

# A LEVEL LINE

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Greetings!

The Nashville Branch and myself would like to thank everyone that attended our April Branch Meeting to help honor our new Life Members, award winners, and scholarship recipients. Congratulations to Ruth Steele (DLU), Carolyn Rubecky (VU) and John Brackins (TTU). They were each awarded a \$3,000 scholarship from the Branch. Also, congratulations to our new Life Members; Eric Marchegiani, Kurt Ludwig, Edward Wetzel, and William Bowlby. Thank you for your commitment and dedication to our civil engineering profession and your impact on the Middle Tennessee community.

This year, for the third straight year, we gave Branch awards honoring some of our members for their contributions. These winners will go on to compete for Section awards in September. Congratulations to Suzanne Herron (Distinguished Service Award), Clint Camp (Young Engineer Award), Dr. Matthew Yarnold (Outstanding Engineering Educator), Nathan Grosser (Student Member Award) and the Tennessee Department of Transportation's Fast Fix 8 (Project of the Year Award). This is a great group of winners that will represent our Branch well in September at the Tennessee Engineering Conference.

Our next Branch Lunch meeting will be Thursday, May 18, 2017 in the TEC at the Adventure Science Center. Our presentation will cover the renovation and expansion of the Cordell Hull Building adjacent to the State Capitol. Please plan on attending this meeting.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our annual Golf Tournament this Thursday, May 4, 2017. We will be playing the President's Reserve at the Hermitage Golf Course again this year. The Golf Tournament is one of our main funding sources for scholarships given out each year.

It's not too early to begin thinking about the combined meeting in September with ACEC, TNSEA, & TSPE. The event will take place at the Music City Center on September 28th and 29th. Details of the event and educational sessions are currently being finalized. This

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is a great opportunity to earn your required professional development hours in a concentrated and cost effective manner. It is also a great opportunity to interact with other engineers from across Tennessee. We hope that everyone will be able to make it.

Please check out the remainder of this newsletter for other upcoming events. Hopefully everyone has been working on their golf game so that we can have another successful tournament.

Sincerely,

Blake Turner, P.E., M.ASCE  
Nashville Branch President

## Meeting Minute

Our May Branch Luncheon will be on Thursday, May 18th. It will include a presentation on the renovation and expansion to the Cordell Hull Building adjacent to the State Capitol. One PDH will be provided. Registration begins at 11:15 AM, lunch is served starting at 11:30 and the meeting should adjourn by 1:00 PM. Register [HERE](#) by the end of the day on Friday, May 12th.

As a reminder, lunch meeting rates are as follows:  
Student Member: \$5  
Government Member: \$15  
Member: \$20  
Non-Member: \$25

Note: Those that do not RSVP by the cut-off date above are charged \$5 more than their respective rate.

## Upcoming Events

- Thursday, May 4th - Annual Golf Tournament: Hermitage Golf Course, 11:30am
- Thursday, May 18th - Monthly Branch Meeting: Tennessee Engineering Center, 11:30am - 1:00pm
- Wednesday, May 24th - Monthly Branch Board Meeting: TEC Board Room, 11:30am - 1:00pm

## New Members & Birthdays

**Welcome to these new members:**



Bashar Alakayshee, Brian Diggs, Chad Feenstra, Shihong Lin, David Lowery, Daniel Lund, Salah Salman, & Justin Sliger

**Happy May Birthday to these members:**

Peyton Abernathy, David Adams, Mark Adams, Ricardo

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**Thanks to all of our sustaining members!**

**To renew your membership for 2017, please contact [Mike Kusch](#).**

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Matthew Zlokovich



## Golf Tournament

The Nashville Branch 25th Annual  
Scholarship Fund Golf Scramble is  
this Thursday, May 4th at the  
Hermitage Golf Course.

Registration and lunch begin at  
11:30 am and the shotgun start is at  
1 pm. Proceeds raised from our Golf

Scramble help to fund our annual scholarships given  
each April to civil engineering students. Thank you to all  
that have signed up to play, sponsor and volunteer.  
Look for a recap of our winners and a list of our  
sponsors in the June Level Line.



## School of Rock

Join us on Friday, June 16th for the annual School of  
Rock Seminar Event benefitting the ASCE Nashville  
Branch Scholarship Fund!

The highly anticipated event is presented by the  
Tennessee Concrete Pipe Association, and they will  
present 6 PDH seminars related to design, installation,  
and field inspection of Pipe, Box Culverts, Arch Bridges,  
etc, including Water Quality Devices and how they  
function to meet local standards. The event includes  
prizes and the popular team Jeopardy competition!

Also, a special guest presentation on Stormwater Fee & Projects is tentatively scheduled to be presented by Tom Palko!

School of Rock is scheduled for Friday, June 16 from 8:00 am - 3:30 pm at the Adventure Science Center (800 Fort Negley Blvd)! The cost is \$90 per Attendee (which includes breakfast, lunch, and 6 PDHs), and ALL proceeds will benefit the Scholarship Fund for ASCE. The event is open to all engineers, designers, field inspectors, etc, including members and non-members of ASCE.

The flyer is [HERE](#) for more information or to register. Please RSVP by June 10th. If you would like to attend or need more information, simply email [Mike Kusch](#) or [Lukas Salyer](#).

## Younger Member Group

### Sounds Game



The Nashville Sounds will be taking on the Iowa Cubs on Thursday June 15th at 7:05 PM. ASCE YMG is pleased to announce that 12 tickets in Section 108 are now available for purchase! So come on out and join us at the stadium for Throwback Thursday and National

Flag Day (First 2,000 Fans receive a 615 flag)! Tickets are \$10 for members and \$15 for non-members and will guarantee you a seat near the dugout and our younger members group.

Tickets are available on a first come, first serve basis, but are limited to 2 tickets per person. Please contact the YMG Social Chair, [Jonathan Vest](#) to reserve tickets.

### Marathon Volunteering

On April 29th, 2017, ASCE YMG Nashville volunteered at the St. Jude Rock 'n' Roll Marathon & ½ Marathon in Nashville. Our job was to pass out water to the athletes from our assigned water station off Belmont Boulevard. Once we got to our water station bright and early at 5:00am, we positioned our water cups, filled them with water, and completed other tasks in preparation of the runners' arrival. It was a hectic morning as runner after runner came through our station, graciously accepting our water and encouragement. Overall, we had 8 ASCE Younger Members participate in this amazing event supporting St. Jude Children's Hospital.

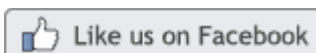


### **Kickball**

With only two games left in the season, the ASCE YMG kickball team has yet to win a game. However, among those losses are moments of comradery and unity amongst engineers that have never worked together as a group. It has become a great way to get to know one another and it has allowed us to build relationships with fellow engineers that would have otherwise been difficult to do. Hopefully, we can sponsor another team this Fall and would be glad to welcome more onto the squad!

### **SAVE THE DATE**

The ASCE Younger Members are co-hosting the 2nd Annual EP Summer Social with other emerging professional groups on Thursday, June 1st at Little Harpeth Brewing! This event will be a great networking opportunity with several other local organizations as well as having a cornhole tournament and prizes. A portion of proceeds generated will be going towards the local nonprofit Rebuilding Together Nashville. More details will be released through the Younger Member Group in the coming weeks! If you are not currently a member of the YMG or are interested in sponsoring this event, please reach out to us at [ym@nashvilleasce.org](mailto:ym@nashvilleasce.org).



## April Meeting Recap

The April Branch meeting is an annual dinner function for the Branch to celebrate its accomplishments and those of its members. This year, there were many things to celebrate, including Branch-wide awards for Diversity and Inclusion, Younger Members and more. We congratulated members for the following awards:



Project of the Year: TN Dept. of Transportation - Fast Fix 8  
(Ted Kniazewycz, GS&P)

Distinguished Service Award:  
Suzanne Herron



Young Engineer: Clint Camp

Engineering Educator:  
Dr. Matthew Yarnold





Student Member: Nathan Grosser

Additionally, the Branch provided a scholarship to three well-deserving students from our local universities:



John Brackins - Tennessee Tech University



Carolyn Rybecky - Vanderbilt University



Ruth Steele - Lipscomb University

Many thanks to our sustaining members, golf sponsors and other supporters who allow us to continue this tradition.

**Professional Privilege Tax**

This \$400 annual tax is due on June 1 for those professionals who hold an active license in Tennessee. By law, this tax is required to be paid online at <https://tntap.tn.gov/eservices>.

## Student Chapter Updates

### Lipscomb University

As the year comes to an end, the Lipscomb ASCE student chapter is



reviewing all of the progress we have made, as well as looking forward to a bigger and better future for this chapter. For our monthly meeting we had one of our professors Dr. Davidson come in and speak about his life long career in ASCE, and how being apart of a professional society can be a beneficial experience to anyone who is looking to build a greater networking base, as well as anyone who is looking to make a lot of progress throughout their career.

### Vanderbilt University



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As the academic semester comes to a close, Vanderbilt's chapter has already begun greasing the gears of next year's ASCE machine. Several plans are in the works that are sure to keep students and faculty on their toes. Rising sophomore Fernando Mendez has begun making the arrangements to host a screening of Dream Big on campus. Rising senior Megan Barrett has begun lining up field trips to job sites around town. Finally, Vanderbilt ASCE has started accepting submissions for the first ever School of Engineering Art Show. The event will display a body of work created exclusively by engineering students to highlight the diversity of talents engineering students possess.

## Job Postings

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- [Wastewater Engineering Project Manager](#)
- [Civil Engineering Project Manager](#)
- [Construction Engineering Technician](#)
- [Survey Technician / Crew Chief](#)
- [Civil Engineer](#)

### **Power Consulting Associates, LLC**



Power Consulting Associates, LLC (PCA), a Nashville based construction oversight, engineering, and consulting firm specializing in the power industry is seeking an Entry

Level Transmission & Distribution Engineer for the Nashville office. The ideal candidate would be a graduate of a Civil Engineering program from an ABET accredited college with 0-3 years of experience in the design of transmission and distribution lines. Candidate would be required to meet the needs of PCA's diverse client base of utilities, developers, and contractors. Design work will focusing on providing innovative, economic, and constructible designs complying with local and federal regulations while meeting client's standards and preferences.

- [Entry Level Transmission & Distribution Engineer](#)

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