



NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2006 has been an interesting and wonderful year. And it has passed more quickly than I imagined it would. For me it has been both good and trying. I experienced a lingering illness that hampered my activities for part of the year. While I am still feeling the affect of it, I am doing well and feel pretty good.

For the chapter it has been a year of change and excitement. We have incorporated the CAB into the ACI chapter to help with recordkeeping and bookkeeping. I should note also that the CAB has been quite active this year and has conducted a record number of workshops and certification examinations, including the new ACI Special Construction Inspection workshop and exam. Chaired by Bob Terpening, the CAB is actually the financial backbone of our chapter.

We have increased our interaction with the Georgia Concrete and Products Association. We now utilize their software program to keep our financial records. This has greatly improved our ability to provide timely and detailed financial reports to our Board of Directors.

We are in the process of updating our bylaws. This hasn't been done for many years and is needed. This should be completed for approval by our membership in 2007. And, of course, we have been busy planning the Spring ACI Convention to be held in Atlanta in April 2007 as well as the 2006 ACI/Dan R. Brown Chapter Awards Banquet to be held on January 18, 2007.

Our greatest achievement this year, in my mind, has been the addition of summer luncheon programs in various areas of our sphere of operation, the great State of Georgia. We held meetings in Augusta and in Tifton. Both were very well attended. This effort was successful due to the efforts of many people, including board members and chapter members as well as our luncheon speakers. Thank you all for making this program possible. We will be polling our members early in 2007 to determine the locations and topics of our summer programs in 2007. I hope we can hold 3 meetings next year.

I hope you all had a good year in 2006. On behalf of our Board members and myself, I sincerely wish you all a great Christmas Holiday and a safe, happy and prosperous year in 2007. And I thank you all for the opportunity and privilege of being 2006 President of the Greatest ACI Chapter in The World.

Thanks,

Nick Maloof, FACI.
President, GA Chapter ACI



PLEASE JOIN ME IN A BIG "THANK YOU VERY MUCH" TO THE FOLLOWING SPONSORS OF THE ACI HOLIDAY RECEPTION:

ATC Associates, Inc.
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UPCOMING EVENTS

January 11, '07-12:30 pm - 4:30 pm
ACI Field Tech Level I Training.
GC&PA Headquarters
Tucker, Georgia
Registered Persons Only

January 18, 2007—5:30 pm
Dan R. Brown ACI Awards Banquet
Sheraton Buckhead Hotel—4th Floor
Atlanta, Georgia
More Information: Contact Kem Magnant, Chair @ 770.621.9324

January 20, '07— 7:45 am
ACI Level I Field Technician Exam
Heidelberg Lab, Doraville, Georgia
Registered Persons Only

January 26, '07—8:30 am—4:30 pm
ACI Lab/Strength Technician Training
TEC Services, Inc.
Lawrenceville, Georgia

February 8, '07—12:30 pm—4:30 pm
ACI Field Tech Level I Training
GC&PA Headquarters
Tucker, Georgia
Registered Persons Only

February 10, '07—8:00 am
ACI Lab/Strength Technician Exam
TEC Services, Inc. , Lawrenceville, GA
Registered Persons Only

February 17, '07—7:45 am
ACI Level I Field Technician Exam
Lafarge Lab, Atlanta, Georgia
Registered Persons Only

February 23, '07—12:15 pm
ACI Luncheon/Seminar
Speaker: TBA
Sheraton Buckhead Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia
www.georgiachapteraci.org

NOVEMBER MEETING

We had 36 attending the luncheon meeting with an extra table set-up for “walk-ins” and we only had one this time. All were interested in the program entitled, “Concrete in Interior Design, Countertops & Other Elements” by Chapter member, George Harrison, Business Development Manager for ATC Associates, Marietta, GA. George acknowledged that most residential prospects are skeptical of concrete for interior applications because of false concepts on the material. He assures them that concrete has similar properties to stone and that it is more versatile than stone with NO design limitations. He informs them that concrete countertops weigh only 14 pounds per square foot at 1.5 inch thickness and can be cast on site or off-site. His table of comparative costs revealed the following:

<i>Laminate</i>	<i>\$38-\$40 per square foot</i>	<i>Corian</i>	<i>\$55-\$65 per square foot</i>
<i>Silestone</i>	<i>\$55-\$75 per square foot</i>	<i>Marble & Granite</i>	<i>\$55-\$85 per square foot</i>
<i>Concrete</i>	<i>\$75-\$120 per square foot</i>		

George said that concrete mixes don't have to be exotic. He uses a standard 5,000 psi bagged mix to which he can add colored aggregate or integral colors. He only adds enough water to obtain zero to two inch of slump and consolidates the mixture with his hands following discharge from the mixer. He doesn't recommend vibration. Formwork is usually polystyrene, which is easy to remove.

Finishing is by hand toweling and subsequently wet diamond polishing. George begins with a 50 grit wheel and progresses up to 8500 grit on a hand grinder. Bug holes are repaired with a cement slurry of the same color in the mix.

He showed a number of photos of his projects that convince the viewer of the appropriateness of this design material. The concrete is finally sealed with a sodium silicate product that penetrates and hardens the surface. Acrylics can be used also and a final application of beeswax produces a shine that can not be differentiated from the competing materials. He recommends annual maintenance with subsequent applications of beeswax as this coating wears off in service. Those interested in more information can contact George directly.

ACI Denver Convention

They established a new attendance record of over 1600 people of which a record 27 were Chapter members. The following were Georgia members: H. Allred, J. Coke, J. Cook, M. Cook, K. Deadrick, K. Foody, M. Galinat, H. Gleich, J. Gonzalez, K. Harmon, J. Holland, R. Jenkins, L. Kahn, G. Kenna, G. Knight, F. Lennox, J. Love, M. Millard, S. Morris, K. Rear, J. Rose, E. Russell, J. Speck, R. Tate, P. Tatnall, R. Terpening and D. Toon. We want to thank the following members for taking time to sit at the Georgia Chapter table during the Convention: Mr. and Mrs. Bob Terpening, Bob Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Tatnall, Frank Lennox, “Sam” Morris, Mel Galinat, Gordon Kenna, Howard Allred, Kirk Deadrick, John Love and John Cook.

Chapter Table-Denver-Bob Jenkins & Mel Galinat



Bob Jenkins & Mel Galinat at ACI GA Chapter Table



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please join me in welcoming the following new member to the Georgia Chapter:

Matthew Eldridge
Harcon, Inc.

Ed Parker
RACO General Contractors



2007 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Company: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Office Phone: _____

Office Fax: _____

Home Phone: _____

Email address: _____

Professional Category: (Check one)

- Architect
- Contractor
- Engineer
- Student - **\$15.00** 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

Annual Dues
\$40.00 p/yr.
Students: \$15.00

Please complete application and mail with your check to :

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DECEMBER MEETING NOTICE

Date: **Friday, December 15, 2006**

You May Register On-Line:
www.georgiachapteraci.org

Time: *Registration—11:30 a.m.*
Reception— 11: 45 a.m. - 12:15 p. m. (Sponsors—Pg. 1)
Luncheon—12:15 p.m.

Location: *Sheraton Buckhead Hotel*
3405 Lenox Road, NE
Atlanta, Georgia

Program: **“Installation of Officers and Directors ”**

Price: *\$25.00 - Pre-registered*
\$10.00 - Students
\$30.00 - Walk-ins and No-shows

RSVP: To RSVP, please call “Sam” 770. 455.7274 or email me at
SammieLFM@aol.com BEFORE 12:00 Noon on WEDNESDAY,
December 13, 2006

Note: *If you fail to call in prior to the deadline, or you do not show for the luncheon,*
you will be charged \$30.00.

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www.georgiachapteraci.org