

Fran E. Schroeder, FCSI

“In recognition of your distinguished and dedicated service to the Institute, as a founder and president of the Indianapolis Chapter, as panelist at Regional Meetings, as member of Institute Committees on nomination and election procedures, as respected architect and specifications writer, and for the fine example you have set as originator and editor of your chapter's Newsletter in furthering the aims and objectives of the Institute, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on this 4th day of June, 1969.”
Houston, Texas



FRAN E. SCHROEDER was born in Indianapolis, Indiana in 1908. He attended Butler and Purdue Universities and the Beaux Arts School of Design in New York.

From 1929 to 1940 Schroeder was employed by Edward D. Pierre, Architect, in Indianapolis. During World War II he was resident architect for the Curtis Wright Corporation. After the war he joined the firm of McGuire and Shook and continued his association with that firm until 1950 when he opened the firm of Fran E. Schroeder and Associates, Architects in Indianapolis.

In 1959 formation of a CSI chapter in Indianapolis began. Schroeder joined the organizing group that formed the chapter and became one of the charter members when the chapter was chartered in 1960. In 1961 he was elected chapter vice president. The following year he was elected President and served two terms. During his term as President, Schroeder organized the chapter's first newsletter and served as editor. He continued on as editor for five years after completion of his term as President. Upon completion of his term as President he organized the chapter's first orientation program for new members.

Always active in Region affairs, Schroeder was elected Institute Director from Region 6 in 1971. He had previously served on a number of region committees and helped to establish several new chapters. Following his term as Institute Director he was appointed to serve on the Jury of Fellows. Before being elected Director, Schroeder had served a term on the Institute Nominating Committee.

Schroeder was also active in the American Institute of Architects. From 1945 to 1960, he served the Indiana Society of Architects in a variety of capacities. He served as both Director of the Indiana Society of Architects and as President of the Indianapolis Section of the Indiana Society of Architects from 1959 to 1960. The following year he served as Secretary of the Indiana Society of Architects.

Schroeder was the recipient of numerous Chapter awards. In 1973, he received the Great Lakes Region Director's Plaque for outstanding service. In 1983 after many years of active service to the Region, he was presented the Region's special Certificate of Appreciation.

CSI Membership

Indianapolis Chapter, 1960-1988

Institute Offices, Committees

Institute Director, 1971-1974

Jury of Fellows

Nominating Committee

Chapter Offices, Committees

Vice-President, 1961

President, 1962-1964

Awards

Great Lakes Region Certificate of Appreciation, 1983