

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS



Henry Hondorp, Great Lakes Region President

I spent a lot of time considering what I wanted to share with all of the members, of the Region as I am drawing close to the end of my term as president. The top two goals that I had set, when elected were membership & communication. I think one other that is part of communication was to generate an excitement for all members, in that they were part of the greatest organization I know and one that was part of my daily work. As president I was not only the cheerleader for the Region Officers and Board but also to be the cheerleader and supporter of all of the Chapter Presidents, Officer's, Board members and also to the entire membership of the Great Lakes Region of CSI. Because of this the upcoming Regional Conference, in Akron-Canton I wanted to share with you the e-mail that was sent to all of the chapter presidents, addressing the upcoming conference and to encourage them to be the cheerleaders for their members and to create an excitement for members to become involved with officer and director positions available not only for the Region but also for their specific Chapter. We need to step up to the plate to serve. Yes, I know it takes time and dedication but I can tell you that it is very rewarding. The following is what was sent to each Chapter President.

"A few weeks ago, I sent out an invitation and reminder to all CSI Great Lakes Region Members, reminding them of the upcoming Regional Conference in Akron-Canton, including the dates, times and monetary stipends that are available. I am sending this request as a reminder to you as the leader of your chapters to promote the upcoming conference. It has been a little disappointing with the attendance the last few years. I am looking to each of you to be the "Cheer Leader" and assist me in the promotion and attendance of the Regional Conference.

Last year the Region felt that that we needed to take an active part to assist in the financial assistance to the chapters and initiated the monetary stipends to help the chapters get as many members, including officer, directors, upcoming officers and committee chairs to attend the conference. With the, stipends available, this allows each chapter to add to the budgeted amount you have set aside for attendance to both the Region and Construct, thus allowing each chapter to send more members to the conference.

Also, want to remind you as the leader/cheer leader, of your chapter to take advantage of the stipends. It is my goal this year to have all of the presidents of each chapter be in attendance and to ask that all of the upcoming new officers and as many committee chairs and chapter members be in attendance at this conference. This Regional Convention is not just a time to network but a time for training, for current and new officers and new directors and committee chairs. It is important that you take advantage of the training so you start a new year on the right foot knowing that you have established a, well trained, board before you step down and become the past president. Yes, your job is not done as you now become responsible to seek out new members to offer to either serve on a committee or offer to become a director/officer.

I am concerned about and need your assistance to rally the troops to volunteer for a position for the Region. Currently we need to replace and elect a secretary, president elect and we may have one vice president stepping down. My concern is great, in speaking with our past president, Phil Babinec, we do not have any volunteers that have stepped forward to answer the call to remain involved in the Great Lakes Region. I know that Phil has shaken the bushes, without success. I am asking you to also shake the bushes for the Region and seek out volunteers to fill these positions. I am asking that you reach out and help me fill these positions. Please help me out and send in potential nominees to Phil at pbabinec@gbbn.com, by May 1st. I know that this is a lot to ask because it is all volunteer time, but I have grown by volunteering and being involved with not only the chapter, region including the Institute. I have gained valuable experience and knowledge.

The last item is this is the time for you to recognize those on your board and members who have participated and given up of their time to assist the chapter in either a board position or have assisted as a chair of a committee or just those that have been to every meeting and/or program. There is no better way to make your chapter grow than to recognize those who are valuable to your chapter. I also hope that each chapter has taken advantage of the awards the Region provides as well.

Please read and take this to heart and share this with your board and hopefully we will have the best Regional Conference we have ever had. This is the last one that will be hosted by a specific Chapter as next year it will be hosted by a quadrant including all of the chapters in that quadrant being involved.

Thank you for your time and the dedicated involvement you have put in making your Chapter and the Great Lakes Region a success. Let's make this year a success and see all of you at the Regional Conference."

As you can see I am dedicated to CSI and hope that I can serve in other areas in the years to come not only in my chapter, region and or for the Institute. When my term is over I become the Past President and my duties will be to concentrate on nominations for the vacancies on the Region Board for 2018/2019. As I noted before, yes this is volunteer work, but for me it has been the most rewarding year and will be knocking on your door next year to spread your wings and be prepared to consider volunteering when called to be a cheerleader with me for CSI.

Contact our past president to get involved and to attend the Great Lakes Region Conference. See you in Akron-Canton May 18th thru the 20th.

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE– THAD'S THOUGHTS

We near the end of our fiscal year in the Great Lakes Region. Hank Hondorp and the Board of Directors started the year with some specific goals.

Improved communication

The *newsletter* you are reading now is an example of fulfilling that goal. Every month you get the chance to hear about things going on in the Region in the Around the Region Section. We have noted new Fellows, keystone events, promoted local and region elections. We have advertised webinars, provided certification sample questions. We itemize the chapter leaders and their contact information in every single issue, giving you quick access to those in your chapter in case you want to learn more about what's happening locally. There is monthly commentary about things going on at the Institute by the Region Director, and to kick off the publication words of the Region President. This month many will gather together in Akron to learn about leadership, share best practices, and celebrate success with awards. We held a *live webcast* that was broadcast across the nation, and included locations outside the continental United States. The Indianapolis Chapter hosted Mark Dorsey, CSI CEO at a monthly meeting to share his vision for CSI.

Membership

The thought process is not to have *new members just for numbers sake*, but to show the value of CSI to our Industry in hopes that our members will grow in their career; that others who we touch through our meetings and keystone events throughout the year will think of CSI as a place to share and learn. The idea is to foster an attitude that creates positive action in our events. So look around the room at your meetings and see if you notice a difference. I personally have seen bright spots. The Blue Grass Chapter started the year with one officer, and few meeting plans. It's been quite a turnaround for this Chapter. BlueGrass has strongly supported a local charity, held an successful Education Day and has held a Tailgate event at Keenland to showcase CSI locally. As a result, they have added some members each of the last four months. Life Rewards Action.

Region Library

This would be a place on our Region website that would house the top three presentations held in the previous year by each chapter. This pool of presentation information about speakers and their programs we felt would create the opportunity for other chapters share the same information and knowledge across the region. It's not been implemented yet due to the upcoming changes in the Institute's microsites for Chapters and Regions, but know that it is still in the works.

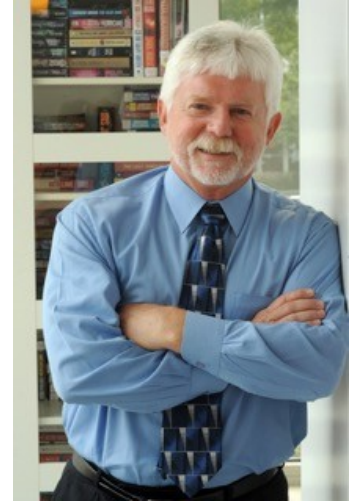
Reformatting the Region Conference

This year we adjusted our schedule to allow for a way to enjoy the Region Conference by event type. You can attend the full conference for one price or pick a day that suits you at a reduced cost. Want Education and new products? Thursday. Leadership Sessions for incoming officers and committee members? Friday. Region Meetings? Saturday. Every day will give you a chance to meet other members of the Region outside your chapter and learn about the best practices that are going.

We made the current Region Conference more family friendly. The Akron Canton Chapter has offered discounted tickets for family events, and time is set aside to enjoy the local area if you are joining the conference with your significant other or the younger members of your family.

Next Steps The next year's activities and goals are being decided. Please reach out and voice your opinion on what you want. This newsletter provides a list of your Region officers as well as your local chapter leader. They would like to hear from you. I would love to share your thoughts.

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Thad Goodman, Institute Director

AROUND THE REGION

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS AT DESIGNCOLUMBUS 2017

The Columbus Chapter has announced a Call for Presentations for their upcoming Trade Show called DesignColumbus 2017 to be held October 10, 2017. The show will be held this year at The Ohio Union located at 1739 High Street, Columbus, OH. Contact Jim McDonald jimmcdonald067@gmail.com for more information.

REGION CONFERENCE AT AKRON-CANTON CHAPTER

The next GLR Conference is hosted by the Akron-Canton Chapter, May 18-20, 2017. If you are an incoming leader, this Conference is strongly encouraged for you..The Region is offering Stipends to incoming Regional and Chapter leaders. There are Stipends for non-leaders who also want to attend. Registration is now open. <http://greatlakes.csinet.org/GLRC>

Certification Quiz

1. It is important for the long-term success of the facility's operations and maintenance that project closeout activities include all the following EXCEPT:
 - a. Start-up and load testing
 - b. Receipt of final punch list
 - c. Demonstration for new operators
 - d. Operational training if necessary
2. The A/E Is required to determine the project delivery method
 - a. True
 - b. False
3. All of the following are defined as Contract modification EXCEPT
 - a. Change Order
 - b. Construction Change Directive
 - c. Architect's Supplemental Instruction/Field Order
 - d. Addendum
4. True or False: AIA Design Phases included schematic design, design development, & construction documents
 - a. True
 - b. False

Answers with source info can be found at bottom of page 4.

GLR CONFERENCE REQUEST

Dear CSI Great Lakes Region Members

Our Great Lakes Region President, Hank Hondorph has sent a recent letter encouraging all members to take advantage of the many stipends or set aside funds available to Chapters and to all members to attend the upcoming GLR Conference in Akron, OH, May 18 – 20, 2017. Please see the attached letter.

Many Chapters provide stipends for their officers to attend the GLR Conference. The Region provides stipends for those who do not receive a stipend from their Chapter if they want to go. The Akron Canton Chapter has worked tirelessly to create an adventure packed Conference that will benefit every member attending.

I am sending an invitation to our Region's "At Large" members to come to the conference. Since you have no Chapter affiliation, you do not have many opportunities to interact with your fellow CSI Members. The GLR Conference is a great opportunity to have that interaction at the fraction of the cost of going to CONSTRUCT. The schedule contains continuing education offerings, trade show, an opportunity to tour the Pro Football Hall of Fame, many opportunities for interaction, and a great time.

Some of you might have asked the question: Why is there a region? I believe the region's role to help provide training for those members that are assuming leadership positions in their chapters. It also is a clearing house of comparing what each chapter is doing to help the membership experience of all members. Your participation helps strengthen the Region's role.

I wanted to emphasize that you will benefit from attending:

- Incoming Chapter Leader – Receiving training for your position.
- Incoming Region Leader – Receiving training for your position.
- Product Representative – Opportunity to display your products at the Trade Show and Networking.
- Architect – Receive over 10 hours Continuing Education for attending the Education Sessions and networking.
- Student – Absorb all of the knowledge and networking opportunities that a gathering of this size will contain.
- Spouse – Many activities and tours will be available during the Conference's many activities.
- Everyone – Networking opportunities, Hospitality Suite, tours, and many things to do to make your time valuable.

I encourage everyone to come to Akron for the GLR Conference, May 18-20, 2017.

Thanks!

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Jack Morgan, GLR Board Member

If you have questions about registering, call our GLR Conference Hotline, 317-979-1700 & a trained monkey will answer!

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GREAT LAKES REGION

**Region
Conference
May 18-20, 2017
Akron, OH**

GREAT LAKES REGION CHAPTER CONTACTS & MEETING TIMES

Chapter	President	Email	Meeting Date	Meeting Location	Meeting Time
Akron-Canton	Sean Barbina	sean@dsarchitects.net	Third Thursday	Various Locations	5 p.m.
Blue Grass	Scott Noel	snoel@n3dgroup.com	Fourth Thursday	Common Ground Coffee	12 p.m.
Cincinnati	David Edwards	dedwards@erlangerhardware.com	Second Wednesday	Old Montgomery Inn	Various Times
Cleveland	John Workley	john.workley@vocon.com	Third Wednesday	Various Locations	Various Times
Columbus	John Walker	johnwalker@centria.com	Second Monday	Boathouse Restaurant	11:30 a.m.
Dayton-Miami	Randall Fox	rfox@agcofdayton.com	Third Tuesday	Various Locations	Various Times
Evansville	Mike Vannatter	mikevannatter@sigecom.net	Second Thursday	Various Locations	Various Times
Grand Rapids	Gregg Jones	gregg.jones@c2ae.com	Second Thursday	84th Street Pub & Grille	6 p.m.
Indianapolis	Ralph Pitman	rpitman@sebreearchitects.com	Third Thursday	Willows on Westfield	5:30 p.m.
Louisville	Brent Guilani	brent@bainesinc.com	Second Thursday	Various Locations	Various Times
Lansing	Charles Popovich Jr.	cpopovich@bergmannpc.com	First Tuesday	Mayotte Architects	Various Times
Metro Detroit	Joseph Hoffman	jhoffman@portaking.com	Second Tuesday	Various Locations	5 p.m.
Toledo	Martha Stack-Dreier	Martha@sfvservices.com	Third Wednesday	Scrambler Marie's	7 a.m.

GREAT LAKES REGION AWARDS AND INSTITUTE AWARDS

It is time to start working on your GLR Award Submittals and Institute Award Submittals! There are definitely people in your Chapter and achievements that should be recognized. Deadlines are as follows:

-Outstanding Chapter Commendation (OCC) Submittal: **July 14, 2017 at 2 pm**

Please refer to the GLR website for submittal forms and the Region Award Guide.
<http://csigreatlakes.csinet.org/Main-Menu-Category/Committees/Chapter-Awards>

Refer to the CSI Institute website for award submittal information and Honors and Awards Guide.
<http://www.csinet.org/main/community/CSI-Biz/honors-awards>

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Thanks,

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 GLR Awards Chair
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