

April 2021

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Dear Ashley,

I hope you and your family had a great and safe time spring break, but now will can look forward to April showers and May flowers. Additional things to look TN Section forward to celebrating are Easter and successful NCAA tournament brackets. I personally have given up on filling out brackets! I want to give a special thank you to Monica Sartin and Janey Camp for their presentation on "2021 Report Card for America's Infrastructure - What You NEED to Know".

Typically, every year in April, the Nashville Branch awards scholarships to local civil engineering students from the money collected from our events throughout the year. Our April Branch Meeting is always special because we announce our scholarship recipients, Nashville Branch Award winners, and honor this year's Life Members. Unfortunately, we have decided to change it up a little this year. This year we have decide to combine these events with our 100th Year Celebration. Also, I would like to remind you that the 100th Nashville Branch's Year Anniversary Celebration is coming up October 23, 2021. If you and or your company are interested in becoming a sponsor, please click HERE for more details.

Lastly, make sure you renew your ASCE membership and Sustaining membership for the 2021 year!

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To join or renew your membership online for 2021, please click <u>HERE</u>. If you have any Sustaining Membership questions, contact <u>Mike Kusch</u>.

Meeting Minute

Join us for a presentation from Dr. Charles Camp of the University of Memphis as he discusses TDOT funded research seeking to provide guidance in the decision-making

process regarding bridge approach remediation via an improved understanding of this development and root causes of the bump using 3D measurements and advanced 3D dynamic analysis. The meeting is Thursday, April 15th at 11:30 am and will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams. Click <u>HERE</u> to register!

Upcoming Events

- Thursday, April 15th Virtual Branch Meeting: Enhanced Remediation Decision Making via 3D Measurement and Advanced 3D Dynamic Analysis, 11:30 am
- Thursday, April 22nd Virtual Board Meeting, 11:30 am
- Thursday, May 27th ASCE Nashville Branch Golf Scramble and Lunch: Hermitage Golf Club, 11:30 am

New Members & Birthdays



Welcome to these new members:

Rana Ahmed, S.M.ASCE Larry Allen, P.E., M.ASCE Joshua Buford, S.M.ASCE Saly Elsols, S.M.ASCE Kyle Gibs, S.M.ASCE Matthew Nie, S.M.ASCE Jackson Twaddle, S.M.ASCE

Happy birthday to our members!

Douglas Adams, Ph.D., A.M.ASCE Samantha Haley Baker, A.M.ASCE Christopher Aaron Ballou, P.E., M.ASCE Andrew John Barlow, A.M.ASCE Rudraprasad Bhattacharyya, M.ASCE Dennis M Borders, P.E., M.ASCE John Douglas Brew, P.E., M.ASCE Everett H Cowan, P.E., L.S., M.ASCE John Louis Farmer, P.E., M.ASCE Patrick J Flood, P.E., M.ASCE John Richard Fox, P.E., M.ASCE Roger D Freeberg, P.E., M.ASCE James George Golias, II, PE, SIT, M.ASCE Andrew Frank Grosson, P.E., M.ASCE Jonathan Allen Honeycutt, P.E., M.ASCE Christopher Shane Hulsey, P.E., M.ASCE Ethan Kluding, A.M.ASCE Andy Kevin Krantz, P.E., M.ASCE Shihong Lin, Ph.D., A.M.ASCE Jessica Lucyshyn, P.E., M.ASCE Earl Rickey Mayo, P.E., R.L.S., M.ASCE Kevin Scott McAlister, P.E., M.ASCE Robert Guffee Morton, P.E., M.ASCE Drew Wesley Muirhead, P.E., M.ASCE



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Sustaining Members

Become a Sustaining Member for 2021!

We are kicking off the 2021 Sustaining Membership Drive, and we would like to ask for your support of the award-winning ASCE Nashville Branch with a Sustaining Member Corporate Sponsorship. This year we are excited to continue offering two levels of sponsorship. For more information about the two levels and the benefits of Sustaining Membership, or to join or renew your sustaining membership online, click <u>HERE</u>.

If you have any questions about Sustaining Membership, contact Michael Kusch.

Sports



29th Annual Scholarship Fund Golf Scramble

We will be having our 29th annual ASCE Golf Tournament on Thursday, May 27th at the Hermitage Golf Club. Registration will begin and lunch will be served starting at 11:30 AM. The shotgun start will be at 1 PM. To register online, click <u>HERE</u>. There are plenty of opportunities to sign up for a team, individual players, or

be a sponsor. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Gardner.

Educational Outreach

Recent Updates With schools across our region holding mixed levels of in-person and virtual learning for students, there may be opportunities to assist with supplies to meet the needs of students learning from home and/or opportunities for virtual tutoring, support of programs like Lego clubs, etc. We are reaching out to some schools to try and learn more about potential needs. If you are interested in getting engaged in helping support students, please reach out to <u>Justin Corbitt</u> or <u>Janey Camp</u>. Additionally, ACE Mentors Nashville Affiliate recently decided to postpone activities with schools until after the end of the calendar year to allow for time for the students and teachers in consideration of the complexity of learning right now as well as considering the safety of the volunteer mentors and all involved. ACE mentors will be recruiting mentors in the coming months to work with students (potentially virtually) in the spring semester.



Younger Member Group

Southeast Student Conference

During the Southeast Student Conference, the Younger Member Group hosted a virtual panel discussion followed by a trivia event. The topics from the panel varied from the benefits of joining ASCE, to work-life balance, and finding mentors in the workplace. Students joined from the following schools: Vanderbilt University, the University of Tennessee, Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University, Georgia Southern University, and the University of Alabama in Huntsville. Please contact us <u>HERE</u> if you have any questions about the Younger Member Group.



The Younger Member Group is planning some virtual activities, so stay tuned!

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Nashville Branch's 100th Anniversary

Save the Date!

The 100th Anniversary Committee would like to congratulate Melvin Ewing for his win in the Logo Contest. His design inspired the logo that the Nashville Branch will use for publicity and branding for the event. For his contribution, Mr. Ewing wins two tickets to the 100th Anniversary event on Saturday, October 23, 2021, at the Maxwell House Hotel (2025 Rosa L Parks Blvd, Nashville).





We also thank everyone that has agreed to be a sponsor! The sponsorship link is HERE.

We hope everyone will save the date and make plans to join us!

Membership Renewal



We've had another great year for the Nashville Branch of ASCE. We trust that you've been able to participate and take advantage of the many benefits of having a membership. We would like to encourage you to continue your membership with ASCE into 2021. To complete your renewal, please use the link on the ASCE website <u>HERE</u>. As a reminder of the fantastic benefits your membership provides you, please click <u>HERE</u>.

Volunteers for Branch Leadership

Become a Volunteer

There are many opportunities for you to become involved in the Nashville Branch leadership. We always need help in our many committees, from members to chairs. This is a great way to serve your Society at the ground roots level, learn how your Branch is governed, and prepare for an officer's role in the future. We need help with meeting registration, sustaining membership, educational outreach, budget, younger members group, and more. Please speak with the current Committee Chair or a Board member for more information.



Southeast Student Conference



2021 Annual Student Conference

As many of you know, Vanderbilt and Lipscomb Universities cohosted the 2021 ASCE Southeast Student Conference virtually on March 25th - 27th. The Nashville Branch would like to recognize each of the following committee members responsible for planning the ASCE Southeast Student Conference. They worked so hard to plan a complex in-person conference, and then changed it and invented a virtual conference.

- · Chair: Lexi Revis
- Venues and Banquet: Nisha Monteiro
- Website/App: Matt Sato
- Treasurer: Kailey Newcome
- Traffic and Parking: Crystal Cheng
- · Competitions and Judges: Kristi Maisha and Sofia Ramirez Starkey
- Sustainability: Tonio Reid
- Secretary/Registration: Sarah Politiski
- V.P of Fun: Sarah Politski
- Meadya Doski ASCE liaison
- Alex Holzke AISC liaison

Additionally, big thanks to Dr. Lori Troxel, Dr. Todd Lynn, and Prof. Chris Gwaltney for all of their amazing efforts in guiding their students during this unpredictable year. Shoutout to all of the ASCE members that participated in various events to help pull off the event!

Student Chapter Updates

Lipscomb University

Hello from Lipscomb University! March was a busy month for our student chapter. At our chapter meeting on March 10th we heard from Joey Hatch, the former COO of Skanska, about the benefits and opportunities a civil engineering career offers. Our student leadership worked hard preparing for the 2021 Southeastern Conference which we co-hosted with Vanderbilt. They came up with many creative ways to make this



year's virtual experience a memorable one including competition watch parties, Hibachi, and laser tag!



Vanderbilt University

March has been quite the whirlwind for our ASCE Chapter. After what seems like a million meetings, emails, shared documents, and spreadsheets, ASCE Student Conference is finally here! We're very excited for the teams to compete in the live competitions including Cornhole, Can Rodeo (a structures building competition with over 150 cans collected to be donated to a food pantry), a Risk Escape room, and a Transportation Scavenger hunt. We have also found some ways



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to share meals and offer in-person social activities in a socially distant and safe format and look forward to seeing each other in person during Conference!

We're also very excited about the panels the Young Professionals in Transportation and the ASCE Younger Member Group are hosting. Thank you to all the panelists, as well as the many judges who are making this conference possible.

Once Conference is over, we are beginning discussions within our chapter about Diversity and Inclusion, and are working with Vandy's Student Center for Social Justice and Identity to identify areas to improve on and make sure everyone feels welcome, seen, and heard.

Job Postings

Metro Nashville Public Works

Engineer 1 - Transportation Engineer

This position is located in the Engineering division with the Public Works department. The engineer will support the Development Services section in the coordination, review, and approval of small-scale and large,



complex developments with a focus on transportation and mobility. The ability to comprehend Public Works' policies and guidelines, the Department of Planning's development review process, and the Code of the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County is critical. This position requires a sound understanding of complex transportation engineering concepts equally with the expectation to communicate (written and verbal) with internal and external department staff, the engineering community, private citizens, and elected and appointed government officials. This engineer should have a general understanding of all modes of transportation.

Minimum Qualifications

Bachelor's Degree in Engineering from an accredited college or university, Professional Engineering License, and four (4) years of post-degree engineering experience.

OR

Professional Engineering License and four (4) years of engineering experience.

For more information, click <u>HERE</u>.



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