SELECTING STRUCTURAL STEEL SYSTEMS

MCONTRACTORS are favoring fast-track construction. As a result, the pressure to use tried-and-true methods overwhelms the benefits of of adopting new and innovative ideas. AISC's 1996 Steel Seminar Series, which begins this June, is designed to present some of these new ideas and to increase designer's familiarity and comfort level with innovative steel designs that can reduce costs and speed construction.

The four-part lecture includes:

- Wind & Seismic Loads for Buildings: Changing codes for wind and seismic design need not complicate the design of structural steel frames. This lecture focuses on simplifying the determination of seismic and wind loads in accordance with NEHRP '94 Recommendations and ASCE Standard 7-95.
- Choosing Steel Framing Systems: Because of its versatility, structural steel provides a wide array of framing options. This lecture will focus on innovative designs for structural utility and low-cost constructability. It will include braced, unbraced, seismic and special systems.
- Criteria for Connection Selection: A wide variety of factors can influence the cost and constructability of connections. This lecture will discuss many of these issues and offer guidelines for a wide variety of connection types, as well as design/detailing criteria and shop/field criteria.
- Communicating
 Connection Information:
 A good flow of information is critical to a project's success.
 This lecture discusses different processes for communicating information

on drawings & specs, standard connections, connection loads, and incomplete/changed information.

The seminar will provide a thorough review of several timetested framing and connection systems and provide insights into the benefits of each. The seminar costs \$120 (\$90 for AISC members; \$40 for students) and has a value of 5.0 Professional Development Hours (PDH) or 0.5 CEUs.

Middle Atlantic

D.C./Baltimore Aug. 13	
Philadelphia Aug. 14	
Pittsburgh Oct. 16	
Charleston, WV Oct. 17	
Cleveland Oct. 29	
Columbus Oct. 30	
Cincinnati Oct. 31	

West

San Diego July 9
Orange County July 10
Los Angeles July 11
Portland, OR Sept. 30
Seattle Oct. 1
Phoenix Oct. 22
Salt Lake City Oct. 23
Boise Oct. 24
Sacramento Dec. 11
San Francisco Dec. 12

South

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Raleigh June 25
Norfolk June 26
Richmond June 27
Charlotte July 30
Greenville July 31
Atlanta Sept. 4
Memphis Sept. 24
Nashville Sept. 25
Birmingham Sept. 26
Miami Dec. 4
Orlando Dec. 5

Midwest

St. Louis June 18
Minneapolis June 20
Omaha July 18
Detroit Aug. 20
Indianapolis Aug. 22

Chicago Nov. 20	
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Rochester Aug. 7
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New York City Nov. 13
Edison Nov. 14

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NATIONAL STEEL BRIDGE SYMPOSIUM

Bridge designers and fabricators are scheduled to meet in Chicago on October 15-17 for the National Steel Bridge Symposium. The program includes conference plus pre- and post-conference workshops. On Oct. 15, the workshop is expected to cover Steel Design Using LRFD. Two workshops are scheduled for October 17, the first on Seismic Design and the Construction of Steel Bridges, and the second on Economical and Functional Steel Details. Conference sessions are expected to cover a wide variety of subjects, from cable-stayed bridges to deck replacement and from weathering steel applications to high-performance steel. Other sessions will focus on interesting bridge case studies.

For more information, please call 312/670-2400.