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Newsletter of the Puget Sound Chapter CSI

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- **Matt Gregory**, Chapter Funny illustration - *Specified Egyptian Preservation*



CSI MEMBER SUPPORT PROGRAM:

The Member Support Program assists members who are experiencing financial hardship resulting from COVID-19 or related economic impact, cannot pay CSI dues, and want to maintain their membership. [CLICK HERE FOR ALL THE FAQs](#)



VOLUNTEERS:

PSC CSI is looking for people to chip in to help plan and execute all kinds of things- even brainstorming! New or old, shy or bold... [EMAIL PSCCSI FOR MORE INFO!](#)



COVID-19:

PSC CSI is committed to the safety of our members. As a result, in-person meetings will be rescheduled for a later date and/or will be moved to an online format. Please view Upcoming Events below for more information about each event change. We hope you're all staying healthy and safe.

Special Announcements



VOLUNTEER TO BE A CSI "BUDDY"

New chapter members, beginning in 2021, will be assigned CSI Buddies who will be current members willing to take our newest members under their wings, introduce them to other members at their first in-person events and shows, and answer questions. If you would like to volunteer to be a CSI Buddy, [email Susan Williams, our Membership Chair.](#)

PS Chapter Poll: Summer Time

Where is your favorite place to spend your Summer time off in the heat?

At the beach

Select

At home in the
A/C

Select

By a pool with margarita in
hand

Select

Bring back the rain!!

Select

Hiking/Biking

Select

Road trip!/Camping

Select

JULY PS CHAPTER POLL RESULTS

Summer Time

Where is your favorite place to spend your Summer time off in the heat?

- **44.4%** At the beach
- **33.3%** At home in the A/C
- **11.1%** By the pool margarita in hand
- **11.1%** Bring back the rain
- **0%** Hiking/Biking
- **0%** Road trip!/Camping

SUMMER PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT



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2021-2022 Season Calendar

Stay tuned for the release of the 2021-22 Season by the new Board of Directors!

President's Message

CSI Credentials

Matthew Gregory, PSC CSI President

You earned them so show your credentials. Your credentials can make you credible and believable. CSI has more than just construction specification organization, documents, and education, it offers certifications. In our chapter mid-July 2021 with 137 members, we have 50 that have one or more CSI certifications; in fact, we have 46 CDT (Construction Documents Technologist), 1 CCCA (Certified Construction Contract Administrator), 1 CCPR (Certified Construction Product Representative), 16 CCS (Certified Construction Specifier). See the directory as many members have other registration or organization credentials that are worth knowing, too.

Log into the CSI website to learn about credentials. There you will find how to obtain a CSI Certification. You will see chapters offering certification exam preparations classes, such as the Portland, OR chapter again offering an online CDT Study Class beginning September 1. Our own Carrie Gerstenberger got her CCS last year and she has shared her story found under News-CSI Blog in a June CSI Connect. The CSI National Conference in Nashville, Sept 22-24 is another place to learn more about certification; several in PSC are going.

Getting a certificate early in your career can strengthen your resume and show that you are serious about your profession. It would be great if every PSC member had at least one CSI



certificate. That may be a stretch as our membership is constantly changing as the comparison of the May 2020 directory with the June 2021 directory showed 31 members left and 25 were added: totaling 56 different members (larger than many chapters). Speaking of membership changes, between June and July 2021, leaving are Jack Livingston and Patricia Smith, CDT but gained are Stephanie Hoffman and Poyao Lung, CDT.

In 1977, I got my WA architect's license and immediately pursued getting my NCARB certification plus I joined CSI and AIA. Soon thereafter, CSI was in the process of establishing a CCS certificate. Ed Storer and I were in the first ever exam class to be tested for CCS, both passed, and we got our 1982 certificates, while others who had been in the profession for years were grandfathered in without an exam.

If you do get a CSI certificate, the institute will add the CSI credentials to your directory listing. CSI will add certificate digital badges to your profile. Do you remember this line "*Badges? We don't need no stinkin' badges*" (from the 1927 novel "The Treasure of the Sierra Madre", the 1948 movie by same name, the 1967 episode of the TV series The Monkees - "It's a Nice Place to Visit", the 1974 Mel Brooks film "Blazing Saddles", or other films and television shows)? Do not be fooled, as badges are like lapel pins, lanyards, buttons, business cards, and social media posts that show who you are and what you do. Your Board is actively working on getting us back live to in-person meetings. The Education Committee is still in planning for programs and meeting places. The Trade-show Committee is solidifying details for ProSpec to be onsite March 22, 2022. Be ready to be there live with your credentials.

Vetted By Experts

To provide our members with the best return on investment, the Puget Sound Chapter has begun to accept top-rate articles, passed on from our industry experts to our members.

DAVID LANDREY, Director of Powders and Chemicals, MASCO:

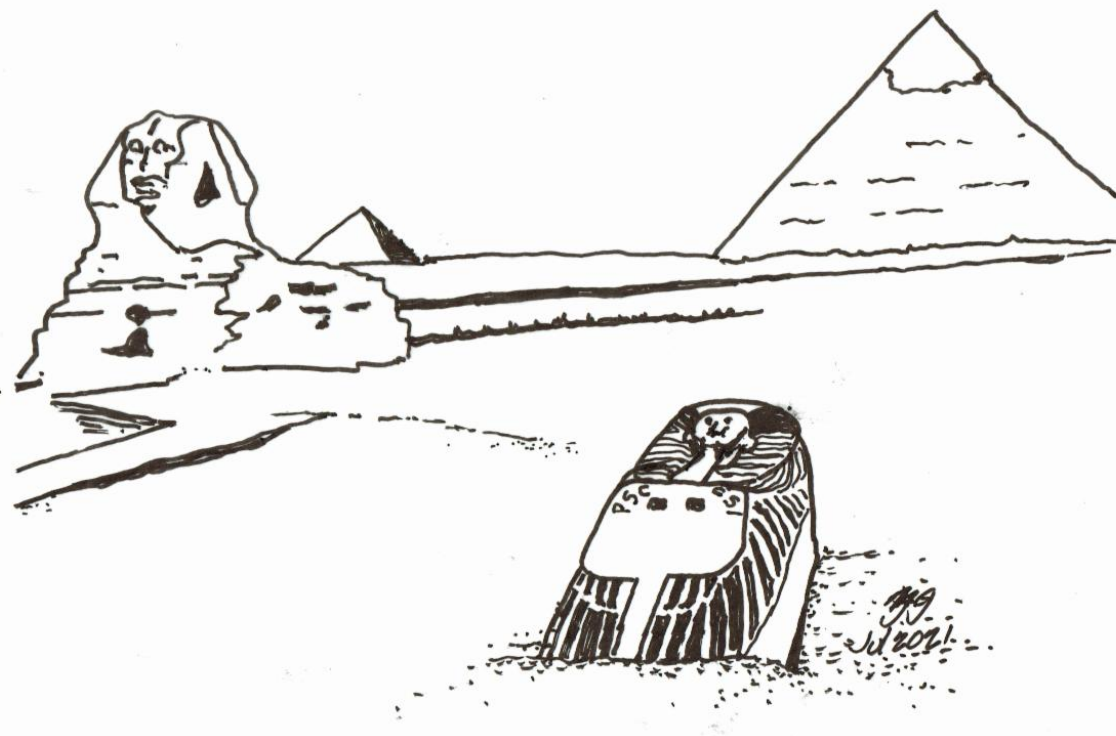
I would like to use the July President's Memo to set the stage for a topic you will hear more about over the coming year. I will begin with a sports analogy because sports are useful for clarifying abstract ideas. Imagine two football teams. One team consists of the league's star players and the other is composed of the league's best referees. Now imagine that they play a game. Which team wins? The players, of course. The referees have a better and more nuanced understanding of the rules, but their good understanding does not translate into good play on the field. To play football or any other sport, a working understanding of the rules is necessary, but well-developed skills for playing the game are critical for success.

· [Rules vs. Plays](#)

Chapter Funny

SPECIFIED EGYPTIAN PRESERVATION:

Get stoned, be mummified, then buried in sand.



Black Sharpie on Vellum - Illustration by Matt Gregory

Help Support CSI's Mission

In 2007, the Puget Sound Chapter CSI established the Puget Sound CSI Memorial Foundation, **a separate organization providing scholarships, fellowships, and grants to promote educational programs serving the construction industry** and related endeavors which support the interests and objectives of the Puget Sound Chapter. The Foundation is administered by a board of volunteers, composed of willing past presidents of the Puget Sound Chapter. Any individual or organization can contribute tax deductible donations to the Foundation. You can donate to the Foundation via our PayPal account:



Puget Sound CSI Memorial Foundation, Inc.

<https://www.paypal.me/PSCSIFoundation>

Past donations have been used to award scholarships to candidates selected on the basis of recommendations by the Foundation Board and by Chapter members. The Foundation is always interested in your **fund-raising ideas and financial support** to promote the Foundation's objectives.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Board Meeting Minutes:

- [April Meeting Minutes](#)
- [May Meeting Minutes](#)
- [June Meeting Minutes](#)
- July - *Pending*

Chapter Leaders

PSCCSI 2021-22 Board of Directors

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CSI NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2021

Click on Session Names below to Register (SOLD OUT)



[CSI National Conference to learn more please visit](#)

<https://na.eventscloud.com/ereg/index.php?eventid=622687&>

Distance Learning At-Large

Does your company **offer an online lunch and learn?** Feel free to contact us at office@psccsi.org or april@duradeknorthwest.com and we will do our part to get the word out to our membership. Offerings will run in the monthly Spectrum and in mid-month announcements for 2 months.

Sponsorship Opportunities

Get your name front and center and connect with CSI members!

Sponsor a portion of the Spectrum either on a monthly or quarterly basis:

- Monthly Spectrum Sponsor
- Chapter Meeting Sponsor
- President's Sponsor

- Quarterly Product Spotlight Sponsor

Contact April Stokesberry if you're interested and we will get the word out!

