

# Sheldon Wolfe, FCSI

*“For your ability as a prolific writer on computer technology related to specification writing; for your willingness to share your knowledge as a “syndicated columnist” in chapter newsletters; and for your commitment to the improvement of construction documents, you are advanced to Fellowship in the Institute on the 29th day of June 2002.”*  
Las Vegas, Nevada



SHELDON WOLFE has been practicing architecture since 1975, and has been a specifier since 1987. He worked ten years in the public sector, the rest in private sector architecture firms. His work has included everything from residential through medical, correctional, transportation, and waste water facilities.

After becoming a member in 1987, he joined his chapter's education committee, and soon became a regular presenter at chapter education and certification classes. His work in education expanded to include presentations at region conferences, the annual convention, and other organizations.

Sheldon has always been interested in writing, and since becoming an architect, he has continually sought ways to improve the quality of construction documents. Combining

these interests, he has written three hundred construction-related articles.

His *TechNotes* series discussed CSI technical documents, specifications, and coordination of construction documents; *GUI Bytes* explored how computers, email, and the Internet can be used to prepare construction documents; *Mr. Wolfe Goes to Washington*, about CSI Board activities, was written during his term as Institute Director. Since then, he has been writing under the title *Curmudgeon's Corner*.

Sheldon's contributions include a keyword index for the MOP, an electronic version of MasterFormat and SectionFormat, and direct involvement in the development of MasterFormat and CSI's Manual of Practice.

## **CSI Membership**

Minneapolis-St. Paul Chapter, 1987 to present  
Charter Member, La Crosse Chapter, 1993 to present  
Charter Member, Twin Ports Chapter, 1994 to present

## **Institute Offices, Committees**

Specifications Committee, 1995  
*TeamCS* Author, 1998-2003  
Technical Committee, 1998-2002, 2003-2005  
Institute Director, 2005-2008  
Nominating Committee, 2008  
Chair, Newsletter Advisory Team, 2008  
*Construction Specifier* Editorial Board, 2005-present  
Chair, Membership Classification Update Task Team, 2011  
Chair, Membership Classification Implementation Task Team, 2011  
Chair, Bylaws Amendment Review Task Team, 2011  
BoKA Task Team, 2012

## **Region Offices, Committees**

Bylaws Committee Chair, 2008-present  
President, 2007-2008  
Region Website Manager, 1999-2000, 2002  
Website Manager, Minneapolis-St. Paul, Twin Ports, La Crosse, ND/Red River Valley, and Crandic Chapters.

## **Awards**

### **Institute**

Technical Commendation, 1991  
Electronic Innovation Award, 1996, 1998  
Honorable Mention, Specifications Competition, 1995, 2001  
Distinguished Service Award, 2001  
Publication Commendation, 1999, 2002  
Ben John Small Memorial Award, 2003  
Electronic Publication Commendation, 2001, 2004  
President's Plaque, 2000, 2007  
Continuing Publication Commendation, 2001, 2004, 2007  
Special Publication Commendation, 2001, 2008

### **North Central Region**

Region Publication Awards, 1995, 1997  
Electronic Commendation, 1998  
President's Certificate, 2000  
Publication Awards, 1995, 1997, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2006  
Institute Director's Awards, 2002, 2008  
Gary Betts Memorial Award, 2010

### **Chapter**

Technical Certificate, Twin Ports Chapter, 2001  
John C. Anderson Award of Excellence, MSP, 2005  
Ruff Award, Milwaukee Chapter, 2009