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GREAT LAKES REGION CONFERENCE  
FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2018 AT THE  
CROWN PLAZA HOTEL AT UNION STATION  
INDIANAPOLIS INDIANA

## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Good Morning, Afternoon, or Evening!

EXCITEMENT IS IN THE AIR!!! Old cliché, but, in this case, it is just about in everything going on in the Region.

I find it difficult to prioritize the topics found in this issue of the Newsletter so I am simply going to ask you to read everything twice, and if necessary, go back to Issue VII (January) to get caught up because for the next two months, it is going to be C-R-A-Z-Y!

**WEBSITE** - Our Website Chair, Blake Wagner, has us up and running and will continue to keep us up to date on changes as they come in from the Institute.

Some of you rely on the Regional Website for the latest information about certification, Regional Conference, Membership, etc. My guess is that by April 1 we should be current. Contact Blake at [dblakewagner@gmail.com](mailto:dblakewagner@gmail.com) if you have any difficulties, input, or suggestions. If you have any complaints, please direct those to me at [kschmidt@sewardassociates.net](mailto:kschmidt@sewardassociates.net).

**MEMBERSHIP** - Our headhunters, Thad Goodman and me, are still looking for one great man or woman to lead us into 2018-2019. The Chapter challenge is now a reality, and you will hear more about it in the March issue.

**NOMINATIONS** - Nominations for GLR officers can be found on page 6, and voting will take place by the end of March. Special thanks to Hank Hondorp and his committee!

**CERTIFICATION** - Ed Avink (AKA Solid as a Rock) has highlighted the latest information on the Spring CDT exams and which Chapters in the Region are conducting educational classes.

**INSTITUTE BOARD NOMINATIONS** - Nominations for the various positions on the Institute Board have been submitted. The selected slate will be announced March 6, 2018.

**AWARDS** - We published Ivette Bruns' Regional award outline last month. If you have not seen it, we have included it in this Issue as well. It is **that** important! Ivette has gone above and beyond even her own bar setting so please compliment her by reading her article **and** submitting your nominations, including yourself, for these awards.

**REGIONAL CONFERENCE** - The activity consuming Regional participation is the upcoming Regional Conference, which is being held on Friday, April 20, 2018 at the Crown Plaza Hotel at Union Station in downtown Indianapolis. (continued on page 2)

## PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS (cont.)

Our Conference Chair, Glen Baines, and his committee have selected the Crown Plaza Hotel (at a very reasonable rate), which was selected as the #1 in the city by *Indianapolis Business Journal* last week. The Indianapolis Chapter President, Gene King, along with Evansville Chapter President, Mike Vannatter, and Dayton Chapter President, Randall Fox, are collaborating to bring an exciting one-day educational program for the 13 Chapters' outgoing and incoming Board Members in the GLR Region. This program will give Board Members insight on how to build a strong, vibrant, and financially sound Chapter.

The Keynote Speaker, Mr. Ujjval Vyas, is from Chicago, IL who many of us have heard at numerous AIA, CSI, and other organizational conventions and conferences. Mr Vyas presents an eye-opening view of today's construction documents and the litigious world for which our architectural principals are responsible.

The Indianapolis Chapter is inviting all of the local architectural principals to join the Region for lunch so we are expecting to have a good audience.

This Keynote Speaker is reason enough to attend the entire conference.

**Attendance** - We are expecting representatives for all 13 Chapters. As a matter of fact, we are expecting 10 members from all 13 Chapters. Personally, I am hopeful individual Boards will recognize value of attendance at this Leadership Educational one-day program to make your jobs easier and your Chapters stronger. With the current Board Members as well as incoming Board Members, you have to have a minimum of 10 attendees. Invite them now so their schedules can be clear, and they can plan on arriving Thursday evening and departing Saturday afternoon, unless they want to attend the Columbus, Indiana Architectural tour. We are really counting on each Chapter's Board, down to the last man or woman, incoming and outgoing, to spend the day in Indianapolis with the greatest Region CSI has in the country.

You can register online (<http://www.csiglrcconference.com/> for more details and to register ). If you register by Wednesday, March 7, 2018, please copy me to receive a free parking voucher and an early-bird welcoming gift in your room. Due to economic, I have to limit this to the first 100 registrants.

Finally, the Indianapolis Chapter has invited all of the Thursday evening arrivals to attend the Indianapolis Chapter's monthly meeting to be held at the Crown Plaza beginning at 6:00pm. The guest speaker is Regionally Known Kimberly Kayler. She will speaking on Corporate Mindfulness. We expect over 100 attendees at this event. A separate registration for this meeting can be found at [www.indianapolis.csinet.org](http://www.indianapolis.csinet.org)



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## COLUMBUS, INDIANA ARCHITECTURAL TOUR

An Architectural Tour of Columbus, Indiana on Saturday, April 21, 2018 is planned as an activity for those from out of town attending the Great Lakes Region Conference in Indianapolis.

Participants need to gather in Columbus, Indiana for the tour (location to be determined). The bus tour in Columbus will last two hours and include information on 40 architecturally significant buildings along with two interior tours.

Young children under 10 or pets are not encouraged to participate.

Tour-goers will discover:

1. How a city of 46,000 became the home to so much world class architecture and public art;
2. Why the American Institute of Architects (AIA) ranked Columbus 6th in the nation for innovation and design, right up there with San Francisco and Boston;
3. Why National Geographic Traveler put Columbus at the top of the list of United States Historic Destinations; and
4. Why actor John Cho said, "Columbus is kind of a wonderful place, it's a bit of an Emerald City."

Please indicate your interest in this tour by sending an email to Ralph Gonzales of the Indianapolis Chapter CSI at [RMG@lafvb.com](mailto:RMG@lafvb.com) by March 14, 2018. Costs to be determined depending on the number of attendees. The cost will include the bus tour and refreshments.

## GREAT LAKES INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Just returned from the Winter Institute Board Meetings in Amelia Island, Florida. The meeting revealed many exciting items on the horizon that will benefit the members of CSI.

I will highlight a few here and will continue in future issues of the *GLR Newsletter*.

After the recent strong turnout of nominations for Board Chair-Elect, Treasurer, and Board Member at Large positions on the Institute Board of Directors, the Institute Nomination Committee is interviewing the finalists for each position. Biographies of those finalists will be available by March 6, 2018 on [csiresources.org](http://csiresources.org), and electronic ballots will be sent to eligible voters on March 20, 2018. The General Election will open for voting from March 20-April 3, 2018. Results will be posted soon after.

The existing Legacy Microsites will discontinue March 31 (extended from the original deadline of February 18). They are being replaced by new community and microsites. New Chapter microsite model can be found at <https://www.csiresources.org/newchaptermicrositemodel/home>.

The Chicago Chapter's website has been the pilot and is up and running. It has a fresh look and is easy to navigate. Grand Rapids Chapter and other Chapters are ready to launch their microsites. The Great Lakes Region and the Indianapolis Chapter have ordered the new microsites and will have those running before the deadline thanks to Blake Wagner of the Indianapolis Chapter. Other Chapters across the country are launching the simpler community sites.

Weekly training sessions, webinars, and administrator group community launched to provide additional support during the transition on [csiresources.org](http://csiresources.org). Contact Cathy Stegmaier ([cstegmaier@csinet.org](mailto:cstegmaier@csinet.org)) for additional questions or concerns.

Drop me a line or call about anything CSI.



**Jack Morgan, Institute Director**

### From Ivette Bruns, Regional Awards Chair

Every time I meet anyone in CSI in the Great Lakes Region, I am struck by his or her knowledge, experience, and involvement in CSI. It is difficult to maintain a career and be involved in CSI; but many do it successfully. The only thing we need to do as Awards Chairs is recognize these people in our Chapters, in our Regions, and Nationally. The deadline this year for the GLR, to be awarded at the Great Lakes Region Conference in Indianapolis **Friday, March 16, 2018**. Please email me, Ivette Bruns, at [ibruns@csoinc.net](mailto:ibruns@csoinc.net).

The following are awards that have received nominations in the past, but not consistently:

**Bud Reed Memorial Award:** This award honors an outspoken advocate of the GLR. Bud Reed was GLR Director from 1984-1987. The Great Lakes Director's Award was changed to the Bud Reed Memorial Award upon his death in 1998.

**Region Continuous Service Award:** This award is presented to an individual who has rendered continuous, outstanding service for at least five years to the Region in the advancement of its objectives or in its administration.

**Continuing Public Commendations:** This commendation is presented to an individual, team, firm, organization, or Chapter for an outstanding continuing publication (newsletter) of interest to or related to CSI.

The following are GLR Awards that often are overlooked with few or no submittals to the GLR Award Chair. Let's change that for this year. Let's show members what amazing people we have in this great region.

**Region Commendation:** This award is presented to an individual, Chapter, firm, or organization for a singular outstanding accomplishment which promoted the objectives of the Institute or rendered outstanding service to the Region.

**Region Cooperation Award:** This award is presented to a trade association, trade union, contractor association, or professional association for exceptional liaison work with the Region.

**Region Technical Commendation:** This award is presented to an individual, Chapter, firm, or organization that has made a significant contribution to the technical program of the Region or prepared notable technical documents.

**Region Education Commendation:** This award is presented to an individual, Chapter, firm, or organization that has made a significant contribution to the field of education in areas related to the purposes of the Institute or a significant contribution to the education program of the Region.

**Region Student Liaison Award:** This award is presented to an individual, Chapter, firm, or organization for encouraging the involvement of students from the various curricula of construction technology in the activity of the Institute.

**Region Craftsmanship Award:** This award is presented to an individual, team, firm, or organization for superior craftsmanship with the purpose of recognizing the promoting of such outstanding craftsmanship in the construction industry within the Region in the person's trade profession.

**Special Publication Commendation:** This commendation is awarded for rosters, guide books, calendars, and publication other than newsletter. Also awarded for regional trade publication and articles published by Region CSI members in national magazines.

**Electronic Media Award:** This award is presented to an individual or Chapter to recognize an outstanding electronic media publication.

A full copy of the GLR Honors and Awards Guide can be found on the Website for submittal procedures and forms. <http://csigreatlakes.csinet.org/main-menu-category/committees/chapter-awards>.

### REGION SPRING EVENTS

This Spring, many Chapters have outstanding activities planned:

- ◆ The Akron-Canton Chapter will be hosting PRODUCT FEST 2018 on March 27, 2018 at the John S. Knight Center. For more information, contact Phil Steinburg at phil.steinburg@ameritech.net.
- ◆ Columbus State is planning another CDT Boot Camp session April 28, 2018 at Davison Hall, Room 229 from 8:00am to 3:00pm. For more information, contact Dean Bortz at dbortz@csc.edu.
- ◆ Indianapolis Chapter's Certification Committee will be hosting a series of Certification Webinars on the five Sundays of March. CDT - 9:00am-Noon and CCS - Noon-3:00pm (Eastern). A one-time fee of \$30 will be charged to attend the five Webinars. For more information, contact Jack Morgan at morwalsoplal@gmail.com.

### INVITATION TO CHAPTER PRESIDENTS AND NEWSLETTER EDITORS

The Great Lakes Region Newsletter is seeking information for events planned and those that have happened recently in your Chapter. We want to inform the Region of what you are planning and have accomplished. We encourage you to submit information every month. Submissions should be sent to the Editor at morwalsoplal@gmail.com.

### THE CERTIFICATION AND BEYOND COLUMBUS STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE 550 E SPRING ST, COLUMBUS OH 43215

#### CMGT1105 Construction Documents

A study of construction industry documents as they relate to a construction project. Emphasis is placed upon legal aspects of documents; roles of design professionals, contractors, and owners; utilization and effects of construction documents; procurement of construction services; assembly of a project manual and bid proposal; specifications formatting; drawing and specifications coordination; and submittals and project closeout. Standard forms, ethics, bonding, CSI MasterFormat, and credentialing will also be examined.

*This course will also prepare the student to take the Construction Specifications Institute (CSI) Construction Documents Technologist (CDI) exam, which is to be attempted toward the end of the course. The CSI Project Delivery Practice Guide 2nd Edition is the course text.*

Credits: 3      Lab Fee: \$191.00      Pre-Requisites: None

ONLINE CMGT-1105-W01-15730

Summer Semester (May 28 - Aug 11, 2018)

Apply online @ <http://www.csc.edu/admissions/apply.shtml>

FEE: \$50

APPLICATION/DEADLINE: Monday, May 7, 2018

PAYMENT DEADLINE: Thursday, May 24, 2018

Questions? Contact Dean Bortz, CSI, CDT

614-287-5033 or dbortz@csc.edu

ANSWERS: 1. - d [PDPG 13.7.3]\*; 2. - a [PDPG 11.5.4.2]\*; 3. - d [PDPG 13.4.8]\*; 4. - a [PDPG 12.5.3]\*;  
5. - c [PDPG 11.3.18.1]\*  
\*PDPG First Edition  
(February 2018, GLR Newsletter Electronic)



## CERTIFICATION

The new Project Delivery Practice Guide - Second Edition is now available for purchase from the Institute. It is the document being used for the Spring 2018 CDT exams.

A quick highlight from **CSI Connect** and the discussion called **PDPG 2nd Ed. - Brief Review**, outlining “Criticisms, The Good Stuff and Other Remarks,” from Kevin O’Neirne, PE, FCSI, CCS, CCA states

“The organization of the PDPG 2nd Edition is superior to its 1st Edition. Where the 1st Edition often addressed certain subjects in only one place, the 2nd Edition does a much better job of ‘saying it once and in the right place.’

The 2nd Edition is more encompassing by addressing how contractual matters are handled in the model contracts of not just the AIA and EJCDC but also DBIA, Consensus Docs, and even CMAA documents (although I’m not aware of anyone that actually uses CMAA’s documents for projects). This greater inclusiveness is valuable and a very good addition to the PDPG.

Where the CDT exam formerly had separate reference/source material such as the AIA IPD Guide and GSA BIM Guide, the PDPG 2nd Edition covers these topics admirably, and I believe properly. It also includes much more about sustainability than did the PDPG 1st Edition.

I confess that I also like the 2nd Edition’s more detailed table of contents. While it goes on for something like 10 pages, it, in my opinion, makes locating subject matter much easier than the briefer, more basic, and higher-level table of contents in the PDPG 1st Edition.”

Other Remarks:

“Anyone who has the 1st Edition from 2011 would be well-advised to get the update. It’s worth it. In addition to being a good source document for CDT exam preparation, the PDPG 2nd Edition is, simply put, a valuable reference and resource for anyone engaged in capital project delivery.”

If you are looking to take the CDT exam Spring 2018 or the CCS and your Chapter is not providing study classes, the Indy Chapter is hosting review classes available to the Great Lakes Region. Chuck Thompson and Jack Morgan are hosting the CDT and CCS Exam Prep Classes on the five Saturdays in March.

CDT - 9:00am - Noon (EST)

CCS - Noon - 3:00pm (EST)

They will be offered as webinars for the five classes if you are interested. A small fee of \$30 for these classes will be charged. The webinars will also be recorded.

--Ed Avink - GLR Certification Chair

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**CSI Columbus and CSCC Construction Management** will be conducting “CDT Boot Camp Spring 2018” on Saturday, April 28 from 8am to 3pm.

**Davidson Hall Room 229  
Columbus State Community College  
550 E Spring St, Columbus OH 43215**

Registration will begin at 7:30am. Please RSVP as seating is limited to the first 20 attendees. A donation of \$75 is requested with 100 percent going to the CSI Columbus CSCC Scholarship fund. Please make checks payable to CSI Columbus and mail to:

CSCC Construction Management  
DH 2015  
PO Box 1609  
Columbus OH 43216-1609

New for 2018 - Eligible for **6.0 AIA/CES Continuing Education Units**. Questions? Contact Dean Bortz, CSI, CDT: 614-287-5033 or [dbortz@csc.edu](mailto:dbortz@csc.edu). **Autumn 2018 Boot Camp will be Saturday, October 20, 2018.**

## NOMINEES FOR GLR OFFICERS



### PRESIDENT-ELECT POSITION

Michael Rathburn has been an active member of the Columbus, Ohio Chapter since 2005. A few of the titles he has accepted are Director, Awards Chair, and President. Currently, Michael is the District Sales Manager for Centria, covering Central and Southern Ohio and Northern Kentucky.

**Michael Rathburn**

Michael is happily married to his wife, Vicktoria. He is the father of five and the grandfather of four. In his downtime and when weather permits, he and his wife enjoy Harley rides with the wind on their knees and their hair in the breeze.



### VICE PRESIDENT POSITION

**Scott Taylor**

Scott Taylor has been an active member of the Cleveland, Ohio Chapter since 2009. A few of the titles he has accepted are Chapter President, Chapter Newsletter Editor, Chapter Treasurer, CONSTRUCT Education Committee, and is currently the Chapter Secretary. Scott joined the Regional Board in 2012 as the Certification Chair and is currently Region Treasurer and Membership Chair. Scott is a Senior Specifier with Conspectus, Inc.

Scott states, "My goal is to build a stronger CSI in whatever fashion either on a Local level or Regional level." He goes on to state, "I view the Board position of Vice President as a continued honor to serve the GL Region Membership and a continuation of my personal volunteering goal of giving back to the construction industry while improving my professional career."



### TREASURER POSITION

Gary Beimers is an independent consultant, focusing primarily on Specifications, Knowledge Management, and Information Services for Clients in the US and Canada. Gary has been an active member of the Grand Rapids Chapter since 1990. A few of the titles he has accepted are GLR Technical Chair, GLR Vice

**Gary Beimers**

President and President, CSI GLR Director on Institute Board, Institute Program Coordination Committee Chair, and is currently the Institute Board Secretary.

In 2003, Gary was recognized as a Fellow of CSI, and in 2005, he was recognized by CSC with Honorary Membership.



### EMERGING PROFESSIONAL POSITION

**Rachel Middleton**

Rachel Middleton recently graduated from Columbus State Community College with an Associates Degree in Construction

Management. She is currently finishing her Co-op at Messer Construction. Rachel is an active member of the Columbus, Ohio Chapter. She is the past Student Chapter President and is currently on the Columbus Chapter Board.

Rachel is looking for her next professional move.

## GREAT LAKES REGION QUIZMASTER

1. A punch list is generated by the:

- A. A/E just prior to substantial completion
- B. The subcontractors after substantial completion
- C. The Owner prior to substantial completion
- D. The Contractor prior to substantial completion

2. The contract clauses that establish payment responsibilities are found in:

- A. General Conditions
- B. Division 01 General Requirements
- C. Payment Bond
- D. Addenda

3. The Contractor's first activity on the project site typically is:

- A. Survey and lay out the new construction
- B. Meet with the AHJ
- C. Install temporary power
- D. Begin mobilization

4. The Design Negotiate Build (DNB) Process is more conducive to:

- A. Value analysis and repricing
- B. Complex negotiations
- C. Protracted counteroffers
- D. Multiple contracts

5. An affirmation of fact or promise made by the seller to the buyer that relates to the goods and becomes a part of the basis of the bargain creates \_\_\_\_\_:

- A. An implied warranty
- B. A full warranty
- C. An express warranty
- D. A guarantee

Answers with source info can be found at bottom of Page 4.



**Please contact Ken Schmidt  
for more details!  
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## GREAT LAKES REGION CHAPTER CONTACTS & MEETINGS

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Blue Grass	Scott Noel	snoel@n3dgroup.com	Third Thursday	Common Ground Coffee	12:00 pm
Cincinnati	David Edwards	dedwards@erlangerhardware.com	Second Wednesday	Old Montgomery Inn	Varies
Cleveland	John Workley	john.workley@vocon.com	Third Wednesday	Varies	Varies
Columbus	Jerry Stickler	barney5636@yahoo.com	Second Monday	Boathouse Restaurant	11:30 am
Dayton-Miami	Randall Fox	rfox@agcofdayton.com	Third Tuesday	Varies	Varies
Evansville	Mike Vannatter	mikevannatter@sigecom.net	Second Thursday	Varies	Varies
Grand Rapids	Charlie Appleby	applebycharlie@mwacrs.com	Second Thursday	84th Street Pub & Grille	6:00 pm
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