

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



My fellow CSI Members,

Hope all is well with you and all that is yours. Are you staying busy having an enjoyable summer?

Since life is precious, please make it a goal to regularly remind your family you love them.

One more month for regular season NFL Football. I know you are going to bash-me for this - **GO BROWNS!**

Quote to Think about:

"Setting Goals is the first important steps in achieving success in an activity. It's a reminder of what you are working towards." - Peter Vanderkaay.

Increase your CSI Value:

Some ways to increase your CSI value is also by your participation. Here is a list of reminders of things to involve yourself: (Please contact me of your interest)

- *Product Rep Sponsorships* for CSI Newsletters, CSI Websites – Give people awareness of your Company.
- *CSI Program Bureau*. Make your quality program(s) available for Chapters to hear and educate.
- *Leadership Training*. Did you know that there are Leadership Training Courses that are part of your membership? Whether an Officer or Committee Lead, why not refresh your knowledge of your position for the benefit of not only for yourself but for the benefit of others.
- *Dynamic Chapter Program (DCP)*. Discover ways to help bring additional life to your Chapter. For more information about the Group Think, contact: mail@connectedcommunity.org.
- *CSI Chapter Officer -Attend Events- Sponsorship*. Did you know that when you attend the Regional Conference as a Chapter Officer, the Great Lakes Region sponsors some of your expenses. Can you say- Yea- I'll be at the next Regional Conference!

New CSI Great Lakes Region Academic Affairs Program Goal for 2022-2023:

To expand the Northeast Ohio Let's Build Construction Camp for Girls to CSI Regional locations. Perhaps even adding a Camp for Boys. This pass 2022 Girls Camp happened in Ohio. <https://www.letsbuildcamp.com/ne-ohio-lets-build>

The purpose of this event is to introduce young people to the fields of architecture, engineering, construction trades (carpentry, electrical, HVAC, masonry, painting, plumbing, roofing, tiling/carpeting, windows, etc.), and product manufacturing in a safe team environment. Let's Build Construction Camp puts the power into the hands of our campers by giving them the chance to build physical structures as a team while also exploring complementary career opportunities through field trips, activities, and interactive discussions. Campers will walk away with essential life lessons in leadership and communication while providing confidence in problem solving and lifelong friendships. **This also could be another way to get young people aware of CSI as future emerging professionals.** More information to follow on this initiative.

Have a fun and safe August 2022!

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GREAT LAKES INSTITUTE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Hoping you have had some time to decompress this summer and enjoy some time with family or traveling. Take time for mental health breaks. It has been crazy busy!

I'm happy to see more and more chapters of the Great Lakes Region in communication with Institute and are signing Affiliation Agreements. If you have any questions about the process or the Affiliation Agreement, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Fall 2022 Certification Cycle is open! Please register before September 14 to save 25%. Earning CSI Credentials have been a valuable part of my career. Hoping if you do not have a CSI Certification, that you take the opportunity to register this fall. Many GLR Chapter sponsor certification classes. Please reach out and let me know which Chapters provide these classes so that I can forward the information to anyone that might ask.

Have you updated your CSI Profile on the CSI website? [Home - Construction Specifications Institute \(csiresources.org\)](https://www.csiresources.org) Please do so and stay informed. Emails from CSI, especially CSIWeekly are great communication tools between your Chapter and National. Join a community or two on the CSI National website.

The next CSI Master Specifiers Retreat (MSR) is scheduled for February 1-3, 2023. It will be held at the Marriott Sanibel Harbor Resort & Spa in Fort Myers, FL. This is an opportunity to meet with senior product representatives who provide detailed information on building products. There are also education sessions focused on improving your practice and invaluable networking opportunities to grow your professional circle. Apply now!

CSI National Convention is open for registration. It will be held in Denver, CO on October 12-14. Hoping to see you there! [Prices & Registration - 2022 National Conference \(csiresources.org\)](https://www.csiresources.org)

Please reach out if you have anything CSI you want to discuss.

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CERTIFICATION QUIZ ANSWERS
ANSWERS: 1. - b [PDPG 5.3.2.2]*; 2. - d [PDPG 2.2.2.4]*; 3. - b [PDPG 4.4.4]*; 4. - b [PDPG 5.3.1]*;
5. - d [PDPG 5.7]*
*PDPG Third Edition (August 2022, GLR Newsletter Electronic)

October 12-14, 2022

Denver, CO

The CSI National Conference is a place where hundreds of AECO professionals gather to exchange knowledge, resources, strategies, and solutions, while networking and building long lasting relationships.

This year's conference, *Future Ready 2022 – Projects and Practice in a Changing Industry*, is being held at the Hyatt Regency in Downtown Denver, Colorado from October 12 – 14.

Today, the construction industry is in a state of rapid technological growth and change. Yet, labor shortages, rising material costs, shorter production schedules, and supply chain issues leave many project teams feeling overwhelmed and uncertain of what the future holds. Designed to support you through these challenges, the 2022 CSI National Conference will help you position yourself for growth in the years ahead. Hear from the experts and expand your network as you learn how to future-proof your projects.

FOR PRICING AND REGISTRATION

[REGISTER HERE](#)

**Reserve your room at the Hyatt Regency
Denver at Colorado Convention Center
Room Rate is \$229 + tax for single/double occupancy,
room rate available until Sept 15.**

[REGISTER HERE](#)

GREAT LAKES REGION CHAPTER CHALLENGE 2022

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.

Who can you recommend today?

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?

Here are some of the things your Region and Region Officers do better as part of 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. All of the following are Articles in a Specification's Part 3 Execution except:
 - a. Examination
 - b. Application
 - c. Fabrication
 - d. System Startup
2. What functional considerations must the A/E use to design the project elements and their relationships in a manner that ensures proper function of the project in accordance with the Owner's program and related AHJ requirements?
 - a. Adjacency of proper elements, contextual compatibility of materials, aesthetic effects of project elements
 - b. Contractor's ability to procure the materials, owner's programmatic requirements
 - c. Quantities and arrangements of elements, juxtaposition of light and shadow
 - d. The size of project elements, performance capacity of project elements, arrangement of project elements
 - e. None of the above
3. A requirement set by authority, custom, or general consensus, which is established as an accepted criterion, is called a:
 - a. Building Code
 - b. Industry Standard
 - c. Quality Control Requirement
 - d. Specification Master
4. True/False: In closed proprietary specifications, substitutions are allowed during the procurement phase
 - a. True
 - b. False
5. Special warranties/guarantees can be:
 - a. Provided by the manufacturer, contractor, or installer
 - b. Can be longer or shorter than the Correction Period
 - c. Typically exclude misuses, abuse, and failure to maintain
 - d. All of the above

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

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Cleveland	John Workley	John.workley@vocon.com	Third Wednesday	Varies	Varies
Columbus	Adam Olson	adam@oapinc.us	Second Monday	Main Columbus Library	11:30 am
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Evansville	John Bolton	jbolton@haferdesign.com	Third Tuesday	Evansville Country Club	6:00 pm
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