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EVENT CALENDAR:

March

9 - ASCE Younger Members Happy Hour and Member Survey- Indigo Joe's, Omaha

15 -Environmental Group Meeting - Ashland country Club, Ashland

April

Transportation Group Meeting

ISSUE HIGHTLIGHTS:

Upcoming Continuing Education Seminars

SMPS Regional Conference coming to Omaha

Zone III Younger Member Council Recap - by Pat Hillyer

ASCE Call for Nominations

PRESENTING

March 2007

The Environmental Group Presents:

"Current Environmental Engineering Research at UNL"

Thursday, March 15th

Featuring:

Shannon L. Bartelt-Hunt,

Assistant Professor at University of Nebraska-Lincoln

Shannon Bartelt-Hunt is originally from southeastern lowa and recieved her B.S. in Environmental Engineering from Northwestern University in 1998. She received an M.S. and Ph.D. in Civil Engineering from the Unversity of Virginia in 2000 and 2004, respectively. She joined the faculty in the Civil Engineering Department at UNL in January 2006 after spending 18 months as a postdoctoral researcher in the Department of Civil, Construction, and Environmental Engineering at North Carolina State University. Shannon's research interests are in organic contaminant fate in soil and groundwater systems and in solid waste management. Shannon and her husband, George, who is also an environmental engineer working for HDR, live in Omaha with their 2-year old son, Samuel.

Location: Ashland country Club

16119 Highway 6 - PO Box 157 - Ashland, NE

Times: Social Hour 5:30

Dinner 6:30 Presentation 7:30

Menu: Buffet Meal will be offered \$22

Spouses and guests welcome

Normal meal prices apply; \$10 without a meal. Student meals FREE. RSVP by 12 PM Tuesday, March 13th to Marie 402.493.4800 or vp@neasce.org Subject Line: ASCE RSVP

Deadline for articles to be published in the April newsletter will be April 2nd. Email articles to Aaron Grote at editor@neasce.org

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Zone III Younger Member Council

This year Pat Hillyer, P.E., Nebraska Member Younger Co-Chair. attended the Zone III Younger Member Council in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The Council was from February9tothe11th and consisted of younger member section group reports, ASCE overview and organization, development hours about engineering ethics and communications, leadership breakout sessions, the Younger Member Council Business meeting and networking.

The first day all of the Regions 3, 6 & 7 (formerly Zone III) younger member representatives met and gave group reports. The group reports were helpful to learn what other younger member groups have done that was successful and issues that they are having trouble with. After the group reports, the younger members joined up with the students and other conference attendees to learn about ASCE and any new items. After the presentations there was an icebreaker reception followed by a Lakefront Brewery tour. Both events were very enjoyable and the other younger member representatives were able to put a face to the Nebraska Younger Member representative after the brewery tour.

The second day, the younger members were given speeches

regardingcommunications, setting goals and leadership. The lunch hour was preceded and followed by leadership breakout sessions. The afternoon concluded with the Committee on Younger Members Report and the Younger Member Council Business Meeting. At the business meeting the following was resolved:

·Zone III shall now be known as Regions 3, 6 & 7;

·Austin would be the 2008 location for the Central Region Younger Member Council;

•The Executive Committee should ask the Committee on Student Activities to refine goals to include joint sessions with the Younger Member Council;

·Ratification of the Central Region Constitution and Bylaws.

The evening was another night for networking between the Younger Members and Students.

The Younger Member Council Annual Meeting was a great trip for those new to the ASCE ranks. The Younger Member Council events give plenty of opportunities to learn how to improve the Section's group, network with other younger members and to learn about ASCE.

Nominations Needed

ASCE is seeking nominations for awards honoring distinguished civil engineers. The due date for nominations has been extended to April 1, 2007 for the following awards. You are encouraged to place this award nomination information in your Section/ Branch newsletter and on your Website. This is an opportunity for one of your local members to be nationally recognized.

John I. Parcel-Leif J. Sverdrup Civil Engineering Management Award: Conferred in recognition of effective leadership and management in the civil engineering profession.

Edmund Friedman Professional Recognition Award: Conferred in recognition of attainments in advancing the science and profession of engineering.

Civil Government Award: Conferred in recognition of meritorious service in an elective or appointive position.

Government Civil Engineer of the Year Award:

Conferred in recognition of outstanding performance by a civil engineer in the public sector.

Award nominations may be submitted to the Honors and Awards Department at ASCE Headquarters. Government Civil Engineer of the Year Award nominations may be submitted to akarwoski@asce. org or mailed to Alicia Karwoski, Professional Activities Department, 1801 Alexander Bell Drive, Reston, VA 20191-4400. For questions, contact Alicia Karwoski at (703) 295-6324 or (800) 548-2723 extension 6324. Visit the Honors and Awards portion of our website here and scroll down to "Professional Development, Civic Achievement, Humanitarian Efforts" for further nomination information and forms.

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January Meeting Hosted By The Water Resource Group

Thanks to John Christiansen for hosting the February Meeting. James Duncan gave an excellent presentation on Hurricane Katrina.

The names listed below can be considered official documentation of attendances at the February meeting worth 1 PDH credit.

Aaron McConnell Cracy Jones Tom Sabolerin **Jorge Santos Dave Anderson Don Grafton**

Tim Westert Mike Duncan

Ed Prost Steve Trank

Jim Collin Sam Anderson

Steve Kathol **Dave Hamilth**

Chad Zimmerman Mike Naccarato

Ray Moore Rick Donovan

Al Hanson **Loras Klostermann**

Steven Saer **Chuck Ladd**

Marie Maly

Amelia Toellner

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Brian Havens

Steve Nickel

Wayne Smith

Aaron Buettner Bryan Kumm

Rvan Paradis

Dave Johnson

Francke Walberg

Tom Marnik

Brian Linnan

Heath Cutler

Karen Cunch

Andrew Sorensen

Daren Konda

Richard Short

Tom Strauss



Upcoming Continuing

Education Seminars

In our continuing effort to enhance communications between ASCE's Regions, Sections and Branches and ASCE National, Geographic Services is pleased to provide you with the following list of upcoming Continuing Education seminars in your geographic area.

These in-depth, practice oriented programs are produced by ASCE's Continuing Education Department and may be of interest to many ASCE members in your region. We would greatly appreciate if you would consider posting information on these seminars in your newsletters and on your websites.

Detailed descriptions of the seminars (by title) are available on ASCE's website at www.asce.org/conted/seminars. Lists of CE courses available in other Regions are listed under the "Links" tab on each Region's website at http://www.asce.org/inside/sec_branch.cfm.

Construction Contract Management (Construction) St. Louis, MO March 29-30, 2007

Construction Contract Management (Construction) Denver, CO April 12-13, 2007

Pipe and Pipeline Renewal (Geotechnical) St. Louis, MO May 3-4, 2007

Introduction to Detention Pond Design - Parking Lots and Urban Drainage (Hydro and Hydraulics / Environmental) Kansas City, MO May 31 - June 1, 2007

Pumping Systems Design (Hydro and Hydraulics) Rapid City, SD May 31 - June 1, 2007

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Kelly Jarvis, Continuing Education Registrar at kjarvis@asce.org or me at mcook@asce.org.

SMPS Regional Conference

The Society for Marketing Professional Services Nebraska, Kansas City and St. Louis chapters are hosting the Missouri Valley Regional

Conference at the Omaha Marriott April 26-27.

Educational sessions will cover topics relevant to the marketer or business development professional in the architecture, engineering and construction industries, regardless of level of experience. Speakers include some of the country's foremost experts on marketing plans, marketing to local and federal governments and how to make maximum impact with

presentations.

An early bird discount will be applied if registered by Jan. 31. Multiple registrations from one firm will receive a \$50 discount per registration. For more information or to register, visit www. mvrc2007.com.

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