



## November CSI GLR President's Address

As many of you have heard, CSI CEO Walter Marlowe, P.E., CSI, has announced his resignation from the organization. His eight years at the Institute will end on Dec. 3. "The CSI Board accepted his resignation with regret," CSI President Robert W. Simmons, FCSI, CCPR, said. "Walt is leaving to pursue other interests, and we wish him well in his future endeavors." "This was not an easy decision," Marlowe said. "I have enjoyed working with CSI's members and leaders."

Bob Simmons will seat a search committee in the next few weeks to begin the process of finding a new CEO. The committee will be led by former CSI President Ross Spiegel, FCSI, Lifetime Member, CCS, CCCA, who also led the search committee that found Marlowe. The committee will include experienced former leaders of the organization as well as a few current Board members, and will work with a consultant to identify what CSI is seeking in a leader before starting a national search for candidates. The search is expected to take several months. CSI's national Board has identified CSI Director of Technical Services Greg Ceton, CSI, CDT, as the Interim CEO. Ceton will assume the position on Dec. 4. He will oversee the day-to-day operations of the organization and work directly with Simmons and the Board to keep the organization running smoothly. "Don't hesitate to contact me, or President-elect Lane Beougher, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, or our immediate past president Casey Robb, FCSI, Lifetime Member, CCPR, if you have a question," Simmons said. "Walt and Greg are also available to all our members."

The **2015 Bi-Region Conference** will be with the North East Region on May 7th-9th, 2015 in Chicago, IL. Please visit the website <http://www.csibiregion15.org/> for Preliminary Conference Schedule and Hotel information.

The conference will offer:

- Leadership training for chapter officers
- Technical continuing education seminars open to conference attendees and Chicagoland design and construction professionals
- Sponsorships/Partnerships to increase visibility with CSI members and the Chicago architectural community
- Product show for manufacturers to showcase their products to CSI Bi-Region members and Chicago design professionals
- President-elect training for chapters
- Technical Tours
- Companion Events
- Optional architectural boat cruise
- Region awards banquet

The Great Lakes Region is continuing to work on leadership powerpoint presentations. Please look for our next presentation on Chapter Presidents. If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know.

With regard to our GLR Calendar, we are working to make this available through our website. Please send your information to Jim McDonald ([Jimmcdonald067@gmail.com](mailto:Jimmcdonald067@gmail.com)). The Region's next event is the Louisville Chapter's Day at the Races for November 7th. Please do not hesitate to contact me to attend a Chapter event or Chapter meeting.

As I promised, I will be highlighting one chapter a month in my addresses. This month it is the CSI Cleveland Chapter.

### CSI Cleveland Chapter

- Chapter Meetings: Third Wednesday of the month -Courtyard Marriott - Independence 5051 West Creek Road Independence, Ohio 44131. Contact Scott Taylor at 216.870.1970
- Chapter Chartered: June 1956
- Members: Currently 71 members, with many CDT's, few Emeritus's, handful of CCS's and a sprinkle of CCCA's

- Traditions: New focus on consistent building education.
- Annual Events: Annual Chapter Bowling Night in January/Feb. Annual Family Picnic and Awards in June.
- Bi-Monthly Publication: BUILDING YOUR KNOWLEDGE, to be delivered bi-monthly to membership and other interested parties upon request
- Student Activities: Working on developing a program
- A Chapter Best Practice: Working on a signature best practice.

Have a very Happy Thanksgiving,

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