

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Henry Hondorp
Great Lakes Region President

Dear fellow CSI Members,

I would like to let you know how much I enjoyed Construct this year, and to thank the Austin Chapter for the outstanding work that they did to make this convention a success. I was able to attend a number of classes this year and thought that the level of teaching was outstanding, networked with a number of companies and individuals and spent hours on the floor meeting with the manufactures representatives and looking at a number of new products and new product lines that were displayed.

A couple of highlights:

One of which was, thru the effort of Ivette Bruns, was the meeting with a number of Region Presidents, President Elects and Proxy members from other regions. We only met for about 45 minutes as everyone had other activities and or appointments. During our networking we discussed, Regional Conferences, Product Shows and the importance of the education by the regions for the chapters. What I discovered was that not all of the Regions operate in the same manor or follow the same protocol but I came away with was that I thought we at the Great Lake that we are one of the best in training and keeping a line of communication open with our chapters.

The second highlight was the caucus meeting we had on Wednesday. I only had wished that we would have had more to discuss one of the issues that seems to be a concern of everyone is that regarding membership. I want to thank Ivette and Phil for the draft copy of the Strategic Plan that was handed out. The board is reviewing the draft plan I hope that by the end of the month this can be sent out to all of the membership. Also a thanks to the Akron-Canton Chapter for the introduction of the Regional Conference in Many of 2017 and to encourage everyone now to save the date, May 18-20, 2017. They are working hard to make this convention a great success and will be working with Bob Schrock, the Region Conference Chair. It is my goal that every chapter president, president elect, secretaries and treasures attend the Regional Conference in 2017. If you are not aware the region will be extending the stipend program to assist the chapters financially. We will be sending out additional information on the stipend program in future newsletters as we approach the 2017 Regional Conference.

It was great to see the number of regions, chapters and individuals that received awards. I do not know of any better way of saying thinks then to provide an award. With that our Region Chair Ivette Bruns has begun to work hard to insure that we utilize all of the awards that are available in the Region this year.

In closing I feel that our institute is working hard for all of the regions and chapters to make the Construction Specifications Institute a success and know that they are as concerned as we are with the loss of membership and are work on ideas to help and provide us ideas on how to achieve our goals. I encourage you to read Thad Goodman's article in this month's newsletter regarding some of the exciting things that have happened. Also I know that this year we will be seeing more changes and challenges by the Institute.

As always you can contact me via e-mail, hondorph@progressiveae.com or by phone 616-293-1755 I if you have question and or ideas you would like to share.

Thank you,
Henry W. (Hank) Hondorp

Great Lakes Region Award submittal

Great Lakes Region Awards often go un-awarded which means there are people in our CSI Region making a difference in our industry and not getting recognized for it. Awards go beyond service awards. The GLR offers several awards that acknowledge accomplishments in education, mentoring, bringing multiple organizations together, technical writing, communication and much more. The GLR Awards Guide is on the GLR Website. Please have your Chapter Board read it and see if you can come up with some people to submit for awards. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Would love to help you recognize someone from your Chapter. Ivette Bruns, ibruns@csoinc.net

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2017
GREAT LAKES REGION

Region
Conference
May 18-20, 2017
Akron, OH

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE- THAD'S THOUGHTS

Website in Transition

The most exciting thing to come out of CONSTRUCT was the announcement of the website redesign.

If you haven't seen it, go to <http://www.csiresources.org> and check it out.

It's easily accessible on your mobile devices!

Take the time to register and update your profile information. Poke around and see what's there.

Reach out and connect with other members. Cathy Stegmaier, the staff face of the site has asked the question- *What's YOUR CSI story?* See the stories of some of our members from around the country. I have learned many new things about some very old friends through this question.

This is just one of the things found in the COMMUNITIES area of the new site that make it more interactive and exciting to be involved in.

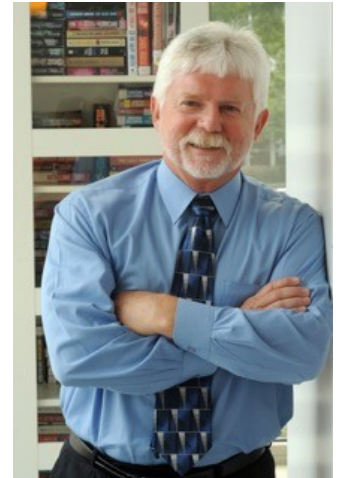
Other areas of interest in this section are a link to the new By-Laws and Ends Statements that govern CSI's direction at the CEO and the Board level. Don't know what is meant by Ends Statement?

Check it out at: <http://www.csiresources.org/institute/governance/bylaws#resources>

In the EDUCATION section, find out about the latest for the upcoming Master Specifiers Retreat in Tucson, AZ next January.

If you have questions about who is on the Board, it's here also: <http://www.csiresources.org/institute/governance/board> If you have a need and are not sure who at the staff level you can

talk to, this new site provides an overview of the players at: <http://www.csiresources.org/institute/staff> The site is still in BETA mode right now, so often you will be linked to the old site. For example, if you click in the Communities section; Chapters and Regions- it will take you straight to the old website. This will eventually be merged to the new site, but the meantime we have access to the standard information as well as a fresh new way to look at CSI.



Thad Goodman, Institute Director

AROUND THE REGION

Cincinnati Hosting Specification Writing Classes

Cincinnati Chapter in conjunction with AIA Cincinnati and the AIA Academy are hosting classes named *CSI: Specification Writing Course*. Classes are being held October 6, 13, 20, and 27 from 7:30 am to 11:30 am. Attendees can earn up to 12 HSW LU's. Register at www.aiacincinnati.org/program/academy-csi-specification-writing-course/. Advanced classes will be hosted this winter and spring.

Cincinnati Chapter Hosting EDUCON

EDUCON, a building showcase focusing on the building envelope will be November 9 hosted by the Cincinnati Chapter. The show will be at The Original Montgomery Inn, 9440 Montgomery Road in Cincinnati. For information: csicincinnati-productsshowcase@fuse.net. A similar EDUCON Show focusing on interior products will be held next spring.

Day At The Races Announced

Louisville Chapter is inviting all the Region to Day At the Races on November 4 at Churchill Downs. This year the races correspond to the Breeders Cup Race in Santa Monica, CA. The fee covers a buffet lunch in the Millionaires Row, Race Form, Free Parking, and Free Tours of the facility. The fee this year is \$50 per person. Registration can be made at the Louisville Chapter Website: csilouisville.org.

Masonry Learn to Earn Event in Indianapolis

Indianapolis Chapter is hosting Masonry Learn to Earn Event October 20 at the Willows Conference Center, 6729 Westfield Blvd, Indianapolis, IN with IKSMC-MMC and AIA. Attendees can earn over 6 HSW LU's from a full day's activities. Breakfast, morning sessions, lunch, and afternoon sessions are all free to attendees. Registration starts at 8:30 am. and finishes after 4:30 pm. Door prize after 4:30 pm. Register at territruitt@midwestmasonrycouncil.com. There will be the normal chapter meeting at 6:30 pm with masonry as the topic.

Region Outstanding Chapters Awarded at CONSTRUCT

During the Award Ceremony at CONSTRUCT in Austin Texas, four Great Lakes Region Chapters were awarded Outstanding Chapters: Akron Canton, Cincinnati, Columbus, and Grand Rapids. Outstanding Chapters are judged from a list of prerequisites, including programs, newsletter, financials, and what makes them special. Aim to make your Chapter an Outstanding Chapter next year. See www.csinet.org/awards.

Certification Quiz

1. Facility managers should perform a postoccupancy evaluation how long into occupancy?
 - a. Three months
 - b. Three to six months
 - c. Six to nine months
 - d. Just before the one-year correction period completion
2. When interpreting contract documents, the A/E should:
 - a. Show no partiality to Owner or Contractor
 - b. Protect the client's best interests
 - c. Protect the A/E from liabilities
 - d. Achieve the original design intent of the A/E
3. What information is found within Division 13 in Master-Format?
 - a. Mechanical Systems
 - b. Furnishings
 - c. Equipment
 - d. Special construction

Answers with source info can be found at bottom of page 1.

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