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November 2020

Message from the Chair

Jonathon Greenland, CTR

November is fast approaching and we're already saying goodbye to fall in Calgary; it never seems to stay long enough. In October, we saw 29 smiling faces at our monthly meeting with the topic "Low slope roofing and fire issues" presented by Stephen Teal. The turnout was great considering these times, and everyone adhered to the safety precautions. The staff at Winston Golf Club outdid themselves again with the wonderful plated lunch that warmed everyone's belly.

Chapter Events

September 15, 2020 -
DINNER
Annual Chapter Meeting

October 13, 2020
Low Slope Metal Roofing,
and Fire Issues with SBS

**November 10, 2020 -
LUNCH
Architectural
Woodwork**

January 12, 2021 - VIRTUAL
BREAKFAST
Future Ready Whole Building
Retrofits: Facade and Core

**2020 -
2021 Chapter
Executive**

Director:

[Trevor Devnich](#)

Chair:

We now prepare for the colder snowy months that always seem to start earlier every year and last too long. I read a quote recently that I wanted to share: **“Love and compassion are necessities, not luxuries. Without them humanity cannot survive”**. As we continue through 2020, remember to embrace the moments and persevere through them. Love your family and friends, as well remembering those who served and continue to serve our country especially on November 11.



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November Chapter LUNCH Meeting



**ARCHITECTURAL WOODWORK
MANUFACTURING STANDARDS,
AND HOW TO SPECIFY FOR LONG
TERM QUALITY**

Speaker:

William Hamilton

When:

Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Time:

11:30 am to 2:00 pm

Location:

Winston Club

2502 6 St NE

Calgary, AB T2E 3Z3



The presentation will focus on:

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- AWMAC's Standards Manual - "North American Architectural Woodwork Standards" (NAAWS 3.1 and the 3 grades of woodwork.
 - How and what to specify for accurate bid prices.
 - Material standards, and selecting the right core for the application.
 - How to make sure manufacturers provide what the contract documents ask for.

Our Speaker:

William Hamilton, certified GIS inspector, AWMAC southern Alberta chapter, journeyman Red Seal Joiner (Cabinetmaker) with 25 years of fabrication, installation and management experience in the architectural woodwork trade.

If you have any questions please contact Dave Dagnall at david@specbossinc.com

COVID-19:

The Winston Golf Club adheres to COVID-19 protocols.

- Hand sanitizer will be readily available.
- Masks must be worn into the building, but may be removed once in the designated meeting room.
- Lunch will be plated.
- Physical distancing will be in place.

2023 CSC Annual Conference

**The annual CSC conference will be held in
Calgary in 2023!**

Ideas for a theme? Send them to [Jonathon
Greenland](#).

Want to get involved? Contact [Jonathon Greenland](#).

We will need volunteers for the following committees:

- Technical program
- Social program
- Companions program

**It's a great way to get involved with the chapter,
learn more about CSC, and have a lot of fun.**

Member News and New Members

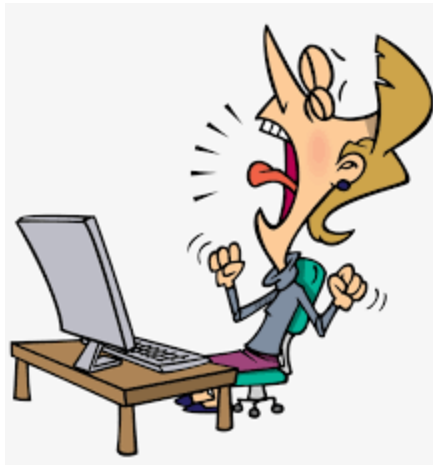
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Welcome new members:

- **Marianna Chomut**, Business Development
Manager for Muralis Architectural
Products marianna@muralisarchitectural.com

New coordinates:

- **Celine Dube**, new email address and
website as HFKS and ONPA merge into
START Architecture,
cdube@startarchitecture.ca,
<https://www.startarchitecture.ca/>



Manufacturers' websites and how to drive a spec writer crazy

Corinne Golding, FCSC, RSW

I know I'm not alone, and as such thought I'd share - okay vent - about the frustration in trying to find good information on a manufacturer's website. Common issues, in no particular order, EXCEPT for number 1, which is absolute and unconditionally, can I say it any clearer TOP OF THE LIST are:

1. Having to register on your website. Really? Don't make me! Can't count the times I've just said "scroll it", I'll go somewhere else. It takes time from the task I am trying to do. If you use cookies, you know I've been on your website. If your competition is any good, they know about your products so you are protecting your info.
 2. Not being able to find any real information about your product. I'm a geeky spec writer, remember? I want good technical information.
 3. Website navigation. Please make information easy to find. Hate it when a manufacturer's guide spec is buried deep in the nether regions of a website. If
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- can't find the information, I'll go onto the next manufacturer that has what I need.
4. Make it easy to call someone if I have questions. Make sure the contact information is accurate.
 5. Many times I can't use the search function within website to find any of your products, even when using the correct product names/numbers.
 6. Please tie all the accessory products into the main product, so I know what goes with what.
 7. If you have a guide spec, make sure it lists everything needed for a complete spec.

Ahhhhhhh - that feels better!

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Meeting topics?

David Dagnall, CSP

Do you have an idea for a meeting presentation? Are you or do you know a dynamic speaker with a topic of interest to CSC members? If so, please contact David Dagnall by email at David@specbossinc.com

Halloween candy dispenser?



Send me photos of your COVID-19-friendly Halloween candy dispenser and I'll post a few in the next newsletter. There might even be a prize for the best one.

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