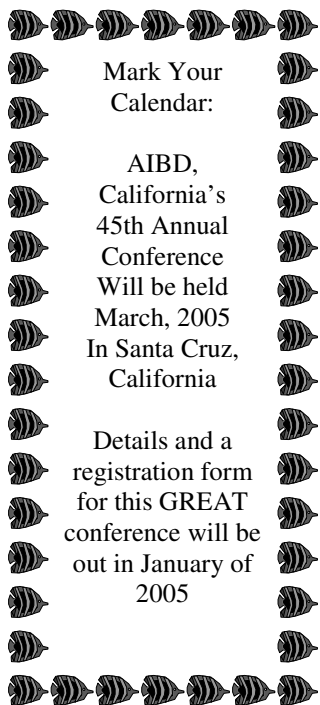


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# The California Focus

## Seminar at Simpson Strong Tie Plant



Mark Your Calendar:

AIBD, California's 45th Annual Conference Will be held March, 2005 In Santa Cruz, California

Details and a registration form for this GREAT conference will be out in January of 2005

AIBD, California's September seminar will be held at the Simpson Strong Tie plant in Stockton California.

The seminar will be held September 24th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Simpson Strong Tie is hosting the whole event, so there isn't a registration fee.

See page 3 of this newsletter for more information and sign up details.

The Stockton plant is Simpson Strong Tie's product testing facility, so this seminar should be very interesting. **Plus it is FREE!!** How often can you earn all your Continuing Education Units for FREE???

Sign up now—space is limited.

All registrations should be completed directly with Simpson Strong Tie.

Look for more details and sign up information on Page 3.

### BE SURE TO VOTE

The National Association will be sending out a ballot for a vote on a dues increase that will be effective January 1, 2005. All Professional Building Designers who are current on their dues will receive a ballot to vote on a \$150 a year dues increase for the association. Look for your ballots in your mailbox soon.

Let your voice be heard on the issue.

**Please vote!**



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# Local Chapter News



**The Golden Gate Chapter** is holding elections for Officers on **Thursday, September 23, 2004.**

The meeting will take place at 7:00 pm at Vic's Family Restaurant in San Carlos.

Vic's address is 1125 San Carlos Avenue in San Carlos. The phone number is (650) 595-2606.

If you have any questions, you can contact:

Greg DeLory at (415) 861-8400 or Jason Mundy at (408) 370-0730

Hope to see you there!



**The Central State Chapter** will be holding an educational seminar in Fresno in **October.**

Details on the event and time will follow soon.

**The Monterey Bay Chapter** will be holding a chapter meeting and luncheon on **Wednesday, September 15, 2004.**



The meeting will be held at the Blue Spoon Restaurant in Aptos, and will begin at 11:50 am.

Come join the group and discuss:

- Santa Cruz County Regulation Changes
- Application Fees
- Scheduling

**RSVP to:**

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Looking forward to you being there.

Richard Emigh

*Free Seminar!*

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*Earn Your CEUs for Free!!*

Simpson Strong-Tie is hosting a *Free Connector Workshop* in our Stockton, California facility on Friday, September 24, 2004 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. **This workshop is designed specifically for members of AIBD.** During this informative workshop we will discuss our New Architectural Products Group, commonly used products for wood framed construction, engineered wood products, StrongWall™ ShearWalls, and we will also have a review of our current software programs.

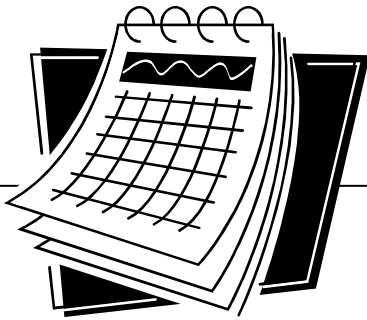
We hope you accept our invitation to learn about new products, our 2004 catalog, and industry changes directly from Simpson Strong-Tie technical staff and engineers. *Free Continuing Education Units* are available for those who qualify. We will provide a continental breakfast and lunch.

Registration is easy to do on-line at our website [www.strongtie.com](http://www.strongtie.com) under the workshop tab. It is recommended that you pre-register for this class as space is limited. You may also register at (800) 999-5099 or fax your registration to (209) 234-1835.

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## AIBD, California Calendar of Coming Events

September 15, 2004	Monterey Bay Chapter Meeting
September 23, 2004	Golden Gate Chapter Meeting
September 24, 2004	Simpson Strong Tie Plant Tour, Stockton
September 24, 2004	Board of Directors Dinner Meeting, Stockton
March, 2005	California Society Annual Conference, Santa Cruz Area