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# CHAPTER NEWS

## CHAPTERS COMMITTEE CHAIR'S LETTER



MARK LeMAY, AIA  
ICRI Secretary &  
Chapters Chair

With the busy Spring convention season coming to a close, it is time to get back to the real task at hand—repairing concrete! Here's hoping that your backlog is plentiful!

First off—kudos to our awarding winning Chapters announced at the Spring Convention's Thursday Luncheon, especially ICRI's Chapter of the Year—the Metro New York Chapter! Outstanding Chapters (those with a minimum of 100 points on the Chapter Award forms) included Arizona, Baltimore/Washington, Carolinas, Chicago, Delaware Valley, Florida West Coast, Georgia, Great Plains, Indiana/Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, New England, Northern California, Northern Ohio, North Texas, Quebec Province, Rocky Mountain, and Southeast Florida. Excellent Chapters (those with point totals between 76 and 99) included Pacific Northwest, Pittsburgh, and Virginia. Gaining the greatest increase in their point total from the previous year, the Delaware Valley Chapter took home honors as the "Most Improved Chapter." And finally, new for this year, the North Texas Chapter won the "Best Event/Program" Award for organizing the inaugural Texas State Conference in conjunction with the Houston and South Central Texas Chapters. It is not too late to review your 2015 Chapter Award forms to see the areas where your Chapter could improve in 2016!

Many thanks to the 20 Chapters that took advantage of ICRI's Delegate Program at the recently completed Spring Convention in beautiful San Juan, Puerto Rico! Delegates were able to take advantage of numerous informative Technical Sessions, a variety of product and service exhibitors, the usual plethora of Committee Meetings, and ample opportunities for networking. At Friday's Inter-Chapter Luncheon, ICRI Treasurer and Chairman of the Strategic Implementation Committee Chris Lippmann updated attendees on ICRI's new integrated organization for the creation of new education material and certification programs. Following the luncheon, Chapter Delegates and Committee Members shared information and ideas at the Chapters Committee meeting. It was noted that there is interest in forming new Chapters in several areas, including Toronto and Ottawa, and there is interest in re-starting the Puerto Rico Chapter. It was decided that the topic for the next Inter-Chapter Luncheon to be held at the Fall Convention at the Westin Hotel in downtown Cleveland November 9-11, 2016, will be "Educational Outreach." And new Executive Director Mike Levin requested that Chapters let ICRI National know when they do community outreach programs. ICRI would very much like to advertise those types of benevolent activities.

With the busy spring and summer seasons upon us, don't forget to send news articles and photos of your Chapter's activities to ICRI's Chapters Director, Dale Regnier ([daler@icri.org](mailto:daler@icri.org)). And, while you're at it, include info on your upcoming events for the Calendar section in the CRB. For the Jul/Aug edition, this information will be due to Dale May 15, and for the Sept/Oct edition, it will be due July 10 (my guess is you will receive reminders from Dale!).

Here's hoping your summer is a busy and bountiful one!