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GREAT LAKES REGION AWARDS

Three years in its making and now, finally, just around the corner. The Cincinnati, Bluegrass and Louisville Chapters are excited to bring to you the CSI Great Lakes Region 2022 Conference! It’s not too late to register!

If you haven’t registered yet, please do. We have a lot great programs and activities planned for this Conference. This is also a great opportunity to reconnect – face to face – with other members and Chapters in our Region. If you have time and get a chance, stay the weekend and check out the beautiful city of Cincinnati.

Radisson Hotel Cincinnati Riverfront – This landmark building on the riverfront offers an impressive view of the Ohio River and the Cincinnati skyline.

CDT Boot Camp – Power through the CDT Exam Prep in one day with Dean Bortz, FCSI.

Product Rep Academy – Four great classes just for our product rep members (others are welcome to attend to learn their secrets).

CSI Chapter Leadership Forums – Chapter leaders join us in the morning to discuss “Chapter Leadership and Administration” and in the afternoon to discuss “Chapter Committees”.

Continuing Education College – Four great classes with AIA LU/HSW credits; open to affiliated design and construction organizations

Companion Program “Scenic Vista of Cincinnati” – Experience the unique topography of Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky from three scenic overlooks on both sides of the river.

Awards Banquet – celebrate the work and service of our Region’s members

Region Board and Annual Meetings – celebrate the work and service of our Region’s members

Networking Opportunities – We have a hospitality suite on Thursday and Friday nights,

Special Guests from Institute – Mark Dorsey (CSI CEO), Liz Icenogle (Director Component Relations), and Cam Featherstonhaugh (CSI Board Chair-Elect); they will be available throughout the conference for one-on-one conversations and participate in our Leadership Forums.

I look forward to seeing you there!

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Earlier, I offered 5 Challenges for every Great Lakes Region Member to consider. One of those challenges is to attend the Great Lakes Region Conference. I will go into more detail.

Time is running out to register for the Great Lakes Region Conference. This year after a two-year period of holding the Conference virtually, we are scheduled to meet again in person.

The GLR Conference is being held in Covington, KY, April 21-23 at the Radisson Hotel near I-75. hosted by the Cincinnati CSI Chapter.

You can still register on the Cincinnati CSI Website for the entire conference or portions depending on your needs. The segments that can be registered for separately are:

- CSI Boot Camp (Pre-Conference – April 21) - $95.
- Product Rep Academy - $100.
- CEU College - $75.
- Full Registration - $175 (Includes the Product Rep Academy and the CEU College)
  
  Plus the following:
  
  - CSI Leadership Forum.
  - Awards Banquet.
  - Breakfasts.
  - Hospitality Room.
  - GLR Annual Membership Meeting.

- Companion Program - $120.

You can also register for a hotel room at the Radisson Hotel at a special CSI rate on the Cincinnati CSI Website as well. More details can be found of each of the items named above.

Meet your friends again in person, collect CEUs and have a great time! Come to the GLR Conference!

The Institute Board met in January for the Winter Board Meeting. Another item discussed:

**Board Generative Discussion – Credentialing Then, Now, and Forward**

Gina Sutherland, Director of Certifications, summarized the status of CSI’s credentialling program and reviewed the activities and progress that led to CSI becoming a learning organization.

The Board of Directors received a summary of past recommendations, including its earlier approval of the transition of the CDT from a certificate program to a certification program in 2018 and on the review and updating of the other CSI certifications (CCS, CCCA, CCPR).

The Board members discussed future possibilities of CSI’s credentialing program, and developing messaging and communication around a clear value proposition about “Why get certified?”

More Board Meeting items next Month.

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

Thanks!

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ANSWERS: 1. a | 2. b | 3. d | 4. c | 5. c | 6. a | 7. b | 8. c | 9. a | 10. c

CERTIFICATION QUIZ ANSWERS

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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.

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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.

**Programs 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.
CERTIFICATION QUIZ

1. Addenda are used to:
   a. Modify the Procurement Documents before the award of the contract
   b. Modify the Contract Documents after award of the Contract
   c. Modify Drawings and Specifications only
   d. Formalize verbal instructions given during bidding

2. Signed by each party, the Agreement can be best explained as:
   a. Defines the relationship of Owner, A/E, and Contractor
   b. Is the one instrument of the Contract Documents that binds the signing parties to the Work
   c. Constitutes the legal portion of the Specifications
   d. Binds the Architect to the General Contractor

3. Typically, procurement requirements should not include which of the following documents:
   a. Instructions for Procurement
   b. Available information, including resource drawings
   c. Procurement Forms and Instructions
   d. Performance Bonds

4. Which of the following are not legally binding construction documents:
   a. General Conditions
   b. Specifications
   c. Preliminary Project Descriptions
   d. Addendum

5. The organization responsible for the General Conditions known as 201 is:
   a. DBIA
   b. AGC
   c. AIA
   d. CSI

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

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The 2022 CSI Great Lakes Region Conference
Radisson Inn, Covington, KY - April 21 - 23, 2022

Don’t miss this opportunity to get together with other members of the construction industry for leadership development, education, networking, and fun. The conference is for both CSI members and non-members.

You may either register for the full conference for $175 or choose the individual programs of interest to you.

Of special interest to our non-member colleagues, consider these programs at the conference.

- **CDT Boot Camp**: If you are interested in getting your CSI CDT certification (it’s not just for CSI members), here is an excellent opportunity to prepare for the exam. This full day pre-conference program will give you an enhanced knowledge of construction documents you can take to your projects. You will earn six AIA LU credits for attending. **Cost is $95 (note: this program is not included in the full registration cost of $175).**
- **Product Rep Academy**: Focused on the needs of the Construction Product Representative, we offer four hours of education for the professional construction product representative. Regardless of where you are in your career, you can benefit from the experience and wisdom of our CSI CCPR certified professionals. **Cost is $100.**
- **CEU College**: Need those CEUs? Sign up for the Continuing Education College and receive up to four AIA LU/HSW credits on topics that will help you design better buildings. **Cost is $75.**

Register for the **Full Conference** and you get admission to the Product Rep Academy and CEU College, plus the following:

- **CSI Leadership Forum**: We have blocked out 1-1/2 hours each of chapter leadership and chapter committee forums. Come and share your ideas, thoughts, gripes, and questions about your chapters or CSI in general in an open format forum.
- **Awards Banquet**: Come and recognize the talent, achievements, and contributions of those who volunteer to support the mission of CSI. It is a great way to let members know they are appreciated and valued for their hard work.
- **Breakfasts**: Start off the day on Friday and Saturday with a hearty breakfast buffet before going to your sessions.
- **Hospitality Room**: Cap off the evening on Thursday and Friday to network and socialize with your colleagues in the industry and take in the beautiful views of downtown Cincinnati. Snacks and beverages included.
- **CSI Great Lakes Region Annual Membership Meeting**: See what’s going on and what is being planned for the Great Lakes Region and the Institute as well as the “passing of the bat” to the next Great Lakes Region Host.

**Bringing your significant other or a friend?**

- **Companion Program**: We are offering a Friday tour of beautiful Cincinnati taking in all the scenic views it has to offer, plus a tour through Covington, Kentucky’s Cathedral Basilica of the Assumption and the Krohn Conservatory’s annual butterfly show. Lunch is included with the tour. **This package also includes breakfasts, the Hospitality Room, and the Awards Banquet. Cost is $120.**

**Come early** and attend the **Pre-Conference CDT Boot Camp** on Thursday, April 21 for only $95 more!

**Stay late** and see the Cincinnati Reds take on the St. Louis Cardinals on Saturday, April 23 at 4:10 PM. Ticket purchase on your own

**See you at the conference!**
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