

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



To all the Great Lakes Region CSI Members,

If you are somehow not connected to social media, the phrase, “New Year, New You” may not ring a bell, but it has significant meaning. Originally based on some diet regiment, such as food and exercise, the phrase can really be given much more of a base in our lives. It’s more than the new year resolution that lasts a few days and then is abandoned.

I’ve written this past year about people, please and events that have somehow changed my career path or influenced the way I look at individuals and groups. According to my wife (extremely biased opinion), I am becoming that grumpy, old man that grumbles at children who walk on my lawn or has a one-sided conversation with the individual that just took my parking spot that I clearly has my signal waiting on. If the world was just filled with people like me, it would be a much better place. But I try every day to be the well-mannered, polite person that we know and cherish. If you didn’t laugh at that last part, you clearly need therapy... I can give you recommendations.

My point, while long-winded and constantly changing is for everyone to look at what life has brought you this last year. Friends and relatives were taken away from us too soon. Budgets were tight at times both personally and professionally. Life-long dreams were started, some have been achieved and others have been abandoned. Opportunities were fought for, lost and sometimes just handed to us... life just works out weird sometime.

Work smarter, not harder. Just keep swimming. Don’t sweat the small stuff. Happy wife, happy life. Never eat spinach with a stranger. Don’t tell your mother. Live - laugh - love. Silence is golden, dust tape is silver. Nothing is impossible. Carpe Diem. Again, ramblings of a trusted product representative... have a great year!

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GREAT LAKES INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Now that the new year is here, it is time to make resolutions. Perhaps one resolution that you can make is to step up and put your name in the race for a leadership position in the Great Lakes Region. There are four positions available: President-Elect, Vice President, Treasurer, and Emerging Professional. No experience is necessary, but a willingness to help shape the future of the Great Lakes Region is desired. Training for these positions is one reason to go to the Great Lakes Region Conference this Spring described below. Contact Edmund Brown ebrown@guidondesign.com of your interest in any of these positions. Step up to assume one of these positions and improve your professional career with your leadership skills.



Jack Morgan, Institute Director

Later this month, the Institute Board will be gathering for the Winter Board Meeting in Pasadena, CA. I will bring you highlights of this meeting in my next Notes From The Director.

The CSI Store is now open. An opportunity to purchase CSI apparel for personal, Chapter, and Region use. Items are now available such as caps, shirts, jackets, pens, cups, and other accessories that can be ordered with your Chapter or Region logo or CSI logo. A great idea for your upcoming awards ceremonies!

This will accompany the already open CSI Bookstore to purchase current construction related books as well as Practice Guides for the upcoming CDT, CCS, and CCCA Certification Exams being offered in the Spring of 2020. The CSI Store and Bookstore feature discounts with your CSI Membership savings.

As stated last month, the CDT Spring 2020 Certification Registration has been posted to the Certification portion of the Institute Website. Registration opens February 19, 2020. Member Rates and Non-Member Rates are available on the Institute Website: www.csiresources.org.

The 2020 GLR Conference will be held April 23-25, 2020, in Covington, KY, across the river from Cincinnati, OH. The Covington Radisson Hotel will be the venue. Currently, the organizing committee is seeking sponsors for the Conference. Shortly, you will be able to reserve your room reservations at a great rate. Stay tuned for additional information concerning the GLR Conference found in this and future *GLR Newsletters*.

Drop me a line or call about any concerns or questions about CSI.

Thanks!

Jack

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CERTIFICATION QUIZ ANSWERS
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5 - c [PDFG 9.8]*
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**The TOP TEN reasons to attend
the Great Lakes Region Conference.
April 23-25th 2020**



1. **Chapter Presidents** are Directors of the Region Board.
Required to attend the annual board meeting as a voting member/send a proxy.
2. **New Chapter Officer Leadership Training**
Recently Elected Chapter Officers. Get training to be the best you can be.
3. **Share Best Practices.**
Officer, Committee or General member- See how other chapters celebrate success.
4. **Leadership Training.**
Industry best practices benefit everyone.
5. **Fun, Fun, Fun.**
Zoo Tours. Ball Games. Shopping. Building Tours. Host Chapter events focus on fun.
6. **New to CSI?**
Find out what the Region is all about
7. **Get an Award!**
Comprehensive Awards program- submit and show off!
8. **See the Host City**
Come see the host city. Experience it with someone who lives in the area/show you all the best places!
9. **See old friends.**
One of the best things is seeing good friends from year to year.
10. **Meet New People.**
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11. **Vote!**
The Region has one face to face meeting each year.
It happens at the Region Conference.
Come and let your voice be heard.

The 2020 CSI Great Lakes Region Conference

Cincinnati, Ohio - April 23 - 25, 2020

Call for Sponsors

The purpose of CSI is to bring all partners from the construction industry together. The 2020 CSI Great Lakes Region Conference will bring together CSI members and guests from Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, and West Virginia. Through your sponsorship, you will be able to reach the design, contractor, and supplier communities from five states at the same time by sponsoring a single event. Being a Great Lake Region Conference sponsor will provide you with a great connection of your product, and company (and your face if you attend) to many CSI members and guests throughout the region.

Click [HERE](#) to go to the 2020 Great Lakes Region Conference page on the CSI Cincinnati website. There you will find out all about the conference. Purchasing a sponsorship online is easy!

Thank you for your support of CSI!

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2020 CSI Great Lake Region Conference Chair

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CERTIFICATION QUIZ

1. Standard General Conditions are published by all of the following except:
 - a. AIA
 - b. CSI
 - c. EJDC
 - d. DBIA
 - e. Government Agencies
 - f. Large Corporations

2. It is important for Subcontract and Purchase Order documents to reference the:
 - a. Contract Documents
 - b. Specifications
 - c. General Conditions
 - d. Supplementary Conditions

3. These documents become Contract Documents when the Owner-Contractor Agreement is signed:
 - a. Specifications
 - b. Bid Solicitation
 - c. Contracting Forms
 - d. Instructions to Bidders

4. To be effective in communicating, specifications should be:
 - a. Complete, Concise, and Clear
 - b. Concise, Clear, and Correct
 - c. Clear, Concise, Correct, and Complete
 - d. Concise, Correct, Coordinated, and Complete

5. Life cycle costs require several considerations, including:
 - a. Initial construction cost as well as renovation, remodeling, and improvements
 - b. Initial cost of construction including cost of materials and permits
 - c. Alteration, renovation, and demolition
 - d. Maintenance and code changes costs over the life of a project

Answers with source info can be found at bottom of Page 2.

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Akron-Canton	William Ahern	wahern@hasenstabinc.com	Third Thursday	Varies	5:00 pm
Blue Grass	Scott Noel	snoel@n3dgroup.com	Third Thursday	Common Ground Coffee	12:00 pm
Cincinnati	David Proudfit	Dsp-csi@cinci.rr.com	Second Wednesday	Old Montgomery Inn	Varies
Cleveland	John Workley	john.workley@vocon.com	Third Wednesday	Varies	Varies
Columbus	Brian McNally	bmcnally@meyersarchitects.com	Second Monday	Boathouse Restaurant	11:30 am
Dayton-Miami	Kenneth Oren	kenoren@plasterinfo.org	Third Tuesday	Varies	Varies
Evansville	Mike Vannatter	mikevannatter@sigecom.net	Second Thursday	Varies	Varies
Grand Rapids	Justin DeMarco	Justin.demarco@basf.com	Second Thursday	84th Street Pub & Grille	6:00 pm
Indianapolis	David Fryman	Dave.lodsap@gmail.com	Third Thursday	Willows on Westfield	5:30 pm
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Metro Detroit	Kevin Bush	kbush@kalwall.com	Second Tuesday	Varies	5:00 pm
Toledo	Gerald Marquette	jmarquette@hansenmarketing.com	Third Wednesday	Scrambler Maries	7:00 am

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