LOOKING FORWARD TO ICRI'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY

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n May 21, 1988, over 70 members of the concrete repair industry came to a meeting in Naperville, IL—the first meeting of ICRI (then called the International Association of Concrete Repair Specialists). In the ensuing years, the organization has grown to over 2000 members, undergone a name change, started countless new programs, and developed 34 ICRI chapters. To honor these and many other achievements of ICRI, we will be acknowledging our 25th anniversary with a year-long celebration in 2013.

The planning for the year-long celebration has been going on for some time, led by the 25th Anniversary Ad-Hoc Committee chaired by Bud Earley. We will kick off the year with a special issue of the *Concrete Repair Bulletin* (CRB) (January/February 2013), highlighting the history of ICRI and celebrating 25 years of achievements.

There will be celebrations at all normal ICRI meetings and conventions, including a fantastic party being planned for Thursday, March 21, 2013,

during our Spring Convention. This convention will be held at the Tradewinds Island Resort in St. Pete Beach, FL (visit **www.tradewindsresort.com** to check out this beautiful property). The 2013 Fall Convention will bring the meeting back to Chicago to honor the inaugural meeting.

The committee would like your help. They have developed a budget for the year and are hoping for contributions from both members and chapters to help defray some of the costs of these terrific plans and activities. We will be collecting contributions throughout 2012 so that we can plan for the anniversary year with actual finances in place.

The donation levels are listed below. If you would like to contribute, please fill out the form at **www.icri.org** or contact Kelly Page, ICRI Executive Director, at kelly.page@icri.org for more information.

We hope to see you all at our 2013 activities and break attendance records at these events throughout the year!

ICRI 25TH ANNIVERSARY SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

DIAMOND: DONATION OF \$5000 OR GREATER

Name in each 2013 issue of the *CRB*, plus name on signs at meetings and conventions all year (2013), plus one convention registration (including party), plus half-page ad in one 2013 *CRB* issue of your choice.

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Name in each 2013 issue of the *CRB*, plus name on signs at meetings and conventions all year (2013), plus one convention registration (including party), plus quarter-page ad in one 2013 *CRB* issue of your choice

GOLD: DONATION OF \$2000 TO \$3499

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SILVER: DONATION OF \$1000 TO \$1999

Name in each 2013 issue of the *CRB*, plus name on signs at meetings and conventions all year (2013), plus two party tickets

BRONZE: DONATION OF \$500 TO \$999

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CONCRETE: DONATION MINIMUM OF \$100 TO \$499

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