

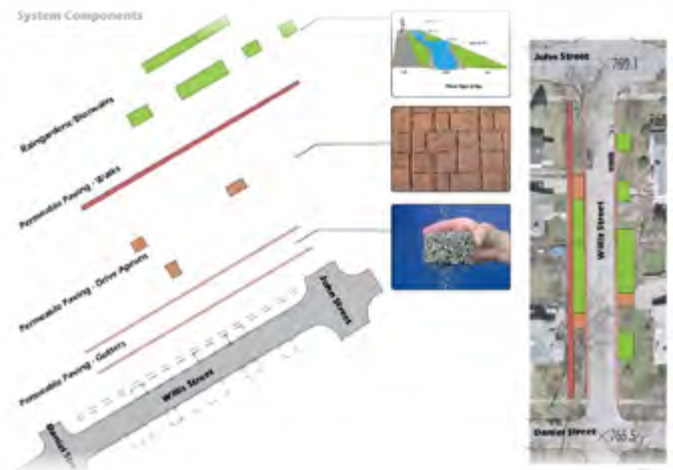


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CSI KNOXVILLE CHAPTER MEETING TUESDAY, AUGUST 8TH, 2017

LANDSCAPE PERFORMANCES

Presented By: **Gale Fulton**, Director of the School of Landscape Architecture at UTK



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Our Chapter meetings are generally on the 2nd Tuesday of each month and are at Calhoun's on the River in one of the upstairs meeting rooms.



Lunch Seminar

11:30 am
12:00 pm

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\$20 Returning Guest/
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Please RSVP to csiknox@gmail.com by Monday, August 7th, 2017

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST 2017

- 01 **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, August 1st, 5:30 pm at Odle & Young's Office
- 08 **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, August 8th, 11:30 am at Calhoun's on the River. **"Landscape Architecture"** Presented By Gale Fulton from UT College of Architecture and Design
- 24 **CSI Lunch and Learn** - Thursday, August 24th, 11:30 am at East Tennessee Community Design Center WATE 6 Carriage House **"Living Green Walls"** Presented By Amy Barnett-Mohr (1LU)

CSI LUNCH & LEARN

**Thursday, August 24th,
11:45 am - 1:00 pm**

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SEPTEMBER 2017

- 05 **CSI Board Meeting** - Tuesday, September 5th, 5:30 pm at Odle & Young's Office
- 08 **Lewis Thomason Annual Construction Seminar** Friday, September 8th
- 12 **CSI Chapter Meeting** - Tuesday, September 12th, 11:30 am at Calhoun's on the River **"Designing with Insulated Precast Concrete Walls"** Presented By Carla Scott from Superior Walls of East TN (1LU/HSW)
- 19 **CSI Lunch and Learn** - Tuesday, September 12th, 11:30 am at East Tennessee Community Design Center WATE 6 Carriage House **"Water Efficiency Standards for Commercial Plumbing"** Presented By Geoff Ward from Mid America Marketing / American Standard Plumbing (1LU/HSW/SD)

KNOXVILLE CHAPTER: AUGUST 2017

- 50 PROFESSIONAL
- 3 STUDENT
- 2 EMERGING PROFESSIONAL
- 2 EMERITUS
- 2 RETIRED
- 59 TOTAL**



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

GREETINGS THIS FOURTH OF JULY DAY!

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I know this will not be published until after the 4th, but as I am writing this I am reminded of what a grand and glorious day this is we celebrate! Our nation's founders were wise and brave, literally putting their lives on the line to create a nation that has endured in freedom for over 200 years. So we celebrate those liberties we have and remember our great history and heroes.

And Happy New Year! No, I have not gone mad. July is the New Year, the beginning of our CSI year, and as such we have a new president, some new board members, and new opportunities for everyone to participate.

Let me start the new year with praise and thanks to our past presidents, and specifically to Susan Jordan who did such a great job in this last term. Susan brings such great attitude to everything she does, a real and genuine positivity, happiness, and joy. Beside that she is a really good person and easy to work with; just ask Darson. Susan, thanks for a great job last year!

And if you missed our last month meeting, our Chapter Awards, I do want to recognize again, Gary Bergeron and Stacy Colbaugh, both of whom will receive awards at our CSI national conference in September. Congratulations to you both from the entire chapter.

Later this month is our chapter planning meeting to which all who wish to contribute may come. I will not go into the details of time and place but please call me or one of the other board members if you would like to attend. This is an annual event at which we look to the year ahead and chart our course. Do you have an ideas or good suggestions for our chapter? Your input as Chapter members, whether in person or written, will be most appreciated. This year we will start by examining our current position or status. Are we a chapter that is in an incline, a recline, or a decline position? And what does that mean for us? In what position do we want to be in this new year? More about these questions in the months to come.

With this new year comes a great opportunity for our Knoxville Chapter. We host the regional conference here in May. It has been over 10 years since we had the region as our guest That conference was a great success in the opinion of many, so we are planning for and hoping for an even greater success for this coming regional meeting. It will be a time to showcase our great city and display our chapter's hospitality and friendliness. Having worked on the team organizing the previous conference I can tell you the effort will involve much work and many helping hands. Can you volunteer now to do some small part to make this a success? There is a committee working already to pull all thing together, so give them your commitment to help in even the smallest way.

What a great year we have a head of us. Thanks to you all for your support and participation. Happy New (CSI) Year!

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- We have lots of great programs lined up for this year! Come get your learning credits and see your fellow CSI members!
- Don't forget- this is the beginning of a new year for CSI; so your board members have changed. Reach out to them and say hello!
- Have you checked out our website lately?
- Let us know how you can support the student chapter. They really need our encouragement.
- Don't forget the great conferences we have coming up. Construct 2017 in Rhode Island is just a few weeks away.
- We are also working away at planning the 2018 Regional Conference. Let the planning committee know how you'd like to help.

BIOGRAPHY

GALE FULTON

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Gale Fulton is Director of the School of Landscape Architecture. Prior to joining the faculty at UTK in August, 2013, he taught landscape architecture and urbanism at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the Pennsylvania State University, and the University of Adelaide in South Australia. Gale has practiced landscape architecture, urban design, and garden design at multiple firms across the United States. At the multi-disciplinary firm Civitas in Denver, Colorado, he worked on projects ranging widely in scale and scope such as the San Diego Riverpark Masterplan and concept plans for a multi-modal transit facility at Denver's Union Station. In collaboration with Aptum Architecture, Gale has received



PRESENTATION SUMMARY

LANDSCAPE PERFORMANCES

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This presentation will focus on shifts in contemporary landscape architectural practice in which the primary focus of the design is concerned with what the landscape can do as opposed to more traditional approaches, which privileged what the landscape looked like or possibly what it signified. This shift has laid the groundwork for landscape architecture to reclaim lost agency in the planning and design of large scale infrastructural systems that was lost over the course of the 20th century as landscape architecture ceded territory to civil engineers and planners. Stormwater management is perhaps the most visible of these practices in contemporary design work, and much of this talk will focus on those applications.



CSI EDUCATION

WHAT I LEARNED FROM CSI...

COMMERCIAL RANGE HOOD TESTING

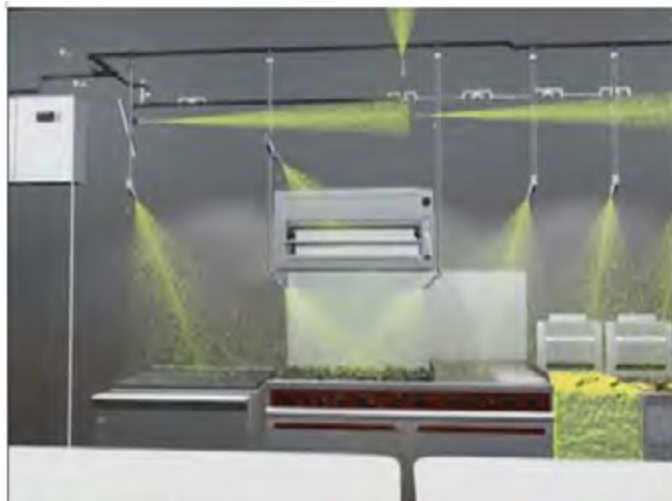
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Most of us enjoy an outdoor cookout with burgers and hot dogs on the grill with our friends and family. When the fats and oil drip from the meat onto the hot burners or charcoal briquettes below, there is an occasional flare up of flames. If the flare up gets out of control, we spray some water on the grill to contain the flames. But how many of us consider what happens in your favorite indoor restaurant when the same thing happens?

Commercial kitchen range hoods are equipped with an automatic liquid fire suppression system. The fire suppression liquid creates a “foam blanket” when sprayed on a hot surface to extinguish the fire. This system only discharges during an extreme event, but the entire range hood system must be tested by the contractor and witnessed by the fire marshal or a designated representative before being put into operation. These tests attempt to replicate the conditions of an actual fire but under controlled conditions.

During an actual fire, the most dangerous aspect is the smoke. People can die from smoke inhalation before the flames reach them. The other purpose of the range hood is to contain the smoke released from a fire, preventing it from spreading into the rest of the kitchen and/or restaurant. The exhaust fan is equipped to continue running to remove smoke from the kitchen and allow the staff and customers to exit in an orderly manner. To test this part of the system, a “smoke bomb” situated in a small coffee can is ignited. After the cooking equipment is brought up to normal cooking temperature, the smoke bomb coffee can is placed on one of the pieces of cooking equipment to simulate a fire started by the equipment. The smoke should be contained and collected by the exhaust system which will expel it from the kitchen. These tests can mean the difference between life and death in a kitchen fire emergency.



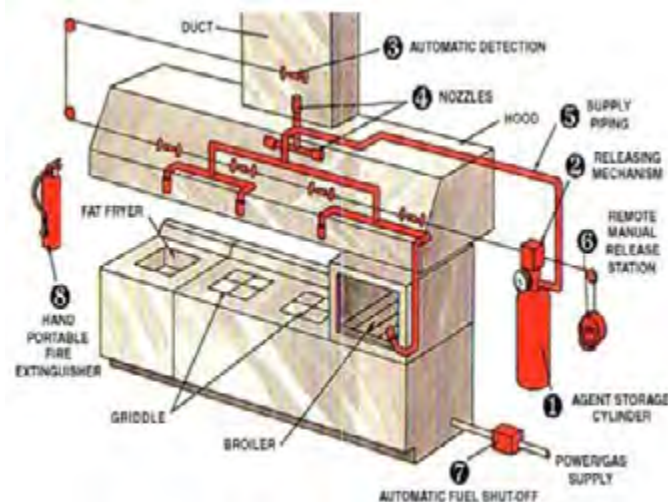
Fire suppression system operation & foam blanket
<http://www.nationalfirefighter.com/blog/Wet-Chemical-vs-Dry-Chemical-Fire-Suppression-Systems>



Smoke Bomb "Coffee Can" Test

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Fire suppression system
<http://4fireextinguishers.com/fire-hood-suppression-systems/>

The fire suppression system is tested using a nitrogen cartridge instead of the normal cartridge in the control cabinet so that nitrogen will be dispelled instead of the expensive fire suppression liquid. Using the actual materials would require cleanup of the equipment and be counterproductive. Also, test balloons are attached to the fire suppression nozzles that normally release the liquid fire suppression agent. These balloons will inflate with the nitrogen and contain it. The test balloons are not your normal dime store variety but are a specific test balloon manufactured for this purpose. These fire suppression nozzles are located over the cooking

appliances, behind the grease filters, and in the exhaust collar at the top of the hood. The purpose of the balloons is to collect the emission of nitrogen and contain it. During an actual fire, the automatic detection "fusible link" located in the exhaust duct collar melts to activate the system. During the test, which uses the manual pull station, the fusible link is replaced with a small breakable wire. When the test wire breaks, the nitrogen is released and inflates the balloons. The balloons are visually inspected to verify that the flow of nitrogen dispelled from all the nozzles. The gas pilot light and the electronic indicator light on the cooking appliances are verified to be off so that the fuel source is cut off.

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Balloon test on suppression nozzles in progress

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CSI AND THE LAW

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Commercial Drones in the Construction Industry

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Better enjoy those long lunches while they last. According to a recent article (<http://www.economist.com/technology-quarterly/2017-06-08/civilian-drones>) in the Economist, commercial drones may soon find their way to a job site near you as a means of improving efficiency and safety in the construction field. Goldman Sachs has run the numbers and predicts that \$100 billion will likely be spent on military and civilian drones between 2016 and 2020. Of that, it estimates that construction will be the fastest growing segment of the commercial drone market, representing an almost \$11.2 billion industry by 2020.

As those in the industry are well aware, one small mistake early on in a project can have dire consequences for a contractor or owner, often causing projects to go over budget and result in significant delays. To tackle this issue and the likely lawsuit that comes with it, the Economist article profiles how companies have already begun utilizing drones to discover and correct mistakes in almost real time.

For instance, early on in a project, drones may be utilized to streamline the process of grading. While the conventional method of grading can take several weeks to survey the topography on a large site, the Economist article notes that drones can perform a topographic survey in half an hour, with a 3D model ready the next day, which is not only cost-effective, but also allows for the site to be easily re-graded as needed to ensure accuracy.

Once construction is underway, the Economist article explains how drones can provide real time measurements to ensure that the erection of a structure is going according to plan. A single drone flight can obtain as much as 100 gigabytes of data, which can then be incorporated into a 3D site model, accurate to within a few centimeters, to compare with the digital model of the structure. According to the Economist article, companies in China are already flying drones over building sites at night, which is currently prohibited in the US, to measure progress on a daily basis.

How quickly drones can be incorporated into your construction site, however, will likely depend on the development of rules and regulations by the FAA. The recently enacted part 107 rules (https://www.faa.gov/uas/media/Part_107_Summary.pdf) is a significant step forward from the FAA's initial "no commercial application" approach to consumer drones, allowing operators that obtain a remote-pilot certificate to fly a drone for commercial purposes (1) during the day, (2) within line of sight, (3) in uncontrolled airspace, and (4) without flying over people not involved in operating the drone.

According to Greg McNeal, a law professor at Pepperdine University who advises the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) on drone regulation, the next several years will likely be busy for the FAA as it refines the rules relating to commercial use. Later this year, the FAA is set to issue rules dealing with flight over people and remote identification of drones. The FAA will then tackle issues surrounding the control of multiple drones by a single operator, “extended visual line of sight operation” over long distances, night operation, and ultimately flights with no visual line of sight.

With at least one college course (<http://www.equipmentworld.com/new-construction-tech-course-is-training-drone-pilots-preparing-ga-tech-students-for-industrys-future/>) already being offered on how to integrate drones into the construction industry, expect commercial drones to become a familiar sight on construction projects in the near future.



W. Paul Whitt, Esq. (Paul) is an associate with Lewis, Thomason, King, Krieg & Waldrop, P.C. in the firm’s construction law practice group. Paul concentrates his practice in the areas of construction law and litigation, including professional liability defense of design professionals, engineers, architects and surveyors, as well as professional liability representation of accountants and lawyers. Paul also has significant experience representing insurance carriers in first-party actions brought by insureds related to coverage matters, claims of bad faith, insurance fraud and other extra-contractual matters, as well as experience in general civil litigation.



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