

# NEWSLETTER



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## PRESIDENT'S MEMO

It is hard to believe that we are half way through May, already.

And now that we have survived Earthquakes, Tornadoes and Floods we can move on to more mundane issues : Hot Weather Concrete !

Unless some sleepy piedmont volcano erupts you should mark your calendar for this year's Skipper Seminar on June 13, 2003. Kirk Deadrick has assembled a great lineup of speakers for this years topic " Self Consolidating Concrete". See you in the Blue Room at the Freight Depot.

If that doesn't excite you, maybe we can get you interested in chasing a little white ball at the Cotton Field Golf Club in McDonough on June 3, 2003. And as always, bring a friend to these great yearly events.

My last reminder is to join us for the monthly lunch meeting. Not only do we have an interesting array of topics this year, it is also a great time to check on the folks in the industry and enjoy the interaction even after the presentation. Those who were not present at the last meeting, well, you just missed out on all the fun.

See you on Friday, May 30, 2003 (the week AFTER Memorial Day), and bring a friend or two.

**Tobias J. Branson, President**

## Don't Miss This Year's Skipper Seminar!

On Friday June 13, our chapter will host the twentieth annual Virgil D. Skipper Memorial Seminar at the Georgia Freight Depot Blue Room. Self Consolidating Concrete (SCC), the newest and most exciting concrete application, will be the topic. SCC will be discussed from the theoretical, technical, production and construction points of view. The speakers are among the most knowledgeable and experienced in the U.S. and this seminar will be one of the best in Skipper history. Call, FAX, or visit the chapter website to register. See you there!

## APRIL CHAPTER MEETING

Over forty were in attendance for the luncheon. The formalities began with a presentation of a volume of the ACI Manual of Concrete Practice to Southern Polytechnic State University. The Manual was accepted by Sara Atkison, a Senior and the President of the ACI Student Chapter.



(Mr. Tobias Branson, Marta, ACI Georgia Chapter, President presenting to Sara Atkison, President of the ACI Student Chapter.)

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**ACI Intl. Reinforced Concrete Design Seminar**

May 22-23, 2003 Location—TBD

**ACI Chapter Meeting**

May 30, 2003  
Sheraton Buckhead Hotel—Atlanta

**ACI Golf Tournament**

June 3, 2003, Location  
Cotton Fields Golf Club  
McDonough, Georgia

**ACI Skipper Seminar**

June 13, 2003  
Self Consolidating Concrete

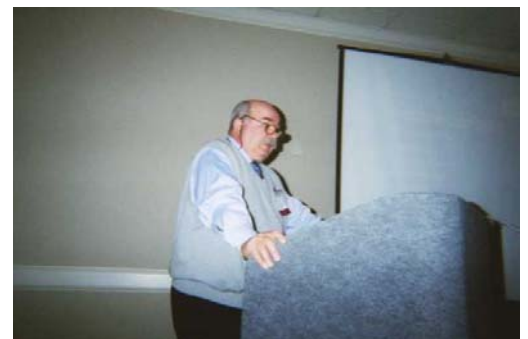
**ACI Chapter Luncheon Meeting**

September 19, 2003  
Sheraton Buckhead Hotel  
Atlanta

The main program was a provocative presentation by Board Member and Past President Nick Maloof, Manager of Technical Promotions for Thomas Concrete Industries, Atlanta. Nick gave the inaugural presentation of “Performance Based Specifications” prepared by a new NRMCA Committee in the “P2P” Initiative, the goals of which are improvements in concrete quality, economy, durability and strength in concrete with predictability and consistency. Nick said the fundamental change from prescriptive to performance specifications is assignment of specific responsibilities for the engineer, contractor, concrete producer and testing laboratory. The responsibilities would be identified in project goals that would necessitate “partnering” of the participants to accomplish. Contract documents consequently would be significantly changed and “low bid” would be an insignificant parameter.

Nick elaborated on the weaknesses of the current prescriptive specification method whereas a performance specification would have requirements for concrete in both the plastic and hardened state, constructability and service whose parameters would be measurable and enforceable. There would be little guidance on the specific concrete mix. He acknowledged that many changes need to be made before adoption of performance parameters for concrete production. A trusting partnership among proficient firms along with code revisions and new test methods would allow this major step to be taken. The Program sparked a lively discussion at the conclusion that had to be cutoff for lack of time.

(Nick Maloof, Thomas Concrete Industries)



## ERRATA

Sometimes there are typos in this newsletter which we overlook. When the errors or omissions involve members we must acknowledge! In last month’s issue on the ACI Spring Convention where we list Chapter Members attending, we omitted three people. They are Jo Coke, Mike Cook and Frank Lennox. We counted Mike but left off the Chattanooga members. That means we had a total of 22 attending which is probably more than any other Chapter.

# 2003 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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Professional Category: (Check one)

- Architect
- Contractor
- Engineer
- Student - Name of School \_\_\_\_\_
- Affiliate
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an ACI International Member:  Yes  No

If yes, date joined National: \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, Committee Membership:

\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Joined:

\_\_\_\_\_

- NEW MEMBER  DUES RENEWAL

## NEW MEMBERS

Please help us welcome the following new chapter members:

Anja Stewart	Mr. Doug Heatherly	Mr. Jim Newsome	Chris Putman
Heery International	Holcim (US) Inc.	Total Concrete Structures	Student

## MEMBERS WANTED.....

Members! We need more members. One of the sections on the Annual Report covers points for Membership. We did not lose any points for last year but we did not gain any. Ask your friends and fellow workers to join. We need to gain members this year.

**Annual  
Dues:  
\$25.00**

**Please complete  
application and  
mail with your  
\$25 check to :**

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Parkway, Suite 110  
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form to renew your  
dues for 2003  
— or sign up a new  
member!*



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# MAY MEETING

- SPEAKER:** **MR. GREG MOODY, SENIOR MATERIALS ENGINEER  
SI CORPORATION , RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT DEPT.**
- PROGRAM:** **"COMPOSITE METAL DECK TESTING AT VIRGINIA TECH"**
- DATE:** *May 30, 2003*
- TIME:** *11:45 a.m.—Registration*  
*12:15 p.m.—Luncheon*
- LOCATION:** *Sheraton Buckhead Hotel*  
*Atlanta, Georgia*
- PRICE:** *\$25.00 - Pre-registered*  
*\$ 5.00 - Students*  
*\$30.00 - Walk-ins and No-shows*
- RSVP:** **To RSVP, please call "Sam" or Bebe at  
(770) 621-9324 BEFORE 4:30 pm on  
WEDNESDAY, May 28, 2003.**
- PLEASE NOTE:** *If you fail to call in prior to the deadline, or do not  
show for the luncheon, you will be charged \$30.00.*