

FEBRUARY MEETING

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Do you have ideas or suggestions to make the Southern Branch better? If so, please contact us!
- For job postings, business card ad information and any newsletter questions, please contact Dan Miller at dmiller@fandr.com or 704.596.2889.
- Please contact any of the ASCE Southern Branch Officers if you would like to donate to the scholarship funds.

Subject: The Benefits of a More Powerful Memory, 1 PDH for this meeting

Date: Tuesday, February 17, 2009

Time: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

Location: Red Rocks Café—Strawberry Hill (located behind the Fresh Market)
4223-B Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28111

Map link: <<http://maps.google.com/maps?f=q&hl=en&geocode=&q=4223-B+Providence+Road+charlotte,+nc&sl=37.0625,-95.677068&ssp=37.871902,67.5&ie=UTF8&ll=35.158302,-80.794659&spn=0.009561,0.016479&z=16&iwloc=r2>>

Presenter: Gary Castellano, Freedom Personal Development

Cost: \$20 members/\$25 non-members & guests, The menu is to be determined.

RSVP: Please RSVP by replying to this e-mail or at jjohnson@rbrady.net by close of business, Thursday, February 12.

Topic:

- ⇒ Gary Castellano is a Trainer with Freedom Personal Development. He has helped train thousands of business professionals, from all walks of life, on personal development skills that really make a difference. Corporations such as Harley-Davidson, State Farm Insurance, Wells Fargo, and The National Association of REALTORS® have all given rave reviews for the life-changing skills Gary will share with you. Gary will show us how to use our minds effectively to achieve a personal best—at work and in our lives.
- ⇒ Gary will spend approximately 45 minutes with us, sharing the benefits of a more powerful memory, which include:
 - Less stress
 - More productive relationships
 - A boost in confidence
 - Better time management
 - Increased referrals and repeat business
- ⇒ There will also be an interactive demonstration showing the impressive results of memory training.
- ⇒ This should be a very interesting and fun presentation. If you haven't come out to an ASCE meeting in the recent past, this is probably one you won't want to miss.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ E-week is planned for February 15 through February 21. See page 5 for additional info
- ⇒ March meeting to be determined
- ⇒ April meeting will be a joint meeting with UNCC
- ⇒ ASCE Golf Tournament, Late Spring as usual, DON'T FORGET!!
- ⇒ Southern Branch Social, March 12, First round of ACC tournament
- ⇒ Adopt-a-Stream will be April 25 from 8 to 10 am, bagels and coffee to be provided. Also, a \$50 gift card will be presented to the company with the most volunteers (the company will also get a month of **free advertising space here!**). Ties based on the number of people from multiple companies will be decided based on similar attire (favor will be given to those with the same attire).

Carolinas Conference

- ⇒ The 2009 ASCE Carolinas Conference will be hosted by the student chapter at UNC Charlotte. The conference is scheduled for Thursday, April 2, 2009 to Saturday, April 4, 2009. Participating schools include UNC Charlotte, NC State, Duke, Clemson, South Carolina, Citadel, Trident Technical College, NC A&T, and Georgia Tech.
- ⇒ All are invited to attend, but we will be looking for volunteers to fill a number of important roles. Judges for the Concrete Canoe and Steel Bridge competitions are needed immediately to begin discussions and training in preparation for these important events. Interested members should contact James Starnes (jrstarnes@mactec.com).
- ⇒ Look for more information in upcoming newsletters and Branch meetings!

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Check out these ASCE events!



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Your advertisements, classified ads, staff needs, business cards, you name it...should be in this newsletter!!

Please contact any of the ASCE members and they can put you in contact with Dan Miller, better yet, contact Dan directly at dmiller@fandr.com or 704.596.2889.

The deadline for submission is the last work day of the month for the subsequent month's newsletter and the rates are very reasonable. Plus you design your own ad (or you let your creative marketing staff do it for you) and I just insert it in the newsletter. Pay by the word not the amount of space that is used. You could have a full page ad for as little as \$50 per issue (less if you pay for a 6 or 12 month advertisement). Contact Dan for more information.



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Future City Update

Congratulations to Davidson IB Middle School for winning for the **SECOND year** in a row the North Carolina's Future City Competition in Raleigh. They are on the way to Washington DC during E-Week to compete for the National Title.

Thanks to their Mentor Dane Horna, PE with S&ME

The Southern Branch is Please to support the Team with a \$500 donation towards travel expenses and the North Carolina Section has also contributed \$1,000.

Good Luck to all those attending the competition from Davidson IB in DC.

E-week Update

E-week is coming up and Jason Philbin is still looking for volunteers to go to several elementary schools in Mecklenburg County. The commitment is minimal and consists of giving a 1-hour presentation to a class of 20-30 kids.

Jason even has suggestions for activities that you can do. He is shooting for the last two weeks of February – the schedule is somewhat flexible. I also understand that FOX News will be on site at several schools to tape our efforts. If you are interested in volunteering or know someone who is, either respond to me or e-mail Jason at jason@barriergeocon.com

Also, hot off the digital presses, straight from Jason last night:

“Here’s a little PR for our Eweek efforts. This was a portion of the coverage that I was involved in today with a 3rd grade class. It was broadcast live today on FOX News Rising. I think a rebroadcast of this will take place during Eweek.

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