



## Section/Technical Groups Dinner Meeting

Thursday, October 16, 2008

**Social Hour:** 5:45 pm  
**Dinner:** 6:30 pm  
**Announcements:** 7:15 pm  
**Joint Technical Group Meeting:** 7:30 pm

(Chips Barry, Denver Water Board General Manager, See Page 3 for program description)

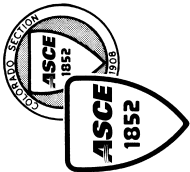
**Crowne Plaza Denver**  
**1450 Glenarm Place (Glenarm at 15<sup>th</sup>) – Denver**

\$ 30 per person      \$ 5 for students  
 (Pay on site - cash or checks payable to *Colorado Section ASCE*)

**Make Reservations by Noon Monday, October 13, 2008**

Leave a voice reservation on ASCE's answering machine at **303-756-9777**  
 Or send an E-mail message reservation to [coloradoasce@gwestoffice.net](mailto:coloradoasce@gwestoffice.net)  
 Please **spell your last name** to help us in making our advance reservation list.

### President's Message... Major Efforts for 2008-09



As the new Colorado Section ASCE President I want to thank Matt McDole and all of the officers and committee chairs who served so well during the last year. Special thanks to Past Presidents Edward Stafford, Christoph Goss and John Gormley who patiently mentored me and who continue to serve the Section.

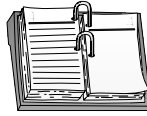
The Section's Annual Planning Meeting was held in August to map out the plans for the 2008-09 year. 25 people participated. Major efforts over the next year include: (1) Rebuilding Together Metro Denver will again be a major activity. Thanks to Gary Brierley and Laura Torrisi for their continued leadership on Rebuilding Together!; (2) Rick Fell will be completing the Liquid Assets statewide coordination effort; (3) The update of the 2003 Colorado Infrastructure Report card to 2008 will be completed; (4) Vaughan Griffiths will prepare updated section governance documents to conform to national guidelines for a Section vote; (5) Dick Wiltshire will be leading the Centennial Celebration including planning for a special dinner meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2009 (mark your calendars); and (6) Brian Bern will be leading local efforts associated with the Central Region Leadership Conference in January.

Your officers are looking for volunteers for many functions. These include K-12 outreach leader, Legislative and Government Affairs co-chair, website master, life member champion, mentoring co-chair, and Colorado Bridge Building Competition liaison. We are asking for your help in forwarding these important efforts.

During my term as President my major goals will be increased participation in Section affairs, the closer alignment and affiliation of the Section Technical Groups with the Institutes of ASCE, and the inclusion of questions of sustainability into our engineering efforts. I look forward to working with you toward another successful year for the Colorado Section ASCE.



**Jeff May**



## News & Notes...

### Younger Member Newsletter Fall 08 Edition Available Online...

The ASCE Committee on Younger Members has announced that the Fall 08 edition of the Younger Member Newsletter can be accessed online via the link [http://www.asce.org/inside/files/pdf/YMssue\\_64%20Fall08.pdf](http://www.asce.org/inside/files/pdf/YMssue_64%20Fall08.pdf)

### Colorado Infrastructure Report Card Update Due Soon...

19 Colorado Section ASCE members have been hard at work preparing a 2008 update to the Section's 2003 Colorado Infrastructure Report Card. The 80 page document makes major changes in the environmental cleanup section and includes a major strengthening of the overall recommendations. It also includes an entirely new education section. Unfortunately, it appears that there is a downward trend in the grades. Look for the announcement of its public release which should be coming very soon.

### Section's January 2009 Centennial Celebration Approaches...

January's monthly meeting is being advanced to Thursday, January 8, 2009, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, to provide members with a special event at a special location so they can join with their colleagues as the Colorado Section ASCE celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The celebration is being timed to coincide with the Central Region Leadership Conference being held in Denver at that time for Regions 3, 6 & 7.

### Save January's 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, the 8<sup>th</sup>, for the Section's Special Centennial Celebration Dinner Meeting...

We just want to repeat the advanced January meeting date so you'll be sure to save it and be able to join in on the Section's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration!

### 2008-2009 Section Officers...

See the adjacent column showing the Colorado Section ASCE's Leadership Roster for a complete listing of officers and other key positions as the Section starts its new administrative year.



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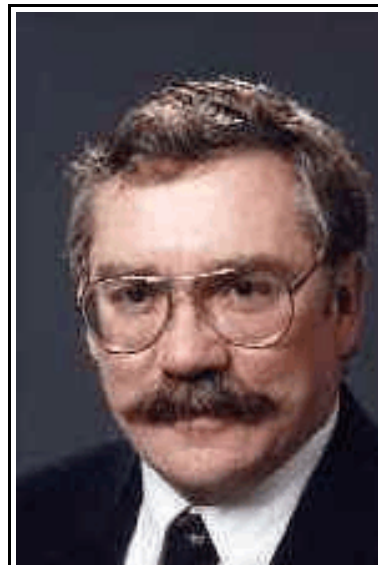
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**Hamlet J. "Chips" Barry, III  
General Manager, Denver Water Department**

**Joint Technical Group Meeting Featured Speaker  
October 2008 Dinner Meeting**



**Chips Barry**

The Colorado Section ASCE is proud to present Hamlet J. "Chips" Barry, III, General Manager for the Denver Water Department, as its guest speaker at October's joint dinner and technical group meeting. Chips Barry has been involved in natural resources and water issues since 1969 as either a practicing attorney or as a state or city official. Prior to becoming Manager of the Denver Water Department he was in Governor Romer's cabinet as Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Natural Resources. He began his tenure as Manager of the Denver Water Department in January 1991.

A Denver native, Barry attended the Denver Public Schools and graduated from George Washington High School in 1962. He graduated cum laude from Yale College in 1966 and obtained a law degree from Columbia University Law School in 1969. After law school he was, in succession, a Vista volunteer in rural Alaska, a law clerk to Judge Robert McWilliams on the 10<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver and a legal services lawyer in Micronesia. He returned to Colorado from the Marshall Islands in 1975, resuming a career in western water and natural resources matters.

A humorous anecdote recounts that Hamlet "Chips" Barry, III's ancestors came to the Denver Area in 1886. His great-grandfather, later a Colorado Supreme Court Justice, was one of the first persons in Colorado to fill a wetland for subdivision development (an EPA permit was not needed in those days). The future Justice then sued the Denver Water Company to get water service to the area. That former wetland is now known as the Montclair neighborhood of East Denver. Barry is too cheap to move his domicile away from the ancestral lands in Montclair!

Barry has been involved in community and public activities since his return to the Denver area in 1975. He has been a grader for the Colorado Bar examination and a member of the Board of Governors for the Colorado Bar Association. He presently serves on the Colorado River Advisory Committee and was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Colorado Chapter of the Nature Conservancy. He was recipient of the 1993 Thorne Ecological Institute Award for Environment Achievement.

Chips Barry enjoys tennis, squash, skiing and golf. He is a collector of old Saabs, foreign paper money and books about Micronesia and Alaska. He is married to the former Gail Nelson, a landscape architect in Denver. He has two sons, Pennan, age 31, a Medical Epidemiologist at San Francisco Department of Public Health, and Duncan, age 25, a Lecturer at University of Maryland's A. James Clark School of Engineering.

The Colorado Section ASCE has requested that Chips touch on a few items of interest including the following:

- What currently are the highest priorities at Denver Water? Goals and drivers?
- How much growth is foreseen for the Denver water system?
- How will Denver Water's plans be integrated with those of smaller communities in the area?
- What is the current situation with Denver Water's exercising of agricultural water rights?
- What are Denver Water's objectives for the recent advertising?
- Does Denver Water see benefits from the "Liquid Assets" documentary?