

# ASCE Reading Branch Quarterly Newsletter

Hey !

Check out our Winter 2025 Newsletter below with all sorts of new information and a slew of updates/reminders. As always, please feel free to reach out with any questions, concerns, or ideas that you may have, as we love hearing from our members!

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## President's Message

While this may only be my second quarterly newsletter as President of the ASCE Reading Branch, it feels like forever has passed since this past August when I was sworn in. I credit this quick passing of time to all of the great things happening within our great organization! I'm choosing to use my President's Message for this quarter to reflect on all of the recent, ongoing, and future work of our Branch and the organization at large.

I want to start by looking back to our lunchtime ethics webinar with ASCE's General Council, Tara Hoke. We had ~125 attendees and issued over 90 PDH certificates. Our leadership team in the Branch are working to plan some additional lunchtime webinars for you, our members. More information is listed below in the *Upcoming Events* section of this newsletter.

Just a few short weeks ago, ASCE hosted the annual Eastern MRLC in Memphis, Tennessee. A huge thank you goes out to the ASCE staff in the Member Communities Division, the Leader Training Committee (LTC), the Committee on Younger Members (CYM), the Committee on Student Members (CSM), and the West Tennessee Branch for all of their work making the event a success. In January 2026 we will be heading to Jacksonville, Florida, then maybe, just maybe, we will be staying in PA in 2027. Both myself and Past-President, John Caperilla, were in Memphis for all of the training, networking, and to represent the Reading Branch.

Looking ahead, we are nearing the launch of the 2025 Report Card on Americas Infrastructure. The grades will be released via an hybrid event paired with the Legislative Fly-In. I can't wait to see how the grades compare to the 2021 edition, and I'm excited to tune in to the broadcast!

Additionally, at the end of March, many of the student members from Region 2 will be heading to Penn State University Park for the combined Mid Atlantic East West Student Symposia. I'll be on site to help judge one of the competitions and to support the future generations of our industry.

There is so much more I could share, but I'll leave it here for this quarter's President's Message.

Until the Spring,  
Andrew C. Kline, EIT  
*Reading Branch President*

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## Upcoming Events

### [Diving into the History & Heritage of Civil Engineering](#)

ASCE member Paul Giroux would be leading a lunchtime webinar on some topics of history and heritage filled with his expertise, engaging delivery, and more! Paul's sessions draw a crowd whenever he is at the podium, figuratively and literally, so you won't want to miss this webinar in late March!

## Town Hall with US Rep. Chrissy Houlahan

Rep. Houlahan has been serving in the United States House of Representatives since 2019 and was just re-elected to continue her service. While her district doesn't capture the full area of the Reading Branch, she does represent many of us in Congress. Rep. Houlahan has a background in engineering which makes this webinar a don't-miss event every year!

## The Future of 422 in Berks

The project team working with PennDOT on the proposed improvements to sections of 422 in Berks County. We are still working with the project team to identify a date for this lunchtime webinar, so stay tuned for an announcement soon!

## From the Lehigh Valley Section...

Our parent section has a variety of upcoming events, both technical and social, for you to check out! Learn more about their upcoming events on [their website](#).

Some highlights include:

- *LVEC Engineers' Week Banquet - 2/21*
- *PennDOT District 5-0 Workshop (with ASHE) - 3/18*
- *LVASCE Awards Banquet - 4/16*

## From the Philadelphia Section...

Our neighbor section to the southeast has a variety of upcoming events, both technical and social, for you to check out! Learn more about the upcoming events of the section on [their website](#), and the upcoming events of the section's YMG group on [their website](#).

## From the Central Pennsylvania Section...

Our neighbor section to the west has a variety of upcoming events, both technical and social, for you to check out! Learn more about their upcoming events on [their website](#).

## From ASCE HQ...

ASCE HQ always has a variety of webinars, programs, conferences, and events coming up! Watch your inbox for messages from ASCE's technical institutes, CTA, and other groups.

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## ASCE Society News

### 2025 New Faces of Civil Engineering

Just announced, the 2025 cast of ASCE's New Faces of Civil Engineering represent the future of our industry. There are two groups of New Faces recognized annually, the professional edition and the college edition. Learn more about the 2025 new faces via the following articles:

- [New Faces of Civil Engineering - College](#)
- [New Faces of Civil Engineering - Professional](#)

### Don't Forget About These Member Benefits!



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## Call for Volunteers

We are always looking for new volunteers within the Reading Branch!

Do you have an interest in joining our board to serve as an officer? Do you have ideas for events that you want to help plan? Do you have a passion for developing newsletters and sending email blasts?

If you answered yes, or even stopped to think for any of those question, we need you!

[Email us](#) to express interest and get involved!

## We Want to Hear From You

If you have a topic that you might think would be good for a technical presentation at an upcoming meeting, please reach out to us. We want our events, messaging, and programs to reflect the needs and wants of our members!

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