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The Construction Specifications Institute

**CSI KNOXVILLE CHAPTER MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10TH**

GUIDE TO HOME ELEVATORS

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CSI Knoxville Chapter Meeting

Tuesday, October 10th, Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)
Person Meeting Location:

Bearden Banquet Hall

Please note a change in location for this month's meeting.

Address: [5806 Kingston Pike Knoxville, TN 37919](#)

RSVP: Lunch Provided

[RSVP: Click here to RSVP for In-Person Meeting](#)

SCHEDULE

11:30 am - 12:00 pm Sign-In & Networking
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Lunch Presentation

The Knoxville Chapter meets on the second Tuesday of each month, except July & December. Guests are Welcome!

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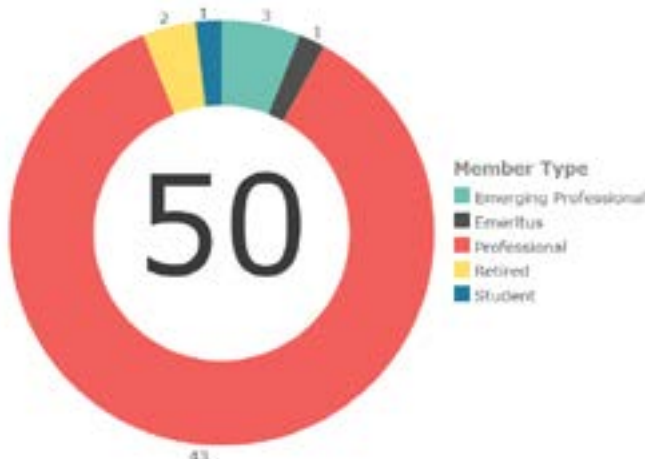


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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

OCTOBER 2023

10 **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, October 10th
Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)
"Guide to Home Elevators" Presented by John Tolar from United Elevator Services and special guest Donald Chapdelaine from Savaria.

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17 **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, October 17th
 Zoom Meeting from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (EST)

26 **Decompression Hour:** - Thursday, October 26th
 Informal gathering, 5:30 pm at **Abridged Beer Company** [320 N Peters Rd Suite 103, Knoxville, TN 37922](#)

20 **Inaugural CSI Wes Crow Golf Tournament:**

Friday, October 20th
 Lunch: Served at 11:30 AM
 Tee Time: 1:00 PM

Egwani Farms Golf Course
 3920 S Singleton Station Rd
 Rockford, TN 37853

Contact: Wes Crow, CSI
wcrow@johnsongalyon.com

Phone: (865) 770-0727

Entry Deadline: 10/16/2023

[Register for Golf Tournament](#)

NOVEMBER 2023

07 **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, November 7th
 Zoom Meeting from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm (EST)

14 **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, November 14th
Time: 11:30 AM EST - 1:00 PM (EST)
"Smartviews" Susan Dakak, AIA 1 LU/HSW

In-Person Meeting Location:

Associated General Contractors (AGC)

Address:

[3306 Ragsdale Ave NW, Knoxville, TN 37909](#)

[RSVP: Click here to RSVP for Lunch Meeting](#)

30 **Decompression Hour:** - Thursday, November 30th
 Informal gathering, 5:30 pm at **Abridged Beer Company** [320 N Peters Rd Suite 103, Knoxville, TN 37922](#)

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

OCTOBER EVENTS

Brent Williams, CSI, CDT
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We are working on redefining our powerful description of why CSI is CSI... In short, we need to define our Institute "elevator pitch" and this is no easy task. Last month, our September Program at the AGC was presented by Gary Bergeron, FCSI with special guest Stephanie Cook from City of Knoxville. They presented an exciting and entertaining presentation on accessibility in "ADA Items Frequently Omitted." We had some fantastic food and a big group of first-time guests to our CSI Knoxville program!

This month, we have an actual "elevator program" for October that you won't want to miss! We are excited to have an uplifting program "Guide to Home Elevators" which will be presented by John Tolar from United Elevator Services and a special guest, Donald Chapdelaine from Savaria. Thank you Tyler Goza for taking the reins on educational Programs! Also, there will be some great door prize opportunities for attendees. So, bring an extra business card for your chance at the drawing to win a fun prize! Come join us for some great Lunching and Learning!

Our Board Meeting has been moved to October 17th so that several members of our CSI Leadership could attend the CSI Conference in Minneapolis. Our Past President Kathryn Fuller, CSI accepted awards for CSI Knoxville Chapter Outstanding Chapter Commendation and Communications Award for The Speck newsletter.



Congratulations to Alexandria Anderson, winner of the CSI Foundation Scholarship to the 2023 CSI National Conference! She's currently an architecture intern with a passion for creating spaces that enhance people's lives. Lexi is a recent graduate from the College of Architecture at the University of Tennessee and is actively working towards licensure at MBI Companies Inc. Outside of work, Lexi enjoys writing novels and playing with her two Maltipoos (a mix between the Maltese and the Poodle), Matcha and Ace. Congratulations Lexi!

Be sure to sign up for the Inaugural CSI Wes Crow Golf Tournament at Egwani Farms Golf Course. On the 20th anniversary of the CSI Golf Tournament it has been renamed in honor of Wes Crow, CSI as he retires. At CSI Knoxville Chapter, we are committed to promoting education in construction related fields. Proceeds from this event benefit the University of Tennessee, College of Architecture and Design, the CSI Scholarship and other local construction and design educational programs. Come join us for some great golfing and networking.



NEW MEMBER NEWS

DIPAKKUMAR PATEL, CSI

Please meet Dipakkumar Patel, CSI. He says that people call him Dipak (pronounced Dee-puck). Dipak joined the Knoxville Chapter in June of this year, after visiting a CSI meeting with fellow employee, Kathryn Fuller. He is currently employed by MBI Companies Inc. as a Project Designer, where he focuses primarily on conceptual design. He has been with MBI for 7 years.



He said that he chose this field because “architecture / engineering combined strengths and passions [he had] as a young adult growing up.” Dipak attained his BA Hons Architecture at Birmingham City University, his Post-Graduate diploma at the University of Nottingham abroad in the United Kingdom. He completed his Master of Architecture at the New Jersey Institute of Technology here in the US. He came to Knoxville in the spring of 2010.

Dipak has family here in Knoxville: his parents, his wife, Karmi, and his two children, Abhi and Anjali. He has a brother in Franklin, TN and a sister in Williamsport, MD. In his spare time, he coaches soccer with FC Alliance, is a Big Brother Mentor and

Board President with BBBS-ETN, plays soccer, watches One Knox/865, and follows a number of other interests.

When asked what he hoped to gain and why he joined CSI, he replied, “Access to learning materials to develop construction and engineering material/detailing knowledge. And to add myself to the local network of AEC professionals as a peer resource and increase my familiarity with the Knoxville community.”

When asked what areas he would be interested in being a part of and how could he see the chapter improving, he replied, “Chapter growth and involvement will be a by-product of offering the environment for building strong, deep connections with one another. This may be social activities beyond the seminar/conference/meeting room walls - and completely unrelated to our occupations. I'm excited to discover where my abilities and experiences can be leveraged!”

He closed with one thing that he would like people to know about him. “I believe, [in] almost all instances, being kind is better than being right. Everyone matters and is managing their own real struggle at any given time. Helping one another in the best way we're able is what we're built for.”

Our CSI chapter is like a family that helps each other grow in our profession. I think Dipak had found a great place to invest his talents. Please reach out and introduce yourself to him at our next gathering.

HINDSIGHT

CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH





Inaugural CSI Knoxville Wes Crow Golf Tournament

It's time to come out and play golf and network with friends. Win cash prizes, eat, drink, and let's have fun!

October 20, 2023

At CSI Knoxville Chapter, we are committed to promoting education in construction related fields. Proceeds from this event benefit the University of Tennessee, College of Architecture and Design, the CSI Scholarship and other local construction and design educational programs.

Date: October 20, 2023	Egwanl Farms Golf Course
Time: 1:00 PM Tee Time	3920 S Singleton Station Rd
Lunch: Served at 11:30 AM	Rockford, TN 37853
Contact	Cost
Wes Crow, CSI	Individual \$120.00
wcrow@jkhnsongalyn.com	4 person team \$450.00
Phone: (855) 770-0727	

Please make check or money order payable to CSI. Mail payment & entry form back to: CSI Golf Tournament c/o Wes Crow Johnson & Galyon Construction 1130 Atlantic Avenue, Knoxville, TN 37917
Credit Card payment accepted or you can register and pay on line <https://csiknoxville.org/>

ENTRY FORM: (Entry Deadline: 10/16/2023)

Team/Company Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____
 Team Captains: _____ # Teams: _____ x \$450 = _____

 Players: _____ # Players: _____ x \$120 = _____

 TOTAL = _____

EVENT SPONSOR FORM: (Entry Deadline: 10/16/2023)

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Tee/Hole Sponsor: \$150.00 **Closest to the Hole Sponsor:** \$200.00
 Sign at a tee box Sign at a tee box

Company Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____



The American Institute of Architects Continuing Education System

AIA/CES Registered Provider Program Summary Handout

Course Name: Guide to Home Elevators

Length: 1 hour

Course Code: AIASAV101

Credits: 1 HSW | LU

Description

This presentation is designed to provide an overview of home elevators for architects and builders.

Learning Objectives

- Relate to the variety of applications for home elevators
- Identify common features and the four main types of elevator drive systems
- Analyze site requirements and project timelines
- Understand codes and regulations applicable to residential elevators

By the end of this session, participants should have a broad understanding of residential elevators and the increasing demand for mobility in the home.

Method of Delivery

The course is offered by Savaria via webinar as well as via authorized speakers in a live presentation setting.

For more information please contact us at 800-661-5112 or email us at marketingcomm@savaria.com.

Savaria, AIA provider ID 40107405
2 Walker Drive, Brampton, ON L6T 5E1
800.661.5112



JOIN CSI KNOXVILLE FOR DECOMPRESSION HOUR

5:30 PM - 7:30 PM
OCTOBER 26, 2023

ABRIDGED BEER COMPANY
320 N Peters Rd Suite 103
Knoxville, TN 37922

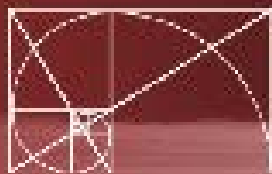
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Position:

Project Manager/
Project Architect

Requirements:

- ▶ 3-5 years of relevant work experience
- ▶ Proficiency in Revit



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<https://www.indeed.com/job/project-managerproject-architect-612237a5d5f7a1d9>

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