November Meeting

Date: Thursday, November 30th, 2017
Host: Nebraska Section Management Technical Group

Spouses and Guests Welcome

Location:
Stokes-West
13615 California Street
Omaha, NE 68154

Program: “Managing and Business Ethics”

Presenters: Mike McMeekin, Lamp, Rynearson and Associates

Times:
5:30 pm - 7:00 pm Tour
7:15 pm - 7:30 pm Registration
7:30 pm - 8:30 pm Dinner and Meeting

Menu/Price:
Two Tacos with Rice or Beans
Enchilada with Rice or Beans
Burrito with Rice or Beans
Cheeseburger with French Fries

ASCE Members $15.00 with meal, $10.00 without meal, Guests $20.00
Payable to NEASCE at the door (cash, check, or credit card).

Life Members and Students are FREE....but you must register.

Registration/Deadline: Register HERE

Sign up by 11:30 pm Wednesday, November 29, 2017.
From the President

Fellow Members of the Nebraska Section of ASCE:

I hope you all had a great time celebrating Halloween. I’m sure you came home with buckets full of candy thanks to your “professional engineer” costumes consisting of short-sleeve button-up shirts, pocket protectors, and face makeup of dark circles around the eyes. I hear extra snickers bars were given to anyone who lugged around a set of construction drawings or were dedicated enough to carry around their laptop and answer emails between houses.

Last month our Construction Technical Committee took us on a tour of the new Facebook data center being constructed in Papillion to learn where they store all those GIFs that we post online. While there, I searched diligently for the large room of servers containing all of the embarrassing pictures of me in junior high that my mom likes to post, but no luck.

This month our Section meeting is hosted by our Management Technical Committee. The meeting will be held Thursday, November 30 at Stokes – West (136th & California) in Omaha. The presenter will be Mike McMeekin, Chairman of the Board of Lamp, Rynearson and Associates who will speak on management and professional ethics. Registration will be open soon on our website, www.neasce.org.

Don’t forget that the ASCE Multi-Region Leadership Conference is coming to Omaha January 26 and 27. Since our Section is hosting this event you, as a member of the Nebraska Section, are entitled to sign up and attend. Registration for the event will be available soon on ASCE’s website: http://www.asce.org/event/2018/regions-3,-6-and-7-multi-region-leadership-conference/.

Additional events will be sponsored by the Nebraska Section Younger Member Group during the conference. Please visit the following website for more information: http://www.neasce.org/ymg/mrlc2018.html#Events_&_Registration. Please note that you must sign up for the conference to attend the additional events. Please plan to attend the conference and help show the rest of the attendees what a great place Nebraska is to work and play!

As always, feel free to reach out to me at mhubel@schemmer.com or at 402-431-6370 with questions, comments, or if you would like to get more involved in the Section. Ideas for new Nebraska Football coaches and thoughts on the new Star Wars movie are welcomed as well.

Sincerely,

Matt Hubel, President, ASCE Nebraska Section
October Meeting Summary

Thursday evening, October 12th the Nebraska Section’s Construction Technical Group hosted a site tour at the new Facebook facility and dinner meeting at El’ Bees. The list below can be considered official documentation of attendance at the October 12th, 2017 meeting and presentation worth one (1) PDH credit.

Bill Arneson  Bob Klusaw  Bradley Huyck  Bret Budd  Charlie Riggs
Chris Kellner  Dan Pudenz  David Rohan  Derek Gardels  Derek Harris
Ed Thiele  Gary Norton  Jack Duncan  Jeffrey McClanathan  Jeremy Steenhoek
Jerry Westhoff  John Hill  Joshua Sweley  Laurie Carrette Zook  Mark Egger
Matt Wieseler  Matthew Gibbs  Mitchell Kowalewski  Nelson Jacobs  Patricia Rohan
Rob Farris  Ryan Sisk  Tyler Klusaw  Joe Dofhels  Andrew Kosier
John Flaxbeard  Jacob Vela  Maggie Lanigan  Eric Galley

NE ASCE Younger Member and UNL ASCE Tailgate

Thanks to everyone who has attended this year’s NEASCE YMG tailgate. There was plenty of good food, drinks, and fun games to go around. Be sure to like us on Facebook “ASCE Nebraska Younger Members” or check future newsletters for other YMG events.
On September 17-18, 2017, I attended the ASCE Presidents and Governors Forum (PGF) in Reston, Virginia. The PGF brought together ASCE section and branch leaders from nearly every state in the United States and several different countries. The first day of the PGF featured presentations on leadership and preparing incoming section and branch presidents and presidents-elect for their presidency. Other presentations focused on the many resources that ASCE can provide its members including legal resources and geographic services resources. ASCE President Norma Jean Mattei, Ph.D, P.E., F.SEI, F.ASCE; President-Elect Kristina Swallow, P.E., ENV SP, F.ASCE; and Executing Director Tom Smith, ENV SP, CAE, F.ASCE all made remarks to the PGF attendees. It was great for the attendees to be able to meet and hear from current ASCE Society leadership.

Other sessions focused on best practices for sections and branches, including social media use and utilizing Life Members. At the end of the first day of the PGF, an update on the Dream Big movie was provided. Dream Big DVDs will be available for distribution to sections and branches in Fall 2018. ASCE will share costs of purchasing the DVDs with sections and branches. This will give the Nebraska Section a great opportunity to distribute the Dream Big movie to schools in our state.

The second day of the PGF featured breakout sessions focusing on best practices for sections and branches. I attended sessions on developing a state infrastructure report card and on maintaining vibrancy in your section/branch. One of the most valuable parts of the PGF was networking and roundtable discussions with leaders from other sections. We had the opportunity to share ideas and discuss both similar and unique challenges and successes that each of our sections have. With this being my first time to ASCE Headquarters, I finished the day by taking a tour of the headquarters building.

The PGF was an important step in beginning to prepare for the role of Nebraska Section President. I took away some good advice and ideas on topics such as social media use and the state infrastructure report cards that I will bring to the Nebraska Section.
Upcoming Events and Seminars

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ASCE Continuing Education

ASCE currently holds more than 300 live webinars annually and has available more than 400 on-demand webinars covering a wide variety of technical and management topics. To access these webinars, see the following links below:

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