

November 2020 ASCE Midlands Branch Newsletter



When

Wednesday, November 18th, 2020
Presentation: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

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Register Here!* - WebEx

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Virtual Presentation

Speaker:

Jennifer Gissendanner, P.E.

Thomas & Hutton

Natural Gas and America's Energy Future

Speaker Bio

Jennifer Gissendanner, P.E.

Jennifer Gissendanner, PE is the Natural Gas Services Leader at Thomas & Hutton, where she is based in their Columbia office. Jennifer earned her Bachelor of Science in Biosystems Engineering from Clemson University and her Master of Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University. She has over 19 years of experience in managing, designing, and consulting on high-profile, multi-million dollar gas and energy projects including new gas pipeline installations, pipeline replacements, overpressure protection projects, meter/regulator station designs, and compressor station designs. Jennifer also has previous experience in land development and water resources engineering.

Abstract

In today's polarized political environment, you've probably heard that natural gas is an important part of America's energy future. You have also probably heard that natural gas cannot play a major long-term role in a carbon-constrained future. So, who is right? Well, it depends on who you ask. In this presentation, I'll discuss the basics of natural gas transmission, how natural gas and renewables can work together, and what gas utilities are doing to meet the energy, political, and social demands of the future.



President's Pen

Hi there Midlands Branch! I hope everyone is having a fabulous fall so far and enjoying some football!

Moving forward, we will still be hosting virtual meetings until further notice in place of our regularly scheduled lunch and learns. For the November meeting, please join us on the 18th as Jennifer Gissendanner with Thomas and Hutton will be giving us a presentation on Natural Gas and America's Energy Future!

I hope everyone is enjoying the website found here: [New ASCE Midlands Branch Website](#). Please keep checking this moving forward to stay up to date on all things ASCE Midlands Branch and to check any upcoming events we have!

I hope you all can join us on November 18th! We look forward to "seeing" you there!

Lauren

ASCE Younger Member Fall Events

~Socially Distanced~ Annual Cornhole Tournament

Mark your calendars! The next ASCE Midlands Branch younger member cornhole tournament will be

Thursday, November 19th at [Steel Hands Brewery](#) from 6-8pm.

[Register for Cornhole Here!](#)

[Directions \(Google Maps\)](#)

The event will be **free to attend/watch/drink/eat**. Feel free to invite your spouse/significant other! Everyone will get one drink ticket and one food ticket to exchange from a selective menu at the bar. Steel Hands also has LIVE MUSIC on Thursdays!

For the cornhole tournament, the registration cost is **\$20 per team of two, and \$10 as a free-agent** who is willing to pair up with another free-agent. Half of the money raised by the registration fees will be donated to the United Way of the Midlands, with the other half becoming prize money to split between the top two teams!

We ask that you wear a mask and practice responsible social distancing at the event. No specific dress code is expected, but it is supposed to be in the 40-degree range in the evening this week so dress for the weather!

Come join us and socialize with your fellow young members of the Midlands, we hope to see you there!



- Bobby Ley
Midlands Branch Younger Member Chair

NEW ASCE Midlands Branch Website!



The ASCE South Carolina Midlands Branch has a new website! Please follow the link to the right to view events, contacts, awards, a newsletter archive, and other resources. A big thank you to **Meghan Franco**, our social media chair, for setting the site up and keeping it up to date!

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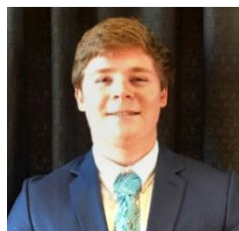
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