless musicians, people from all over the world visit Buddy Guy's Legends to experience a piece of what Chicago has to offer. Lots of delicious food, fantastic music and an open bar await those who choose to hang out with us in the Windy City on Friday night. Your ticket includes transportation.





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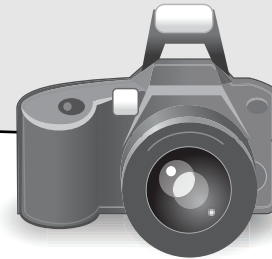
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**Date: Tuesday, November 19, 2013**

**Topic: "The Pitfalls of Traffic-Bearing Membranes and How to Avoid Them on Your Next Project"**

**Learning Objectives:**

- Product Selection – Determining the best product for a given application
- Cost-effectiveness – Considering budget, project requirements and sustainability
- Specifications – Insuring construction documents lead to a successful project
- Proper Installation – Methods and quality control to insure the desired finished product
- Manufacturer’s Role - Before, during and after the project

Contractors, manufacturers, engineers, and architects are encouraged to attend the upcoming roundtable discussion presented by ICRI to gain insight into this unique market segment.

The roundtable discussion will begin with a series of questions from our moderator to the panel of leading professionals in the traffic coating industry; followed by an open forum for attendees to ask questions of our panel. The panel will consist of representatives from each discipline within the industry:

- John Maher (BASF)** – Parking Structure and Building Restoration Specialist
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Our September Dinner Meeting was held at the Grotto Italian Steakhouse in Oak Brook. The chapter membership was well represented and the social hour was filled with spirited conversation and networking.

Our technical session, presented by George Seegebrecht, Principal and Founder of Concrete Consulting Engineers, LLC, provided an interesting look into the performance of pervious concrete structures located around the Chicagoland area. As these structures continue to disappear due to site redevelopment, we should note their history and explore how current technologies might incorporate similar mix designs to reduce corrosion and extend the life of a structure. George's well-documented experiences and deep interest into this area of thought provided for excellent discussion and debate.

Thanks to Mr. Seegebrecht and our ever-interactive audience for contributing to yet another excellent session of industry sharing and fellowship.



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