

**I would like to thank everyone who has stepped up this year and volunteered there time and efforts and also Thank those in advance that are going to step up soon and get involved with your Chapter.**

As has been stated here a few times, we will be hosting the 2009 CSI Southwest Region Conference here in Las Vegas next April and could use everyone's help in putting together a great conference and showing the rest of the Region what a great Chapter we have. Please contact me if you are interested in lending a hand. I anticipate getting out some additional information to the membership in next months column.

Our first Chapter meeting was a huge success as we learned what it takes to turn our construction trash into something useful and beneficial to the construction industry as well as to the planet. At our upcoming meeting scheduled for October we will be learning all about specifying and installing natural stone products. Please make your reservations early for this program as we are expecting a large crowd in town for the Stone Expo.

Mark your calendars early for the CONSTRUCT 2009 National CSI show being held next year in Indianapolis June 16-19. Be on the lookout for announcements from [www.HanleyWoodHousing.com](http://www.HanleyWoodHousing.com), [CONSTRUCTshow.com](http://CONSTRUCTshow.com) and [TheTFMShow.com](http://TheTFMShow.com).

As the calendar year end quickly approaches I am continuing to call out to the membership to get involved in **YOUR** Chapter. There are still some vacant spots for committee chairs as well as volunteers needed to assist with those committees; some small and some big. Please contact me or any other Board member to find out how you can help make **YOUR** Chapter even better.

Please take a few minutes to check and update, if needed your member information with the Institute at [www.csinet.org](http://www.csinet.org) as well as locally at [www.csilv.org](http://www.csilv.org), have you seen the new Chapter web site yet?

I look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting October 14<sup>th</sup>!