

# CHAPTER NEWS

## CHAPTERS COMMITTEE CHAIR'S LETTER



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**G**reetings, Chapter Leaders! I certainly hope all is going well for you out in the concrete repair world. Winter will soon be upon us; and if you're like us, you're trying to complete as many projects as possible before it gets here.

We would like to extend a huge "thanks" to all the chapter delegates who were able to make it to Cincinnati for the ICRI 2011 Fall Convention. The new delegate program produced more than a dozen NEW delegates (chapter members who had never been to an ICRI meeting), which is the purpose of the program. Great job, folks!

As a reminder to these delegates, please be sure to share the information you obtained with your local Board of Directors and your general membership. This would be a good time to remind everyone of the many benefits of attending national conventions and making use of the many technical guidelines published by ICRI. They are very unique and informative for our industry and are a direct reflection of ICRI's mission "to improve the quality of repair, restoration, and protection of concrete and other structures." ICRI guidelines are very inexpensive and easy to use—two concepts often overlooked by other trade organizations.

Be sure to also update your local membership on the activities of our many technical committees. Now that you've had the opportunity to attend at least one of these meetings, we

hope that you convey to your members the effectiveness of our technical committee meetings and ease by which a member can quickly get involved in those committees. As always with ICRI, a good resource is the ICRI Web site, which provides a wealth of information on each committee and its activities.

Finally, I ask that you impart to your members one of the more intangible benefits an individual member can receive through participating in ICRI. That benefit is the sense of contributing to a larger community that is diligently working to improve an industry in constant need of your support. The camaraderie and sense of purpose that we all feel when we participate in an organization such as ICRI often gets overlooked during the course of the busy construction season. Now is a great time to share with your membership the enjoyment and sense of satisfaction you received by coming to our national convention and participating in the efforts of ICRI and its members. Where else can you work toward improving your industry and have fun with some old and new friends at the same time?

Lastly, elections for 2012 are to be held by year's end; the 2012 Kick-Off Party for ICRI members will be in January in conjunction with World of Concrete; and the next Chapter Roundtable will be held in Chicago, IL, November 17 and 18, 2011.

Hope to see you all again soon!

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