A Message from the President

Ted Smithwick, PE, M.ASCE, ASCE AZ

Please register for our Fall Conference! This event is a great way to learn, network with clients and teaming partners, and reconnect with friends and colleagues.

American Society of Civil Engineers

I joined ASCE in 2004 while a student at the University of Arizona. I feel fortunate to have met so many great people through this organization that has given me leadership opportunities, and helped me create my network of professional contacts. Below are my thoughts on the various benefits ASCE offers:

1. **Networking.** As I mentioned, whether attending the annual conference in September, a monthly luncheon or happy hour, ASCE offers venues to meet others and develop long-lasting personal and professional connections.

2. **PDHs.** ASCE offers up to 10 free PDHs annually via one-hour on-demand webinars. As Professional Engineers in Arizona, we’re less concerned, but if you ever move to Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, etc… this benefit could help you.

3. **Discounts.** By being a member, you can save $25 on the Fall Conference registration, $60 on Minimum Design...
Loads for Buildings, $5 on monthly luncheons... and many more!

How ever you use ASCE, thank you for being a member! I hope you had a great summer; thank you for reading.

Upcoming President’s Messages

- September 2019 – Thank you
- October 2019 – Breanna Connolly Takes Over the President’s Message

For more information visit the Calendar.

Join Us for the 2019 ASCE/ASHE State Conference

Keynote Speaker:

- This year’s Keynote Speaker is Kristina Swallow, ASCE Past President, Director of Nevada’s Department of Transportation. She will be presenting the topic “Leading Others in Uncertain Times.”

Sponsorship:

- Become a Sponsor

Registration:

- Register Here

Program:

- View the Draft Program Here

Accommodations:

- Courtyard Phoenix Airport, located at 2621 South 47th Street, Phoenix, AZ 85034, (480) 966-4300, to host the AFCE-ASHE Conference Room Block
- For 9/12/19
- $125 for standard room
- Shuttle to conference available by request
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MAKING THE GRADE

SAVE THE DATE
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13

DESERT WILLOW CONFERENCE CENTER
4340 E COTTON CENTER BLVD
PHOENIX, AZ 85040

more details to come

REGISTRATION
CLICK TO REGISTER 7:00am

CONFERENCE 7:30am — 4:30pm

RECEPTION 4:30pm — 6:30pm

Please submit abstracts for presentations to Andrew Chill
andrew.chill@mbakerintl.com by June 7, 2019

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ASCE Arizona Section 2020 Election Results

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Southern Arizona Branch News and Updates
Chelsi Remme, PE, Vice President, Southern Arizona Branch

August and September
Community Service

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The Southern Arizona Branch will be participating in the Youth on Their Own sock drive during the August and September luncheons. Please bring a new pair of socks to donate to Youth on Their Own, which will be given to students during SOCK-tober.

If you would like to donate but cannot make the meeting, please contact Deirdre Brosnihan.

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Kaibab Trail Suspension Bridge - Hike
Karl Rockwell, PE, Treasurer, Arizona Section

I was successful getting two back country permits for six people each to hike and camp in the Grand Canyon from Dec 4 to 6th and Dec 4 to 9th, 2019. Gant and I are the leaders on each hike, so there are 10 spots available to ASCE members who have paid their 2020 ASCE membership dues before the hike. Here are the itineraries:

Hike 1 – Gant Yasanayake – Leader yugantha@gmail.com

- Wed. Dec 4 Hike Bright Angel trail to Bright Angel Campground – Camp 9.5 Mi. Downhill
- Thur. Dec 5 Hike to Indian Gardens – Camp 4.7 Mi. Uphill
- Fri. Dec 6 Hike to South Rim on Bright Angel trail 4.7 Mi. Uphill

Hike 2 – Karl Rockwell – Leader krockwell@rockwellcivil.com

- Wed. Dec 4 Hike Bright Angel trail to Bright Angel Campground – Camp 9.5 Mi. Downhill
- Thur. Dec 5 Camp at Bright Angel Campground
- Fri. Dec 6 Hike North Kaibab Trail to Cottonwood Campground – Camp 7.2 Mi. Uphill
- Sat. Dec 7 Hike back to Bright Angel Campground – Camp 7.2 Mi. Downhill
- Sun Dec 8 Hike to Indian Gardens – Camp 4.7 Mi. Uphill
- Mon Dec 9 Hike to South Rim on Bright Angel trail 4.7 Mi. Uphill

Please contact us by e-mail if you are interested in the hike. The following links are very informative about hiking and camping in the Grand Canyon.
Northern Arizona Branch Golf Tournament

Northern AZ Branch ASCE Golf Tournament

Time to start thinking GOLF! The Northern Arizona Branch ASCE golf tournament in support of the NAU ASCE Chapter will be held at the Flagstaff Ranch Golf Club on September 30th, 2019.

Reserve a spot on your calendar now and look forward to another exciting round of golf in the beautiful pines of Flagstaff!

Sponsorship Opportunities are available!

Register to Play Online. Click Here!

Sign Up for Sponsorships Online. Click Here!

Questions? Contact Kayla Fleishman @ 702.401.0205
Phoenix Branch YMF News
Steven Raisor, President, Phoenix Branch YMF

**Summer Slip and Slide**

Since we live in a desert, we’re offering you an easy way to cool off! Come out and get wild with the YMF crew!

**When:** Vote on dates/times here: [https://doodle.com/poll/92xzwxfp4wckp86d](https://doodle.com/poll/92xzwxfp4wckp86d)

Proposed dates: Friday, August 23rd or Saturday, August 24th

**Where:** Meet at Arcadia Park
3402 N 56th St
Phoenix, AZ 85018

**Cost:** Free!

**Benefit:** Free tans, beer and wedgies!

Please RSVP with the doodle poll link [https://doodle.com/poll/92xzwxfp4wckp86d](https://doodle.com/poll/92xzwxfp4wckp86d)

If you have any questions contact Ryan Brown: 602-329-8123 | Ryan.Brown@burgessniple.com

**Fall 2019 YMF PE Review Course - Registration Open**

For anyone planning to take the PE Exam in Fall 2019, registration for the YMF PE Review Course is now open! The course includes in person classes for all items covered in the morning session of the PE Exam. Several of the classes also include handout material for the afternoon in depth portions of the PE exam. A full schedule of the course as well as registration information can be found [here](https://www.ymf.org). Online registration can be found [here](https://www.ymf.org). Please contact Andrew Moreno (amoreno@aztec.us) for any questions!

**ASCE Phx YMF General Meeting - August 27, 2019**

YMF would like to invite all members to our August 2019 general meeting where we will be hosting a presentation from Nicolai Oliden on employee benefits such as health insurance and retirement plans. This will be a great presentation for any younger professionals who are just now dealing with selecting benefits options at their first jobs, or who are comparing different career opportunities with different benefits options.

Nicolai Oliden is a Roadway Project Engineer and Office Manager at Ethos Engineering. He served as a PBYMF Officer for 5 years including his time as President in 2017. As office manager for the past 3 years, Nicolai oversees evaluating, selecting, and implementing various employee benefits such as insurance plans, 401(k) plans, and more. He gets oddly excited about a relatively boring subject and loves explaining these benefits to others.

In addition to his work at Ethos, Nicolai started his own company, EngineeringYOU, in 2016. He is passionate about time management, personal finance, and leadership and wants to help every young professional design their own plan to intentionally live out their best life. He is also a Financial Coach who has led almost 400 people through Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University and coached people to pay off over $1mil in debt.
When: Tuesday August 27, 2019
Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Where: Half Moon Sports Grill
2121 E Highland Ave
Phoenix, Arizona 85016

2019 Annual Cornhole Tournament

Player and sponsorship registration for the 2019 YMF Cornhole Tournament is now open! This annual tournament helps fund YMF’s upcoming year of monthly meetings, technical tours, community and educational outreach events and much more! Details for playing, sponsoring and donating this year can be found here. Online registration can be found here.

The tournament may not be until October but planning for the event is starting now. If you’ve ever wanted to get involved in all the behind the scenes work that goes into this annual event, or want to help out again, contact Andrew Moreno (amoreno@aztec.us) at 602-659-9309.

Past Events - Feed My Starving Children
On Thursday, July 25, 2019, YMF members volunteered at Feed My Starving Children to pack food for children in need. YMF attendees engaged in some friendly competition to pack the most boxes during the packing session. Over 30 boxes were packed by YMF members to send to the Philippines. Thank you to all those who attended.