



CONSTRUCTION LEADERSHIP COUNCIL

## Fall Working Weekend Wrap Up

The 2013 CLC Fall Working Weekend took place in St. Louis, MO from Thursday September 12<sup>th</sup> through Saturday September 14<sup>th</sup>. Over 100 participants were engaged with a full range of networking, educational, and motivational activities in the heart of our hospitable host city. The weekend began with a welcome reception and networking event at the Hilton St. Louis Ballpark.

Participants had a full day of educational and motivational leadership presentations on Friday. Starting with an update from Mary Ellen Ponder, City of St. Louis, Special Assistant to the Mayor regarding how the mayor's office views the importance of the construction industry in St Louis now and in the future. Following this update was a roundup of some of the founding members of the St. Louis CLC and National CLC. AGC of St. Louis Chairman Dirk Elspeman, Executive Vice President/COO, Tarlton Corporation; Julie Ledbetter, Founder, Castle Contracting; Patrick J. Kozeny, President/COO, Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. opened the floor to questions about their CLC experiences and hopes for the future. The conversation expanded to include a great insight into how CLC and AGC can influence and benefit your career and why being involved in AGC and CLC on a national level is so important to our industry. The morning concluded with a CLC National Steering Committee update on current activities and a roundtable discussion.

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Aeneas Williams addresses participants at the 2013 National Working Weekend

The afternoon started with a powerful keynote presentation "Reaching Your Potential" by Aeneas Williams, former All-Pro cornerback of the Arizona Cardinals & St. Louis Rams. Aeneas walked through the story of his life and career and how to use the opportunities that are given to you in life to reach your full potential. The next presentation was by the Owner, Project Management, and Tri-Venture General Contracting team of the BJC Kingshighway Campus Renewal Project. The presentation was a discussion about how this unique Tri-Venture team was created and how the team will be managed during the course of this \$1 Billion long term project.

Kelly Riggs, Founder of Vmax presented on the "Use of 5 Powerful Laws to Achieve Success". Kelly spoke about the use of focus and being intentional in being successful. Professor Steve Bannes, Director of Graduate Studies in Construction Management at Washington University in St. Louis finished out the presentations on Friday by discussing why a reputation of integrity matters and how leadership and relationships are so intertwined. Friday's events concluded with an amazing Reception at the Gateway Arch Grounds including tram rides to the top of the arch.

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On Saturday the weekend concluded with participants touring the New Mississippi River Bridge Project, a 1,500 foot cable stayed bridge across the Mississippi River between Metro East and St. Louis, MO. Project presentation and Jobsite Tour were performed by contractor MTA Joint Venture (Massman Construction, Traylor Brothers, and Alberici Constructors).

Check out photos and commentary from event participants on Twitter using #clcfww and continue the conversation using #agcccl. A very big thank you goes out to all presenters as well as all of the organizers including the St. Louis AGC and Construction Leadership Council. **SAVE THE DATE - Next year's National Working Weekend will be held in San Antonio, TX, Oct. 23-25, 2014.**

## Join the CLC National Steering Committee

Interested in participating in the CLC at the national level? AGC of America is currently accepting applications for the 2014 CLC National Steering Committee. Applications are due December 11. To learn more visit [www.agc.org/clc](http://www.agc.org/clc).



New Mississippi River Bridge Project Tour

## CLC National Steering Committee Initiative Update

### Charitable Event

Committee: Kyle Pennington, Andy Johnson, Frank Wilson, David Vivio

Update: St. Louis CLC hosted an event on September 14, 2013 from 12:30-4:30 PM (Central) at Epworth Children & Family Services following the CLC Fall Working Weekend. The subcommittee is asking all CLC Chapters to report statistics of their charitable events in 2013. Submissions can be made to [gallegoss@agc.org](mailto:gallegoss@agc.org) or via the Linked IN AGC Construction Leadership Council Group. The data will be summarized in a report at the 2014 AGC National Convention.

### Communication

Committee: Sarah Miller, Brian Travis, Chris Walker, James Apodaca

Update: We are continuing to collect articles from all local chapters to be featured in this publication. Please send all articles and photos in to [gallegoss@agc.org](mailto:gallegoss@agc.org) to feature your chapter in the Leadership-LINK. The National CLC now has a listserve through AGC of America. To receive more news and information from the AGC National CLC or share what your local CLC is doing, join the CLC listserve following the instructions in the "Share Ideas" section on Page 4. Social networking has continued on the Linked IN page and has begun to develop on Twitter with #CLCFWW. Please follow and tweet your local CLC stories to @AGCBuildingDiv and @AGCofA and use the #AGCCLC to keep this momentum going!

### Mentorship

Committee: Doug Tabeling, Chad Martin

Update: The committee has been working diligently to draft a Construction Leadership Council Mentorship Program Proposal to the AGC Board. This program is intended to connect members of the National CLC Steering Committee with leaders from AGC of America's Divisions, Committees, Councils, and Forums to promote future growth of Steering Committee Members within AGC on a National Level.



Members of the St. Louis, MO CLC Kansas City, MO CLC and CAWP CLC made updates to a recreation area at the Epworth Children and Family Services

### AGC of America Executive Board Subcommittee

Committee: Sean Woerman, Ryan Abbott, Jason Schneider

Update: The subcommittee continues to work with the Board to encourage interconnectivity. Take advantage of events that will allow you to interact with AGC leadership. Most meetings and events at Convention are open door, so walk in and participate. Thank you to Paul Diedrich and Chuck Greco for their participation in both our National Steering Committee Meeting and the National Working Weekend.

### Executive Leadership Council

CLC Affiliate Doug Tapp

Update: The ELC convention in 2013 was attended by 60 chapters. They discussed how to bring young leaders into chapter business which is an ongoing concern throughout the industry. They discussed what chapters are doing around the country to evolve communication with younger members (i.e. email, twitter, and other social media).

## CLC Sponsors session at the AGC Building Contractors Conference

CLC members Jason Schneider of VJS Construction Services; Joe Meuleman of Meuleman Mollerup LLP; and Ryan Abbott of Sundt Construction Inc. presented a session titled *Increasing Productivity Through Technology with ROI in Mind* at the AGC Building Contractors Conference, Oct. 16-19.

The group presented a kit of technology tools with the small and medium size contractor in mind. Attendees left the session receiving a Return on Investment (ROI) on each industry innovation that was presented along with the legal perspective on implementing each and lessons on how to avoid the most common pitfalls.



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**National Working Weekend**  
**October 23-25, 2014**  
**San Antonio, TX**

## Sharing Ideas: Local CLC Event Concepts

During the CLC National Steering Committee Roundtable Discussion a request was made for a list of successful Local CLC events that have worked at different chapters. Here is a comprehensive list of some notable events.

### **CAWP CLC – Pittsburgh, PA**

Emerging Leaders Program 2013 – Monthly educational and networking event 3-6PM on the third Thursday of the month. Featuring relevant topics such as “P6 legislation” and “Negotiating in a Claim Situation”.

### **AGC of Washington – Seattle, WA**

Future Leadership Forum – Networking / Educational Programs featuring topics such as the upcoming “From Dream to Reality: Leadership Lessons from the New Husky Stadium” featuring coach Jim Lambright.

### **CLC of Austin – Austin, TX**

Newly formed CLC of Austin recently held its kickoff event at the Austin Alehouse and Gastropub, over 30 potential CLC members attended the event.

### **San Antonio CLF – San Antonio, TX**

San Antonio CLF recently held a resume review workshop for University of Texas San Antonio students. CLF members reviewed resumes and gave tips to students on how to make themselves more marketable for their upcoming career fair.

## Join the National CLC Listserve

Want to receive more news and information from the AGC National CLC or share what your local CLC is doing? Join the CLC listserv, to do so login or create an AGC profile and check off the Construction Leadership Council e-forum box. For more information reach out to Sarah Gallegos at [gallegoss@agc.org](mailto:gallegoss@agc.org).

## How to Feature your Chapter

Do you want a chance to showcase what your chapter is doing? Send your articles and photos to [gallegoss@agc.org](mailto:gallegoss@agc.org) for a chance to be featured in the next issue of the Leadership-LINK. Limit articles to less than 250 words and submit quality photos with captions.