

CHAPTER NEWS

CHAPTERS COMMITTEE CHAIR'S LETTER



MARK LeMAY

Happy New Year—with a heavy emphasis on “new”! Yes, 2016 promises to be a year filled with many new and exciting changes for ICRI on the national level. We are very thankful to Creative Association Management (CAM) for their 15 years of guidance, taking a fledgling organization and making it stronger in every way. Kelly, Ken, Dale, Naomi, Donna, Jennifer, Courtney and several others behind the scenes served our organization well and we thank them for their efforts.

On the Chapter level, many things will stay the same:

- Chapter Elections—Have you held elections for your 2016 Chapter Officers? If not, please do so ASAP and forward your new list of Officers and Directors to ICRI.
- Chapter Awards—You have until February 15, 2016, to complete the Chapter Award forms, which can be found in the Chapters section of the ICRI website. For the 2015 forms, there IS a new award category—submit a narrative on your Chapter’s most outstanding program or event! Entries will be judged by the voting members of the Chapters Committee and presented at the ICRI 2016 Spring Convention in Puerto Rico. Remember that the forms serve as the perfect measuring medium for successful Chapters! Use them to set Chapter goals for 2016! At a minimum, all Chapters are required to submit the one-page Annual Report Form. In 2016, Chapter dues will be withheld from Chapters who fail to comply with this requirement. If you need assistance filling out the forms, please contact your Regional Representative, any member of the Chapters Committee, or me (mlemay@jqeng.com). Our goal is to hear from 100% of our Chapters—please do your part!
- ICRI Kick-Off Party at World of Concrete (WOC)—What better way to start the New Year than to have a (another) party on Monday evening, February 1, just prior to the official start of WOC? This year’s event will be held at New York-New York’s Nine Fine Irishmen. Reservations can be made through the ICRI website. And remember, if you plan to attend WOC, sign up through the ICRI website using code A36.
- Regional Roundtable Meeting—The next Regional Roundtable Meeting for chapters in the southeastern part of the United States will be held Thursday and Friday, February 25-26 in Tampa, FL. The following Chapters are strongly encouraged to designate and send two Chapter Officers to this important event to share experiences and ideas: VA, SWF, SFL, GS, GA, FWC, FFC, CFL, and CAR. The only costs associated with attending are for travel and one or two nights at the hotel (Sheraton Suites Tampa Airport Westshore). Be on the lookout for registration forms from ICRI.
- ICRI Spring Convention—The Condado Plaza Hilton in San Juan, Puerto Rico, will be the site for ICRI’s 2016 Spring Convention March 16-18. Will your Chapter be represented by taking advantage of the Chapter Delegate program? We certainly hope so! Keep a lookout for the official Delegate Registration Form which will be sent to Chapter leaders in late January or early February.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all 2015 Chapter Leaders for their dedication and guidance, and we send best wishes to the new Chapter Officers for bountiful success in 2016!



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