

Southeast Michigan Branch

Dear ASCE SE Michigan Branch members:

The last couple of months have been anything by slow. As many of you know, many changes are taking place in our country and how we, as Civil Engineers, serve the industry. As our federal, state, and local governments continue to create opportunities with challenging budgets, remember this, don't wait until "things" happen, as Civil Engineers... take the leadership role, get out and make something positive happen!

Notices

February 14, 2011

The ASCE Southeastern Michigan Branch – Legislative Affairs Committee hosted their annual meeting on February 14, 2011. The meeting was hosted by member Jeremy Curtis, Wade-Trim. Our guests were Melissa Yutze, ACEC/ASCE/AIA Industry Rep. and Rep. Paul Opsommer, Chair of House Transportation Committee. The attendees received a briefing on current legislative actions and proposed budgets. Over 30 attended this event.

February 22, 2011

The Committee on Younger Members for the SE Michigan Branch hosted the 34th Annual Student Night. The event was held in The University of Detroit Mercy's Engineering Building and attracted over 40 undergraduate and graduate students from Wane State University, University of Detroit Mercy and Lawrence Technological University. Representatives from 9 local and national civil engineering firms were present to talk with student about future job opportunities and life after graduation. The evening culminated in a rousing Student Jeopardy competition which was won by the team from LTU. Also

announced was the winner of the 2011 ASCE CYM Student Scholarship, Ms. Devin Partrich. We would like to thank all of the Engineering Firms and their representatives who participated for their time and donations. The evening was hosted by member Roland Alix, P.E., Hubbell Roth and Clark, Inc.

March 2, 2011

The ASCE Southeastern Michigan Branch – History and Heritage Committee presented, The Detroit Symphony Orchestra Hall. The event was hosted by member Mr. Kamran Qadeer, P.E. of FTCH and Mr. Paul Ganson, DSO Historian. It was an enjoyable evening. We were surprised to find out that the Hall was built in less than five months! Over 20 attended this event.



March 9, 2011

The ASCE Southeastern Michigan Branch Project Management Committee presents the University of Michigan Player Development Center, to be hosted by Bob Sanders, Grant Mendeljian, and David Kelly, P.E. of The Turner Construction Company.

Student Projects Sought

The University of Detroit Mercy is seeking sponsors for its summer senior civil engineering capstone course. We are seeking a variety of projects to meet the wide range in student interests. The engineer(s) acting as the project sponsor would responsible giving an introduction to the project, and should be available every couple weeks for question and answer sessions.

If interested, contact Dr. Alan Hoback, PE, hobackas@udmercy.edu, 313-993-1578.

Board Meetings

Monthly Board meetings take place the first Wednesday of each month. As always, everyone is welcome to attend the Board's monthly meetings to discuss ideas and get involved in the Branch. Board meetings begin at 7:15 am at Nello's in Royal Oak. Nello's is located at the Southeast corner of Woodward Avenue and Lincoln Street. Meeting dates are posted on the Branch website, www.ascsesoutheast.org

E-Mail/ Website/ Newsletter Info

Please continue to update your e-mail address by forwarding updates/corrections to the Branch President-Elect. You must endeavor to always contact ASCE National Office for any changes to your information.

The Southeast Branch of the American Society of Civil Engineers publishes the Branch Newsletter monthly. Please contact David Potter with questions on placing information in the newsletter, changes in e-mail address and for any suggestions or comments.

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**ASCE Southeast Branch
Calendar**

March 2, 2011

SE Branch Monthly Meeting

March 9, 2011 Project Management

University of Michigan
Player Development Center

March 16, 2011 Lansing

Engineer's/ Architect's Day

March 29-31, 2011 Legislative Fly -in

Washington D.C.

April, 2011 *(Pending)*

Environmental Program
Fairlane Green

April 6, 2011

SE Branch Monthly Meeting

May 5, 2011

SE Branch Monthly Meeting

June 1, 2011

SE Branch Monthly Meeting

Summer 2011

Committee for Younger Members
Detroit Tigers Game

June 8-10, 2011

ASCE/MSPE/ACEC
Combined Annual Meeting
Amway Grand, Grand Rapids, MI

June 23, 2011 Committee for Younger

Members - Annual Golf Outing

September/October 2011

SE Branch Annual Meeting
Program Pending

October 20-22, 2011 National ASCE

Meeting on Sustainable Infrastructure
Memphis, Tennessee