

Summer July/Aug 2022

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July/Aug SPECTRUM

Newsletter of the Puget Sound CSI

Summer 2022 - VOL 101

UPCOMING CHAPTER MEETING

KICK SOME AXE! Get Social with CSI



Kick some axe with CSI! Kick off this season with a bit of fun.

- Learn how to properly throw an axe - one-handed and two-handed (or no hands) - in a controlled environment, of course!
- Time to dig out that Paul Bunyan plaid shirt that's buried in your closet

- Catch up with old friends and make new

[Click here for more information and to register!](#)

WHERE: Axe Kickers, 10843 1st Ave S. Seattle, WA 98168

WHEN: September 8, 2022 from 6:00-8:00pm

COST: This event is partially subsidized by PSC CSI. See registration link above for breakdown.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Get reimbursed by PSC CSI for attending the 2022 National Conference!

Interested in attending this October's [CSI National Conference in Denver](#), but cost is a factor? PSC CSI will reimburse **\$500 for the first 10 PSC CSI members** to contact this season's Treasurer Ken Stilwell.

[Click here to email Ken!](#)

Reimbursements will be made after submission of proof of attendance.

Hope to see many of you in Denver this year!

2022 Puget Sound Chapter CSI Annual Meeting, Board Installation, & Awards Presentation



Left to right above: Matt Gregory (2021-2022 PSC CSI President), Mahlet "Tammy" Debella (LWTech AT Student), Theodore "Theo" Koepf (LWTech AT Student), Odalis Medellin (LWTech AT Student), Bob Mandy (LWTech), Kacey Buker (LWTech AT Student), Hugh Kuyper (CSI- Emeritus), Lindsay Carlos (LWTech AT Student)

The event was held at Din Tai Fung restaurant, Pacific Place, Seattle, WA from 5:00-8:00 PM Thursday the 9th of June 2022. There were 27 paid registrants, almost a sellout. Thank you to **Nora Vivarelli** who was the chair of the Awards Committee and the event arrangements, assisted by **David Axt**. A social time including a 2021–2022-year recap slide show started at 5:00 PM and the meeting ended at 8:00 PM. The Program, arranged by **David Axt**, was about where we were meeting: "**Pacific Place Renovations**" by Gensler Seattle's **Scott Waggoner, AIA**.

For our first live regular meeting in two years since the pandemic started, the attendance was impressive. Within the membership and other attendees there were, with some overlaps:

- 8 PSC Past Presidents from the 1990's, 2000's, 2010's, and 2020's
- 6 PSC Current 2021-2022 and Incoming 2022-2023 Board Members
- 3 Emeritus Members – **Matt Gregory, Hugh Kuyper, and Vicki Long**
- 2 CSI Fellows – **Marc Chavez and Robert "Bob" Simmons**
- 1 National CSI Past Board Chair, Fellows Chancellor, and Distinguished Member – **Robert "Bob" Simmons**
- 1 NW Region Officer and Mt. Rainier Chapter Officer – **Mary Ann Akemi Shepherd**
- 1 Puget Sound Chapter CSI Memorial Foundation Officer – **Hugh Kuyper**
- 5 Students from Lake Washington Institute of Technology

The Annual Meeting report was summarized by Matt Gregory as follows:

- Institute was rebranded and the chapter methods updated.
- Membership is at 127 (lost 10) with another adjustment July 1st for home chapter designations.
- Filled 2 of 4 Board vacancies with remaining leadership opportunity for a President Elect.
- Committees operating well with many volunteer opportunities available.
- Financially sound with profit realized.
- Emeritus member added: **Gene Fosheim**.

Both the current and incoming Board members were recognized and thanked for their past service and future commitments.

Bob Mandy introduced the students and **Hugh Kuyper** presented them each a \$500 scholarship from the Puget Sound CSI Memorial Foundation. Five students were in attendance; the sixth (Maxell Kyle) was at architecture school at WSU in Pullman, WA for orientation, as he is starting this fall. Congratulations to our student scholarship recipients:

- Kacee Buker
- Lindsay Carlos
- Mahlet "Tammy" Debella
- Maxell Kyle
- Odalis Medellin
- Theodore "Theo" Koepf

Presentations by David Axt and Matt Gregory for the Chapter included:

1. Chapter Presidential Hammers, past due and current; due to the pandemic and this ceremony's in-person nature, this ceremony hadn't been performed for several years
 1. 2019-2020 **Melissa Falcetti**
 2. 2020-2021 **April Stokesberry (deceased, her father Matt Whale accepting)**
 3. 2021-2022 **Matt Gregory**
2. Presidents Awards
 1. **Duradek NW** – For their support and/or sponsorships for a PSC Video, ProSpec, & Chapter Meetings; accepted by Matt Whale.
 2. **Melissa Falcetti** – Transitioned online services and took on newsletter.
 3. **Justin Bise** – Got ProSpec 2022 back live and in person from his new remote location in Tennessee; accepted by Xuan-Hong Ho.
 4. **Erika Anderson** – Resolved banking issues & handed Vendor/Sponsor invoices including credits; Erika was not in attendance, so the award will be mailed to her.
3. Chapter Awards
 1. **Cooperation Award** - "Business Cooperation Award" for relationship in reaching Chapter goals; to **Applied Building Information** staff being instrumental in handling joint chapter meeting programs and education series classes; accepted by Melissa Falcetti and Mary Ann Akemi Shepherd.
 2. **Citation Award** - "Technical Achievement" for distinguished service in advancement of the Chapter's technical program or showing distinguished accomplishment in the field of technical research or education; to **Beth Stroshane** for work as NW Region Education Chair and Counselor

for the Affiliation Agreement Counselor, as well as a National Conference seminar speaker. Award accepted by Mary Ann Akemi Shepherd.

3. **Donald E. Paine Award** (formerly Hugh S. Hallet Award) – the “Highest Chapter Award” for a PSC member with exemplary service to the chapter; to **Matt Gregory** for a successful but challenging year leading us out of the pandemic (He also received this in 1991). This award was presented to Matt as a surprise by members of the Awards Committee.

Thank you to all who attended - the food was delicious, the presentation was interesting, and it was wonderful to see you all in person again.

THANK YOU to all of our 2021-2022 season volunteers! Volunteers keep our organization running, and your work is much appreciated. We'd like to thank the following, listed alphabetically by first name. If we've missed anybody, our apologies!

- **April Stokesberry***, Duradek Northwest: BOD Immediate Past President; Education and Communications Committees; Spectrum editor; Nominations Committee
- **Beth Stroshane***, Applied Building Information: Education Committee
- **Bill Thordarson**, Bain Associates: ProSpec Committee
- **Candice Clinton**, CollinsWoerman: BOD Secretary
- **Charlie Calvano**, Integrus Architecture: ProSpec Committee
- **David Axt***, Axt Consulting LLC: BOD Director #1; BOD President-Elect; Education Committee; ProSpec volunteer; Nominations Committee
- **Don Richards**, Ardex Americas: ProSpec Committee
- **Erika Anderson**, Anderson Specialties: BOD Treasurer; Education Committee
- **Grant Gustafson**, nbj: ProSpec Committee
- **John Gallup**, LATICRETE International: ProSpec Committee
- **Julie Taylor**, Integrus Architecture: BOD Director #3; Education Committee; ProSpec Committee
- **Justin Bise**, MG2: ProSpec Committee Chair
- **Mary Rowe**, Integrus Architecture: BOD Director #4; Education Committee
- **Matt Gregory***, Architect-Planner-Specifier: BOD President; Membership Committee Chair; Website administrator; ProSpec volunteer; Nominations Committee
- **Melissa Falcetti***, Applied Building Information: BOD Vice President; Education Committee Chair; temporary Spectrum editor
- **Mike Fletcher**, EPRO Services: ProSpec Committee
- **Nora Vivarelli***, Pacific Mat: BOD Director #2; Awards Committee; ProSpec Committee; Nominations Committee

Legend:

- BOD: 2021-2022 Board of Directors
 - *: Past President
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Did you miss our 2021-2022 Educational Series? Never fear! Watch them on our YouTube channel today. Click each thumbnail below to be taken to the appropriate video. [Subscribe to our channel](#) and click the bell icon to be notified of future class recordings.

THE END GOAL: THE POINT OF SPECIFICATIONS

WITH
BETH STROSHANE, CCS
AND
HEATHER SKEEHAN, AIA



GETTING YOUR HANDS DIRTY: Digging into Specifications

with

Carrie Gerstenberger
Associate, WELL AP, CDT,
CCS, AIA



Marc Chavez
FCSI, AIA, RELIAP,
CCS, CCA

CSI  **PUGET SOUND
CHAPTER**

DIVING INTO THE DETAILS: Wading through the Products

with



David Axt
CCS, CSI, SCIP

&

Beth Stroshane
CCS

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JUMPING IN!

A Roundtable Discussion
about Starting Specifications



KIM HUTCHINSON
APPLIED BUILDING
INFORMATION



BRIDGETTE DINSLY
INTERIORS
ARCHITECTURE



CARRIE GERSTENBERGER
BASSETT
ARCHITECTS



BETH STROSHANE
APPLIED BUILDING
INFORMATION



PSC CSI CHAPTER POLL

PSC POLL:

**Which new work conditions from the pandemic
do you want to continue?**

(multi-choice!)

[Click here to take the poll!](#)



JUNE PSC POLL RESULTS

Do you want any PSC CSI over the summer?

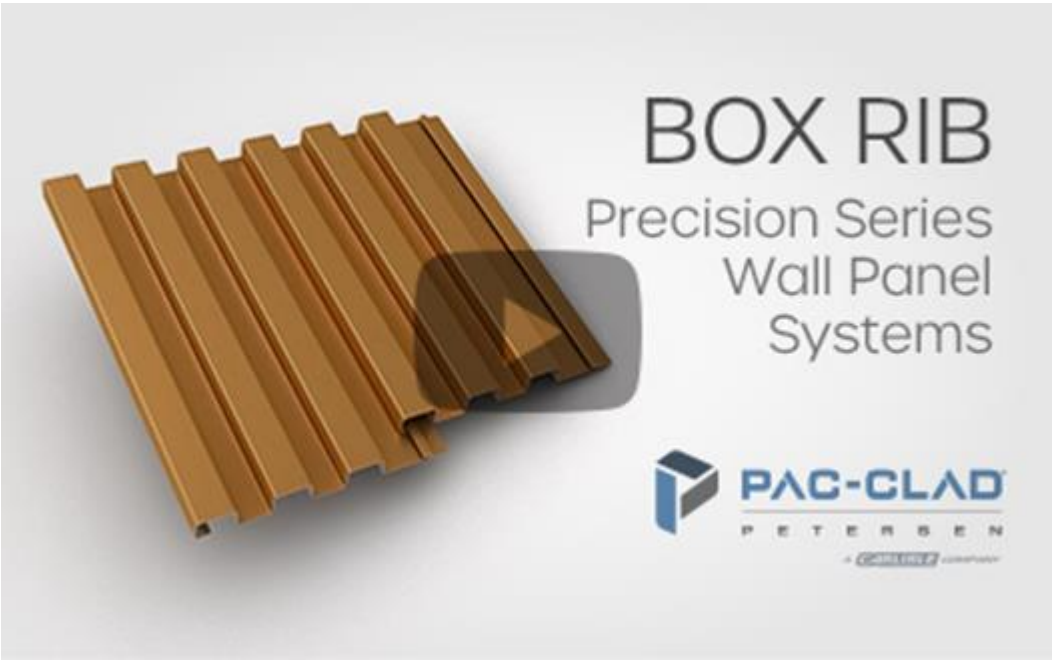
- **67%:** Nope! I'm looking forward to a break from Zoom and work events.
- **33%:** If education is involved, I'm in!
- **0%:** I need CEUs! Include those and I'm there.
- **0%:** Only if it's online. I'm too used to working in my pajamas!
- **0%:** Only if it's in person. I can't stand any more Zoom meetings!
- **0%:** Only if it's a social event involving cocktails. We all need a break!

PRODUCT SPOTLIGHT

INTRODUCING: BOX RIB Precision Series Wall Panel Systems by Pac-Clad/Petersen

The Precision Series of architectural wall panels includes twelve profiles that provide architects and designers with creative flexibility by combining bold visual effects with easy, cost-effective installation. Multiple profiles are available with a variety of rib patterns in two depths. Each profile is offered in a no-clip (fastener flange) option, or a clip-fastened panel to accommodate thermal expansion and contraction. All Precision Series panels can connect to each other if desired.

Click on the image below to watch a YouTube video about this product.



Want more information? Contact Pac-Clad/Petersen.



2022-2023 Season events are currently being planned. Watch our website psccsi.org for upcoming information on the following and more:

- [Kick Some Axe!](#) - Chapter Meeting: September 8 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [CSI National Conference](#): October 12-14 in Denver, Colorado
- [Ghost Busters](#) - Chapter Meeting: October 20 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Birds of a Feather](#) - Chapter Meeting: November 10 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Holiday Party Time](#) - Chapter Meeting: December 8 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Unscrabble It](#) - Chapter Meeting: January 12 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Issue at Heart](#) - Chapter Meeting: February 9 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [ProSpec 2023](#) - Chapter Tradeshow: March 7 from 2:00-8:00pm
- [The Lucky Bid](#) - Chapter Meeting: March 9 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Watershedding](#) - Chapter Meeting: April 13 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Help Out](#) - Chapter Meeting: May 11 from 5:00-7:00pm
- [Achieving Success](#) - Chapter Meeting: June 8 from 3:00-7:00pm

Additionally, monthly Board of Directors meetings will typically be held at noon on the second Thursday of each month and the Monthly NW Region Board Meeting will be held the third Thursday of each month. Please contact PSC CSI if you would like to attend these meetings as a guest.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Summer 2022 Newsletter Message

David Axt, 2022-2023 PSC CSI President

It's Deja vu all over again!

I was president of our fine Chapter in 2005 to 2006....and here I am president AGAIN!

Boy things were a lot different back then! We had an association management company running the Chapter's day to day operations. The Spectrum was a paper newsletter that was mailed out. We had a small pocket directory of all our Chapter members and contact information (included fax numbers). Our regular Chapter dinner meetings were held at the College Club across from the newly built Seattle Public Central Library. We had grown to about 375 members. ProSpec was held at the Seattle Convention Center. Specifiers wrote on papyrus with oxblood ink. (Okay I made the last one up.)

Technology certainly has changed. (Sometimes I think it has left me in the dust.) Our Chapter members run most of the day-to-day operations (luckily, we do have a great bookkeeper). We have done meetings via Zoom, though we are back to in-person meetings. We have lots of online tools for managing our membership. **Our Spectrum newsletter is online on a website.**

Even the structure of CSI National has changed. The biggest change recently (as of July 1) is that **CSI members are assigned a single home chapter** with a chapter dues rate of \$100. **No longer can you be a member of several chapters.** (Though you can still be involved in other chapter's and attend other chapter's activities.)

One thing that has not changed over the years is that we need members to participate. So, if you are willing to lend a hand, have fun and learn, let us know. We would be happy to have you join us!

I am looking forward to a fun and educational year with you.

Thanks,

David G. Axt CCS, CSI, SCIP

PSC CSI Chapter President 2022-2023

INFORMATION CENTER

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.

[Please click HERE for 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 PSC CSI FOR MORE INFO!](#)

COVID-19

Restrictions are lifting and many events will be back in person. Please view psccsi.org for more information about each event. We hope you're all staying healthy and safe.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

CLICK BELOW TO DOWNLOAD MEETING MINUTES

- [July 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [June 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [May 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [April 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [March 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [February 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)
- [January 2022 Meeting Minutes](#)

CHAPTER LEADERS

PSC CSI 2022-23 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- **President:** David Axt*, Axt Consulting LLC
- **President-Elect:** Vacant
- **Vice President:** Nora Vivarelli*, Pacific Mat
- **Past President:** Matt Gregory*, Architect-Planner-Specifier
- **Treasurer:** Ken Stillwell, D-SEVEN
- **Secretary:** Olivia Diaz, PPG
- **Director #1:** Candice Clinton, ASSA ABLOY
- **Director #2:** Chris Dixon, HMC Architects
- **Director #3:** Julie Taylor, Integrus Architecture
- **Director #4:** Mary Rowe, Integrus Architecture

* Past Presidents

VETTED BY EXPERTS

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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.

If you have read an article that you think would benefit others in our group, [please CLICK HERE to email us](#) to submit articles to be featured.

HELP SUPPORT CSI'S MISSION

PUGET SOUND CSI MEMORIAL FOUNDATION



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.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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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

If you're interested, please [CLICK HERE](#) to contact PSC CSI via email and we will get the word out!

DISTANCE LEARNING AT-LARGE

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Does your company **offer an online lunch and learn?** Feel free to contact us at office@psccsi.org and we will do our part to get the word out to our membership.