

# Some Assembly Required: The CSI Newsletter

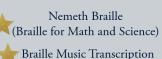
### January - February 2024



UEB & EBAE Literary Braille UEB for Technical Material

Braille Music Transcription

UEB & NBA Braille Textbook Formats



Associate

Nemeth Proofreading

Braille Proofreading - B



#### New Desks!

Above and Left: Pictures of desks with adjustable height desks as returns. Above is an office in Doniphan Public Schools the wood desk was built in Shop 61 (Wood Shop at TSCI), and the Left is at an office at Wood River Public Schools - the wood desk was built in Shop 29 (Wood Shop at OCC). Adjustable Height Tables were built in Shop 39 (Wood Shop at RTC).

### **Braille Shop Certifications**

Left: Have you ever wondered what certifications our Braille Shop workers have to obtain? This is just a sample of the certifications our workers have obtained over the years! A lot of attention to detail and skills to keep up with the transcribing process. Stay tuned for more features about the Prose and Cons Braille shop!



## 3 Questions With a CSI Employee - Crystal Prochnow -Assistant Administrator

- 1. Can you describe your position at CSI? I was hired as the Assistant Administrator for Cornhusker State Industries in January 2023. I oversee multiple areas/programs at CSI, to include HR/Safety/ACA Manager, Canteen, Shop Operations, Quality Assurance, Warehouse Operations, Manufacturing Manager, and Workforce Development. I was hired to assist with the overall operations at CSI, by partnering with CSI Administrator, Jeremy Elder.
- 2. Being at CSI for a little over a year, what surprised you/what have you learned about working at CSI? Since I began working for CSI, I have learned the employees at CSI are extremely dedicated to the mission, vision, and values of CSI Building Opportunities for incarcerated individuals. I am thankful to be part of a team that values the work we do.
- 3. What are you looking forward to in 2024 at CSI? There are a number of projects on the horizon, to include: the construction of tiny homes for Bridges to Hope, construction of new uniforms for NCCW, continued growth of the welding certification program at NSP, the CSI Open House in May, completion of the process improvement project streamlining the back half of the sales process, hiring and successfully on-boarding all vacant positions, improving working relationships within the CSI Team, and continuing to role model expected behaviors for incarcerated individuals. A personal goal for me for 2024 is to learn and better understand E1.



Ideas for future newsletters? Please contact Deidre Boyle via email or by phone! This newsletter wouldn't be possible without the whole staff contributing. Any ideas or information is appreciated. Thank you!



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## Welcome to the Team! Randy Gulick - OCC Sewing Shop Supervisor John Peyton - CSI Driver Zachary Cole - Utility Shop Supervisor Randy Archuleta - IC Tech Gregory Hays - IC Warehouse Manager

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Guess the answers below! Email Deidre your answers, closes person wins.

*In Fiscal year 2023 how many total license plates did we sell? and What was the grand total?* 



#### Conferences

Above: Picture of the CSI booth at the LMN Utilities conference. At this conference, we advertised the sign shop and print shop's new sign technology. CSI Representatives that went to the conference were Charlie Hamersky (Print Shop Supervisor), Jessie Ball (Operations Manager) , and Deidre Boyle (Marketing Specialist).



CSI Teammate Speaks at Nebraska Wesleyan University Above: On February 16th, Deidre

Boyle, Marketing Specialist, spoke to a Persuasive Communications class at her alma mater, Nebraska Wesleyan University. She spoke about CSI, our mission, and her position.