

TACOMA/OLYMPIA BRANCH MEMBERS MEETING



Specifying for Sustainability

Our branch's **NEXT MEETING** will be on **March 5th** – Specifying for Sustainability. A joint meeting with the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI).

Come and join the Tacoma/Olympia Branch of the Cascadia Region Green Building Council, and the Mt. Rainier Chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute, for a panel discussion on specification preparation for sustainability.

Date:

Thursday, March 5th, 2009

Place:

La Quinta Inn & Suites, 1425 East 27th Street, Tacoma (Portland Avenue & I-5)



Pacific Plaza (Rendering), Courtesy of BLRB Architects. Working towards LEED Platinum

Schedule:

Professional Development Talk: 3:00 to 4:00 PM (Fabric Ducts by Larry Storset)

Tech Talk: 4:10 to 5:10 PM (Sustainable Specifications by Dave Seifert of BCRA and Mark Berquist of McGranahan Architects)

Product Displays: 4:30 to 6:00 pm

Social Hour/Gathering Time: 5:00 to 6:50 PM

Design/Construction Talks: 6:50 to 7:05 PM

Dinner Program: 7:15 to 8:15 PM, Sustainable Specifications (Round Table discussion, Dave Seifert of BCRA, Mark Berquist of McGranahan Architects, Ken Schmidt of Lease Crutcher Lewis and Jeff Stroud of Mountain Construction)



Pacific Plaza (Before)

Dinner is \$35.00 at the door, if RSVPs received by 2:00 PM, Monday the 2nd. Payment by cash or check only.

CASCADIA

Cascadia is a chapter of the US Green Building Council (USGBC), the building industry's only balanced, nonprofit, consensus coalition promoting the understanding, development and accelerated implementation of "green building." Cascadia serves its members by striving to fulfill the USGBC's mission, realize its vision, and accomplish its goals in the Pacific Northwest region.

CASCADIA MISSION

Promote the design, construction and operation of buildings that are environmentally responsible, profitable and healthy places to live and work, in Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

BRANCH MISSION

"Through education and outreach opportunities, the Tacoma/Olympia Branch of the USGBC Cascadia Chapter exists to promote greater awareness of sustainable building strategies, centered on integrated design and the LEED Rating System."

BRANCH GOALS

1. Conduct Branch meetings, presentations, and educational seminars.
2. Promote local/regional design/construction industry members.
3. Promote local/regional government agencies.
4. Raise general awareness of sustainability.

Join Cascadia or only register for the newsletter. Membership provides resource and networking benefits.

Visit: cascadiagbc.org and follow the registration instructions to join or get our newsletter.

TOLUG—the Tacoma/ Olympia LEED Users Group meets the first Thursday of every month at 7:30 am at McGranahan Architects, 2111 Pacific Avenue, suite 100, Tacoma, WA 98402. A light breakfast is served.

February 5, 2009 - ASHRAE Performance Guide K-12 (Bruce Gustafson and Lee Durston)

March 5, 2009 – Joint dinner meeting with CSI (no separate TOLUG)

April 2, 2009 - LEED 2009 Presentation (Dale Anderson)

MEETING RSVP

Please **RSVP** to Bruce Gustafson, bruce@enginuitysys.com by Monday, March 2nd, 2009, 2:00 PM.

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Please demonstrate your leadership by supporting Cascadia. Donated funds will be used to build capacity in our local marketplace. All sponsors will be recognized at every Cascadia event.

PROGRAM SPONSOR

Sponsor a program, buy breakfast! Present information on your firm in person before the sponsored event.

To take advantage of these opportunities, please contact our coordinator below. Thank you!

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Tacoma Community College Early Learning Center, Courtesy of McGranahan Architects and Dane Meyer Photography, LEED Gold application.

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CASCADIA REGION GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL

Discussion Panel:

Moderator: **Douglas Dickinson**, CSI

Ken Schmidt

Ken Schmidt has over 10 years experience as a General Contractor, including the last 5 with Lease Crutcher Lewis. Ken became a LEED AP in 2003 while working on The Evergreen State College's Seminar II Project, one of the first LEED Gold Certified projects in the region, and has recently been involved with the Center for Urban Waters (targeted LEED Platinum) and Starbucks HQ project (targeted LEED Silver).

Mark Bergquist, CSI

Mark Bergquist is one of the lead specification writers for McGranahan Architects and has over twenty-five years in the profession. He is responsible for coordination of the documentation process and construction oversight on many of the firm's K-12, College and public/private housing projects. Mark has been a member of CSI for nearly 20 years. He has contributed to the firm's sustainable design expertise on Bates Technical College South Campus Expansion, Bethel School District's Liberty Junior High School and most recently Tacoma Community College's Early Learning Center – on track for LEED Gold Certification.

Jeff Stroud

Jeff Stroud is co-owner of Mountain Construction. He graduated from Oregon State University in 1977 with a degree in Construction Engineering Management, and has been in the construction industry ever since. Mountain Construction is a regional general contractor specializing in private sector design-build and team-build projects up to \$10 million. Under a design build contract, Mountain recently completed the first building in Washington State to earn a LEED Platinum rating from the U.S. Green Building Council. Green Building is a central focus for Mountain Construction.

Dave Seifert

Dave Seifert is the lead specification writer for BCRA, as well as responsible for quality control, cost estimating and construction administration. His experience also includes several years as a public school district construction representative. He has been involved with a wide range of public and private construction projects, including municipal facilities, governmental institutions, hospitals, clinics and schools. Dave has supervised and prepared specifications for all LEED projects undertaken by BCRA, and has specialized expertise in that area.