

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Greetings to the members of Great Lakes Region!

This month's newsletter is the last of FY21.

June 30th is the end of the fiscal year for CSI. July 1, 2021 starts the beginning of FY22. There is little doubt it's been one of the most challenging years to be an officer of a chapter. Those who serve the Great Lakes Region were tested in unprecedented ways.

Chapter Leaders; Thank you. Thank you to the leaders of our chapters in the Great Lakes Region who fought through all the cancelled meetings and events that had been scheduled. Thank you for your passion, and willingness to pivot to virtual events to service our members. Thank you for answering the questions and calls.

Region Leaders, thank you. The April 2020 Region Conference was pushed to November in hopes of a face-to-face event. We pivoted as it became evident that a virtual event was needed.

April 2021, we faced the same dilemma. The vaccine process was just not quite far enough along. We chose to create a smaller event with our Annual Meeting and Awards.

Next year, the Cincinnati Chapter will, once again, be the host (third times a charm!) of the Great Lakes Region Conference as we will be meeting at the Radisson Hotel Cincinnati Riverfront next April. Check the Region website for more details.

We continued the Chapter Challenge for FY21. It's a way to introduce CSI. Designed for someone who does not currently belong to CSI, to get an inside look at organization. The Region helps start the process of membership by paying the Institute part of a member's dues. Often the chapter will also kick in their local dues. Not every chapter is participating, so check with your local chapter president for availability.

We created the Member Relief Program to help those who have been negatively affected by this national pandemic. This program is for current members in good standing who may have lost their job or seen a reduction in family income and want to stay involved. Check with your local chapter president or download the form from the region website and submit per instructions.

This year we have outlined a variety of ways that Great Lakes Chapters display leadership. We have welcomed Robin Miller as the new Executive Director of the Louisville Chapter; we have awarded Deb Rhodes for her stellar work as Miami/Dayton Chapter Administrator. Akron Canton set the example years ago with their partnership in hiring an Executive Director Jillian Tipton in coordination with AIA. See Page 5 for more on her story.

Thank you!

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GREAT LAKES INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

Sure starting to feel like summer. We are moving beyond COVID-19 especially for those that have received their vaccinations. What is your Chapter doing this summer? Many Chapters are starting to meet in person again, finally.

This month the Institute Board will be meeting in-person. This will be our first in-person meeting since January of 2020. I will report the points made at this meeting next month.

June marks the end of the second year in my term as Institute Director from the Great Lakes Region. July starts my final year as your Director ending June 30, 2022. I have considered serving you in the Great Lakes Region as an honor. If there is interest in being nominated for this position, contact Lane Beougher lane.beougher@ofcc.ohio.gov to express your interest. There will be an election for this position of those interested next Spring in conjunction with the CSI National Elections to determine the new Director. Contact me with any questions concerning this position.



Jack Morgan, Institute Director

Those that have a CDT Certification need to renew that Certification by June 30, 2021. This may be a new experience, but the procedure is straight forward especially if you have any other Certification. The Institute is offering several webinars on the process. 24 hours of learning credits are required to be submitted with the renewal.

Registration for the CSI Convention being held September 22-24, 2021, will be open soon. Lodging has been arranged at the recently opened Grand Hyatt Hotel in downtown Nashville, TN. Three days full of education sessions, Annual Meeting, Honors and Awards Celebration, and reunions and meetings of old and new CSI members. Calls for presentations are currently open. Attend this great event in this great city!

What are your Chapter's future events in planning? Your future Chapter Meetings, Trade Shows, Golf Outings, and other events I would like to spread the information to the Region in the *GLR Newsletter*.

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

Thanks!

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INTRODUCTION OF NEW OFFICERS

It is with great pleasure I announce the Leadership slate for FY22 in the Great Lakes Region.

Gregg Jones, AIA, CSI, CDT, CCS of C2AE, Grand Rapids Chapter will take the helm as **Region President** starting at the first of July. I look forward to his leadership!

Scott Mitchell Taylor CSI, CDT of Conspectus Inc, a long time Region officer/Cleveland Chapter member who has served in a variety of leadership positions will step into the **President-Elect** office.

Craig Stanton, CSI, CDT of Simplified Construction Group will continue in his position of **Vice-President 1** from the Columbus Chapter. Craig Stanton is the hardest working Great Lakes Member not living in the Great Lakes. His youth and construction related background brings a unique look to our Board.

Welcome to a new member of Region Leadership with **Dawn Cenowa**, CSI, CDT of Sherwin Williams will be stepping into the **Vice President 2** position from the Detroit Chapter. We look forward to her fresh eyes and help establishing new programs.

Our **Treasurer** will continue to be **Ken Schmidt**, CSI, CDT. Long time Indianapolis Chapter member and former Region President. He's always willing to pull out the checkbook for members who apply for the Chapter Challenge or the Member Relief programs.

Our **Secretary** will continue to be **Louis Schlatter**, RA, CSI, CCS, CDT, AIA, EIT, LEED GA, NCARB of SSOE Group. She's is a Toledo Chapter leader and a steady force on the board. Her organizational skill helps to keep us all on track.

Our **Emerging Professional Elizabeth Woodrow**, CSI of the Indianapolis Chapter rounds out the Executive Committee Officers. Her work is evident every month with the collection of articles and publishing of the Great Lakes Region Newsletter.

Jack Morgan, FCSI, CCS, CCCA, CDT, AIA, LEED GA, NCARB of the Indianapolis Chapter continues to serve as the **Regions' representative** to national as the Great Lakes Region Institute Director.

The Complete Board of Directors is made up of this group and each chapter president. This way every chapter has a voice on what happens at the Region level. Let them know how we can help your chapter.

Our Monthly Board Meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 4:00pm. They are open to the general membership. We welcome visitors and new ideas.

It's been my honor to serve this year.

Thank you all for your support,



Thad Goodman, FCSI, CDT, CCPR, LEED Green Associate
Great Lakes Region President FY21

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GREAT LAKES REGION CHAPTER CHALLENGE 2020

The CHAPTER CHALLENGE, which began in 2018, is still in full effect. The purpose of this CHALLENGE is to increase membership. In this CHAPTER CHALLENGE, the Chapter members must recruit new members with no cost to the new member. The Chapter will pay for the first year's chapter dues, and the Region will pay for the first year's Institute dues. This is for PROFESSIONAL and EMERGING PROFESSIONAL members only (renewals and industry members are not included).

Your involvement does not stop there! Once the new members attend their first Chapter meeting, the Chapter has to engage those new members, embrace them by making them a part of the Chapter, getting them involved, and giving them a sense of belonging.

If you have any questions or need any other information, please contact one of the following:

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WHAT DOES THE REGION DO?

Last month we outlined some of the things the Region does for its members.

Here are some of the things your Region and Region Officers do better than anyone else can in the Construction Specifications Institution Structure:

Leadership Training If you've ever thought about applying for a Chapter Leadership position, it's as simple as looking [here](#) to see what kind of thing are expected.

Speakers Bureau- Programs Chairs have a place to go to fill up a hole or two in the annual calendar. If you see a monthly program that stands out, please pass those thoughts on to Jack Morgan, who oversees the submissions. Visit the Speakers Bureau [here](#).

Awards- The format and organization of our Awards program is very robust and well thought out. It's been seen by other regions and used as a template for the creation of their awards programs. Please review it [here](#) to see how to reward active leaders in your chapter. Bill Ahern (Akron/Canton) is the current Awards Committee Chair.

Chapter Challenge- Introduced in 2018. It's a way to introduce your friends and colleagues to CSI. More on this on page 3 of this newsletter.

Member Relief Program- Introduced December 2020, still in effect. Details and information [here](#).

Your Region officers are always willing to add a program or help vet out a new idea. If have an idea or new program you would like to suggest- I would be honored if you message me at thadg@nationalgypsum.com or call 614.214.5666.



"Shoot for the Moon. If you miss you will be among the Stars." Les Brown

The Great Lakes Region has many stars of all types and shapes.

JILLIAN TIPTON

Jillian Tipton is the Executive Director of the Akron-Canton Chapter of CSI. In partnership with their local chapter of AIA (AIA Akron), Akron-Canton CSI entered into a joint venture to retain an executive director to provide oversight on day-to-day operations, member recruitment, educational programming, marketing, and events.

Primarily, Jillian acts as a resource for volunteer leaders in regards to the implementation of best practices, generation of new ideas, and effective execution of shared goals. Providing both chapters with a dedicated administrator has helped ensure continuity between fiscal/membership years and continued coordination with other local construction-related non-profits and educational organizations.

Supported by her husband Seth and one-year-old daughter Remy, Jillian has a lot of hobbies. She volunteers as Chairman of the Board for the Kent Junior Chamber of Commerce, travels with her family, renovates rental properties with her husband (only one broken bone so far!), and is in a fight with her front yard regarding the amount of grass that should be growing, but isn't.



CERTIFICATION QUIZ

1. Which of the following is a Procurement Stage Activity?
 - a. Bid securities are provided by Owner
 - b. Owner enters negotiations with Contractor
 - c. Purchase Orders are given to consultants
 - d. Architect certifies an Application for Payment

2. A/E's approval of Shop Drawings is:
 - a. For conformance with information given and design concept
 - b. To make certain products supplied by Contractor fit in project
 - c. To make minor adjustments to Project, as necessary
 - d. To protect Owner from unscrupulous subcontractors

3. Dollar amounts of Cash Allowances are:
 - a. In Instructions to Bidders
 - b. In Supplementary Conditions
 - c. In Division 01
 - d. In Specification Section of Division 02 through 49 that specify product installation

4. Drawings prepared by Contractor, subcontractor, or material supplier that show how a particular aspect of work is to be fabricated and installed, are called:
 - a. Record Drawings
 - b. Construction Documents
 - c. Shop Drawings
 - d. Details

5. Instructions for Procurement
 - a. Are used on private projects
 - b. Frequently use standard industry forms
 - c. May include Geotechnical Report as an attachment
 - d. Are binding upon Contractor

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

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Blue Grass	OPEN		Third Thursday	Common Ground Coffee	12:00 pm
Cincinnati	David Proudfit	Dsp-csi@cinci.rr.com	Second Tuesday	Old Montgomery Inn	Varies
Cleveland	Scott Mitchell Taylor	smtaylor@conspectusinc.com	Third Wednesday	Varies	Varies
Columbus	Buddy Stanford	bstanford@tnemec.com	Second Monday	Boathouse Restaurant	11:30 am
Dayton-Miami	Thomas Boardman	tboardman@ljbinc.com	Third Tuesday	Varies	Varies
Evansville	Jack Morgan	morwalsoplal@gmail.com	Second Thursday	Varies	Varies
Grand Rapids	Ed Avink	avinke@progressiveae.com	Second Thursday	Varies	6:00 pm
Indianapolis	Ivette Bruns	ibruns@ratiodesign.com	Third Thursday	Willows on Westfield	5:30 pm
Lansing	Kevin Bush	kbush@kalwall.com	First Tuesday	Tony M.'s	12:00 pm
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