



Holiday Luncheon & Section Meeting

Thursday, December 15, 2005 (3rd Thursday!)

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| Social Hour: | 11:30 am |
| Lunch: | 12:00 noon |
| Presentation: | 12:20 pm |

(See Page 3 for Holiday Lunch program featuring Bill Artist)

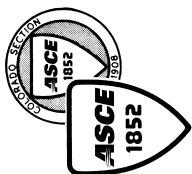
Holiday Inn Denver Downtown
 ✧ 1450 Glenarm Place (Glenarm at 15th) ✧ Denver ✧

\$25.00 per person \$5.00 for students
 (Pay on site - cash or checks payable to *Colorado Section ASCE*)

Make Reservations by Noon Monday, December 12, 2005:

- ☎ Leave a voice reservation on ASCE's answering machine at **303-756-9777** ☎
- ☎ Or send an E-mail message reservation to **colasce@attglobal.net** ☎
- Please **spell your last name** to help us with our reservation list ←

President's Message... Happy Holidays to All!



Happy December everybody! Amidst the many preparations for the Holidays, I invite you to pop by for lunch with us downtown on Thursday, December 15. This is our only lunch meeting of the year, and I hope that many of you working in downtown will find it convenient and enjoyable.

This will be a combined meeting with the Professional Engineers of Colorado (PEC) Denver Metro Chapter. PEC is the Colorado affiliate of the National Society of Professional Engineers. I certainly look forward to meeting many of those members and welcoming them to our lunch.

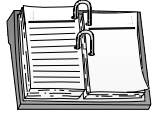
We initially had scheduled Santa Claus to speak to us this year about the impact of the current aviation infrastructure on sleigh logistics. As he was unable to commit, we instead welcome Mr. Bill Artist to lead a discussion on the likely impacts of the recent Referendums C & D on infrastructure in Colorado. Having just returned from the ASCE National Convention, I realize the timeliness of such a discussion. Nationals is really emphasizing the importance of civil engineers being aware of and involved in politics at the local, state and national levels. It is through active participation that we can help our legislators understand and appreciate the importance of infrastructure construction and maintenance, thereby truly serving our fellow citizens.

Finally, I want to offer my hearty congratulations to our recent past president, Roxann Hayes. She is the recipient of the 2005 Edmund Friedman Young Engineer Award for Professional Achievement.



Christoph Goss

News & Notes...



Vail to Host 1st North American Landslide Conference in June 2007...

The First North American Landslide Conference will be held in Vail, Colorado, Sunday through Friday, June 3-8, 2007. Principal professional society cosponsors are the Geo-Institute of ASCE, the Association of Engineering Geologists, the American Rock Mechanics Association and the Canadian Geotechnical Society.

Paper topics will relate to the conference theme of "Landslides and Society: Integrated Science, Engineering, Management and Mitigation." The conference is designed to provide a stimulating forum for engineers, geoscientists, planners, economists and other decision makers concerned with landslide hazards and their impacts on North American society.

Information on the conference can be obtained from the conference website found at:
<http://www.mines.edu/academic/geology/landslidevail2007/>

Abstracts with a 500-word limit may now be submitted electronically to this website by the deadline of February 15, 2006. An individual may be a primary author and presenter for only ONE volunteered paper but may coauthor any number of abstracts or papers.

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Let ASCE's *Career Connections* enhance your employment and business potential and get you on the most rewarding career path possible. Visit it at www.asce.org/careers and take advantage of ASCE's link to the civil engineering world. Whether you're breaking into the job market, making a career transition or seeking new hires, visit ASCE's *Career Connections* and start using the many tools it offers:

- **Post a Resume** quickly and easily to market yourself to potential employers;
- **Post a Position** to gain exposure to job seekers;
- Search a **Job Bank's** job categories, locations and salaries and apply online;
- Examine ASCE's **Salary Survey** information;
- If you'd like, **Hire a Coach** to give you expert advice, guidance and support to market yourself for success;
- Use **Notify Me** to receive email notification of new jobs that match your criteria.

Visit this web site to check out this benefit of your ASCE membership. You've just paid them, so get the most for your 2006 dues!



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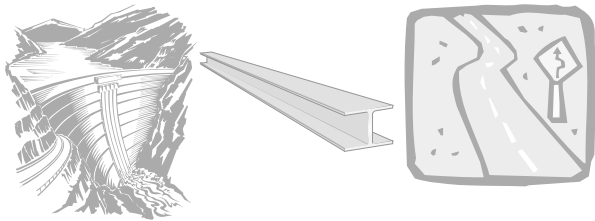
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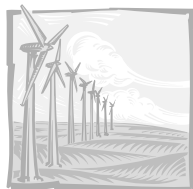


Joint Holiday Luncheon Presentation for all Groups

Referendum C & D Impacts on Infrastructure

Bill Artist, lobbyist for ACEC (American Council of Engineering Companies) of Colorado, will present information and then lead a dialogue on the effects of Referendums C & D. The presentation will include a brief overview on the meaning of and the impact of the votes on Referendums C & D, an overview of the upcoming Congressional session, a candid review of the politics of the upcoming year and subsequent elections, and a question and answer session. Bill's goal is to get a good dialogue going on these subjects.

Bill Artist is president of Artist and Associates, an independent lobbying firm, and has represented ACEC for almost 19 years. Other clients include the Denver Broncos, Colorado Rockies, pharmaceutical manufacturers, Cingular wireless, the Colorado Restaurant Association, the Hotel & Lodging Association, and the Colorado Housing and Finance Authority.



Note: Members of the Professional Engineers of Colorado (PEC) Denver Metro Chapter will be joining the Colorado Section ASCE at this Holiday luncheon meeting. PEC is the Colorado affiliate of the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE).

Does ASCE have your correct contact info in its database?

Make updates at www.asce.org/myprofile or by calling 800-548-ASCE (2723). Colorado Section ASCE uses this ASCE database information to deliver your hard copy or email newsletters.

Season's Greetings &
Best Wishes for the
New Year!

Upcoming 2006 Section Meetings

Thursday, January 19, 2006
Thursday, February 16, 2006
Thursday, March 16, 2006
Thursday, April 13, 2006
(April is Annual Student Awards Night)
Thursday, May 18, 2006

11th Annual Short Course on Finite Elements In Geotechnical Engineering

Colorado School of Mines
Golden, CO
March 27-29, 2006

Based on a recent edition of the successful textbook co-authored by the instructor (*Programming the finite element method* by I. M. Smith and D.V. Griffiths, 4th ed., Wiley, 2004), this three-day course combines lectures with supervised desk-top computing sessions in which participants will learn to run a powerful suite of finite element programs relating to practical geotechnical engineering. The course should remove some of the mystique of "black-box" geotechnical software by giving participants an insight into the workings of the finite element method and the basic architecture of the programs. Classical geotechnical applications will be covered (e.g., settlements, seepage, consolidation and slope stability). Participants will receive a copy of the course textbook and all source code which consists of over 50 programs covering a wide range of engineering analysis applications. Attendees are encouraged to bring their own lap-top computers so that the programs can be installed during the course.

Course and registration information are at http://www.mines.edu/Outreach/Cont_Ed/fege.htm or contact Melody Francisco at the Office of Special Programs and Continuing Education (Tel: 303-273-3321, Fax: 303-273-3314, Email: mfrancis@mines.edu). For questions relating to course content or materials contact the course instructor Vaughan Griffiths (Tel: 303-273-3669, Email: d.v.griffiths@mines.edu).

ASCE Seminars In Colorado

ASCE will hold four seminars in Colorado now thru February. For details contact Continuing Education Registrar Kelly Jarvis at kjarvis@asce.org or visit www.asce.org/conted/seminars. The seminars are:

Thursday & Friday, Jan. 19-20, 2006
Probabilistic Methods
(Structural)
Colorado Springs, CO

Thursday & Friday, Jan. 26-27, 2006
Advanced Detention Routing: Improving the Operation
& Effectiveness of Detention Facilities
(Hydraulics and Water Resources)
Colorado Springs, CO

Thursday & Friday, Feb. 2-3, 2006
Strategic Planning, Valuation & Ownership Transitions
for Engineering Firms
(Management)
Breckenridge, CO

and
Construction Contract Management
(Construction/Development)
Colorado Springs, CO

Younger Member Group

Plan on coming to the 2006 Kick-off Party Thursday, January 26. All civil engineers 35 and younger, or those who are close, are invited to the party. The location is yet to be determined, so please check the YMG web site for updated information. Learn more about upcoming activities and how you can become involved with the group. Currently, we tutor high school students with the Math Enrichment Program, provide supportive services for homeless and at risk youth through Urban Peak and the Denver Rescue Mission. We plan professional activities including tours of job sites and intriguing places around town (e.g., Cheyenne Mountain, Chatfield Dam).

If you're interested in any of the activities or want to learn more about the Colorado Younger Member Group, come to one of our happy hours on the second Thursday of each month or join us at our January Kick-off party. Please visit our web site at:

www.ASCEcoloradoYMG.org

and click on the "Newsletter" tab for more information on upcoming events!



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